

## CJGA LOCAL RULES AND TERMS OF COMPETITION

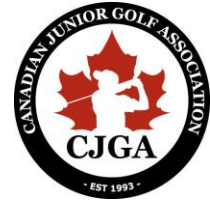
The Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA, the R&A and Golf Canada govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at all CJGA Championships and competitions. See the applicable championships or competition Notice to Players and Entry Form for modifications or additions to these Local Rules and Terms of Competition. Complete text of the Rules and Local Rules may be found in the Golf Canada Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, effective January 1, 2019.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the General Penalty:  
**(Match play - Loss of hole; Stroke play – Two strokes)**

1. **Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2)** - Defined by course-side points at ground level of white stakes and fence posts. Where stone walls define Out of Bounds the wall is an Integral Object. A ball is considered Out of Bounds when it comes to rest outside the wall. A ball coming to rest on or beyond a road defined as Out of Bounds is Out of Bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the Course that is in bounds for other holes. Gates in boundary fences are Integral Objects.
2. **Penalty Areas (Rule 17)** - When a red penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a red penalty area is connected to the out of bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

**Dropping Zones for Penalty Areas** – Where a dropping zone is marked for a penalty area, it is an additional option for relief under penalty of one stroke. The dropping zone is a relief area. A ball must be dropped in and come to rest in the relief area.

3. **Abnormal Course Conditions, Including Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16)** -
  - a. Ground under Repair - Rule 16.1 includes:
    - i. Areas defined by white lines;
    - ii. French drains filled with stones;
    - iii. Relief from Seams of Cut Turf – If a player’s ball lies in or touches a seam of cut turf or a seam interferes with the player’s area of intended swing:
      - (a) Ball in the General Area: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.
      - (b) Ball on Putting Green: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.**But** interference does not exist if the seam only interferes with the player’s stance. All seams within the area of cut turf are treated as the same seam in taking relief. That means that if a player has interference from any seam after dropping the ball, the player must proceed as required under Rule 14.3c(2) even when the ball is still within one club-length of the reference point.
  - iv. No Play Zones – Areas that are ornamental garden beds, turf nurseries or decorative flowerbeds are No Play Zones that are to be treated as Ground Under Repair. Player must proceed under Rule 16.1f.
  - v. Aeration Holes – If a player’s ball lies in or touches an aeration hole:
    - (a) Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole, the player may take relief again under this rule.
    - (b) Ball on Putting Green. The player may take relief under 16.1d.



**But** interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or line of play.

- b. **Immovable Obstructions** - White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced road or path or other identified obstructions they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

4. **Wood Chips and Mulch (Rule 15.1)** - Wood chips and mulch are loose impediments.

5. **Integral Objects** – The following are integral objects from which free relief is not allowed:

- a. Wrappings, wires, cables and other similar objects when closely attached to trees;
- b. Artificial walls and/or pilings which are adjacent to the edge of bunkers.
- c. Bunker liners in their intended position. Interference by a liner with a player's stance is deemed not to be, of itself, interference under this Rule.

6. **Permanent Elevated Power Lines or Cables** - If a ball strikes a permanent elevated power line or cable, the stroke does not count. The player must play a ball without penalty from where the previous stroke was made in accordance with Rule 14.6.

7. **Temporary Immovable Obstructions** – Model Local Rule F-23 is in effect. Temporary Immovable Obstructions include, but are not limited to, starting tents, scoring tents and pace of play stations.

8. **Clubs and Balls (Rules 4.1a & 4.2a)**

- a. List of Conforming Driver Heads: Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of the Local Rule: **Disqualification**.
- b. List of Conforming Golf Balls: Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect. Penalty for breach of the Local Rule: **Disqualification**.

**Note:** An updated List of Conforming Clubs and Balls is available via [www.golfcanada.ca/rules](http://www.golfcanada.ca/rules) .

9. **Pace of Play (Rule 5.6)** - The player **must** play without delay in accordance with the current CJGA Pace of Play guidelines in effect and posted at all tournaments.

**Note 1:** Different Pace of Play guidelines are in effect for different forms of competition. The player is responsible for knowing the Pace of Play guidelines and penalties specific to the event.

**Note 2:** Rule 5.6a (Unreasonable Delay) is still applicable.

10. **Practice (Rules 5.2 and 5.5) in Stroke Play:**

**Rule 5.2b** is modified in this way: A player must not practise on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for first breach: **General Penalty** (applied to the player's first hole). Penalty for second breach: **Disqualification**.

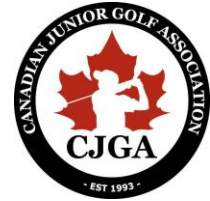
**Rule 5.5b** is modified in this way: Between the play of two holes, a player must not:

- Make any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the hole just completed, or
- Test the surface of that putting green by rubbing the putting green or rolling a ball.

11. **Stopping and Resuming Play (Rule 5.7)** – The course and all practice areas are closed when play is suspended for a dangerous situation until the Tournament Committee has declared them open. A player practicing in these areas when closed will be subject to penalties under the Code of Conduct.

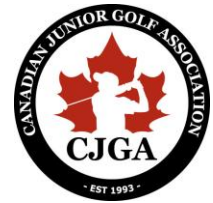
**Note:** A suspension for a dangerous situation will be signaled by one prolonged air horn note.

All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive air horn notes.



Resumption of play will be signaled by two short air horn notes.

12. **Caddies (Rule 10.3)** Rule 10.3a is modified in this way: A player must not have a caddie during a round.
13. **Transportation** – Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a round unless authorized or later approved by the Tournament Rules Committee. A player who will play, or has played, under penalty of stroke and distance is always authorized to ride on motorized transportation for that purpose.  
The player gets the **General Penalty** for each hole during which there is a breach of this Local Rule. If the breach occurs between the play of two holes, it applies to the next hole.
14. **Returning Score Card** – The scoring area may include but is not limited to tents or rooms. A player has officially returned his or her score card when it has been returned to the defined official scoring area and the player has exited the area with both feet, unless the player verbally informs the scoring official that he or she needs to leave the scoring area and will immediately return. When a tent is used for scoring, the official scoring area is defined by the outermost limits of the scoring tent posts or when the tent is roped off, the scoring area is defined by the outermost limits of the roped off area.
15. **Code of Conduct (Rule 1.2b)** - Any player who breaches the Code of Conduct as established by the CJGA is subject to any or all the following:
  - **First Breach - Warning**
  - **Second Breach - One-stroke penalty**
  - **Third Breach - General penalty**
  - **Fourth Breach – Disqualification**
16. **Ties** - In a stroke play competition, ties for first place will be decided by a hole-by-hole playoff. In the event a playoff cannot be conducted; the tie will be decided by matching cards based on the best score for the last nine holes. If the tying players have the same score for the last nine, then the last six holes, last three holes and finally the 18th hole will be used to determine the winner. If the players are still tied, the same process will be used for the front nine.  
In match play, in the event of a tied match, (a) the winner is decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off and (b) the round is deemed to extend to as many holes as are required for a match to be won.
17. **When Competition is Final** –
  - a. **Stroke Play Championships:** The competition is deemed to be closed when the trophy has been presented to the winner, or in the absence of prize ceremonies, when all scores have been approved by the Tournament Committee.
  - b. **Match Play Championships:** The result of a match is considered to have been "officially announced" when CJGA tournament staff have posted the results on the CJGA website.
18. **Meaning of Round** - Unless otherwise posted in the Notice to Players a tournament round for a division will consist of two consecutive 9-hole rounds when all play in a division starts on the same hole. If every player in a division is unable to complete 18 holes but has completed 9 holes and the event is subsequently cancelled, the 9-hole score will count. Every player in that division must complete nine holes for the event to count.



**19. Parents and/or Spectators:** A player may be subject to penalty if he/she or any member of his/her party is in violation of the CJGA Spectator Policy, which is in effect and posted.