

Perranporth Golf Club - Local Rules Additional to Card

1. G.U.R. areas are marked in blue. Relief may be taken – Rule 16.1b
2. 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, windspeed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 4.3a(1), for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.
3. Embedded Ball – in the general area, a ball which is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground, other than sand, 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 in the general area. Exceptions: (i) 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, and (ii) a player may not obtain relief under this Local Rule if interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule makes the stroke clearly impractical.
4. Footpath Markers - the white posts between the 8th tee and 18th green are footpath markers and should be treated as immovable obstructions, relief may be taken under Rule 16.1a.
5. Sprinkler Heads – relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be obtained under Rule 16.1a. In addition, if a ball lies off the putting green but not in a hazard and an immovable obstruction on or within two club-lengths of the putting green and within two club-lengths of the ball intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole, the player may take relief as follows:
The ball must be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay that (a) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids intervention and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be cleaned when lifted. Relief under this Local Rule is also available if the ball lies on the putting green and an immovable obstruction within two club lengths of the putting green intervenes on his line of putt.
6. Winter Rules/Preferred Lies (WHEN IN OPERATION)– When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from this relief area.
 - Reference Point: Spot of the original ball.
 - Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: 6 inches from the reference point, but with these limits:
 - Limits on Location of Relief Area:
 - Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point and
 - Must be in the general areaIn proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e.
7. Ball or Ball Marker on putting green moved accidentally – Rule 13.1d if its moved accidentally there is no penalty. Note: if it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green is moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies in its new location. A ball marker moved in such circumstances is replaced. Exception – if an already marked and replaced ball that has been replaced under Rule 13.1(d) is then moved by natural causes it must be replaced on the original spot – Rule 14.2.
8. During any programme of restoration paint is not always used to mark GUR as this may cause further damage to the turf. Any area of the course that has protective netting coverage, metal grids, hoops or obvious greenstaff turf repair work, should be considered Ground Under Repair with PLAY PROHIBITED. Players MUST take relief at the nearest point.
9. During Coronavirus Conditions (WHEN IN OPERATION) - Bunkers – in the absence of bunker rakes players should use preferred lies in bunkers. The distance for preferred lies in the bunker is limited to 6 inches and the area cannot be smoothed before placing.

Flagstick - Players may centre the flagstick in a safe manner which does not involve using the hand, even when wearing a glove or using a towel (for example, by using a club). The centering of the flagstick is allowed while another player putts (this may be desirable in windy conditions when the flagstick is required to be left in the hole and is leaning towards the player making the stroke).