



Local Winter Rules

With Effect From Saturday November 2nd 2003

Cleaning a Ball

A ball lying in any closely mown area, may be lifted and cleaned without penalty, and replaced within 6 inches of where it previously lay, but not nearer the hole. After the ball has been replaced it is deemed to be "in play", and shall not be re-lifted.

Plugged Ball

A ball embedded in it's own pitch mark in ground "through the green" - other than sand, may be lifted, cleaned and dropped without penalty, as near as possible to the spot where it lay - but not nearer the green.

Tractor Marks

Any deep rut or deep impression made by tractors or course machinery should be treated as Ground under Repair.

Through the green, a player shall lift the ball, which may then be cleaned and dropped within 1 Club length on the course nearest to where the ball lies - without penalty, provided that it is (a) not nearer the hole, (b) avoids interference by the condition, and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green.

Drainage Work

All drainage work - including gravel banding shall be deemed ground under repair. A ball may be lifted cleaned, and dropped within 1 Club length not nearer the hole - without penalty.

The Use of Mats

The Council are recommending the use of Mats this winter to help protect the course. Their use is not mandatory, however, in order to encourage their use, Council have agreed to the following rules:

The Mats can be hired from the pro's Shop for the Winter season i.e. November 1 – March 31 for a deposit of £5.00. This will be refundable when the mat is returned.

Mats may be used "through the green" i.e. anywhere on the course - except in hazards.

It is acceptable for Mats to be used in Competitions i.e. The Winter Leagues and Turkey Shoots.

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Secretary/Manager

By Order of the Council
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