

# 2018 North Harbour Men's Champion of Champions Wainui GC – 18<sup>th</sup> November

## LOCAL RULES

**NOTE – THESE ARE THE ONLY LOCAL RULES IN PLAY IN THIS TOURNAMENT.**

### CLEAN & PLACE

A ball lying in any **closely mown area** through the green (**i.e. cut to fairway height or less**), may be lifted without penalty and cleaned. Before lifting the ball, the player **must mark its position**. Having lifted the ball, he must place it on a spot within 15cm of and not nearer the hole than where it originally lay, that is not in a hazard and not on a putting green. **A player may place his ball only once** (**i.e. it cannot be moved again even if the ball marker is still in place**). The ball is in play when it has been placed (Rule 20-4). If the ball fails to come to rest on the spot on which it was placed, Rule 20-3d applies. If the player fails to mark the position of the ball before lifting it, or moves the ball in any other manner, such as rolling it with a club, he incurs a penalty of one stroke.

### OUT OF BOUNDS

(a) All boundary fences. (b) Boundaries marked by white stakes or lines.

### ABNORMAL GROUND CONDITIONS

1. As indicated by white lines and/or signs. Relief as per Rule 25-1c
2. Washed out areas in bunkers: Relief from interference to lie of the ball only (**i.e. not stance or area or intended swing**). Relief as per Rule 25-1b(ii)

### BALL PLAYED PROVISIONALLY FOR A BALL THAT MAY BE IN A SPECIFIC WATER HAZARD

If there is doubt whether a ball is in or is lost in the water hazard on the **2<sup>nd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>** holes, the player **may** play another ball provisionally under any of the applicable options in 26-1.

**But please note the following before doing so:**

If the original ball is found outside the water hazard, the player must continue play with it.

If the original ball is found in the water hazard, the player may either play the original ball as it lies or continue with the ball that was played provisionally. Another ball cannot be dropped at that stage.

If the original ball is not found or identified within the five-minute search period, the player must continue with the ball played provisionally.

### DROPPING ZONES

On holes **1, 2, 6, 7, 12 & 16**, if it is known or virtually certain that a ball lies in a water hazard, the player may either take relief under 26-1, or as an additional option, a ball may be dropped in the nearest dropping zone to where the ball last crossed the margin of the Lateral Water Hazard. That dropping zone may be closer to the hole.

### IMMOVEABLE OBSTRUCTIONS

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 24-2.

In addition, if a ball lies through the green 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**, the player may take relief 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.

**Exception:** A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if interference by anything other than the immovable obstruction makes the stroke clearly impracticable.

### EMBEDDED BALL

Rule 25-2 is extended to a ball lying in its own pitchmark in an area Through the Green.

### BALL ACCIDENTALLY MOVED ON PUTTING GREEN

Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1 are modified as follows: When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player or his equipment.

The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1. This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

### PACE OF PLAY

Ready Golf is expected. If a group falls behind, they will be subject to the process and penalties, as per Harbour Golf standard Pace of Play policy.

### DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES

For all play in this tournament, a player may obtain distance information by use of a distance measuring device. If during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

**ALL PLAYERS MUST REPAIR DIVOTS AND PITCHMARKS. BUNKERS MUST BE RAKED.**  
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TO A PLAYER WHO DOES NOT DO THESE THINGS!**