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BUNGAY AND WAVENEY VALLEY GOLF CLUB

LOCAL RULES 2019 ONWARDS

1. OUT OF BOUNDS (Rule 18.2)

- a) Beyond the white posts bordering the Practice Ground.
- b) Within fences and hedges surrounding the Pump House, Playground, Clubhouse and Car Park.
- c) Beyond the white posts on the right of the 8th hole.
- d) Beyond the fence on the left of the 16th & 17th holes.
- e) Beyond the white posts on the left of the 18th hole.

2. PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES

- a) Protection of young trees identified by guards or stakes. If such a tree interferes with a player's stance or area of swing, the ball must be lifted, without penalty, and dropped in accordance with the procedure prescribed in **Rule 16.1** – (Immovable Obstruction).

3. GROUND UNDER REPAIR/ ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS (16.1)

- a) At the player's option, damage caused by tractors and cattle transporters may be treated as ground under repair, from which relief is allowed under **Rule 16.1**.
- b) If a ball lies in or touches animal dung, or animal dung interferes with a player's stance or the area of intended swing, at the player's option, the dung may be treated either as ground under repair (**Rule 16.1**) or loose impediment (**Rule 15.1**). Animal dung does not include rabbit droppings which are to be treated as loose impediments. (**Rule 15.1**)

4. TRACKS AND PATHS

- a) All vehicle tracks with artificial surfaces are immovable Obstructions (**Rule 16.1**)
- b) All paths with artificial surfaces are immovable Obstructions (**Rule 16.1**)

5. YELLOW STAKES & YELLOW PAINTED CONCRETE PADS BURIED IN THE GROUND TO DEFINE BOUNDRIES.

- a) These are immovable obstructions (**Rule 16.1**)

6. AERATION HOLES

- a) On the Putting Green, a ball that comes to rest in or on an aeration hole may be placed at the nearest spot not nearer the hole that avoids the situation



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON APPLICABLE RULES

RULE 18

When Ball is Out of Bounds. Your ball at rest is out of bounds only when all of it is outside the boundary edge of the course.

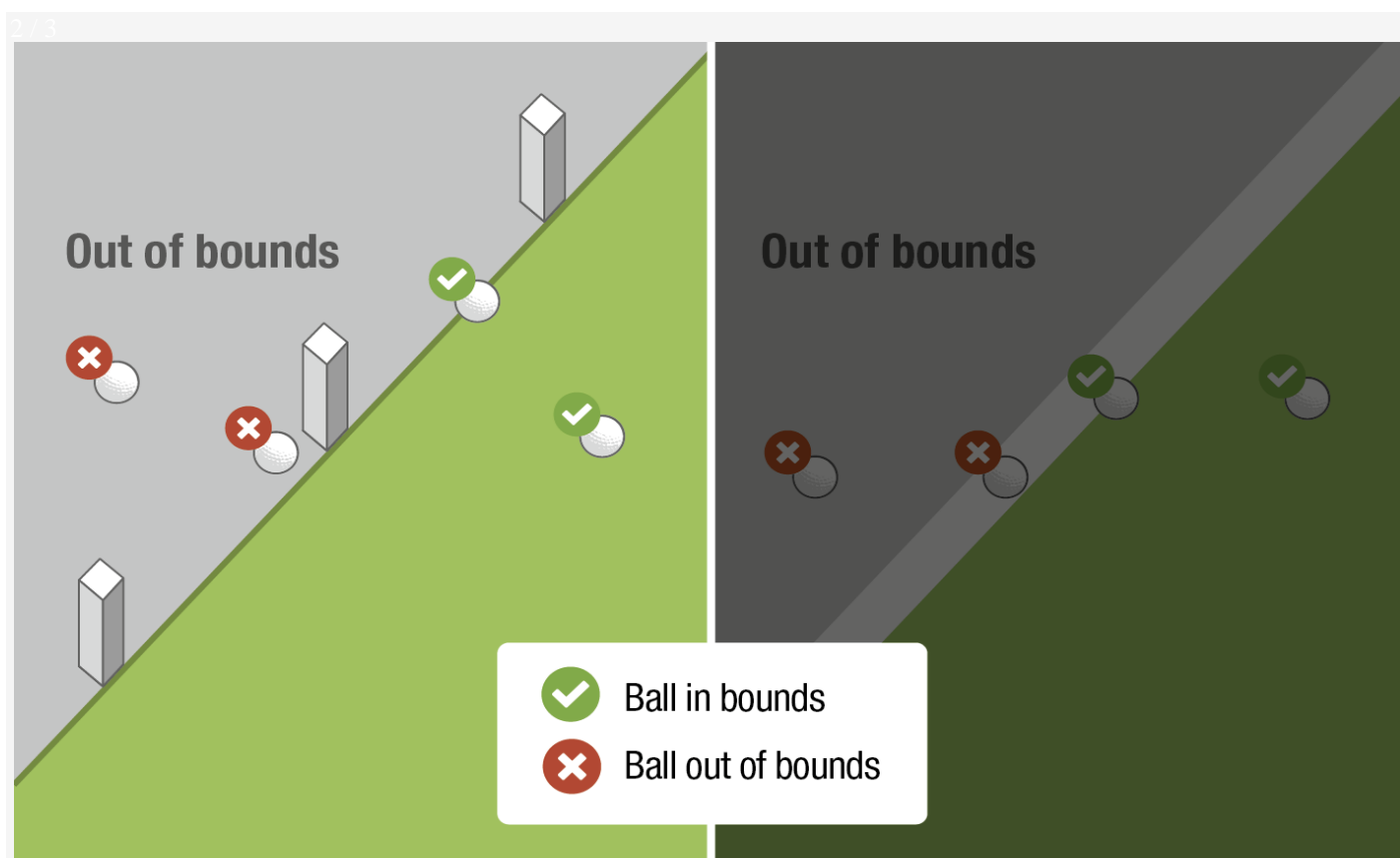


DIAGRAM 18.2a: WHEN BALL IS OUT OF BOUNDS

The boundary edge is defined by the line between the course-side points of the stakes at ground level, and the stakes are out of bounds.



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RULE 16

16.1 - Abnormal Course Conditions (Including Ground under repair & Immovable Obstructions)

This Rule covers free relief that is allowed from interference by animal holes, ground under repair, immovable obstructions or temporary water:

- These are collectively called abnormal course conditions, but each has a separate Definition.
- This Rule does not give relief from movable obstructions (a different type of free relief is allowed under [Rule 15.2a](#)) or boundary objects or integral objects (no free relief is allowed).

When Relief Is Allowed

(1) Meaning of Interference by Abnormal Course Condition. Interference exists when any one of these is true:

- The player's ball touches or is in or on an abnormal course condition,
- An abnormal course condition physically interferes with the player's area of intended stance or area of intended swing, or
- Only when the ball is on the putting green, an abnormal course condition on or off the putting green intervenes on the line of play.

If the abnormal course condition is close enough to distract the player but does not meet any of these requirements, there is no interference under this Rule.

Relief for Ball in General Area

If a player's ball is in the general area and there is interference by an abnormal course condition on the course, the player may take free relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this relief area (see [Rule 14.3](#)):

- Reference Point: The nearest point of complete relief in the general area.
- Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: One club-length, **but** with these limits:
- Limits on Location of Relief Area:
 - Must be in the general area,
 - Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and
 - There must be complete relief from all interference by the abnormal course condition.



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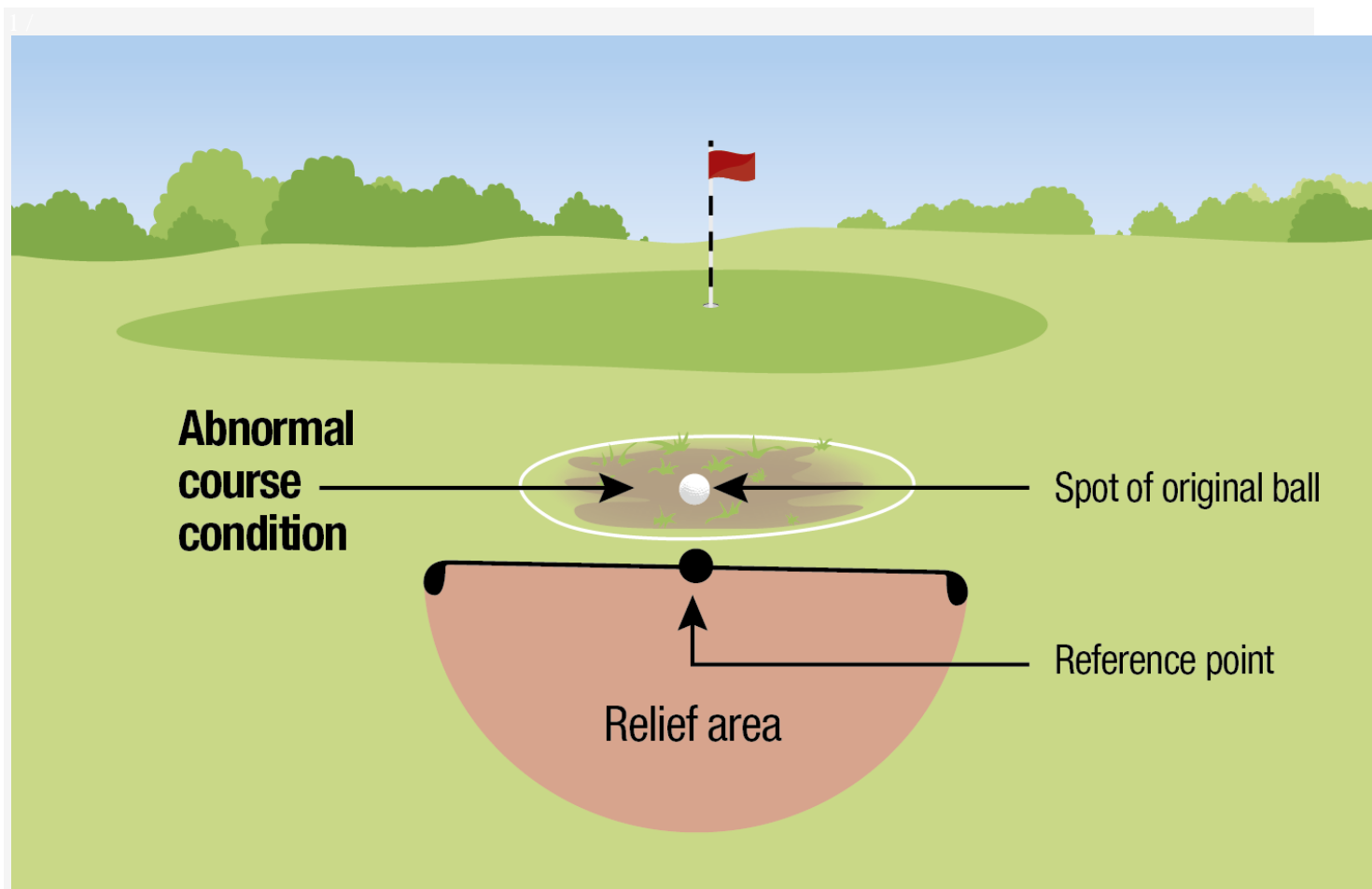


DIAGRAM 16.1b: FREE RELIEF FROM ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITION IN GENERAL AREA

Free relief is allowed when the ball is in the general area and there is interference by an abnormal course condition. The nearest point of complete relief should be identified and a ball must be dropped in and come to rest in the relief area. The relief area is one club-length from the reference point, is not nearer to the hole than the reference point and must be in the general area. When taking relief, the player must take complete relief from all interference by the abnormal course condition.



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RULE 15.1 (Loose Impediments)

Removal of Loose Impediment

Without penalty, a player may remove a loose impediment anywhere on or off the course, and may do so in any way (such as by using a hand or foot or a club or other equipment).

But there are two exceptions:

Exception 1 – Removing Loose Impediment Where Ball Must Be Replaced: Before replacing a ball that was lifted or moved from anywhere except the putting green:

- A player must not deliberately remove a loose impediment that, if moved when the ball was at rest, would have been likely to have caused the ball to move.
- If the player does so, he or she gets **one penalty stroke**, **but** the removed loose impediment does not need to be replaced.

This exception applies both during a round and while play is stopped under [Rule 5.7a](#). It does not apply to a loose impediment that is removed as a result of marking the spot of a ball, lifting or replacing a ball or causing a ball to move.

Exception 2 – Restrictions on Deliberately Removing Loose Impediments to Affect Ball in Motion (see [Rule 11.3](#)).

Ball Moved When Removing Loose Impediment

If a player's removal of a loose impediment causes his or her ball to move:

- The ball must be replaced on its original spot (which if not known must be estimated)
- If the moved ball had been at rest anywhere except on the putting green or in the teeing area, the player gets **one penalty stroke**. - **except** there is no penalty for a ball moved accidentally during search or when another exception applies.