
BHUBANESWAR GOLF CLUB

TO: ALL MEMBERS
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SUBJECT: LOCAL RULES
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CC: NEW MEMBERS KIT

PREAMBLE

ALL LOCAL RULES ARE TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 'GOLF RULES', HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE '**RULES**', AND AS ENUMERATED IN THE 2004 EDITION OF THE ROYAL AND ANCIENT GOLF CLUB OF ST. ANDREWS. LOCAL RULES ARE DEVIATIONS ON ACCOUNT OF THE PREVAILING COURSE CONDITIONS AND MAY CHANGE FROM TIME TO TIME, WITH PRIOR NOTICE.

SUBSTANCE

1) Fairways

There is **NO** preferred lie for the Course. **GUR** markers maybe there for areas under development or repair. While approaching the 3rd / 5th fairways, incase the ball lies on the metallic/pitch road, relief will be allowed as per the '**RULES**'.

2) Handicapping

Any other club certified handicap would be accepted for new members playing for the first time on BGC course. However, all members are required to submit the scorecards for all the rounds and handicapping will be a continuous and dynamic process. There maybe restriction in participating in Club tournaments based on the handicaps.

3) Wrong Fairways

Approaching the 1st/2nd/8th/9th fairways, divider line in white powder will be the demarcation between the fairways. Ball lying in the 'wrong' fairway has to be lifted and dropped as per '**RULES**' (while standing on the fairway divider line), at a parallel spot in the 'right' fairway with one stroke penalty. Ball lying on the divider line is deemed to be on the wrong fairway.

4) Electric & Telephone posts

All Electric and telephone posts, their stays/bases and accessories are permanent obstructions and no relief is available as per '**RULES**'. However, if the ball in play directly hits any overhead wires only, the player may take the shot again from the last played spot.

5) Elephant Bath & Crocodile Bath

The water body in front of the 2nd / 9th Tee is christened as the 'Elephant Bath'. It is a lateral water hazard while approaching the 1st /8th Greens AND a water hazard while teeing off from the 2nd / 9th tee. Ball lying within the hazard and if unplayable, can be dropped in the designated drop zone/s with one stroke penalty.

The water body on the extreme left of the Course while approaching the 2nd/9th Greens is christened as the 'Crocodile Bath'. It is a lateral water hazard and governing 'RULES' will apply.

6) Wrong Greens

If the ball lies in the wrong green while playing the 2nd/9th Holes, relief will be allowed by dropping the ball within one club length from the nearest point outside the green but not closer to the pin.

7) Environment Protection

Sapling or Environment protection rules will **NOT** apply, except in cases where the sapling/tree has been marked with two white rings. A ball in play, in hazards and lying close to a tree, will have to be played as it lies and no free relief will be allowed.

8) Hazards

Grounding of clubs within the hazard areas is **NOT** allowed. Also, all other rules governing play from hazards will be applicable. If the ball lies in the 'Nalla' on the left of the 1st/8th Hole fairways, the ball can be taken out and dropped at a parallel spot within one club length distance but not nearer the pin, with one stroke penalty.

9) Markers

The out-of-bound areas are marked with white stakes, the hazards are marked with yellow stakes and the water hazards are marked with red stakes. These stakes and distance markers are permanent obstructions.

POST-SCRIPT

ALL **TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE** MEMBERS AS WELL AS THE **BGC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** MEMBERS ARE DESIGNATED AS COURSE MARSHALS. IN ADDITION, THE GOLF CAPTAIN MAY APPOINT OFFICIALS FOR NEED BASED SUPERVISION. HOWEVER, ALL CONCERNED ARE REQUESTED TO PLAY THE GAME NOT ONLY BY THE '**RULES**' BUT ALSO BY THE '**SPIRIT**' OF THE GAME.

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