

OAKSEY PARK GOLF CLUB – LOCAL RULES

1. Out of Bounds (Rule 18)

Out of Bounds is defined by:

- a) The line between the course-side points at ground level of any hedge, ditch or fence forming the boundary of the course.
- b) The line between the course-side points at ground level of any the white boundary posts or lines
- c) Clubhouse Paved Areas, Car Parks or Practice Putting Green.

Note: White Stakes with Black Tops only INDICATE the presence of a Course Boundary, they DO NOT define it. These “Black Top” stakes are **moveable** obstructions, plain white stakes are **Immovable** obstructions

2. Abnormal Course Conditions (including Immovable Obstructions) (Rule 16)

(i) Ground Under Repair

- a) Areas marked with GUR signs or encircled by white lines are deemed Ground Under Repair.
- b) Deep vehicle/tractor marks (not including light indentations made by normal Greenkeepers machinery).
- c) Cracks in the ground caused by shrinkage.
- d) The mounds of spoil on holes 7 and 16
- e) Areas surrounded by Greenkeepers Netting

(ii) Movable obstructions

- a) 100 yards distance markers (white posts with red tops)
- b) Red Penalty Area stakes

(iii) Immovable obstructions

- a) All artificially surfaced pathways on the course
- b) All course furniture, gate posts, line of play posts, flag poles and telegraph poles.
- c) Greenkeeping machinery
- d) Pump houses, water tanks and fixed sprinkler heads.

(iv) Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green.

In addition to the types of interference described in Rule 16.1a, when a ball lies in the General Area, interference also exists if an Immovable Obstruction is on the player's line of play, is within two club-lengths of the Putting Green and is within two club-lengths of the ball. Relief may be taken under Rule 16.1b

(Exception - There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.)

(v) No Play Zones

- a) Staked trees - If interfere exists with the lie of the ball, the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player **must** take relief under rule 16.1f.

3. Penalty Areas (Rule 17)

Penalty Areas are indicated by red stakes and defined by respective lines when present.

If no line is present, the edge of a Penalty Area is defined by its natural boundaries (that is, where the ground slopes down to form the depression), or a clear change in vegetation.

Any body of water on the course, including any lake, pond, stream, river or ditch (even if not containing water) that does not have stakes is treated as a Red Penalty Area

Where sleepers or stone walls exist, they are inside the penalty area and are Immovable Obstructions

4. Clubhouse flagpole or Overhead Wires

If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hits the Clubhouse flagpole or flag, power lines or supporting structure during the play of any hole, the player **MUST** replay the stroke with the original ball, or another ball from the spot where the last stroke was made.

If the player replays the stroke, but does so from the wrong place, they get the general penalty under Rule 14.7

If the player does not replay the stroke, they get the general penalty and the stroke counts, but the player has not played from the wrong place.

Additional Temporary Local Rules

PREFERRED LIES (MLR-E3)

When a player's ball touches part of the general area cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief **ONCE** by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from this relief area.

- **Reference Point:** Spot of the original ball.
- **Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point:** 6 inches from the reference point, **but** with these limits:
- **Limits on Location of Relief Area:**
 - Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and
 - Must be in the general area.

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under **Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e**.

Additional Temporary Local Rule for SOCIAL GOLF ONLY (Not for Handicap Score)

ACCUMULATION OF LEAVES

During the play of holes 5 & 14, any ground with a large temporary accumulation of leaves in the general area is treated as ground under repair from which free relief is allowed if the player's ball is not found.

If a player's ball is not found, estimate the likely position, and drop another ball without penalty.