

# Local Rules for Callippe Senior Golf Club Tournaments

Effective January 2019

USGA [Rules of Golf](#), Callippe Preserve Golf Course Local Rules and the following govern play:

1. **Aeration Holes** – If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole:

(a) Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole the player may take relief again under this Local Rule.

(b) Ball on Putting Green. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.

**But** interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or, on the putting green, on the player's *line of play*.

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2. **Cracks in Ground** – Cracks in the ground in parts of the *general area* cut to fairway height or less are *ground under repair*. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.

**But** interference does not exist if cracks only interfere with the player's stance.

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3. **Provisional Ball** – If a player does not know whether his ball is in a *penalty area*, the player may play a *provisional ball* under Rule 18.3, which is modified in this way:

In playing the *provisional ball*, the player may use the *stroke-and-distance* relief option (see Rule 17.1d(1)), the back-on-the-line relief option (see Rule 17.1d(2)) or, if it is a red *penalty area*, the lateral relief option (see Rule 17.1d(3)).

Once the player has played a *provisional ball* under this Rule, he may not use any further options under Rule 17.1 in relation to the original ball.

In deciding when that *provisional ball* becomes the player's ball *in play* or if it must or may be abandoned, Rule 18.3c(2) and 18.3c(3) apply except that:

- **When Original Ball Is Found in Penalty Area Within Three-Minute Search Time**. The player may choose either to:
  - Continue to play the original ball as it lies in the *penalty area*, in which case the *provisional ball* must not be played. All strokes with that *provisional ball* before it was abandoned (including *strokes* made and any penalty strokes solely from playing that ball) do not count, or
  - Continue to play the *provisional ball* in which case the original ball must not be played.

- **When Original Ball Is Not Found Within Three-Minute Search Time or Is Known or Virtually Certain to Be in Penalty Area.** The *provisional ball* becomes the player's ball *in play*.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: *General Penalty*.

4. **Starting Time** – When allowed by the Starter, players may start their round ahead of the scheduled time without penalty (see Rule 5.3a).
5. **Unreasonable Delay** – All of our events are timed (including shotgun starts). Markers must record the Start time (when the first stroke is made) and the Middle and Finish Times (when the *flagstick* is replaced on the middle hole of the round and the final hole of the round) for each group. The *Committee* will assign penalty times for missing (or fictitious) timing records.

If a group finishes the *round* more than 15 minutes behind the group in front of them and over 4 hours 40 minutes from the time of starting, all players in the group are subject to the *General Penalty* Under Rule 5.6a, which will be applied at the sole discretion of the *Committee* at the scoring table.

## Wet Conditions

When notified by the Starter that “winter rules” are in effect or that you may “lift, clean and place”, the following Local Rules apply:

1. **Cleaning Ball** – When a player's ball lies in the *general area*, the ball may be lifted, cleaned and *replaced* without penalty. The player must *mark* the spot before lifting the ball (see Rule 14.1) and the ball must be *replaced* on its original spot (see Rule 14.2).  
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2. **Preferred Lies** – When a player's ball lies in the *general area* of the hole being played and 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:** one *club-length*, but with these limits:
    - Must not be nearer the *hole* than the reference point, and
    - Must be in the *general area*.

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for *replacing* the ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e.

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