

37TH MEN'S AND SENIOR MEN'S FOUR-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

May 8-9, 2023

Dornick Hills Country Club; Ardmore, OK

Notice to Players

Play is governed by the Rules of Golf effective January 2023, the OGA Local Rules and Terms of Competition Card (Hard Card), Pace of Play Policy, and where applicable, by the following Local Rules, which apply to this golf course. Disregard any Local Rules found on course scorecard or signs posted for regular play.

Format: Four-Ball stroke play, low score following 36 holes determines champion in each division.

Ties: In the event of a tie for first place in a division, there will be a hole-by-hole play-off beginning immediately following play until a Champion is determined.

Teeing Area: Men Four-Ball contestants will play from the **Black OGA Tee Markers**.
Senior Men Four Ball contestants will play from the **White OGA Tee Markers**

Out of Bounds: is defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level of white stakes, white lines, and property fence posts. A ball is *out of bounds* when it is beyond any wall defining the boundary of the *course*.

Penalty Areas: All *penalty areas* are marked with either red lines or yellow lines. All native areas on the course not marked with red or yellow lines are part of the *general area*.

Dropping Zone Hole #2 for Yellow Penalty Area: Only if a ball is in the *Yellow Penalty Area* short of the green on **Hole #2**, including when it is known or virtually that a ball that has not been found came to rest in the *Yellow Penalty Area*, the player may take relief under Rule 17.1d or, as an extra option, he/she may drop a ball in the *Dropping Zone* located on the most forward teeing area. The *Dropping Zone* is a relief area under Rule 14.3.

Immovable Obstructions:

- Railroad ties, curbing or other similar artificial edges adjoining cart paths are part of the same obstruction.
- Asphalt and Artificially Surfaced Roads and Paths: White lined areas of ground under repair tying into such roads or paths are treated as a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under **Rule 16**.
- Decorative landscape areas (flowerbeds/shrubberies and including everything growing within that area) surrounded by an *Immovable Obstruction* are treated as a single *Abnormal Course Condition* when taking relief under Rule 16.1
- Metal Staircase leading to hole #16 green is an immovable obstruction.
- Restroom structures left on hole #3 and right on hole #16 are immovable obstructions.

Ground Under Repair: All areas clearly identifiable as a removed or former cart path (such as the dirt path on hole #5) and all areas clearly identifiable as an irrigation line are *Ground Under Repair*, free relief available under **Rule 16.1**. All other areas of bare ground and imperfect turf conditions are not *Ground Under Repair*.

Integral Objects: All natural rock outcroppings on the course are *Integral Objects* from which free relief is not available.

- Natural rock wall behind #4 green and left of hole #5 *Teeing Area*

Designated Practice Areas on the Course: The Driving Range, Putting Green, and Practice Area right of hole #2 are designated practice areas on the course.

No Play Zone: Model Local Rule 8.1 is in effect. The turf nursery under construction right on hole #16 identified by green stakes and yellow tape and defined by the white line encircling the turf nursery is a *No Play Zone* that is treated as an *Abnormal Course Condition*. Relief must be taken from interference by the no play zone under **Rule 16.1f**.

Sides Scorecard in Four-Ball Stroke Play: Rule 23.2b (1) The side's gross scores for each hole must be entered on a single *scorecard* and each score on the *scorecard* must be clearly identified as the score of the individual *partner* who made it; if this is not done, the *side* is **disqualified**. It is not enough to identify a score as the score for the *side* in general.

Example:

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
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| Player A | 4 | 3 | 4 | 6 | x | 4 | 7 | 3 | x |
| Player B | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 | x | 4 | x | 6 |

Rules Issues in Stroke Play: During Stroke Play Only – A player who is uncertain about the right procedure while playing a hole may complete the hole with two balls without penalty under **Rule 20.1c(3) & (4)**. The player must decide to play two balls after the uncertain situation arises and before making stroke. The player must announce (1) that he or she will play two balls and (2) the ball he or she wishes to count if the Rules permit. The player must report the facts of the situation to the *Committee* before returning the scorecard, even if the player scores the same with both balls. The player is **disqualified** if he or she fails to do so. If there is absolute uncertainty in proceeding under **Rule 20.1c**, a ruling from a member of the OGA Rules Committee may be sought by calling (405) 250-1741.

Scoring Area Defined: For the purpose of applying Rule 3.3b(2), the scoring area is defined as the wooden railing surrounding covered scoreboard area located by hole #10 tee, including the snack shack and rest rooms.