



GOOSE VALLEY GOLF CLUB

LOCAL RULES



1. **OUT OF BOUNDS:** All fences along the perimeter of the course. All areas marked with white stakes. The Driving Range (On holes 15, 16, 18.)
2. **ROADS AND PATHWAYS:** Roads and golf-cart pathways, tarred surfaces, all man-made surfaces. **Relief** may be taken **without penalty** at the nearest point of relief not nearer to the hole.
3. **ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS:** Flower beds identified by **blue stakes** are environmentally sensitive areas from which play is prohibited. A **compulsory drop without penalty** must be taken at the nearest point of relief.
4. **PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES:** These young trees are identified by **blue stakes**. If such a tree interferes with a player's stance or the area of his intended swing, the ball must be dropped **without penalty** in terms of **rule 24-2** (Immovable Obstruction). Relief for interference includes the irrigation bowls surrounding trees.
5. **STONES IN BUNKERS:** Stones in bunkers are moveable obstructions. (Rule 24-1 Applies).
6. **TRENCHES AROUND FYNBOS:** The trench between the semi-rough and the fynbos. A player may take relief from this area at the **nearest point of relief towards the fairway** not closer to the hole without penalty.
7. **EMBEDDED BALL:** A ball that is embedded in its own pitchmark may be lifted **without penalty**, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay, but not nearer the hole. This applies through-the-green and not in hazards.
8. **PREFERRED LIES:** **1 Scorecard length** on all fairways and tee boxes, provided the ball is **first marked** before lifting, the ball may also only be **placed once**. (Rule 20-3 & 20-4 Applies).
10. **GREENS:** Relief may be taken without penalty from any G.U.R. patch on a green interfering the lie or intended line of put.
11. **SAND BAGS & PITCHFORKS ARE COMPULSORY.** Please fill **divots** with sand and fix **pitchmarks**