



Local Rules in Force (with effect 1 July 2021)

The following local rules are currently in force and are either additional to or supersede those printed on the reverse of the Temple scorecard.

1. FLAGSTICK

Golfers must not deliberately touch the flagstick which should be **left in the hole at all times**.

2. BUNKERS

During the current COVID restrictions, all bunker rakes have been removed. If your ball comes to rest in a bunker, you may pick it up and place it in the bunker within 6 inches of the original spot and not nearer to the hole than that spot. **The sand must not be smoothed before placing**. However, every effort should be made to smooth the bunker after your stroke.

3. ADDITIONAL OUT OF BOUNDS AREA

The area to the left of the 6ft wooden fence panels erected in the woodland on the left-hand side of the 15th hole (adjacent to the Greenkeeping Compound). Please note that as this fencing defines Out of Bounds it is **NOT** an obstruction. **Rule 18-2 applies**.

In addition the Out of Bounds on the left of the 18th fairway have been moved forward, A CLEAR and LOUD shout of "FORE" must be made for any tee shot played from the 18th tee in the direction of the patio area.

4. BALL RETRIEVAL FROM OUT OF BOUNDS

Players are reminded that balls may **NOT** be retrieved if they have come to rest on residential property. This applies particularly to the garden beyond the road behind the 8th green and to Little Temple (the house to the left of the 15th green). Please note that the wall and fence around Little Temple define Out of Bounds and are **NOT** obstructions. **Rule 18-2 applies**.

5. LIGHTNING CONDUCTOR

The Lightning Conductor installed in the semi-rough on the left-hand side of the 15th fairway (adjacent to the mounds) is deemed an **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTION** from which relief **MUST** be taken in accordance with **Rule 16-1b**

6. ARTIFICIAL PATHWAYS OR MATTING

Any area of artificial pathway/matting on the course is deemed an **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTION** from which relief **may** be taken in accordance with **Rule 16.1**. This includes the artificial tee mats at the 5th, 6th, 8th and 16th holes **except** when the mats are in-play and players are required to tee-off from the artificial surface.

7. GROUND UNDER REPAIR (GUR)

Areas of **GUR** from which relief **may** or **must** be taken in accordance with **Rule 16-1**, are defined by a continuous fresh white-line. White-lines may, or may not, be augmented by a GUR sign(s).

8. AERATION HOLES

Aeration holes on the putting green or the general area are deemed Abnormal Ground Conditions. If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole, the player may take relief in accordance with **Rule 16.1b** or **16.1d**. Interference does **not** exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or, on the putting green, on the player's line of play.

Penalty for breach of a Local Rule: General Penalty - loss of hole in match play or two penalty strokes in stroke play



LIGHTNING: In the event of an electrical storm, suspend play immediately and take appropriate action (Rule 5.7a applies)