

SPGA Par Tee Golf Series 2024
Laguna National Golf Resort Club, Masters Course
29 – 30 April 2024

Local Rules

In addition to the Terms of Competition, the following Local Rules apply to the tournament mentioned herein, and will supersede those printed on the back of scorecards.

For the full text of any Local Rule referenced below, please refer to the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf effective January 2023.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

1. Penalty Area (Rule 17)

- a. Where a penalty area is adjoining a bunker or waste area, the edge of the penalty area is defined by the water-side edge of the concrete piling / retaining wall. Such piling / retaining wall are **Integral Objects**.
- b. Dropping Zones for Penalty Area (Holes 8, 12 and 17)
If a ball is in the yellow penalty areas on Holes 8, 12 or 17, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found came to rest in the penalty area, the player may proceed under Rule 17, or, as an additional option, drop a ball for **ONE penalty stroke** in the dropping zone provided. Dropping zones are located on the forward tee areas.

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

- a. Ground Under Repair
 - i. Any area bounded by a white line, including spectators crossing points where marked.
 - ii. Any area of damaged ground (e.g. caused by crowd or vehicle movement) that is considered by a referee to be abnormal.
 - iii. Seams of cut turf; Model Local Rule F-7 is in effect.
- b. Immovable Obstructions
 - i. White lined areas and immovable obstruction they tie into are treated as a single abnormal course condition.
 - ii. Concrete sleepers situation immediately next to a cart path are part of the cart path.
 - iii. All advertising boards and/or yardage boards.
 - iv. Landscape garden areas and everything growing in them that are surrounded by an Immovable Obstruction are treated as a single Immovable Obstruction.

3. Waste Areas

- a. Unprepared areas of sand indicated by orange stakes are waste areas, which are part of the general area.

4. Practice Area - Abnormal Course Condition (Rule 16)

- a. The area surrounding the practice green (wrong green) defined by the outside edge of the cart path kerb (indicated by white dots) is an abnormal course condition which free relief is available under Rule 16.1.

5. Teeing Area / Tee Markers

- a. Where different coloured Tee Markers are placed adjacent to one another, the forward-most set of tee markers define the front edge of the Teeing Area.

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