
Golf Rules Community

About this Community

A space for golfers worldwide to propose, debate, and vote on how we interpret and apply the game's rules, formats, and etiquette. From mulligans to match play, let's decide together how we want to play.

Sample Rules / Principles

- **Out-of-Bounds Relief (Local): Two-Stroke Drop at Entry**

For OB shots, instead of stroke-and-distance, apply a two-stroke penalty and drop at the estimated point of crossing the OB line, within two club lengths, no nearer the hole. Speeds up play while maintaining appropriate...

- **Tie-Breaker: Sudden-Death Playoff**

In the event of a tie in stroke play, decide the winner via sudden-death playoff starting on hole 1 (or a designated loop). If daylight/time is limited, switch to a scorecard countback (last 9 ? last 6 ? last 3 ? last...

- **Pace of Play: Max Score = Double Par**

To prevent backups and frustration, the maximum score on any hole is double par. Example: Par 4 -> Max 8. Pick up after reaching the cap and record the max.

- **Preferred Lies / Winter Rules**

When conditions are wet/muddy: Players may lift, clean, and place within one club length, same area (fairway-to-fairway, rough-to-rough), no closer to the hole. Toggle: Committee announces on/off during pre-round...



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