

# Welcome to the monthly Golf Rules Quiz - September 2017

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Good luck and thank you for your interest in the Rules of Golf.

- Q.1) **It is raining lightly and a player's ball lies a short distance from the hole. The player putts with one hand while holding their umbrella overhead to avoid the rain. The player's opponent claims the hole. What is the ruling?**
- A.  The player loses the hole for taking protection from the elements.
  - B.  The player is penalised one stroke for taking protection from the elements.
  - C.  There is no penalty
- Q.2) **A player's ball enters a lateral water hazard and is unplayable. The player drops a ball within two club lengths of the last point where the ball crossed the margin of the hazard, no nearer the hole. The ball first strikes the fringe off the green and then rolls onto the green. The ball is still within two club-lengths of where the ball first struck the ground when dropped and is no nearer the hole. What is the ruling?**
- A.  There is no penalty as the player has proceeded correctly
  - B.  The player must place their ball where it first struck the ground off the green and play from there
  - C.  The player must re-drop the ball
- Q.3) **A player plays his tee shot and the ball finishes in a muddy area on the fairway and cannot be found. There is no water visible (casual water) where the ball is presumed to be lost and the area is not marked as Ground Under Repair. How should the player proceed?**
- A.  Because the player knows the ball is lost in the muddy area, he can drop a ball at the nearest point of relief and play from there.
  - B.  The player must treat the ball as lost and proceed under Rule 27-1a by playing from the spot where the last stroke was played.
  - C.  The player can estimate where the ball was lost and drop a ball at that spot and play from there.
- Q.4) **During a stroke round in the club championships, Player A marked their ball on the green to line up a putt and after removing the marker, a strong gust of wind moved the ball very slightly towards the hole. Player A was fairly sure that the ball should be played from its new position without penalty, but the player's marker was insistent that the ball should be moved back to its original position. Anxious to keep moving in the field, Player A reluctantly moved the ball back as the marker advised and completed the hole and round. The marker and player both signed their cards. The results of the competition were announced with Player A being awarded the Runner-up prize. Subsequently the player read the ruling on the situation and realised that the ball should have been played from its new position. Player A then approached the committee wishing to relinquish the prize that had been awarded. Which of the following is correct?**
- A.  As the competition results have been announced the result should stand.
  - B.  The player should be disqualified from the competition for returning an incorrect score.
  - C.  The player should have four strokes added to their score and the results of the competition be re-adjusted for the new score.

- Q.5) **A player plays from the 5th tee and his ball clears a row of trees in the rough on the right side of the hole. When the player reaches the area where his ball is likely to be, he sees a large area marked as ground under repair. He searches for the ball but cannot find it within five minutes. The player and his fellow competitors are virtually certain that the ball is lost in the ground under repair. What is the correct ruling?**
- A.  Since the ball was not found in the ground under repair, the player must return to the tee and proceed under penalty of stroke and distance.
  - B.  The player must treat the ball as lost in the ground under repair and must take relief without penalty under Rule 25-1c.
  - C.  The player may either return to the tee and proceed under penalty of stroke and distance, or take relief without penalty under Rule 25-1c.

- Q.6) **A player's ball has rolled under a rock where it is unplayable (refer to the photo), which of the following is correct?**



- A.  The player is not entitled to relief without penalty as his ball is unplayable.
  - B.  The player is fortunate as he is entitled to relief without penalty from the path and may drop the ball within a club length of the nearest point of relief but no nearer the hole.
  - C.  The player must play the ball as it lies without pushing, spooning or scraping the ball.
- Q.7) **Player A is helping search for her opponent's ball during a match and accidentally kicks and moves her opponent's ball. What is the ruling?**
- A.  There is no penalty to either player and the ball must be played as it lies
  - B.  There is no penalty to either player and the ball must be replaced
  - C.  Player A is penalised one stroke for moving her opponent's ball during match play. The ball must be replaced
- Q.8) **Player A whose ball lies off the green farthest from the hole, hits her ball to the green where it collides with and deflects a ball that is in motion after being putted from on the green by Player B. Which of the following is correct?**
- A.  Player B must replay her putt with no penalty.
  - B.  Player B must play her ball from where it comes to rest after the collision.
  - C.  Both players must replay their strokes.

Q.9) **On the fairway there are two separate areas marked as Ground Under Repair (GUR). A player's ball comes to rest in one of the areas marked as GUR. He finds his nearest point of relief and drops within one club-length and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief. His ball rolls a further club-length and comes to rest such that he would be standing in the other area which has been marked as GUR. Which of the following is correct?**

- A.  The player must re-drop his ball as it has moved outside the permitted dropping area.
- B.  The player must re-drop his ball as he is still in GUR.
- C.  The player's ball is in play but he may take relief from his new position.

Q.10) **Dew and frost are defined as loose impediments on the putting green but not on the fairway.**

- A.  True
- B.  False