

Cinnabar Hills Men's Golf Association (CHMGA)

CHMGA Hard Card/Local Rules

Out of Bounds – Defined by white stakes and perimeter fences. The Driving Range and Maintenance Facility are out of bounds.

Obstructions Close to Putting Greens – MLR F-5.2 is in effect. Relief may be taken under Rule 16.1 for an obstruction that is within two club-lengths of the putting green, is within two club-lengths of the ball and on the player's line of play. The ball and obstruction must be in part of the general area cut to fairway height or less.

Relief from Aeration Holes – MLR E-4 is in effect. If a player's ball is in the general area and is in or touches an aeration hole, the player may take relief as prescribed in Rule 16.1b. If the ball lies on the putting green, the player may proceed under Rule 16.1d.

No Play Zones – The areas on the course defined by red stakes with green tops are NOT environmental no play zones, and are to be treated as regular red penalty areas. A ball that is within these areas may be played as it lies or take penalty relief from a red penalty area under Rule 17.1d.

Dropping Zones – On holes Mountain #3, #4, #9, and Lake #3, #4, and #8. As an extra option for proceeding under Rule 17.1, the player may use a dropping zone defined by a white circle. The drop zone on Mountain #4 is only available for relief from the Penalty area/no play zone left of the boundary fence, NOT for relief for out of bounds to the right of the boundary fence.

Protection of Young Trees – The young trees identified by stakes are no play zones. If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a penalty area and it lies on or touches such a tree or such a tree interferes with the player's area of intended stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f. MLR E-10

Split Rail Fences – Split Rail Fences on the course are Immovable Obstructions. Relief may be taken in accordance with Rule 16.1a. The Split Rail Fence on Mountain #4 is a boundary object, from which free relief is not allowed.

Animal Holes – Areas of damage caused by animals are treated as ground under repair. Relief is not allowed if the animal hole only interferes with the player's stance. MLR F-6

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Animal Hoof Damage – MLR F-13 is in effect. Damage that is caused by animal hoofs/feet is ground under repair from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1. On the putting green such damage may be repaired under Rule 13.1.

Alternative to Stroke and Distance - MLR E-5 is in effect. When a player's ball has not been found (lost ball), or is known or virtually certain, to be out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows rather than proceeding under stroke and distance. For TWO PENALTY STROKES, the player may take relief by dropping the original ball, or another ball, in the relief area prescribed under MLR E-5.

Player cannot use this option if it is known or virtually certain the ball came to rest in a penalty area, or if player has played a provisional ball. Once the player drops a ball under this option, the original ball can no longer be played, even if it is found before the end of a three-minute search.

Mountain #4 Out-of-Bounds – The fence right of the tee and fairway on Mountain hole #4 is a boundary object and is out of bounds, from which there is no free relief. A ball that lies right of the fence is out of bounds, and players may either replay under penalty of stroke and distance or use MLR E-5 and for TWO PENALTY STROKES drop between where the ball last crossed the fence and 2 club lengths into the fairway, no closer to the hole.

Seams of Cut Turf (Sod seams) - MLR F-7 is in effect. If a player's ball lies in or touches a seam of cut turf or a seam interferes with the players intended swing in the general area, the player may take relief in an area one club length from the nearest point of complete relief. All seams with the area of cut turf are treated as the same seam in taking relief, BUT interference does not exist if the seam only interferes with the players stance.

Playing and Listening to Music – Playing and listening to music is only allowed if all four players in a group verbally agree to allow it, BUT in doing so, consideration is shown to other groups (see Rule 1.2). Listening to music to eliminate distractions or to assist with swing tempo is covered by Rule 4.3, not this term.

Serious Misconduct - Disruptive or inappropriate behavior contrary to the good conduct of the tournament, in the determination of the Committee, will not be tolerated. The penalty for Serious Misconduct is Disqualification. Further disciplinary action may also be imposed, including suspension from future events.