



*"The aim of Sandyhills Golf Club is to provide our members and guests with a quality golfing experience within a friendly and welcoming atmosphere"*

## Local Rules

1. A MATCH LOSING MORE THAN ONE HOLE ON THE GAME IN FRONT MUST ALLOW THE FOLLOWING MATCH TO PLAY THROUGH.
2. **RELIEF FOR EMBEDDED BALL.**  
RULE 25-2 PROVIDES RELIEF, WITHOUT PENALTY, FOR A BALL EMBEDDED IN ITS OWN PITCHMARK IN ANY CLOSELY MOWN AREA THROUGH THE GREEN
3. **DITCHES.**  
A BALL LANDING IN A WATER HAZARD (DEFINED BY YELLOW POSTS) IS DEALT WITH UNDER RULE 26-1 AND A BALL LANDING IN LATERAL WATER HAZARD (DEFINED BY RED POSTS) IS DEALT WITH UNDER RULE 26-1.C.
4. A BALL COMING TO REST ON A DISTANCE MARKER, SPRINKLER INSPECTION COVER, OR (TRACTOR TRACK ON CLOSELY MOWN AREAS) MAY BE LIFTED AND DROPPED WITHIN ONE CLUB-LENGTH OF THE NEAREST POINT OF RELIEF NOT NEARER THE HOLE WITHOUT PENALTY.
5. **OUT OF BOUNDS.**
  - A) THE BOUNDARIES OF THE COURSE ARE DEFINED BY FENCING OR WHITE POSTS OR WHITE LINES.
  - B) BEYOND THE LINE OF WHITE POSTS TO THE LEFT OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> FAIRWAY IN THE VICINITY OF THE GREEN KEEPERS SHED.
  - C) BEYOND THE LINE OF WHITE POSTS TO THE LEFT OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> FAIRWAY.
  - D) BEYOND THE FAR SIDE KERBSTONE BEHIND AND TO THE RIGHT OF THE 7<sup>TH</sup> GREEN.
  - E) BEYOND THE LINE OF WHITE POSTS TO THE LEFT OF THE 12<sup>TH</sup> FAIRWAY.
  - F) AT THE 18<sup>TH</sup> WHEN
    - 1) BEYOND THE ENTRANCE ROAD OR BEYOND THE WHITE LINE ON THE ROAD. (THE ROAD IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE COURSE).
    - 2) BEYOND THE FAR SIDE KERBSTONE OR WITHIN THE HEDGE BEHIND THE 18<sup>TH</sup> GREEN AND THE CLUBHOUSE.  
(THE PRACTICE PUTTING GREEN SHOULD BE TREATED AS GROUND UNDER REPAIR, PLAY PROHIBITED).
6. **BRIDGES AND PATHS**  
A BALL LYING ON A BRIDGE, MAN MADE PATH, AGAINST THE MAN MADE EDGING OF A PATH OR STEPS, MAY BE LIFTED AND DROPPED WITHIN ONE CLUB-LENGTH OF THE NEAREST POINT OF RELIEF NOT NEARER THE HOLE WITHOUT PENALTY. NB (STEPS IN THE BATTLE BURN ARE PART OF THE HAZARD).
7. **STONES IN BUNKERS.**  
STONES MAY BE REMOVED FROM BUNKERS WITH NO PENALTY UNDER RULE 24-1 (MOVEABLE OBSTRUCTIONS).
8. **GROUND UNDER REPAIR**  
AREAS MARKED WITH WHITE LINES ARE GROUND UNDER REPAIR AND RELIEF MAY BE TAKEN UNDER RULE 25-1b.
9. NO PRACTICE PUTTING OR CHIPPING IS ALLOWED ON OR AROUND THE GREENS IN STROKE PLAY COMPETITION.
10. **FALLEN TREES AND STACKING FOR REMOVAL BY GREEN KEEPER.**  
DUE TO THE NUMBER OF FALLEN TREES ON THE COURSE AND THE TIME IT WILL TAKE TO CLEAR THE DEBRIS, THE COMMITTEE HAS DECIDED TO TREAT FALLEN TREES, THE AREA COVERED BY FALLEN TREES AND THE STACKING FOR REMOVAL, AS ABNORMAL GROUND CONDITIONS (GUR). RULE (25-1b) TO BE APPLIED.
11. **FIXED SPRINKLER HEADS.**  
ALL FIXED SPRINKLER HEADS ARE IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS AND RELIEF FROM INTERFERENCE BY THEM MAY BE OBTAINED UNDER RULE 24-2, IN ADDITION IF SUCH AN OBSTRUCTION ON OR WITHIN TWO CLUB-LENGTHS OF THE PUTTING GREEN OF THE HOLE BEING PLAYED INTERVENES ON THE LINE OF PLAY BETWEEN THE BALL AND THE HOLE, THE PLAYER MAY OBTAIN RELIEF, WITHOUT PENALTY AS FOLLOWS. IF THE BALL LIES OFF THE PUTTING GREEN BUT NOT IN A HAZARD AND IS WITHIN TWO CLUB-LENGTHS OF THE INTERVENING OBSTRUCTION, IT MAY BE LIFTED, CLEANED AND DROPPED AT THE NEAREST POINT TO WHERE THE BALL LAY WHICH (A) IS NOT NEARER THE HOLE, (B) AND AVOIDS SUCH INTERVENTION AND (C) IS NOT IN A HAZARD OR ON A PUTTING GREEN.
12. **TRAFFIC ON THE GOLF COURSE.**  
WHEN PLAYING THE 7<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup> OR 18<sup>TH</sup> HOLES, SHOULD A BALL COME TO REST IN THE AREA TO THE BACK OF THE 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 15<sup>TH</sup> GREENS AMONGST PARKED CARS THAT ARE ON THE GOLF COURSE, THE PLAYER SHALL LIFT THE BALL AND DROP IN THE DESIGNATED DROPPING ZONE. THE BALL MAY BE CLEANED.
13. **DISTANCE-MEASURING DEVICES**  
FOR ALL PLAY AT THIS COURSE A PLAYER MAY OBTAIN DISTANCE INFORMATION BY USING A DEVICE THAT MEASURES DISTANCE ONLY.
14. ALL ROPES STAKES CHAIN LINK AND MARKER POSTS SHOULD BE TREATED AS MOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS. UNDER RULE 24-1.
15. **DRESS CODE.**  
MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO DRESS ACCORDING TO THE PLAYING DRESS CODE OF THE GOLF COURSE. ANY PLAYER FAILING TO ADHERE TO THE DRESS CODE SHALL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE COURSE.