

July 10, 2023

LOCAL RULES – LAGA – Los Altos Golf Course

Out of Bounds: (Stroke and distance/Or New Local Rule Listed below)

- Parking lot.
- All perimeter fences (Note: Perimeter fences are NOT obstructions).
- Driving range (Note: Fence around driving range is NOT an obstruction.)
- The nine hole executive course in its entirety as defined by white stakes around it.
- The club house and the concrete area around it.
- **Alternate to “stroke and loss of distance penalty”:** When the ball is most likely lost or out of bounds, you may drop anywhere between the point (A) where the ball is most likely to have gone out of bounds or be lost and a point on the fairway nearest that point. You may not drop closer to the hole than the point (A). **You must add two penalty strokes to your score.**

In addition to the above, Out of Bounds on each hole is defined as follows:

Hole No.

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| 8 | To the left of driving range fence on the left side or left of white stakes between the fence and the lake. |
| 9 | To the left of white stakes on the left side rough & on or beyond the white posts behind the green. |
| 10 | To right of white stakes along right side rough or left of driving range fence on the left. |
| 11 | To the right of white stakes along right side rough. |
| 12 | To the right of or past the white stakes on the right or behind the green. |
| 17 | To the right of white stakes along right side rough or to the left of white stakes on the left side. |
| 18 | To the right of white stakes on the right side rough & on or beyond the sidewalk behind the green. |

Ball Lost in Pampas Grass Bush

If a player's ball has not been found and it is known or virtually certain that the ball came to rest in a pampas grass bush on the course, the player may drop within two club lengths of the bush, no closer to the hole, and add one penalty shot to their score. This is in lieu of the stroke and distance penalty for a lost ball. Exceptions are yardage marker bushes which are obstructions and relief is free as described in next paragraph.

Obstructions: (Relief: Player may lift the ball and drop it, without penalty, within one club-length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief. Relief is for stance and swing only, not line of sight.) Refer to Rules 15 & 16 for further details.

- All concrete, asphalt or gravel cart paths or roads. All railroad ties used for landscape purposes.
- All yardage markers including pampas grass bushes & pinon trees, sprinkler heads, sprinkler control boxes, etc., are obstructions and entitle you to free relief as described above.
- Trees and shrubs marked with a ribbon, nursery tag or tree wells filled with bark.
- Exposed tree roots in your own fairway.
- All pump houses, restrooms and buildings within the boundaries of the course.
- Protection screens on left of cart paths on #3 & #18, tee box on #14 & #17, and left of rough on #16.
- Hole #8- If a ball in play comes to rest between the cart path and the driving range fence, marked by white lines painted on the cart path, the closest point of relief will be on fairway side of cart path. All flower, plant & rock beds, i.e. Left of the #8 green, behind #15 green, & next to the cart barn on #18.
- The practice pitching and putting greens to the left of #18 green.
- Stones in bunkers are loose impediments. (Rule 12.2a applies). Boulders in left rough of hole #14 are considered an integral part of the course and can not be moved.

Ground Under Repair: (Lift, clean and drop.)

- All areas outlined by officials with white paint or other markings.
- All irrigation and other construction areas on the course that have left the area unplayable, whether marked or unmarked (new sod areas, piles of dirt from excavation, etc.).
- Area next to #14 tee box covered with crusher fine (also known as pea gravel). (Drop area provided, or nearest point of relief or play it as it lies).
- All aerated areas. (May lift, clean and drop not nearer the hole).
- The berm and trash/dump area to the right of the rough on #16 is considered GUR. Ball found in that area may be brought back to the north side of the berm and dropped. Ball not found is a lost ball and shall be played according to rules of lost ball.

Penalty Areas:

The lake on holes #3, #8 and #9 (On 9, short of point where Out of Bounds begins, left of the cart path) are played as Penalty Areas marked in red. The rocked drainage areas are part of the penalty area.