



121ST US AMATEUR QUALIFYING

Brackett's Crossing Country Club
17976 Judicial Road, Lakeville, MN
Tuesday, July 6, 2021

Local Rules and Information Sheet

TEES: *USGA* markers **FORMAT:** 36 holes, stroke play

QUALIFIERS: 2 **ALTERNATES:** 2

TIES & PLAYOFFS: In the event of a tie for the final qualifying spot and/or any alternate position, a hole-by-hole playoff will be conducted immediately following play. Holes #9 & 10 will be used for the playoff.

EVACUATION PLAN: In the event play is suspended for a dangerous situation, all players are to immediately return to the clubhouse for further instructions. Officials will be providing shuttle transportation to players and caddies only.

Rules are governed by the USGA Rules of Golf, the USGA Rules Card and the following local rules. Disregard any and all local rules printed on the local card.

"ONE-BALL" CONDITION: Is in effect (Appendix I, Part B, 1.c.(i)).

PACE OF PLAY: The Pace of Play Policy posted on the MGA website for this Qualifying will be in effect.

USGA GROOVES POLICY: The player's clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR: In addition to areas circled with white lines, the following are treated as *ground under repair*.

1. Cultivated flower and shrubbery beds (**No Play Zones**)
2. Sod seams in unmarked areas (**lie of ball and area of intended swing only**).

MULCHED & WOOD CHIP AREAS: Mulched and wood chipped areas are not GUR but individual pieces of mulch or wood chips are defined as *loose impediments*.

OUT OF BOUNDS: The boundaries are defined by white stakes and/or lines.

PENALTY AREAS: Are marked by lines and stakes. The stakes *identify* and the lines *define* the margin.

DROP ZONES: There are no drop zones in play.

RULES COMMITTEE: Doug Hoffmann(C), Rob Tennant

MODEL LOCAL RULES

E-12: BALL PLAYED FROM OUTSIDE RELIEF AREA WHEN TAKING BACK-ON-THE-LINE RELIEF

"When taking Back-On-the-Line relief, there is no additional penalty if a player plays a ball that was dropped in the relief area required by the relevant Rule (Rule 16.1c(2), 17.1d(2), 19.2b or 19.3b) but came to rest outside the relief area, so long as the ball, when played, is within one club-length of where it first touched the ground when *dropped*."

This exemption from penalty applies even if the ball is played from nearer the hole than the reference point (but not if played from nearer the hole than the spot of the original ball or the estimated point where the ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area).

This Local Rule does not change the procedure for taking Back-On-the-Line relief under a relevant Rule. This means that the reference point and relief area are not changed by this Local Rule and that Rule 14.3c(2) can be applied by a player who drops a ball in the right way and it comes to rest outside the relief area, whether this occurs on the first or second drop." (Added 4/2019)

G-9: REPLACEMENT OF BROKEN OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED CLUB

"Rule 4.1b(3) is modified in this way:

If a player's club is "broken or significantly damaged" during the round by the player or caddie, except in cases of abuse, the player may replace the club with any club under Rule 4.1b(4).

When replacing a club, the player must immediately take the broken or significantly damaged club out of play, using the procedure in Rule 4.1c(1).

For the purposes of this Local Rule:

- A club is "broken or significantly damaged" when:
 - the shaft breaks into pieces, splinters or is bent (but not when the shaft is only dented)
 - the club face impact area is visibly deformed (but not when the club face is only scratched)
 - the clubhead is visibly and significantly deformed
 - the clubhead is detached or loose from the shaft, or
 - the grip is loose.

Exception: A club face or clubhead is not "broken or significantly damaged" solely because it is cracked.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule – See Rule 4.1b." (Added 4/2019)

