



JAGA LOCAL RULES & TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

-FOR 2019-2022 SEASONS-

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at all JAGA championships and other tournaments. See applicable championship or tournament Notice to Players and Entry Application for modifications or additions to these Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. Complete text of the Rules and Local Rules may be found in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, effective January 2019.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty – two strokes in stroke play and loss of hole in match play.

LOCAL RULES

Out of Bounds - Defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts.

Penalty Areas - When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out-of-bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

Ground Under Repair - Defined by white lines. French drains are ground under repair.

Relief from Seams of Cut Turf – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule F-7.

White-Lined Areas Tying Into Artificially Surfaced Roads and Paths – White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

Wood Chips and Mulch – Are loose impediments.

Integral Objects – Include cables, rods, wires and wrappings when closely attached to trees, and artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas and bunkers.

Temporary Immovable Obstructions – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule F-23.

Replacement of Club That is Broken or Significantly Damaged - Rule 4.1a (2) is modified to allow for replacement of a club broken or significantly damaged if damage was not due to abuse. Also see Rule 4.1b (4) and Model Local Rule G-9.

Code of Conduct – Committee may disqualify a player for acting contrary to the spirit of the game if it finds the player has committed serious misconduct, in accordance with Rule 1.2a. Penalties other than disqualification may be imposed for player misconduct, also in accordance with Rule 1.2a and Committee procedure 5H.

The Committee may apply the following penalty structure at its discretion: First Offense, warning; Second Offense, one-stroke penalty; Third Offense, general penalty; Fourth Offense or Serious Misconduct, disqualification.

TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

When Competition is Final – The competition is final when the trophy has been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Committee. The result of a match is final when the Committee has approved the result as posted on the public scoreboard.

List of Conforming Driver Heads – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-1.

Grooves and Punch Mark Specifications – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect, except as modified by the applicable championship Entry Application. Model Local Rule G-2.

List of Conforming Golf Balls – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-3.

Pace of Play - See “JAGA Pace of Play” guidelines under “Documents” on the JAGA website or on “Notice to Players”.

Stopping and Resuming Play – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule J-1.

All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing might result in disqualification.

An immediate suspension will be signaled by one prolonged airhorn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive airhorn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two shorts notes.

Practice – Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player may NOT practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 5.2.

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