

Wyke Green Golf Club – Local Rules

Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2)

- Out of bounds is defined by any wall, hedge, fence, or white line on the boundary of the course.

In addition, other areas out of bounds include:

- Beyond the white stakes on the right of the 1st hole
- In or beyond the ditch running along the right hand side of the 2nd hole
- In or beyond the ditch running behind the 2nd green to the 5th green indicated by white posts
- When playing the 10th hole only: the 8th fairway on the right of the hole, defined by white stakes
- When playing the 18th hole, the tarmac road surrounding the green from the bridge over the railway and the practice putting green are out of bounds. The concrete edging to the hole is the start of the hole and out of bounds.

Stakes are treated as boundary objects during the play of the 10th hole. For all other holes, they are immovable obstructions.

Penalty Areas (Rule 17)

Penalty areas are marked by yellow or red (lateral) stakes or lines. If not marked, a penalty area is defined by their natural margin where the ground breaks down to the depression containing the water.

Abnormal Course Conditions (including immovable obstructions) (Rule 16)

- Ground under repair is defined by any area encircled by a white line
- All artificially-surfaced roads and paths on the course are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under rule 16.1
- All sprinkler heads are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under rule 16.1

Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Greens

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1. The player has an extra option to take relief when such immovable obstructions are on or close to the putting green and on the line of play:

Ball in General Area: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is:

On the line of play, and is: on or within two club-lengths of the putting green, and within two club-lengths of the ball.

But complete relief must be taken, which includes both physical and line of play interference.

Exception - No Relief If Line of Play Clearly Unreasonable. There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a

This Local Rule only applies when both the ball and the obstruction are in part of the general area cut to fairway height or less.

Tee Supports

In the event of your ball coming to rest against the wooden tee supports on either the 3rd or the 12th tees NO FREE RELIEF is permitted. You may either play the ball as it lies or take a drop at the nearest point of relief (no nearer the hole) incurring a 1 stroke penalty.

Protection of Young Trees (Rule 16.1f)

The young trees identified by stakes or rabbit guards are no play zones:

- If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a penalty area and it lies on or touches such a tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f

Penalty for breach of Local Rules: General Penalty