

NELSON BAY GOLF CLUB

TEMPORARY LOCAL RULES – as from 5th June 2023

To be read in conjunction with the Rules of Golf 2019.

The following Temporary Local Rules are to be read in conjunction with the LOCAL RULES as printed on the back of score cards & on the MiScore APP.

1. Bunkers marked with white stakes are GUR. Proceed under Rule 16.1c.
2. If **preferred lies** are indicated on the blackboard outside the Pro Shop, they may be taken in accordance with the following procedure: the ball's position must first be marked, then the ball may be lifted, cleaned and placed within 20 cm of the ball's original position, no nearer the hole but only if your ball is on your own fairway or on areas cut to fairway height. This action must also comply with Rules 14.2b and 14.2e.
3. Animal prints in bunkers may be treated as ACC. Proceed under Rule 16.1c.
4. For kangaroo and wallaby prints on greens please proceed under Rule 16.1d.
5. Bare patches on greens and areas that are cut to fairway height or less, such as green surrounds, may be treated as ACC. Please proceed under Rule 16.1d for greens and under 16.1b elsewhere. This does not include divots or sand-filled divots.
6. The RH edge of the practice fairway is marked by white stakes with red tops set along the drip line of the trees separating the practice area from the first fairway thereby designating the practice fairway as a No Play Zone (NPZ) not a Penalty Area. If you and your playing partner reasonably believe that your ball has crossed into this NPZ, free relief **MUST** be taken in accordance with Rule 16.1b adjacent to the nearest white, red topped, stake to where your ball actually is or is likely to have crossed the margin of the NPZ. Your original ball or another ball may be used without penalty.
7. Regarding Local Rule 1 there are two Drop Zones, one nearby in the short rough on the LHS of the path and another at the other end of the pond Penalty Area. Please use the one nearest to where your ball has crossed the margin of the Penalty Area.
8. The club's **Code of Conduct** applies to all players.
9. The maximum score Rule 21.2 applies to all Stroke round comps. The revised Rule is that each hole will have a maximum score of twice the par for that hole. You must stop playing that hole when that score is reached and mark your score accordingly.
10. The practice of playing on after a Stableford score of zero points has been reached has also been outlawed as a completely unnecessary delay to reasonable speed of play.
11. **SPECIAL RULES FOR THE DURATION OF THE IRRIGATION PROJECT** - Free, full relief may be taken as per Official Rule 16 (Abnormal Course Conditions) for any temporary or permanent condition until the Course has recovered and the Course Committee is satisfied with its condition. This includes the site of the contractor's site establishment on the RHS of the second fairway.

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OUR CODE OF CONDUCT ON THE GOLF COURSE
REFER TO RULE 1.2b

**Under the authority of the
MATCH COMMITTEE**

1. Failure to take care of the course, for example not raking bunkers, abusive use of clubs, not filling divots or not replacing them and repeatedly not repairing pitch marks on the greens are all unacceptable behaviour.
2. Damaging the top edge of holes by not taking care when retrieving a ball is unacceptable.
3. Repeatedly using foul or offensive language around the course is unacceptable.
4. Ready Golf is considered the preferred approach here.
5. Persistent slow play is unacceptable. Four and a half hours is considered reasonable for 4 ball round of golf. Our Policy is for all rounds to be completed within 5 hours.
6. Altering the set-up of the course by moving tee markers or boundary stakes for example, is unacceptable.
7. Throwing a club towards another player or spectator is unacceptable.
8. All players must comply with any reasonable direction of a Match Committee member or staff.
9. Reports of breaches of the above and penalties imposed by the player's marker must be made in writing to the Match Committee so that follow up action can be taken.

Consequences

- 1st breach – a warning, later confirmed by the Match Committee
- 2nd breach – one stroke penalty
- 3rd breach – General Penalty (2 strokes)
- 4th breach – disqualification.

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