

Rules Quiz

1. In stroke play, a player holes a putt with a club in one hand, while holding the removed flagstick with his other hand. What is the ruling?

- There is no penalty.
 - There is a one stroke penalty.
 - There is a two stroke penalty.
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2. A player's ball lies outside an area that is marked as ground under repair. High grass growing within the area interferes with his swing, but not with the lie of the ball, or with his stance. What is the ruling?

- He is not entitled to relief since his ball is not in the ground under repair.
 - He is not entitled to relief since his stance is not in the ground under repair.
 - He is entitled to relief because the high grass within the area is part of the ground under repair and the grass interferes with his swing.
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3. A boundary fence gate, when closed, is part of the boundary fence and may not be opened to play a stroke.

- True
- False

4. A ball is knocked off a tee on the teeing ground with a stroke; if it still lies within the teeing ground, it may be re-teed without penalty.

True

False

5. A player's ball lies through the green completely covered by sand. In searching for the ball, he accidentally moves and completely uncovers it. What is the ruling?

There is no penalty; the ball must be replaced and recovered so that only part of the ball is visible.

There is a one stroke penalty; the ball must be replaced so that a part of it is visible.

There is a one stroke penalty; the ball must be replaced and completely recovered.

6. A serious breach of the Rules occurs when a player proceeds other than in accordance with the Rules and:

Substitutes a ball.

Plays a wrong ball.

- Gains a significant advantage as a result of playing from a wrong place.
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7. If a competitor is disqualified from a primarily handicap competition for playing off a higher handicap than he was entitled to, he may still claim the gross prize.

True

False

8. Which is a player not permitted to do when his ball lies in a hazard?

Ground his club outside the hazard when addressing his ball.

Ground his club on a bridge extending over a water hazard.

Lightly brush the sand in the hazard with his club on his backswing.

9. In stroke play, a player plays a wrong ball from deep rough onto the putting green. When he reaches the putting green, he discovers his error, returns to the rough and plays another ball that he believes to be his. Then, he discovers that he has played a second wrong ball. What is the ruling?

There is a total penalty of two strokes.

There is a total penalty of four strokes.

- He is disqualified.
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10. If a player finds it impossible to repair an old hole plug, he may not discontinue play and request the Committee to raise or lower the plug.

True

False

11. If the player's ball lies off the putting green and casual water intervenes between the ball and the hole, the player is entitled to relief under the casual water Rule.

True

False

12. In a four-ball match, a player's ball and his partner's ball lie in the same bunker. The opponent's balls are on the putting green. The player forgets that his ball is in a bunker and lifts a stone lying next to it. What is the ruling?

- The player who lifted the stone is disqualified for the hole, but his partner does not incur a penalty even if the infraction assisted his play of the hole.

- The player who lifted the stone is disqualified for the hole, and his partner also incurs a penalty, if the infraction assisted the partner's play of the hole.
 - The side incurs a loss of hole penalty.
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13. In stroke play, several days after the competition closes, the Committee discovers that the score card of the winner was not signed by him. What is the ruling?

- As the competition had closed when the breach was discovered, there is no penalty and the result of the competition stands.
 - The winner should be disqualified for returning an improper score card.
 - The Committee must decide if the competitor knew before the competition closed that he was in breach of the Rules by failing to sign his score card; if he knew, he should be disqualified, but otherwise there is no penalty.
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14. In stroke play, a player picks up during a round because in his view the course is unplayable due to bad weather. For this reason, the Committee disqualifies him. Subsequently, the Committee decides to cancel the round because the course is unplayable due to bad weather. When the round is replayed, may he play?

- Yes, without penalty.
- Yes, with a two stroke penalty.

- No, because he was disqualified during the round before cancellation.
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15. In stroke play, during the first round of a 36-hole event, a player incorrectly substitutes a ball on a putting green, but the Committee advises him that there is no penalty. He completes his round and returns his score card. During play of the second round, the Committee adds two penalty strokes to the player's first round score. What is the ruling?

- The Committee has ruled appropriately.
 - The Committee should reinstate its initial decision.
 - The Committee should disqualify the player for an incorrect score card.
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16. The ball must be struck at with the head of the club and must not be pushed, scraped or spooned.

- True
 - False
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17. In stroke play, a player thinks that his tee shot is out of bounds and plays a provisional ball. On reaching the place where his ball lies, he is still in doubt about the status of his original ball and announces that he will play a second ball under the Rules. What is the ruling?

- He should play both the original ball and the provisional ball, which

will be the second ball under the Rules and report the facts to the Committee.

- He may play a second ball from the tee since the Rules provide that a provisional ball may never be a second ball.

 - If he plays another ball from the tee, it becomes the ball in play, lying three, and the original ball is lost.
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18. In the rain, a player holds an umbrella over his head with one hand while holing a short putt with his putter held in the other hand; there is no penalty.

- True

 - False
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