

**FLIXTON GOLF CLUB**



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1. **OUT OF BOUNDS.** (proceed under rule 18.2)

- Beyond any boundary of the course
- In or beyond the ditch marked by white stakes on the left of 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> hole.
- In the ditch marked by white stakes to the left of or beyond the white stakes defining OOB at the back of the 6<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> hole and the back of the 7<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Tee..
- Beyond the raised riverbank to the left of the 7<sup>th</sup> General area
- Beyond the riverbank to the left of the 8<sup>th</sup> General Area.
- In or beyond the trench marked by white stakes to the left of the 9<sup>th</sup> /18<sup>th</sup> General Area and also beyond the white markers to the left and rear of the 9<sup>th</sup> green.
- In or beyond the ditch marked by white stake to the left of and approaching the 18<sup>th</sup> green and on or beyond the path marked by white stakes at the rear of 18<sup>th</sup> green.

2. **PENALTY AREAS** Defined by Red stakes (proceed under rule 17)

- 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> holes the ditch to the RHS of the General area
- 2<sup>nd</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> holes the ditch to the LHS of the General area and to the RHS of the practice ground.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> holes ditch on the right bounding the practice ground
- 4<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> holes the ditch on the LHS before and adjacent to the flood bank
- 5<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> holes the ditch bordering the 2<sup>nd</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> holes over the flood bank on the left
- 9<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> holes the ditch on RHS of the General area

3. **ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS AND IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS** (proceed under rule 16)

**3a Abnormal Course conditions**

Ground under repair is defined by any area encircled by a white line or as otherwise defined by the Committee, play is prohibited from any GUR. The sand area of the practice bunker on the practice area is GUR

No Play Zones will be identified by green Stakes, play is prohibited within the No Play Zone.

**3b Immovable Obstructions**

All shelters, huts and sheds, obstructing greens equipment, constructed paths, man-made steps, manhole covers, ball washers, litter bins and marker discs on the course are Immovable Obstructions. The sponsors advertising boards located around the course are also Immoveable Obstructions

All roads and paths on the course even if not artificially-surfaced, are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1

**Fixed sprinkler heads, control boxes and drainage plugs**

Relief maybe obtained under rule 16.1b. In addition, if the obstruction is either on or within two club-lengths of the green being played and it intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole. Relief is obtained as follows:

- If the ball lies on the putting green, it must be lifted and placed, not nearer the hole, at a point where the intervention would be avoided.
- If the ball is off the putting green and, not in a hazard, is within two club lengths of the obstruction, it must be lifted, cleaned and dropped, under rule 16.1b, using the nearest point of complete relief as the reference point.

#### **4. PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES ( Model Local Rule E 10)**

Individual trees which are staked and/or marked in other ways are no play zones.

If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a penalty area and it touches such a tree or such a tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f.

If the ball lies in a penalty area, and interference to the players stance or area of intended swing exists from such a tree, the player must take relief either with penalty under 17.1e or with free relief under 17.1e(2)

#### **5. PRACTISING BEFORE ROUNDS (proceed under rule 5.2)**

In a Stroke play competition, a player must not practise on the competition course before or between rounds. Practice is permitted before a Stroke play competition on the general course area but is restricted to the designated triangular Practice area between the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> holes bounded by the ditch alongside the 1<sup>st</sup> and treelines bounding the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

If the 36-hole competition is to be played over 2 days, practice is permitted after and on the day of the first round.

The chipping, putting and net areas in front of the clubhouse are outside the general area of the course.

#### **6. STOPPING AND RESUMING PLAY (Proceed under rule 5.7)**

**A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signalled. Resumption of play will be signalled**

#### **7. PLAYING PRIORITIES.**

Players in competitions have priority on the course. Players teeing from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> tees shall take alternative turns to tee off. Players leaving the 9<sup>th</sup> have no priority

Players must not to start a round from the 4<sup>th</sup> tee without prior approval.

**Breach of local rule, General Penalty: in Match play loss of hole, in Stroke play two Strokes.**