

13. Transportation Policy.

Model Local Rule G-6 is in effect and Rule 4.3a is modified in this way:

During a round a player or caddie must not ride on any form of motorised transportation except as authorised or later approved by the rules committee. (A player taking a stroke and distance penalty is always authorised). Penalty for breach of this local rule: General Penalty for each hole during which there is a breach. A breach between holes applies to the next hole.

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14. Deciding Ties.

If there is a tie for first place, there will be a hole-by-hole play-off to determine the winner.

15. Recording Area and Scorecard Returned.

The location of the recording area will be detailed each week on the local rules sheet. The scorecard is returned when the player leaves the recording area with both feet.

16. Results of Competition - Competition Closed

The result of the tournament is officially announced when the final results sheet is placed on the official noticeboard at the tournament venue.

17. Anti-Doping

Players are required to comply with and be bound by the Sunshine Tour's Anti-Doping Policy. (The current version can be viewed in the member's section on <https://sunshinetour.com/anti-doping>)

18. Code of Conduct. Rule 1.2b

A code of conduct, with penalties for breach of its standards, has been adopted by the Committee. This code of conduct will be displayed on the notice board at all tournaments

THE FOLLOWING APPLY IN BIG EASY IGT TOUR COMPETITIONS ONLY

Temporary Immovable Obstructions – Definitions

Examples include but are not limited to: Flightscope fixed TV poles (these will always have an either side option), all clocks, advertising boards fixed to other temporary immovable obstructions or advertising boards and hole number distance indicators that are situated around teeing grounds.

Movable Obstructions – Definitions

Examples include but are not limited to: free-standing advertising boards situated away from teeing grounds, drinks dispensers that are on wheels or easily lifted, all cameras and their tripods, TV microphones, free standing scoring and data masts and crossing point indicators.

19. Picket Fencing.

The Big Easy IGT Tour will publish the status on the local rules for the specific event

20. Abnormal Course Conditions. Rule 16.

a) Restriction on Relief from Stance in Animal Hole.

Rule 16.3 is modified in this way:

"Interference does not exist if the animal hole interferes with only the player's stance".

b) Yardage Spots or Lines.

Painted lines or dots in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less are to be treated as ground under repair from which relief is allowed under Rule 16.1c.

But, interference does not exist if painted lines or dots interfere with only the player's stance.

c) Green painted circles on putting greens.

A ball coming to rest on the putting green, either in such a circle, or the circle intervenes on the line of the putt, may be lifted and placed at the nearest point which avoids the condition, but not nearer the hole (relief for line of play only and not for stance)



HARD CARD

2020/21 Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour Local Rules & Terms of Competition Hard Card

The following Local Rules and terms of competition have been formulated after consultation with the Rules of Golf Committee of R&A Rules Limited. In the event of a dispute arising as to the meaning of any Rule of Golf or Big Easy IGT Tour Local Rule, the Rule will be interpreted according to the English Edition of the Rules of Golf or Big Easy IGT Tour Local Rules Hard Card.

The following Local Rules apply to all Big Easy IGT Tour events. For the full text of the Local Rules, please refer to the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf effective from January 2019 as published by R&A Rules Limited. Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is The General Penalty. Match Play – Loss of Hole Stroke Play – Two strokes.

BIG EASY IGT TOUR LOCAL RULES

These Local Rules, together with any additions published by the Big Easy IGT Tour at each golf course, will apply until further notice to all tournaments under the auspices of the Big Easy IGT Tour:

1. Out of Bounds. Rule 18.2.

- A ball is out of bounds when all of it is outside the boundary edge of the course as defined by the Committee, with the boundary edge as defined by boundary objects such as white stakes, painted white lines, fences and walls (when it is beyond the wall).
- A ball that is played from one side of a road which is defined as out of bounds and comes to rest on the other side of that road is out of bounds. This is true even if the ball comes to rest on another part of the course that is in bounds for other holes.
- In the case of there being two boundary fences, the inner most fence shall define the boundary.

2. Penalty Areas. Rule 17.

a) Opposite Side Same Distance Relief for Red Penalty Areas.

The weekly local rules sheet will specify which (if any) red penalty areas have a same distance option on the opposite side. Model local rule B-2.1 will apply only to the penalty areas that are listed.

b) Opposite Side Relief Where Ball last Crossed Edge of Penalty Area Where The Edge and the Boundary of the Course Coincide.

When a player's ball last crosses the edge of a penalty area where the edge of the penalty area and the boundary of the course coincide, that edge is deemed red and opposite side relief is available under model local rule B-2.1.

c) Dropping Zones for Penalty Areas.

Where a dropping zone is marked for a penalty area, it is an additional option under penalty of one stroke. The dropping zone is a relief area under rule 14.3. meaning a ball must be dropped in and come to rest in the relief area.

3. Abnormal Course Conditions (Rule 16.1).

A. Ground Under Repair.

- All areas bounded by white lines including spectator crossing points where marked.
- Seams of Cut Turf: Model Local Rule F-7 is in effect.
- French drains (stone-filled drainage ditches).
- For holes left by movable obstructions in parts of the general area cut to fairway height or less, free relief is available for lie of ball or area of intended swing, but there is no relief for interference to the stance.

B. Immovable Obstructions.

- White lined areas and the immovable obstruction they tie into are treated as a single abnormal course condition.

- ii. Landscaped garden areas (and everything growing in them) that are completely surrounded by an immovable obstruction are treated as a single abnormal course condition.
- iii. Mats that are secured and all ramps covering cables.
- iv. Roads or paths surfaced with woodchip or mulch. Individual pieces of woodchip are loose impediments.
- v. Non-permanent bridges erected for players or spectators unless otherwise defined on the local rules sheet.

C. Temporary Water.

Squeegee Policy for Temporary Water removal.

If a player's ball lies on the putting green and there is interference by temporary water on the putting green, the player may take relief under rule 16.1d or have his line of play squeegeed.

The committee may squeegee greens until players are nearby and if conditions deteriorate, to keep play going, they may authorise a combination of all the above measures.

Any squeegeeing should be done across the line of play, must extend a reasonable distance beyond the hole (i.e. at least one club-length) and may only be carried out by committee authorised personnel.

4. Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Greens

Model Local Rule F-5 is in effect but is modified as follows:

For a ball in the general area, relief is allowed only when both the ball and the immovable obstruction lie in an area cut to fairway height or less.

5. Integral Objects.

- a) Bunker liners in their intended position.
- b) Wires, cables, wrapping or other objects when closely attached to trees or other permanent objects.
- c) Artificial retaining walls and pilings when located within Penalty Areas.
- d) Floating sponsor displays/signs when in penalty areas. (no line of sight relief allowed). Wires or cables anchoring them are temporary cables.
- e) Any closed gate attached to a boundary object.

6. Permanent Overhead Power Line.

Model Local Rule E-11 is in effect but only for a ball which strikes a power line located in bounds and not the supporting pole. (Stroke is cancelled and replayed.)

7. Temporary Immovable Obstructions (TIO).

Model Local Rules F-22 re Temporary Power Lines and Cables and F-23 re TIO are in effect.

- a) Dropping Zone Policy. In the general area, when a player's ball lies in or on a TIO or so close to the TIO that it interferes with the stance or area of intended swing and relief is required, the player may:
 - proceed under any of the options allowed under the TIO local rule or Rule 16.1 or,
 - if dropping zones have been marked, as an additional option, the player may drop the original ball or another ball, without penalty, in the nearest dropping zone. This is true even if it is nearer the hole.
 - The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3 meaning a ball must be dropped in and come to rest in the dropping zone.
- b) Either Side Relief. The weekly local rules sheet will specify which TIO have an either side option. Either side relief is restricted to line of sight relief only and is not available when the player chooses to operate under Rule 16.1.

8. Clubs and Balls.

- a) List of Conforming Driver Heads. Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of this local rule: Disqualification.
- b) Groove and Punch Mark Specifications. Model Local Rule G-2 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of this local rule: Disqualification.
- c) Conforming Balls List. Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke in breach of this local rule: Disqualification.

- d) The One Ball Rule. Model Local Rule G-4 is in effect. (Exception: This Local Rule does not apply to Professional or Amateur players in any pre-tournament Pro-Am or Approved One-Day Event or Amateurs who partner professional players in a major Pro-Am tournament). Penalty for making a stroke at a ball in breach of this local rule: General Penalty for each hole during which the player is in breach.

9. Pace of Play Policy. Rule 5.6b(3).

Monitoring may happen before Timing but it does not have to.

In the absence of mitigating circumstances, a group is liable to be timed if it is in excess of the time allowed and in the case of second or subsequent groups, Out of Position. From the commencement of timing, if any player exceeds 50 seconds on a 'first to play approach shot (including Par 3 tee shot), chip or putt', or 40 seconds if it is a tee shot or 'second or third to play shot', he is deemed to have had a 'bad time'.

The time allowed will be determined by the Committee and will be published on the official notice board. A player whose group is timed will have a bad time carried forward in the round even if the group subsequently arrives back in position or within time.

Penalty for Breach of Pace of Play Policy: Stroke Play and Match Play:

- 1 bad time - Verbal warning from Referee.
- 2 bad times - 1 stroke penalty and R500 fine.
- 3 bad times - 2 strokes penalty and R1000 fine.
- 4 bad times - Disqualification.

Notes:

- 1) Players will be advised that they are being timed.
- 2) Timings will be taken from the moment it is deemed by the Referee that it is the player's turn to play.
- 3) In some circumstances, an individual player or two players within a group of three, may be timed rather than the entire group.
- 4) In addition, please note Big Easy IGT Tour general regulation on Pace of Play in the Member's Handbook.

10. Play Suspensions Rule 5.7.

The following signals will be used to suspend and resume play:

- Immediate Stop/dangerous situation - 1 prolonged note of the siren.
- Normal non-dangerous stop - 3 consecutive short notes of the siren.
- Resume play - 2 consecutive short notes of the siren

When play is stopped in a dangerous situation, all practice areas are immediately closed.

11. Practice. Rule 5.

- a) Practice before or between rounds in Stroke Play. Rule 5.2b.

Rule 5.2b is modified in this way: A player must not practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Rule 5.2: See penalty statement in Rule 5.2.

- b) Practice on or Near Previous Putting Green Prohibited. Rule 5.5b

For stroke play events only, Rule 5.5b is modified in this way:

Between the play of two holes, a player must not:

- make any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the hole just completed or
- test the surface of that putting green by rubbing the putting green or rolling a ball.

12. Distance Measuring Devices

Allowed.

- a) Getting information on distance or direction (such as from a distance-measuring device or compass).

Not Allowed.

- a) Measuring elevation changes, or
- b) Interpreting distance or directional information (such as using a device to get a recommended line of play or club selection based on the location of the player's ball).