

# ***Braintree Men's Golf Association – Local Rules***

## ***Basic Rules & Guidelines***

Hazards are defined geographically and/or by distinctive feature and usually further defined by stakes. Refer to scorecard and the USGA Rules of Golf for added guidance. USGA Rule Booklets are available in the Barry Room.

- White Stakes – 1 stroke penalty, play ball from original spot (same as lost ball)
- Yellow Stakes – Under penalty of one stroke, a player may:
  - \* Play a ball at the spot from which the original ball was last played; or
  - \* Drop a ball behind the water hazard, keeping the point where the original ball last crossed the water hazard margin directly between the hole and spot where ball is dropped, with no limit to how far behind the water hazard the ball may be dropped.
- Red Stakes – Under penalty of one stroke, a player has additional options beyond those described above. If the ball last crossed the margin of a lateral water hazard, drop ball outside water hazard within 2 club-lengths of and no nearer the hole than:
  - \* The point where the original ball crossed the margin of the hazard; or;
  - \* A point on the opposite margin of the water hazard equidistant from the hole.
- Relief Areas - No penalty; one club length, no nearer hole, from nearest point of relief. Stance or swing interfered by:
  - \* All roads and cart paths
  - \* Bridges & paths over brooks
  - \* Man-made drainage ditches and rough growing at edge of Drains (i.e. Hole #8)
  - \* Weather Station and surrounding fence on Hole #18

## ***Supplemental Rules Information***

### **Hole #1**

- Out of Bounds Left – Defined by stakes, Property Lines & Fences - Tee to Green

### **Hole #2**

- Out of Bounds Left – Defined by Fence, staked swamp and boulder area - Tee to Green
- Lateral Hazard on Right - Tee to Green, defined by stakes, tree line & marshy areas
- Water Hazard on Right ("Burley's Pond") - near Green

### **Hole #3**

- Out of Bounds Left – Defined by Fence

### **Hole #4**

- Out of Bounds Left – Defined by Parking Lot & Fence on Left; Tee to Green
- Water Hazard (Pond) behind Green
- Lateral Hazard on Left - Over Cart Path adjacent to, and beyond Green

### **Hole #5**

- Out of Bounds on Left - Defined by Fence
- Lateral Hazard on Right – Pond behind service road, woods and cart path

### **Hole #6**

- Out of Bounds on Left - Defined by white stakes or in the absence of stakes, by the right side boundary of the Reservoir Service Road
- Lateral Hazard on Left – Tee to Intersection of Pond and Reservoir Service Road
- Lateral Hazard on Right – Area before Pond to path to 7th tee and around green
- Water Hazard (Stream) immediately in front of gold teeing area

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### **Hole #7**

- Water Hazard (Brook) crossing fairway
- Lateral Hazard on Left - Defined by Pond from tee to Brook in front of green
- Lateral Hazard on Right – From Tee through Green

### **Hole #8**

- None

### **Hole #9**

- Water Hazard - Defined by marsh area in Front of Tee
- Lateral Hazard on Left - Defined by tree line from Tee to behind Green

### **Hole #10**

- Lateral Hazard on Left from Tee through Green and around back of Green
- Lateral Hazard on Right from Tee to opening leading to 11<sup>th</sup> gold tee ground

### **Hole #11**

- Lateral Hazard on Left from Tee to 12th Tee - Primarily defined by the brook and its banks with further definition provided by staking
- Lateral Hazard on Right from Tee to marsh area adjacent to Green

### **Hole #12**

- Yellow staked Water Hazard (Brook) crossing fairway
- Lateral Hazard on left of Brook to and around Green and pond on right.

### **Hole #13**

- Lateral Hazard on Left from tee to green and behind green to 14<sup>th</sup> tee area
- Lateral Hazard on Right from road between 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> holes to behind green

### **Hole #14**

- Lateral Hazard on Left defined by Pond
- Lateral Hazard on Right from tee to service road connecting 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> fairways
- Lateral Hazard on Right beginning behind the green and proceeding towards the 15<sup>th</sup> teeing area.

### **Hole #15**

- Lateral Hazard on Left defined by Pond to green, behind and around green
- Lateral Hazard on Right from Tee to Path leading to 16th tee

### **Hole #16**

- Water Hazard (Stream) crossing fairway
- Lateral Hazard on Right from tee to a service bridge leading to 10th tee
- Lateral Hazard on Left from Tee to behind and around back of green

### **Hole #17**

- Yellow staked Water Hazard (Stream) Crossing fairway
- Lateral Hazard on Right from Tee to path leading to 18th hole
- Lateral Hazard on Left from Tee to Green and behind Green. Ball landing over chain link Fence behind green is out of bounds

### **Hole #18**

- Out of Bounds on Left defined by paved parking lot, cart barn, access road and wood fence directly behind clubhouse. Area further defined by White Stakes.
- Lateral Water Hazard on Right from Tee to beyond Green to Snack Shack.