



## Prestwick St Nicholas Golf Club

### Local Rules

Updated: 2019

#### 1. **OUT OF BOUNDS: Rule 18-2**

Out Of Bounds is defined by the line between the course side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts. It is also defined by the course side edge of any white line used to define the OOB boundary

- a) Beyond the course side edge of any wall or fence bounding the course. NOTE: A ball is deemed OOB even if it crosses Maryborough Road and comes to rest on another part of the course.
- b) Within the electricity sub-station at the 17<sup>th</sup> tee or the Greenkeepers compound at the 15<sup>th</sup>
- c) If a ball lies inside the fence surrounding the quarry or the ESA area in front of the quarry marked by white stakes or the area behind the 8<sup>th</sup> green in front of the quarry marked by white stakes.
- d) The white lines at the sea side of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>
- e) Practice nets and putting green area as defined by white posts or white lines.
- f) Beyond the inside face ie the course side, of the concrete posts which run alongside the car park
- g) Beyond the course side edge of the white line which runs alongside the various areas on the 1<sup>st</sup> This allows movable OOB obstructions, including the loose chain links, to be moved.

#### **PENALTY AREAS: Rule 17**

- a) The burn at the south end of the course

#### Abnormal Course Conditions: **Rule 16.1**

- a) All roads and paths on the course, even if not artificially surfaced, are treated as Immovable obstructions.
- b) Sprinkler heads and Valve Covers – If a ball lies off a putting green (but not in a hazard) and an immovable obstruction, on or within two club-lengths of the putting green AND within two club-lengths of the ball, intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole. Relief may be taken

as follows: The ball must be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay that a) is not nearer the hole, b) avoids intervention and c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

c) Tractor pathways to the right of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>

d) Golf course signage, furniture and the practice bay shed.

e) All man-made steps cut into the side of teeing areas and bunkers, including the observation steps to the left of the 4<sup>th</sup> tee and to the right of the 16<sup>th</sup>

f) At the players option, dung from dogs may be treated either as : A loose impediment that may be removed under rule 15.1, or Ground Under Repair from which relief is allowed under Rule 16.1

g) If a player's ball lies in or touches a seam of cut turf or a seam interferes with the player's area of intended swing in the General Area, the player may take relief under rule 16.1b.

h) The Salt Pans to the right of the 3<sup>rd</sup> green are not an immovable obstruction but an *integral part of the course*.

#### **NO PLAY ZONES: Rue 16.1**

a) Staked trees – only if such a tree interferes with a player's stance or the area of his intended swing. The player must take relief under rule 16.1f

b) Any areas defined as Ground under Repair.

#### **PRACTICE AREA: Rule 5.2**

a) During a stroke play competition, it is permissible to practice on and within the boundary of the practice ground area as defined by red and white stakes located to the left of the 5<sup>th</sup> fairway.

b) If during normal competition play, a ball comes to rest within the boundary of the practice ground it must be played as it lies. EXCEPT if it comes to rest on the putting green where relief must be taken under rule 13.1f

#### **TEMPORARY LOCAL RULES**

These will be displayed on the Notice Board.

#### **YARDAGE MARKERS ARE SHOWN TO THE CENTRE OF GREENS**

##### **Penalty for Breach of a Local Rule:**

**Match Play – Loss of Hole;**

**Stroke Play – Two Strokes.**