

Local Golf Course Rules

Relief from Abnormal Course Conditions:

Abnormal course conditions include: animal holes, ground under repair, immovable obstructions and temporary water. Players are allowed to take relief within one club length of the nearest point of relief without penalty. Relief is provided when the condition physically interferes with the player's ball, stance or area of intended swing.

Examples of immovable obstructions at Paso Robles Golf Club:

Tree wells (a manmade depression surrounding a tree or bush for irrigation purposes) are located throughout the golf course.

Irrigation drip lines located on holes 7, 10, 11 and 12.

Culvert on hole 1.

Bridges on holes 4, 5 and 9.

Restrooms located between holes 12 and 13.

Staked trees throughout the golf course.

Interior fence located between holes 6 and 7.

Sprinkler heads located throughout the course.

Local rule for sprinkler heads within two club lengths of putting surfaces: players may take relief, at the nearest point of relief, under the following circumstances:

- The sprinkler head is within two club lengths of the putting surface.
- The sprinkler head is within two club lengths of the player's ball.
- The sprinkler head intervenes with the line of play between the ball and the hole.
- The ball is not in a bunker or water hazard.

Out of Bounds:

A ball is out of bounds when the entire ball lies outside the boundary of the golf course. Course boundaries are marked by white stakes, neighboring property lines and the driving range fence on hole 1. If a ball is out of bounds the player must replay the shot from the previous spot adding one penalty stroke.

Players are not entitled to relief from course boundaries. Example: if a ball lies next to a fence that defines the course boundary, they are not entitled to free relief. A player has the option to take a one stroke "unplayable lie" penalty. Choosing this option allows the player three options:

- 1. Play the ball from the spot of the previous spot.
- 2. Take a drop on the line between the ball and the hole. The drop can go as far back along that line but no closer to the hole.
- 3. Take a drop within two club lengths of the spot of the ball, no closer to the hole.

Power Lines and Poles:

Power lines and poles are located on holes 6, 7 and 10. If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hit a power line or pole, the stroke does not count. The player must replay the shot from the spot of the previous shot.