

Montrose Golf Links Local Rules 1562 Course

1) Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2) A ball is out of bounds if it lies:

- a) Beyond any line marked by white posts
- b) On or over the kerbstone behind the 18th green and 1st tee.

2) Abnormal Ground Conditions (Rule 16.1)

1. Areas marked with white lines.
2. Immovable Obstructions
 - a) Artificially surfaced paths and roads, with the exception of the road behind the 18th green. b) Sprinkler heads.
 - c) If a ball lies in or touches animal faeces or if the condition interferes with the area of a player's intended swing the player may obtain relief.

3) Integral parts of the course

- a) The road behind the 18th green.

4) Wrong Putting Green (Rule 13-1 f)

Free relief must be taken at the nearest point of complete relief within one club-length not nearer to the hole except when playing the 3rd hole when your ball lands on 16th green then the **Dropping Zone** is to be used.

5) Policy for Course Closure (Rule 5.7 b)

The course may be closed, or play suspended, when extreme weather conditions occur and damage to the course or risk to personal safety could result if play were permitted.

The following signals will be used:

- Discontinue play immediately – 1 prolonged note of the siren
- Discontinue play at end of hole – 3 consecutive notes of the siren, repeated.
- Resume play – 2 short notes of the siren, repeated. When play is suspended (Rule 5.7 b) will apply.

Notwithstanding procedures put in place by Montrose Golf Links, it is incumbent upon every golfer to assess the risk and ensure that they take the appropriate measures to evacuate the course.

6) Bunker rakes and pins

Bunker rakes and pins are back in play. Please note that preferred lies in bunkers will be in place until further notice, as some golfers are not comfortable touching course furniture. If golfers choose to take a preferred lie in a bunker then the ball must be marked and placed within 6 inches no nearer the hole. We encourage golfers who do not wish to touch a rake to leave the bunkers as smooth as possible. Rakes must be left in the bunker.

7) Preferred Lies

Montrose Golf Links will continue to adopt the local ruling until further notice of “preferred Lies” on the 2nd fairway. If you are taking relief please remember to mark then place the ball within 6 inches of this point.

8) Revetted Bunker Face

No relief will be given if the ball comes to rest in the revetted face of the bunker and the ball should be played as it lies. Otherwise refer to rule 19-2.

Relief can be taken if the ball is embedded within the revetted bunker face.

If the ball is “embedded” in the revetted face of any bunker then normal embedded rules should apply. Please refer to rule 16-3 b.

R&A App

The R&A App is a very useful tool and we recommend golfers download this as it is very helpful and clear and all rules are clearly defined. If anyone is unclear then they should ask the Professional Shop for clarity.