



NORTH RYDE GOLF CLUB

Golf Membership, Social Membership, Corporate Events, Functions

Local Rules

The following Local Rules currently apply at North Ryde Golf Club.

To be read in conjunction with the Rules of Golf, [Model Local Rules](#) and any temporary local rules on the notice board next to the 1st tee.

1. **Out of Bounds:** Out of bounds are defined by:
 - a) the areas beyond the Club's boundary fences;
 - b) the Clubhouse walls and verandahs;
 - c) the pathway behind the 1st tee;
 - d) the edge around the pathway near the 18th green, as defined by a white line;
 - e) the areas beyond the white posts with black tops near the 12th green, 13th tee area and the 13th fairway.
2. **Trees and shrubs:** If a tree or shrub that is staked or protected by a guard, interferes with the player's stance or the area of intended swing, relief must be taken under [Model Rule E-10](#). The ball MUST be lifted without penalty and dropped in accordance with [Rule 14.3](#).
3. **Ground under repair:** (a) Areas marked by white stakes or white lines; (b) All gardens indicated by the presence of a white disc; (c) In the [General Area](#), clearly defined wheel ruts made by a mower, tractor, golf cart or other motorised vehicle; (d) In the General Area any area that is clearly bird damaged, [Model Rule F -10](#).
4. **Dropping zones:** Dropping zones on the course are defined by a yellow stake that is marked "Drop Zone Stake". Relief may be taken under [Model Rule E-1.1](#). When taking relief from the condition (usually ground under repair, but may also be casual water or practice nets) the ball may be dropped within one club-length of the Drop Zone Stake, no nearer the hole.
5. **Sprinkler heads:** All fixed sprinkler heads are immovable obstructions. [Model Local Rule F5 Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green](#) is in effect and provides that:

Relief from interference by an [immovable obstruction](#) may be taken under Rule 16.1.

In addition, if a ball lies in the [General Area](#) and an immovable obstruction on or within two club-lengths of the [putting green](#) and within two club-lengths of the ball intervenes on the [line of Play](#) between the ball and the hole, the player may take relief as follows:

The ball must be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay that (a) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids intervention and (c) is not in a [penalty area](#) or on a putting green.

Exception: A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if interference by anything other than the immovable obstruction makes the stroke clearly impracticable.



7. **Integral Objects:** The retaining wall located just inside the boundary fence on the 8th Tee is an [Integral object](#), from which free relief is not allowed.
6. **Obstructions:** Screens, signs, stakes (unless indicating Out of Bounds), hoops and other obstructions that can be moved without unreasonable effort, without unduly delaying play and without causing damage, are [Movable Obstructions](#) and relief may be obtained under [Rule 15.2a](#), i.e. the obstruction may be removed and should be replaced.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULES

Match Play – Loss of Hole; Stroke Play – Two (2) Strokes

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Distance measurements: All distances displayed on the course are to the centre of the green.

Risk Warning: Golf is a recreational activity which involves a risk of serious personal injury from being: (a) struck by a golf ball; (b) struck by a golf cart or other vehicle; (c) struck by debris from a mower; (d) slipping or falling on the golf course; (e) being struck by lightning.

Responsibility for your own safety: The Club will endeavour to notify golfers when it becomes aware of the possibility of lightning or other extreme weather conditions, but it is the player's responsibility to ensure their own safety on the golf course.