

RULES SHEET FOR D2 SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT AT DENISON GOLF COURSE

- 1. PLAYING THE BLUE TEES.**
- 2. USGA Rules: BALL IS TO BE PLAYED DOWN EVERYWHERE UNLESS RELIEF IS PROVIDED BY THE RULES.**
- 3. Playing the “Embedded Ball” Rule through the green EXCEPT THE SAND BUNKERS. Please consult with both playing partners to come to an agreement that the ball is embedded.**
- 4. RULE INTERPETATION: If the local rules interpreter and rules committee cannot answer the question, the USGA will be called for an official interpretation.**
- 5. UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIORS: Talking to spectators, use of profanity, club throwing, using tobacco products, and other unsportsmanlike acts are grounds for DISQUALIFICATION. Initial penalty is two stokes. Repeat violation is a DQ.**
- 6. CELLPHONES will be used ONLY for recording scores.**
- 7. RED STAKES/LINES-Penalty areas #'s 2,3,5,9,15,16. Please Note: There is a red line along both sides of the creek that starts to the right of #2 tee and continues between holes #2 and #3.**
- 8. WHITE STAKES-Out of Bounds #'s 2,4,5,6,13,14,15,16,17.**
- 9. This year, there is a maximum score of 12 for a hole. If the golfer takes 12 shots and he has not finished the hole, he then picks up his ball, marks a 12 on the scorecard, and moves on to the next hole. He is NOT disqualified for not finishing the hole.**

There are MANDATORY DROP AREAS for any ball that goes in the pond on holes #5, #8, and #18. For #8, the drop area is between #9 tee and the pump house. On #18, if a ball lands inside the orange fence, you may go inside the orange fence to retrieve your ball. Then, you must drop your ball inside the drop area no penalty.

The pond on #15 is marked lateral penalty area and has a red line around the pond.

TAKE FREE RELIEF from all flower beds, mulch areas, and stumps with mulch around it.

Also, there is skunk damage where skunks have dug up parts of the grass (mostly in the rough). Treat that as ground under repair. Call your playing partner over to show them the damage to the turf.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR is marked and circled with white paint. Take relief from those areas 1 club length from the nearest point of relief. No closer to the hole.

Note: All distances are measured to the center of the green. 150 yard markers are on both sides of the fairway. Blue markers are 200 yards and red markers are 100 yards.

REMEMBER that you have 3 minutes to search for a lost ball. The three minutes begin when you arrive in the area where you believe the ball is. Spectators are encouraged to help look for the lost ball without talking to the player

TWO BALL RULE

If there is a situation in which a golfer is not sure if he gets “free relief”, the golfer may play two balls for the rest of the hole. Then, **DO NOT SIGN** your scorecard until you get a ruling from a **RULES OFFICIAL** or the **RULES COMMITTEE**. A marshal is **NOT** a rules official!

PLEASE NOTE-if you decide that you want to play two balls, you must announce to your playing partners which of the two balls you are scoring with.

Example-On #3, your drive comes to rest near the wall bordering the creek. For your second shot, your stance will be on top of the wall. The golfer is not sure if he gets relief from standing on the wall. He announces that he is going to play two balls and that he wants to score with the 2nd ball which is the one club length free relief. He finishes the hole with a par using the 1st ball and a bogey with the 2nd ball. The rules committee agrees that the player gets relief from standing on the wall, Since the golfer chose to score with the 2nd ball and you were granted relief, the golfer must take the bogey. If the rules committee **DENIES** relief, then the golfer would take the par.