

SECTION A: CONDITIONS OF THE COMPETITION

- GOLF BALLS:** The ball the player plays must be named on the current list of Conforming Golf Balls recognized by the RCGA. Penalty: Disqualification. Note to Rule 5-1 is in effect.
- TIME OF STARTING:** Note to Rule 6-3 is in effect. If the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes after his starting time, in the absence of circumstances that warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes. Penalty for lateness beyond five minutes is disqualification.
- SLOW PLAY:** A player shall be subject to penalty if he unduly delays play. The Local Rule for Pace of Play is in effect and posted. Note 2 to Rule 6-7 is in effect.
- PRACTICE:** Note 2 to Rule 7-2 is in effect. In stroke play competition, practice is prohibited on or near the putting green of the hole last played.
- TRANSPORTATION:** Players must walk at all times during a stipulated round. The Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect, Page 135. This Condition does not apply to Seniors and Super Seniors.
- CLOSE OF COMPETITION:** The competition is deemed to have closed when the trophy has been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when the Committee has approved all scores.
- SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR A DANGEROUS SITUATION:** When play is suspended for a dangerous situation, players in the process of playing a hole or between the play of two holes shall discontinue play immediately and shall not resume play until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play.

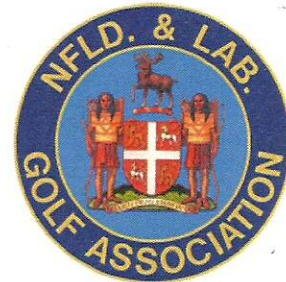
NOTE: The signal for suspension of a dangerous situation is one prolonged siren or horn blast. Three consecutive blasts of the siren or horn signal all other types of suspension. The note to rule 6-8 is in effect.

- IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS CLOSE TO PUTTING GREEN:** Line of Play relief is available from intervention by immovable obstructions on or within two club-lengths of the putting green when the ball lies within two club-lengths of the obstruction. The nearest point of relief is determined as per Appendix I, pages 124. Relief is not available if the ball is in a hazard.
- STONES IN BUNKERS:** interfering with a player's "area of intended swing" may be removed, by hands only, without penalty. The player must announce his intention to a fellow-competitor prior to the removal of the stone and give the fellow-competitor an opportunity to observe the removal. If a player fails to announce his intention in advance, he incurs a two-stroke penalty. If the ball moves as a result of removing a stone in such procedure, the ball shall be replaced without penalty. Interference does not occur from the fact that a stone interferes with a player's stance.
- EXPOSED ROCKS:** Relief is provided from exposed rocks which are embedded in closely mown areas of the course and which interfere with the player's stance or area of intended swing. The ball may be lifted, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole, without penalty.
- DISTANCE-MEASURING DEVICES:** In this competition, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. gradient, wind speed, temperature etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.

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SECTION B: LOCAL RULES

- EMBEDDED BALL THROUGH THE GREEN:** Through the green a ball that is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground may be lifted, without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the hole. The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the course through the green. Players must note the following
EXCEPTIONS:
 - A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if the ball is embedded in sand in an area that is not closely mown.
 - A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if it is clearly unreasonable for him to make a stroke because of interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule.
- OUT OF BOUNDS:** Defined by inside points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts. Rule 27-1
- WATER HAZARDS AND LATERAL WATER HAZARDS:** Water hazards are defined by yellow lines/stakes. Lateral water hazards are defined by red lines/stakes. When water hazards or lateral water hazards are defined only on one side, the hazard margin is deemed to extend to infinity. In situations where there are both stakes and lines, the stakes identify the hazard, and the lines define the margins of the hazard.
- GROUND UNDER REPAIR SHALL INCLUDE:**
 - Areas defined by white lines
 - French drains, which are exposed trenches filled with rocks or stone.
- ROADS AND PATHS – WHITE LINES:** White lined areas tying into roads or paths have the same status as the roads and paths, and thus are obstructions (Rule 24) and not ground under repair. The line itself is part of the obstruction.
- TEMPORARY IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS:** Relief is available as per Appendix I, Pages 125 – 127.



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STANDARD LOCAL RULES AND CONDITIONS OF THE COMPETITION

The 2008 Rules of Golf of the RCGA govern play in our tournaments. Where applicable, the following local rules and conditions of the competition, subject to changes, additions, or deletions for particular championships by the Rules of Golf Committee of the NLGA, also apply. Appendix I refers to Appendix I of the 2008 Rules of Golf of the RCGA.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule or Condition is two strokes.