

Altadena Valley Country Club

Golf Course Local Rules

1. Hole #1

- A) Free relief is allowed and must be taken from the ornamental boxwood hedges on #1 where the plaque is (the area only about 50 yards off the tee box on the left and next to the cart path). This is limited to only the boxwood hedges (not the trees or pine straw past them). The following situations will be given free relief: If your ball is lost in, or lies in these areas or these areas interfere with the making of the stroke in executing a shot (either the stance or swing path but not the flight path of the ball) **Taking relief:** Without penalty your only option is to drop in the ball drop circle.
- B) Free relief is allowed for the drainage ditch that runs along the right side of the cart path starting around the 150-yard marker and extending past #1 green. **Taking relief:** If lie or stance is in this area then you may without penalty either (1) play the ball or (2) lift and drop within one-club length no closer to the hole while taking full relief from the ditch.

2. Hole #3

- A) The greenside recessed area that was dug out to help keep water off the green is not entitled to a free drop. You must play the ball from this area.
- B) A shot that comes to rest beyond the fence line behind #3 green is out of bounds (O.B.) even if the ball comes to rest past the other side of the road on Hole #4.

3. Holes # (3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17, & 18)

These holes have ditches that are to be played as either a lateral or water hazard even when not properly marked with stakes or painted lines. The defining line if no markers are present will be the edge of the banks. Otherwise, the stakes or painted lines are to be the defining boundaries.

4. Hole #5

The ornamental area behind the green is a free drop no closer to the hole.

5. Hole #6

- A) The pine straw area between the left side of the fairway and the road immediately off of the TEE is an ornamental area and relief must be taken no closer to the hole. You **do not** get relief from the pine straw around the pine trees just short and left of the green.
- B) The marshy area right of the cart path and between #9 cart path about 135 yards from #6 green is a free drop no closer to the hole.
- C) The ornamental areas behind #6 green that are by the cart path and the privet bushes between the green and #7 Tee, are to be considered a free drop no closer to the hole.

6. Holes # (9, 10, & 18)

Free relief is to be taken from the ornamental bushes and the rock filled ditch that surrounds #9 & #18 greens and the ornamental area beside #10 Tee.

Taking relief: If lie, swing path, or stance is interfered by this area then you **must** without penalty lift and drop within one-club length no closer to the hole while taking full relief from the ditch.

7. Holes # (3, 4, 5, 6, & 7)

The O.B. line is defined by the inside of the fence posts that are next to the roads.

8. Hole #12

- A) The round ornamental area to the left of the cart path beside #15 Blue Tees and the restrooms is a free drop no closer to the hole
- B) The Restroom House is also a free drop no closer to the hole.

9. Hole #13

While playing #13 only, any ball from any stroke which comes to rest left of the O.B. stakes or lines that run between holes #13 & #14 is considered out of bounds and the proper stroke and distance penalty must be taken.

10. Holes # (2 & 15)

The drainage ditch that begins in the right hand rough of #15 and runs on the left of #2 cart path is considered free relief all the way down to where the lateral hazard begins next to the tree line. **Taking relief:** You may play it or without penalty drop within two club lengths and no closer to the hole. There is no longer relief from the area of indentation that runs across #15 fairway 200 yards out.

11. Holes # (7, 15, 16, & 17)

These holes have lateral hazard areas that run left of #7, to the right of and around #15, and right of #16 & #17. If not properly marked, then the tree and bush line that separate the holes from the river and creeks will define the hazard.

12. Hole #18

- A) The Club House area including all of the asphalt, 19th Hole deck, cart staging area above #1 Tee, hedges and grassy area just outside the Golf Shop are to be considered free relief.
- B) A ball that comes to rest in the Parking Lot is out of bounds.

Taking Relief: When in condition as outlined by (A) then ball is to be dropped next to the cart staging area above #1 Tee, no closer to the hole.

13. The Driving Range

Any ball that comes to rest in the driving range is out of bounds (O.B.). The defining line for O.B. is the golf course side of the poles, white stakes and white painted lines. Generally there is no relief given from the netting or the poles for interference while playing a stroke but relief will be given if the netting is resting or being blown outside of the pole line that defines O.B. You may take full relief from this obstruction by moving the netting back inside the poles. If the wind is blowing the netting and it can't be kept inside the poles then take nearest point of relief where the net is not interfering with swing or stance.

*** Stones in bunkers are movable obstructions and may be removed. A ball that is embedded in its own pitch mark through the green, other than in sand, may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the hole.**