



Winter Rules

From Monday 24th October 2022

PREFERRED LIES & PLUGGED BALL

The following Local Rules are to be applied: -

PREFERRED LIES

When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from this relief area:

- Reference Point: Spot of the original ball
- Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: 6 inches from the reference point, but with these limits:
 - Limits on Location of Relief Area:
 - Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and
 - Must be in the general area.

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE
Match play - Loss of hole; Stroke play - Two strokes

EMBEDDED BALL

“Through the green, a ball that is embedded in its own pitch mark in the ground, other than sand, may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay, but not nearer the hole. The ball, when dropped, must first strike a part of the course through the green.

Exception: A player may not obtain relief under this Local Rule if it is clearly unreasonable for him to make a stroke because of interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule (*in other words, plugged ball under a tree/bush - Is not excepted.*)

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE
Match play - Loss of hole; Stroke play - Two strokes