

KLEINMOND GOLF CLUB - LOCAL RULES

1. OUT OF BOUNDS

All areas marked with white immovable stakes. The clubhouse and surrounding areas, garages, tarred roads, paved pathways, car park and the practice putting and chipping green. The rule whereby players can drop at the point of crossing the out of bounds, with a 2 shot penalty and not nearer to the hole, is in play. If you have not played a provisional ball you cannot go back to where your previous shot was played.

The white out of bounds stakes are an integral part of the course and no relief is available if they interfere with the ball, swing or stance. The ball should be played as it lies or dropped under the unplayable ball rule.

2. PENALTY AREAS

Penalty areas are indicated by movable yellow and red stakes. Relief may be taken from yellow or red stakes if they interfere with your swing or stance. These stakes may be removed for safety if they are in the line of play. Existing stakes must be repositioned if moved. On hole 2/10 there is a drop zone which is to be used if your ball enters the red penalty area short of the fairway. On hole 5 there is a drop zone which is to be used if your ball enters the red penalty area on the left when playing from the red or white tee markers.

3. OBSTRUCTIONS

Stones in bunkers are movable obstructions (rule 15.1 applies). All paths and gardens with brick or stone edging are immovable obstructions and relief is allowed under rule 16.1.

Trees and their irrigation bowls marked with blue stakes. If such a staked tree or irrigation bowl interferes with a player's stance or intended swing, the ball MUST be lifted without penalty and dropped in accordance with rule 16.1

Line of sight relief in accordance with rule 16.1b may be taken from the wooden protective fencing behind certain tee boxes.

The small drainage ditches on the right of 7th/16th fairway and left of 8th/17th fairway are not hazards. Relief may be taken if the ball is in the ditch or if the ditch interferes with your stance or swing.

A ball lying on any track, pathway or roadway (except bridges over hazards) within the course may be lifted and dropped at the nearest point of relief, not nearer the hole without penalty.

Relief may be taken from all irrigation equipment and unrepaired irrigation trenches and dropped in accordance with rule 16.1a

4. ABNORMAL GROUND CONDITIONS

These are marked GUR or indicated with white lines and include disturbed ground caused by burrowing animals, reptiles and birds.

Loose sand or ground originating from mole activity whether in a small hill or flattened can only be declared abnormal ground as per rule 16.1 under the following condition. Your marker or fellow player must test the compaction of the area by inserting a long tee into the sandy area; if it **easily** goes in all the way relief may be taken if this interferes with your stance or swing. If the tee only goes in partly no relief may be taken.

If a player's ball has interference from exposed tree roots that are on the fairway or rough, the tree roots are treated as an abnormal course condition. The player may take relief under rule 16.1(b). **Interference does not exist if the roots only interfere with the player's stance.**

5. POWER LINES

If a ball strikes the power line or the pylon, within the course, supporting the power line; the ball MUST immediately be replayed without penalty. If the ball is not immediately recoverable another ball may be substituted.

6. EMBEDDED BALL

A ball that is embedded in its own pitch mark, in the general area may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the hole. The ball dropped must first strike a part of the course in the general area.

7. PREFERRED LIES

Placing within one card length on all closely mown areas is in play. Players must mark their ball before lifting and placing.

8. DISTANCES MARKERS

These are plates in the middle of the fairway and marked with short coloured stakes. These stakes are movable obstructions. These distances are to the middle of the green. Flag colours on the green are as follows: white –front, yellow-middle and red-back.

A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only.

9. BALL ON PUTTING GREEN ACCIDENTALLY MOVED

When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment.

The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in rule 13.1d

10. FYNBOS

10.1 HOLE 1

The demarcated fynbos between the tee and the fairway is a lateral out of bounds area (half green and half red stakes). This means that if your ball enters this area the only option you have is to proceed to the drop zone, take a penalty drop and proceed. Golfers are not allowed to enter this protected area.

10.2 HOLE 9 AND 18

The demarcated fynbos on the right of hole 9 and 18 is a lateral out of bounds area (half green and half red stakes). A dropping zone adjacent to the 100m marker must be used with a one shot penalty if your ball enters this area and the point of entry is not seen. If your ball enters this area and the point of entry is seen you take a penalty drop, within 2 club lengths, not nearer the hole and proceed. Golfers are not allowed to enter this protected area and even if your ball is playable you must take a penalty drop. Failure to adhere to this local rule (10.1 and 10.2) will result in disqualification.

CONCESSION FOR HOLE NO 12

Golfers who for medical reason cannot climb the steps to the upper tees may use the bottom tee. Such players need to inform the club manager if they use this concession.