

Latourette Golf Club

Rules of Play

Play USGA Rules except where modified by the Club's Local Rules

Local Rules

Hole #4... The left side will not be played as a penalty area even if stakes are present

Hole #7 ... the creek on the left side some 30 yards short of the green is a penalty area

Hole #9 ... the wooded area to the right is marked as a penalty area. This will extend to behind the green.

Hole # 12 ... the water is a Penalty Area – any ball that goes into the water may be dropped in front of the most forward tee (this drop area may not be marked).

Hole # 13 ... since there are now two distinct greens that can be used for play on this hole, a ball coming to rest on the wrong green (the one not being used during that round of play) must be removed from the wrong green and taken to the nearest relief no closer the hole. In the event a shot is played from the wrong green, the penalty is 2 shots and/or loss of hole in match play.

Note – the Rules of Golf (25-3) address situations where a ball comes to rest on the wrong green on other parts of the course. Thus, a local rule is not required to address those situations.

Hole #15 ... the creek crossing in front of the tee as well as the pond to the right are penalty areas. You must be virtually certain that your ball entered the area.

Hole #17... The pond is a penalty area. If teeing off over the water, a ball lost in penalty area must be hit from the tee. If playing the “whites”, the player must know exactly where the ball entered or the shot must be played from tee as a lost ball

Cart Paths ... Only macadam or concrete paths- including bike paths, - free drop - nearest relief - 1 clublength

OB...Out of bounds is defined by paved city streets. On 10 OB is the range. Ignore all lines and markers.

French Drains ... No relief unless marked with white paint

Staked Trees ... If stance or lie is impeded by the stake or wire, free drop - nearest relief - 1 clublength

Fallen Trees/Branches ... Downed trees in wooded areas are not marked for removal. There is no relief for these unless the committee announces that a tree in play has recently fallen.

Large Embedded Rocks ... There are a few instances where there are large embedded rocks (the size is that of a football) in the fairway or more usually in the rough (5^h and 8th holes are known to have them). A player is entitled to nearest relief if the plays swing is in danger of hitting the rock - the group is to make the decision if relief is permitted. Exception - rocks bordering a hazard are not included.

OB ... Paved City roads mark out of bounds.

Tire Tracks/Vandalism – There are times when the course has been damaged by vandalism or deep car/cart tracks – it is up to the group to determine if one is entitled to nearest relief.

Water Pipe/Irrigation Lines ... A player is allowed nearest relief if a ball is lying on such a line – the player does not get the relief if his stance is affected.