



Benalla Golf Club local rules – Nov 2025

Out of Bounds(OOB) Rule 18 applies

- 1.All ground beyond the club boundary fence is out of bounds
- 2.The white stakes with black tops situated on the left-hand side of 9th and 12th fairway.

Penalty areas Rule 17 applies.

- 1.Areas defined by Red Stakes

Ground Under Repair (GUR) Rule 16 applies

1. All white pegs and/or lines indicate GUR.
2. Old irrigation lines.
3. Open man-made drains.

Damage by birds

Areas of damage in the general area caused by birds are treated as ground under repair from which relief is allowed under Rule 16.1b. But relief is not allowed if the damage only interferes with the player's stance.

Ant hills and trails

The ant hills and ant trails on the course are, at the player's option, loose impediments that may be removed under Rule 15.1 or ground under repair from which relief is allowed under Rule 16.1.

Immovable Obstructions

Close to putting green

In addition to the types of interference described in Rule 16.1a, when a ball lies in the general area, interference also exists if an immovable obstruction is: on the players line of play, is within two club lengths of the putting green and is within two club lengths of the ball. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.(Exception-There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.)

Through the Green

Sprinkler Heads, Distance Markers, Hazard and gur Pegs are immovable obstructions and relief from interference by them may be obtained.



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Overhead power lines

If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hit a power pole or overhead wire during play of hole one the stroke does not count. The player MUST play another ball without penalty from where the previous stroke was made.

On the green

All bare patches on putting green, Mark, Lift and place no nearer hole.

Robot Mower

If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hit a robot mower during play the stroke does not count. The player MUST play another ball without penalty from where the previous stroke was made.

Abnormal Course Conditions

1. If a staked or guarded tree or shrub interferes with the lie of the ball, a player's stance or area of intended swing, the ball MUST be lifted, without penalty, and dropped in accordance with the procedure described in Rule 16.1f
2. If a ball lies in a penalty area and interferes to a player's stance or area of intended swing exists from such a tree, the player must take relief either with penalty under Rule 17.1e or with free relief under Rule 17.1e(2)
3. All forms of garden beds are No Play Zones.
4. Embedded Stones and Gravel Pathways. Through the green if the ball is Positioned on embedded stones or gravel pathways, it may be lifted and dropped no nearer the hole without penalty.
5. When a player's ball lies in the general area cut to fairway height or less, and has mud on it, the ball may be lifted, cleaned and replaced without penalty. The player must mark the spot of the ball before lifting it (see [Rule 14.1](#)) and the ball must be replaced on its original spot (see [Rule 14.2](#)).
6. Ball resting in Cracks thru general area. Rule 16.1B(ball relief only)

Temp Rules -Check boards displayed at front of golf shop daily.



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