

Out of Season Playing Guidance from Sunday 1 November 2020 – Friday 19 March 2021.

This guidance applies to all golf at Pannal GC, including matchplay, friendly non competition, and competition play, inclusive of the dates above. The Guidance is in addition to the Preferred Lies and Winter Rules.

1) Lifting, cleaning and placing.

A ball lying anywhere in the *General Area* may be lifted without penalty and cleaned. **Before lifting the ball, the player must mark its position.** Having lifted the ball, they must place it on a spot within **six inches** of and not nearer the *hole* than where it originally lay, that is not in a *penalty area* or on a *putting green*.

A player may place their ball only once, and it is in play when it has been placed (Rule 14.1). If the ball fails to come to rest on the spot on which it was placed, Rule 14.2e applies. If the ball when placed comes to rest on the spot on which it is placed and it subsequently *moves*, there is no penalty and the ball must be played as it lies, unless the provisions of any other *Rule* apply.

If the player fails to mark the position of the ball before lifting it, moves the ball-marker prior to putting the ball back into play or moves the ball in any other manner, such as rolling it with a club, they incur a penalty of one stroke.

Note: “*The General Area*” is the whole area of the course except

- a. The teeing ground and putting green of the hole being played
- b. All *penalty areas* on the course
- c. All bunkers

2) A ball lying in a **bunker** may be may be lifted without penalty and cleaned. Before lifting the ball, the player must mark its position. Having lifted the ball, they must place it on a spot within **six inches** of and not nearer the *hole* than where it originally lay. The area on which the ball is placed may be **raked** (with foot or club).

3) On the **putting green the flag must be left in the hole**. Please do not stand too close to the hole when removing balls from the hole.

4) **Temporary greens** that are established but NOT in play, these temporary greens are to be treated as “Wrong Greens” and relief **MUST** be taken in accordance with Rule 13.1f : If a player’s ball comes to rest on a Wrong Green, they **MUST NOT** play the ball as it lies and **MUST** take

relief as follows. The player **MUST** lift the ball and drop it without penalty within one club-length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief. The nearest point of relief must not be in a *penalty area* or on a *putting green*. When the ball is dropped within one club-length of the point of relief, the ball must first strike a part of the course at a spot that avoids interference by the condition and is not in a *penalty area* and not on a *putting green*. The ball may be cleaned when lifted under this rule.

Conversely, if any of these temporary greens are in play then the main green of the hole(s) in question is/are out of play and is/are deemed a Wrong Putting Green(s) and relief **MUST** be taken as above.

5) When on any **putting green** a player is **not** allowed to remove natural frost deposits from their playing line. Where players have previously deposited compacted frost /ice lumps from their shoes onto the *putting green* surface and these are interfering with a player's line, then a player will be allowed to brush these deposits away from the line subject to their playing partners' consent.

7) To help to alleviate damage to the course it is recommended that you carry your golf bag if at all possible. A short set of clubs may help here. Please change to **winter wheels on electric trolleys**. Push trolleys, with wheels no less than 3 inches wide, are fine as they are.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THIS PLAYING GUIDANCE: Match play – Loss of hole; Stroke play – Two strokes.