



LOCAL RULES OF CROW CANYON COUNTRY CLUB

AERATION HOLES:

If a ball comes to rest in an aeration hole, *through the green*, it may be lifted, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to its original position, no closer to the hole. FREE RELIEF.

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. FREE RELIEF.

BRIDGES ON HOLES #10 AND #18

The bridge crossing the water is an OBSTRUCTION WITHIN THE HAZARD. If the ball lies outside the hazard, AND the bridge abutment interferes with your stance or swing, the player may determine nearest point of relief and drop within one club length, no nearer the hole. NO PENALTY. (USGA Rule 24) If a ball comes to rest on the bridge, it may be played as it lies, and grounding club is permitted. NO PENALTY... OR... or ball may be dropped behind the hazard in accordance with USGA Rule 26-1. ONE STROKE PENALTY.

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICE (GPS)

For all play at this course, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. However, 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, wind-speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

EARTH CRACKS

Earth cracks are cracks in the ground caused by drought conditions. If a ball comes to rest in an earth crack, through the green, it may be lifted, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to its original position, no closer to the hole.

EMBEDDED BALL

A ball embedded in its own pitch-mark, through the green, may be lifted, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to its original position, no closer to the hole. NO PENALTY. (USGA Rule 25-2)

EXPOSED DRAINS IN BUNKERS

Treat as an immovable obstruction (USGA Rule 24-2)

FLOWERBEDS

If a ball comes to rest in a flowerbed or maintained landscape area, the player may take relief, dropping the ball within one club-length of the nearest point of relief, no penalty.

HOLE #6

Iron fence and brick wall to the left indicate OUT OF BOUNDS. NO FREE RELIEF IS GRANTED (USGA Rule 13).

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTION

Cart paths, cement drains, masonry walls, exposed French drains, rock-filled trenches, culverts, course irrigation boxes, footbridges, and signs. At point nearest to where the ball lies, relief may be taken from obstruction, dropping ball within one club length of that point, no nearer the hole (USGA Rule 24) NO PENALTY.

LATERAL WATER HAZARD

Defined by red stakes or line (USGA Rule 26-1). Hole #1, #6, #10, #11, #12, #15 and #18)

OUT OF BOUNDS

Defined by property fences and areas between property fences, white stakes and inner margins of curbs marked by OB stakes. A ball which crosses a private road defined as out of bounds and comes to rest beyond that road is out of bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the course (USGA Rule 27-1).

PRACTICE

On any day of a multiple day stroke play competition; a competitor may play the course after the competitive round. Playing the course before the competitive round is prohibited.

SENIOR BUMP

Unless otherwise indicated by an "away" committee, the "Senior Bump" for Crow Canyon members allows a player to move a ball, through the green, up to a maximum of six inches, no nearer the hole, and not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be moved in any manner (lift, clean, and place, or by "bumping" with a club). Scores must be posted. Note: Using the Senior Bump is never mandatory and it is strongly recommended that players who wish to maintain a more competitive handicap not take advantage of this option.

STAKED TREES

If a tree with a stake interferes with your stance or swing, the ball **MUST** be lifted, and dropped in accordance with the procedure described in USGA Rule 24-2b)

WATER HAZARD

Defined by yellow stakes or line (USGA Rule 26-1). Hole #6.

***Temporary Local Rule* (invoked at the discretion of the Golf Course Superintendent) WINTER RULES**

From time to time during wet winter conditions, the Club will post a sign(s) showing "Winter Rules". Under this condition, the following temporary "preferred lies" may be used: Through the green, the player may mark, lift, and clean his ball without penalty. Before lifting he must mark the position of the ball. The player must then place the ball on a spot within 6 inches of and not nearer the hole than where it originally lay, that is not in a hazard or on a putting green.

A player may place his ball only once, and it is in play when it has been placed (Rule 20-4). If the ball fails to come to rest on the spot which it was placed, Rule 20-3d applies. If the ball when placed comes to rest on the spot on which it was 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 or moves the ball in any other manner, such as rolling it with a club, he incurs a penalty of one stroke.

Note: For tournaments, "preferred lies" may be restricted to closely mown areas through the green.

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