Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club, Mysore
Local Rules

The Rules of Golf and The Official Guide to the Rules of Golf as approved by the R&A/USGA in force as on date of play will apply

Tees: Blue; Yellow; Red

Yardage Stakes (measured to front of green: Red& White-200 yds; **Blue & White-** 150 yds**; Yellow & White-** 100 yds

1. **Course Boundaries (R18.2)**
   - On or beyond perimeter walls and fences, (stone or concrete base of perimeter walls or fence are out of bounds)
   - Beyond White Stakes:
     - Left of Hole 4
     - Behind Greens 5 & 18
     - Right of 16 and 17
     - Demarcating Horse Pool left of Hole 9
   - On or beyond peripheral net right of Hole 17 and connected to boundary wall/railing of race-track. The net itself is out of bounds
   - Holes 6 through 15 - The race track inclusive of tarred road running alongside inclusive of any area between race-track and road. (Race Track walls/fence/railings are boundary objects)

(Note: Any teeing grounds of Holes 6,7 and 15 located in this area are themselves in-bounds during play of the hole)

2. **Penalty Areas (R17)** – marked with red or yellow stakes or lines (Note No Play Zones detailed below)
3. **Movable Obstructions (R15)**- as per definition
4. **Abnormal Course Conditions Including Immovable Obstructions (R16.1)**
   - Ground Under Repair-Areas enclosed with blue stakes or with White Stakes/white lines and GUR sign
   - Edging grooves
   - Tyre ruts
   - All Protective Nets but excluding peripheral nets (Note: Peripheral net connected to race track railing on H17 is OB)
   - Damage caused by dogs on greens – MLR F10 in force.
   - Damage caused by dogs in bunkers – MLR F10 in force but relief not allowed if damage interferes only with stance)
   - Relief denied for Stance – MLR F6 in force for
     i. Edging grooves defining fairway and band around putting greens
     ii. Tyre ruts
     iii. Animal insect casts or holes
     iv. Animal damage in bunkers
5. **Embedded Ball (R16.3)**
   MLR F-2 is in force. Free relief for embedded ball is permitted only when ball lies in general area which is cut to fairway height or less
6. **Wrong Green**- Model Local Rule D4.2 is in force.
   - Groove/band surrounding the green must be considered part of the wrong green when taking mandatory relief
7. **No Play Zones (Mandatory Relief- R2.4)**
   - All penalty areas m red with red/yellow stakes with green tops on Holes 1,5, 7, 13 and horse bund school adjoining Holes 9/1 /14– *Relief with penalty R17.1d*
   - Nursery area left of Hole 8 marked with White Stakes with green top and Staked Saplings on course– *Free Relief R16.1*
8. **Drop Zones**
   - Left of Green 6 – as option for penalty relief from penalty area behind Green 6
   - Hole 5 (NPZ left of green)- player may use Drop Zone as option for penalty relief only if point of entry is within designated section)
9. **Integral Objects (No Relief)**
   - Exposed earthen pathways and sandy tracks
   - Embedded rocks and boulders
   - Tree basins and objects attached to trees
   - All objects attached to boundary fence and boundary objects
   - Hedges, landscaped areas and flower beds
   - Protective net left of fairway on Hole 17 including supporting pillars and concrete bases.
   - Protective nets left of Hole 5 including supporting pillars and concrete bases

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule – General Penalty (Loss of Hole in Match Play & 2 strokes in Stroke Play)
Note: General Penalty for each stroke made from inside a No Play Zone (14.7b/1)

Pace of Play Policy:
As notified on Notice Board and/or website. Penalties as per Policy

Additional Local Rule w.e.f 1st Nov 2025

Preferred Lie

When any part of player's ball touches part of the fairway of the hole being played, the players may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball and playing it from this relief area:

➢ **Reference Point**: Spot of the Original ball.

➢ **Size of Relief Area measured from reference point**: One JWGC Score card length from the reference point, but with these limits

➢ **Limits on Location of Relief Area**:

✓ Must not be nearer to the hole than the reference point.

✓ Must be on or inside the grassless band (edging groove) / fairway of THE HOLE BEING PLAYED.

While proceeding under this Local Rule, the players MUST choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rule 14.2b (2) and 14.2e.

After a ball has been placed and is in play under this Local Rule, if the player then proceeds under another Rule that provides relief, this Local Rule may be used again

Note:

1) **No Preferred Lie permissible**:
   - For ball lying in the area defined by the grassless band (edging groove/ Apron) surrounding the green
   - On Par 3 Holes
2) Subject to spot of ball qualifying for preferred lie, there is no limit on number of i stances of relief for preferred lie
3) For a ball coming to rest in or on such grooves, player at their option, may take referred lie directly or free relief under R16.1

NOTICE

Embedded Ball Relief

For the clarity of all players the following guidelines are provided for taking relief correctly for embedded ball under R 16.3

Relief is permitted only when ball is Embedded in General Area and is not permitted on any other Area of the Course (see R2)

Note:

1) If the ball is embedded on the putting green of hole being played, the player may mark the spot of the ball and lift and clean the ball, repair the damage caused by the ball's impact, and replace the ball on its original spot (see Rule 13.1c(2)).

2) **Exceptions** –There is ***no relief*** under R16.3 when:
   a. the ball is embedded n a part of the general area that is not cut to fairway height or less (MLR F-2 in force)
   b. the ball is embedded in sand
   c. When playing the ball as it lies is clearly unreasonable because of something from which the player is not allowed to take free relief (such as when a player is unable to make a stroke because of where the ball lies in a bush).

Ball Moved after taking preferred lie

If a ball that is stationary on spot moves (i.e changes its location and not oscillation) including after placing the ball or preferred lie, what happens depends on what caused the ball to move.

Cause	Action
Moved by player or player's caddy	**Replace the ball on original spot, one stroke penalty for player**
Moved by outside influence (incl other players in stroke play)	**No Penalty but ball must be replaced.**
Opponent or opponent's caddy in Match Play	• **Accidental – No penalty and must be replaced** • **Deliberate action - One stroke penalty to opponent and ball must be replaced.**
Natural causes including wind/gravity	**No penalty, play the ball as it lies**

Note: If original spot where ball lies not known it may be estimated

Availing free relief for animal damage in Bunker: (MLR F-10)

While availing free relief for animal damage in bunkers please note the following:

a. No free relief if interference only for stance

b. Relief area under R 16.1c and Nearest Point of Complete Relief must be in bunker

c. No improvement permitted like raking bunker etc., before dropping the ball for free relief. This would amount to improving Relief Area, which is one of the Conditions Affecting Stroke and will attract General Penalty under R8.2

d. Procedure for availing free relief under Rule- 16.1 must be followed.
   i. Determine nearest point of complete relief in bunker (nearest not nicest)
   ii. Relief area of one club length, not nearer the hole but limited to bunker