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LOCAL RULES 2023

Glacier Greens Local Rules for 2023 golfing season (in concurrence with the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, specifically Rules 15-18).

Stroke and Distance (S&D) - Adopted as a local rule and an added option as endorsed by Golf Canada, R&A and USGA. Determine where your ball went OB or is likely to be lost. Find the nearest fairway edge and drop within 2 club lengths for S&D penalty (2 strokes). If a player decides to hit a provisional ball, then the S&D rule on the first ball is nullified. The player may decide to use S&D rule on the provisional if that ball is also lost or went OB adding 2 more strokes. It is therefore wise to just use S&D on the first ball rather than risk getting more penalty strokes. S&D is recommended to improve pace of play, hence ***do not*** go back to the tee box to replay a shot. Note that the rule is ***not*** intended for higher levels of play such as professional or elite amateur level competition.

Out Of Bounds (OB) - Boundary fencing and white stakes throughout the course, including driving range (hole #2 and #9). Remember, no free relief if your ball is snuggled up against a boundary fence.

Penalty Area (PA) - Red stakes which are movable obstructions. The entire area beyond the red stakes on hole #2 (right side of the green), hole #7 (back and right of the green), and hole #17 (back of the green) are deemed to be part of the PA. Bridges on holes #14 and #15 are also part of the Penalty Area.

Holes with aquatic PAs – All Holes with aquatic PAs are marked in red. Ball entering the aquatic PA provides playing options:

- ***Option 1:*** Point where the ball crossed the PA, 2 club lengths not nearer the hole, one stroke penalty. As applicable to the hole, drop can also be as far back as you want on direct line to the pin (now known as “back-on-the-line” relief).
- ***Option 2:*** Replay the shot from original spot with applicable stroke penalty.

New Trees - Stay clear of newly planted trees marked with long stakes. Not nearer to the hole, take a free drop to ensure swing, stance, and line of sight relief. Note that there is no line of site relief from all other trees with guard fencing and/or flagging ribbons.

Hole #15 - No play zone at the back of the green where the exotic shrubs reside. Drop zone on the grassy area to the left of the rock wall across the cart path. Free relief.

Green Power Boxes and Other Permanent Man-made Fixtures - Found all over the golf course. One power box is in the rough between holes #10 and #11 fairways. Garden ties (log) beside the 18th green is also one. Free swing and stance relief not nearer the hole, but no relief for line of sight.

White and Green Stakes - Short stubby stakes used by the maintenance crew as guides or ground markers. Please replace if you must move them to play a shot and don't run them over with your carts.

Orange & White Tee Markers on Fairways - Not rated and scores are not to be used for handicap purposes.

Above summarizes the areas golfers run into on a regular basis at Glacier Greens. Relief procedures on other PAs not mentioned (including red-staked ditches, aquatic, and lateral PAs) are to be followed in accordance with the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf.

If in doubt, record two scores on the scorecard and verify the correct ruling with the Pro Shop after the round.