

Jacksonville Area Summer Team

LOCAL RULES

(Adopted April 28, 2023 at the Annual Meeting of Captains/Co Captains)

PROVISIONAL BALL FOR BALL IN A PENALTY AREA (Model Local Rule B-3)

If a player does not know whether his or her ball is in a penalty area, the player may play a provisional ball under Rule 18.3, which is modified in this way:

In playing the provisional ball, the player may use the stroke-and-distance relief option (see Rule 17.1d(1), the back-on-the-line relief option (see Rule 17.1d(2)) or, if it is a red penalty area, the lateral relief option (see Rule 17.1d(3)). If a dropping zone is available for this penalty area, the player may also use that relief option. Once the player has played a provisional ball under this Rule, he or she may not use any further options under Rule 17.1 in relation to the original ball. In deciding when that provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play or if it must or may be abandoned, Rule 18.3c(2) and 18.3c(3) apply except that:

1. When Original Ball Is Found in Penalty Area Within Three-Minute Search Time . The player may choose either to:
 1. Continue to play the original ball as it lies in the penalty area, in which case the provisional ball must not be played. All strokes with that provisional ball before it was abandoned (including strokes made and any penalty strokes solely from playing that ball) do not count, or
 2. Continue to play the provisional ball in which case the original ball must not be played.
2. When Original Ball Is Not Found Within Three-Minute Search Time or Is Known or Virtually Certain to Be in Penalty Area . The provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS CLOSE TO PUTTING GREEN (Model Local Rule F-5.1)

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1. The player also has the extra option to take relief when such immovable obstructions are close to the putting green and on the line of play.

Relief May Be Taken Only if the Ball and the Obstruction are in part of the general area cut to fairway height or less. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is:

1. On the line of play, and is
2. Within two club-lengths of the putting green, and is
3. Within two club-lengths of the ball.

Exception – No Relief if Line of Play Clearly Unreasonable. There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a. (loss of hole in Match Play for the player committing the infraction)

HANDICAPS FOR CREATING TEAMS AND USE IN COMPETITION: Unless otherwise specified, the handicaps used to form teams and to play matches shall be based on the Wednesday indexes PRIOR to a Tuesday match. Example: A Match Played on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 shall use the handicap indexes in effect Wednesday, June 7, 2023. Any Tues. matched rescheduled to Thurs. will use this same index. For other situations please contact JaxSummer Team@comcast.net