

Breakfast Hill Golf Club *Club Championships*

LOCAL RULES & TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

SATURDAY, JULY 12 (QUARTERFINALS), SUNDAY, JUNE 13 (SEMIFINALS), & SATURDAY, JULY 19 (FINALS)

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and The R&A govern play.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

1. TEE MARKERS – Championship Flight – Maroon/Black Combo markers, Men's Flight – Black markers, Senior Flight – Black/Silver Combo markers, Legends Flight – Silver markers, and Ladies' Flight – Gold markers.
2. FORMAT – 18-holes, match-play (each round). There are no strokes assigned for match-play rounds of the Club Championships.
3. PREFERRED LIES – Players may lift, clean, and place their balls within 12 inches in their own fairway only.
4. DECISION OF TIES – In the event of a tie for any Gross Championship, a sudden death playoff will commence until a competitor wins. Holes used will depend on availability upon the completion of play and a brief rest period.
5. RELIEF FOR EMBEDDED BALL – Ball must be embedded in the general area of play. Relief is allowed under Rule 16.3b only when the ball is embedded in the general area.
6. OUT OF BOUNDS – Defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and/or fence posts; E5 is in effect.
7. 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.
8. ALTERNATIVE TO STROKE AND DISTANCE FOR BALL LOST OR OUT OF BOUNDS – If the player has NOT hit a provisional ball, this option allows the player to drop in a large area between the point where the ball is estimated to have come to rest or gone out of bounds and the edge of the fairway that is not nearer the hole. The player gets TWO PENALTY STROKES when using this relief. If re-hitting using a provisional ball, the penalty is ONE STROKE.
9. DROP ZONES (rule 17.a applicable) – If a ball is in or it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found is in a penalty area and a drop zone is specified on the applicable "Notice to Players" for that penalty area, the player may as an additional option, drop a ball under penalty of one stroke, in the white lined area labeled "Drop Zone" located as indicated on the applicable "Notice to Players". The ball must be dropped in and come to rest within the drop zone. Drop Zones are located on hole 5 (adjacent to the left bunker) and on hole 14 (in front of penalty area).
10. GROUND UNDER REPAIR – includes the following:
 - a. a.) Areas on the course marked with white lines and/or blue stakes.
 - b. b.) Newly planted sod not marked as ground under repair should be played as it lies, although, if your ball lies in a SOD SEAM, relief will be granted if the sod seam interferes with the lie of the ball or your area of intended swing
 - c. c.) French Drains (stone filled drainage ditches)
 - d. d.) Trees with raised bed tree wells, mandatory relief is required for lie of ball.
12. INTEGRAL OBJECTS – Stonewalls are deemed to be integral parts of the course. No free relief.
13. LOOSE IMPEDIMENTS IN A BUNKER – Under Rules 12.2a and 12.2b, the player is allowed to touch or move loose impediments in a bunker and is generally allowed to touch the sand with a hand or club; but a limited prohibition continues so that the player must not: (1.) deliberately touch the sand in a bunker with a hand, club, rake or other object to test the condition of the sand to learn information for the stroke, or (2.) touch the sand in a bunker with a club in making a practice swing, in grounding the club right in front of or behind the ball, or in making the backswing for a stroke. An exposed bunker liner is to be considered Ground Under Repair under Rule 16.1. But interference does not exist if the liner only interferes with the player's stance.
14. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES PERMITTED – In this competition, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 4.3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used. Penalty for first breach from single act or related acts: General Penalty (loss of hole in match-play or two-strokes in stroke-play). Penalty for second breach unrelated to first breach: Disqualification. This penalty applies even if the nature of the breach was entirely different than the breach resulting in the first penalty.
15. STOPPAGE OF PLAY – In the event of severe weather, one prolonged horn blast will sound. Players must mark their ball immediately and return to the clubhouse. Players do not have the option to finish their hole of play. Players who disregard such closing are subject to disciplinary action including disqualification.
16. CART PATHS, maintenance ROADS & FRENCH DRAINS – If a player's ball is in the general area and there is interference by an abnormal course condition on the course, the player may take free relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this relief area (see Rule 14.3).
17. PUMP HOUSE OBSTRUCTION (IMMOVABLE) – The pump house on hole 2 is considered a permanent and immovable obstruction. Relief may be granted for stance or swing only. Relief is not granted for any line-of-sight obstruction.

PLAYERS ARE TO KEEP OFF NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES ALONG HOLES 2 AND 3

*** WHEN QUESTIONING A RULING, PLAYERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PLAY TWO BALLS; A DECISION WILL BE DETERMINED FOLLOWING PLAY ***

WHEN COMPETITION IS FINAL – The competition is final when the awards have been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Director of Golf. The result of a match is final when the Director of Golf has approved the result as posted on the public scoreboard. No results will be reviewed following this finality.