

RANCHO MURIETA COUNTRY CLUB LOCAL RULES (UPDATED 2/5/2019)

2019 USGA Rules of Golf shall govern all play with the following local rules:

OUT OF BOUNDS- Defined by white stakes or boundary fence posts and stakes. Balls on or crossing public roads are out of bounds. Curbs to the right and behind the green of #18 North are out of bounds. Curb line to the right of #14 North green is out of bounds. Curb line on the left of #3 North cart path is out of bounds.

FRENCH DRAINS- Whether stones are exposed or not and drain interferes with ball, stance, or swing, please play as "ground under repair." Relief without penalty within one club length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of complete relief.

FLOWER BEDS – The flower beds found behind #2 North green, left of #4 North green, behind #10 North green, and right of #9 South Green – take free relief by dropping ball within one club length of your nearest point of complete relief, no nearer the hole.

PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES: If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a **penalty area** and it lies on or touches such a tree or such a tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f.

If the ball lies in a penalty area, and interference to the player's stance or area of intended swing exists from such a tree, the player must take relief either with penalty under Rule 17.1e or with free relief under Rule 17.12(2) Model Local Rule E-10.

Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green: Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1. The player has these extra options to take relief when such immovable obstruction is **close to the putting green on the line of play**. Model Local Rule F-5

Ball in General Area: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is on the line of play within two club-lengths of the putting green and is within two club-lengths of the player's ball.

POWER LINES and POLES: If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hit a power line or power pole during the play of Holes #1 and #3 North, the stroke does not count. The player must play a ball without penalty from where the previous stroke was made (see Rule 14.6 for what to do). Model Local Rule E-11

ROCK AREA TO THE RIGHT OF #4 SOUTH, RIGHT OF #10 NORTH GREEN: Play as an extension of cart path finding nearest point of complete relief, that is no nearer the hole within one club length of the reference point

ROCK, CONCRETE, AND METAL DRAINS- are immovable obstructions if not marked as Penalty Areas.

AERATION HOLES- If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole. Model rule E-4

(a) In the General Area: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole the player may take relief again under this Local Rule.

(b) Ball on Putting Green: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.

But interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the players stance or, on the putting green, on the player's line of play.