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2021 Ptarmigan Tournaments

Terms of Competition

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and the R&A, effective January 1, 2019 govern play. Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for a breach of a local rule is loss of hole in match play and two strokes in stroke play.

LOCAL RULES

Out of Bounds – The boundary edges are defined by the freshly painted white lines or the inside points at ground level of white stakes or fence posts; the outside edge of the cart path to the left of # 4 as it curves around to the # 5 teeing area; the course side edge of the cement sidewalk to the left of the 5th & 11th greens and the course side edge of cement near the practice putting green.

Penalty Areas – Defined by red stakes and/or the freshly painted red lines. When a penalty area is bounded by out of bounds, the edge of the penalty area extends to and coincides with the boundary edge. On the right side of hole # 10 before the ravine, the penalty area line is bounded by out of bounds and extends to and coincides with the out of bounds line. All bridges and culverts are in the penalty areas.

Ground Under Repair – Defined by white lines. French drains filled with stones that are exposed or discovered by probing are ground under repair. Ground under repair includes, whether or not marked, cultivated flowerbeds and active nurseries where relief is mandatory. Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage, but only when so declared by the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an obstruction, such an area is part of the obstruction. Thinly grassed areas resulting from winterkill or drought conditions are not considered and are not marked as ground under repair.

No Play Zones – The ravine on hole # 10 is a no play zone from which penalty relief is mandatory. All cultivated flowerbeds and active nurseries are no play zones where relief is mandatory.

Drop Zone on hole # 10 – As an additional option for a ball hit into the penalty area on hole # 10, a player may take relief utilizing the designated drop zones on the **tee side** of the ravine.

Wrong Putting Green - The 4th and 8th greens are one putting green. A player is not on a wrong putting green if during the play of the 4th hole they are on the 8th green and vice versa. The practice putting green and chipping green to the left of hole # 9 are in bounds and are wrong putting greens.

Integral Objects – Include cables, rods, wires or wrappings when closely attached to trees; liners in bunkers and artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas.

The following Local Rules are in effect as prescribed in the Committee Procedures, Section 8 of the USGA Official Guide to the Rules of Golf:

- Relief from seams of Cut Turf (Sod Seams) Note: Relief is for lie of ball and area of intended swing only (F-7)
- Immovable Obstructions Close to the Putting Green when both the Ball and Obstruction are in the General Area cut to Fairway Height or less (F-5)
- Ground Under Repair treated as part of nearby obstruction (F-3)
- Out of Bounds when a public road runs through the course (A-3)
- List of conforming driver heads (G-1)
- List of conforming golf balls (*G-3*)
- Replacing Club that is Broken or Significantly Damaged (G-9)
- Shoes with metal or ceramic spikes that come in contact with the golf course are prohibited (G-7). Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 4.3
- Ball Played from Outside Relief Area When Taking Back-On-the-Line Relief (E-12)
- Ball played from the Putting Green hits Player, the Club used or an Animal defined as a Loose Impediment (D-7)

TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

Electronic Communication Devices – The use of cellular phones and other electronic devices can be distracting to other players and their use is discouraged. Repeated use of a cell phone or electronic devices during a tournament may be a serious breach of etiquette.

Optional Stipulated Round Procedure – In anticipation of inclement weather, the committee may employ two, nine-hole rounds for each 18 holes of a tournament.

Discontinuance of Play – A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signaled by one prolonged air horn note. All other

suspensions will be signaled by three consecutive air horn notes. All practice areas are closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open.

Scorecards – Immediately upon completion of the round, players shall turn in their signed scorecard. A player has left the scoring area when they have physically left the parking lot.

Close of Competition. The competition is closed when the symbolic prize for the event has been presented to the winner or in the absence of a ceremony, when the committee has approved all scores or results. A match is final when it has been posted to the official scoreboard.

The Committee

For all Ptarmigan tournaments, the Committee consists of Jeff Ulvedal, Matt Kantor, Kevin Quartieri, Greg With and any PMGA or PLGA board member who can be reached by phone.