

## Miramar Memorial Golf Course (MMGC) Men's Club Conditions of Competition

The following conditions of competition are in effect for all MMGC Men's Club events. These conditions may be temporarily altered or adjusted by the Tournament Director based upon prevailing conditions. Any adjustment will be announced prior to the start of play.

Course boundaries are defined by white stakes: behind the 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> greens to the east; along Miramar Road and in front of the maintenance area to the north; and along Miramar Way and inside the shrubs and pitching range right of the 18<sup>th</sup> hole.

Red penalty areas are defined by red lines and / or red stakes at ponds in front of 3<sup>rd</sup> tee, right of 6<sup>th</sup> green, right of 9<sup>th</sup> fairway, next to the 17<sup>th</sup> green, and next to the 18<sup>th</sup> green, as well as the valley left of the 14<sup>th</sup> green.

The fence between 9<sup>th</sup> green and 1<sup>st</sup> tee box, irrigation boxes throughout the course, and the wall behind the pond near the 17<sup>th</sup> green are immovable obstructions; see Rule 16. Line of sight relief is **NOT** allowed.

Model Local Rule E-5 providing an alternative to stroke and distance for lost ball or ball out of bounds is in effect for MMGC Men's Club events. <https://www.usga.org/rules/rules-and-clarifications/rules-and-clarifications.html#!ruletype=cp&section=rule&rulenum=8&subrulenum=5> (scroll down to E-5.)

The following local rule is in effect to provide line of play relief for sprinkler heads, valve covers, or other immovable obstructions near greens:

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1.

The player also has these extra options to take relief when such immovable obstructions are close to the putting green and on the line of play:

Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is on the line of play, and is:

- Within two club-lengths of the putting green, and
- Within two club-lengths of the ball.

Exception – there is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a.

Players 70 years of age or older **or** holding a handicap index of 15 or higher may choose to play the green tees after notifying the Tournament Director when entering events.

During winter months after significant rain, Miramar Memorial is often difficult to play due to soft ground and areas of mud and standing water. In those conditions, the Tournament Director may dictate we play "lift, clean, and place." The following local rule is in effect when we implement "lift, clean, and place":

When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from the relief area. The relief area is defined as within one club-length of the original spot of the ball, no nearer the hole. However, there is no relief under this local rule when playing the ball as it lies would be clearly unreasonable because of some other condition (such as when a player would be unable to make a stroke because of where the ball lies in a bush.) If the original spot of the ball would require the player to declare an unplayable lie, the player must first take relief under Rule 19, including any penalty strokes, before lifting, cleaning, and placing the ball under this local rule.