

Ardmore Golf Course Local Rules

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Golf Canada Rules effective January 2023 govern all play - the Penalty for breach of a Rule is the General Penalty (Stroke Play - 2 strokes, Match Play - loss of hole)

Front 9 - Red Tees, Back 9 - White Tees
Yardage Markers - 150 white and 100 red

1 OUT OF BOUNDS - defined by perimeter fencing, white stakes and or white lines. The maintenance yard, barn and netted practice area are also Out of Bounds.

Model Local Rule E-5 Alternate to stroke and distance is in effect for a ball that may be lost outside of a Penalty Area or Out of Bounds - for two penalty strokes a player may take this relief using:

a - Ball Reference Point - where the original ball is estimated to lie or where it last crossed the boundary

AND

b - Fairway Reference Point - two club lengths onto the fairway of the hole being played that is nearest to the ball reference point but not nearer the hole.

2 Deliberately cutting the corner on hole #2 is considered dangerous and not within the Standard of Player Conduct, Rule 1.1.2a - players doing so may be asked to leave the course.

3 PENALTY AREAS - marked with red stakes - players may play the ball as it lies or take Penalty Relief under Rule 17. Penalty area stakes are moveable obstructions Rule 15.2. The two pump houses on Holes #8 and #9 are located within staked penalty areas. Management reminds all players that no balls are to be hit over the pump house on hole #9.

4 IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS - Rule 16.1- free relief from all cart paths on the course including their worn extensions, yardage markers and irrigation equipment, signage and steps leading to/from teeing areas. The wooden fences on holes #5, #6 and #9 have been designated "immoveable obstructions" by the Ardmore Rules Committee under Abnormal Course Conditions.

In addition, **Model Local Rule F-5** is in effect - free relief from an Immoveable Obstruction that is on the line of play, within two club lengths of the green and within 2 club lengths of the ball.

5 NO PLAY ZONES - free relief must be taken from all flower beds Rule 16.1f and from the practice green located between holes #3/12 and #4/13, Rule 13.1f.

6 BUNKERS - all bunkers are to be played in accordance with Rules 12.2 and 8.1. Players are expected to rake any disturbances they cause after playing out of the bunker with the rakes provided. Please leave the rakes in the bunkers with the handles parallel to the fairway.

7 OVERHEAD POWER LINES - Model Local Rule E-11 is in effect for any ball striking the power lines at hole #6/15. Without penalty, the player must replay the stroke from where the original was played (see Rule 14.6)

8 DROP ZONE - for a ball in the Penalty Area on hole #8/17 - for a penalty of one stroke players may drop a ball within two club lengths of the white plate, no nearer to the hole.