

2025 Denver City Amateur @ City Park GC

Notice to Competitors

The current Rules of the USGA and the DCA Hardcard govern play. The following Local Rules and Terms of Competition supersede any conflicting provisions on the DCA Hardcard. The "Rules Committee", whose decision is final, shall settle all rules questions & disputes.

Terms of Competition / Local Rules

(Refer to DCA Hardcard for all Local Rules in Effect)

Time of Starting: The official clock is with the starter.

Format: 36 holes of stroke play unless shortened by the *Committee*. Each flight is a separate competition; scoring within a flight is by gross score. Ties for the Championship of each flight: will begin as soon as possible based on course availability after all players in a flight have completed their round; positions are decided by a Hole by Hole playoff on a hole or holes designated by The *Event Committee* until a Champion is determined.

Tee Markers: Refer to your scorecard for your assigned Teeing Area and Flight.

Hole Locations: Obtain Hole locations via the QR code for each round.

Scoring: Behind 9 green and event lawn; Players must return their scorecards immediately to scoring area after completion of their round or may be disqualified without refund of entry fee. Model Local Rule 8L-1 is in effect- missing marker certification; Penalty is 2 strokes, not Disqualification.

Rules Issues / Questions: Rules Phone Number

- Call the rules number for a Rules Official [Provide Hole #, Location, and Issue] or
- Play a Second Ball under Rule 20.1c(3); Player must report at scoring or disqualification.
- Rule 19 Unplayable Ball, is not available for a ball in an *penalty area*.

Pace of Play: The DCA Pace of Policy is in effect and strictly enforced.

- The standard is "**keep up with the group in front of your group!**" If out of position, you may be "timed" or "put on the clock" without warning!
- Play a *Provisional ball* for any ball that may be *Out of Bounds* or lost outside a *Penalty Area*.
- On all Par 4 and Par 5 holes, players should play "**ready golf**" until they reach the *Putting Green*.

Out of Bounds (OB): Defined by white stakes and lines, perimeter fences, or the inside edge [golf course side] of the curbing of a perimeter street or sidewalk. The Driving Range is OB.

Internal Out of Bounds: Defined on the left side of Holes #7 and #13 for the play of those holes only.

- Hole #7: OB defined by white stakes from the *Teeing Area* to the Restrooms between *Putting Greens* of #4 and #8.
- Hole #13: The OB edge is defined by the *Red Penalty Area Line* on the Hole #14 side; white stakes identify the edge.
- Stakes defining or identifying an Internal Out of bounds for a hole are *Boundary Objects*; They are *Immovable Obstructions* in the play of all other holes.

Waste Areas: Sandy Areas without rakes are not *Bunkers* [EG: Hole #8 Putting Green]

Ground Under Repair (GUR): Areas enclosed by white lines, exposed rocks in closely mown areas cut to fairway height or less and French drains in the General Area. Bare and thinly grass areas are not GUR unless marked by The Committee.

Abnormal Course Condition (ACC): Protective Small fences, Stakes, Posts, and Bare Areas adjacent to an Immovable Obstruction [EG Cart Paths] are deemed to be part of the Cart Path; thinly grassed and bare areas are not GUR.

No Play Zones (NPZ), Drop Zones (DZ): None

Optional Free Relief from Immovable Obstructions Located Close to Putting Green: Both the ball and the Immovable Obstruction must be located in the same closely mown area of course, Model Local Rule 8F-5.

Practice Between Holes: Prohibited

Audio-Video Devices: Prohibited; (including noise cancelling devices and headsets). Exception: accessing QR codes for the conditions of competition.

Discontinuance of Play: The optional condition in Model Local Rule 8J-1 is in effect:

- One prolonged blast of a siren or air horn signals a dangerous situation. All players must immediately discontinue play. A Player should mark the location of their Ball with 3 tees. Failure to discontinue immediately, Disqualification.
- All practice areas are closed during any suspension for dangerous conditions. Players must not resume Play or Practice until ordered by the Committees.

Dangerous Weather Notification: The DPR/DCA staff will appoint a staff member to be responsible for monitoring weather conditions for safety and deciding to remove players from the course.

Committees

Event / Tournament: Scott Rethlake, Susie Helmerich, Bridget Coulton, Chris Hamilton, Bob Nelson

Rules: Mike Rice *Chief Referee*, Chris Hamilton (PGA, CPGC) all designated *Referees* on site or available by phone.