



116th Massachusetts Amateur Championship

Framingham County Club

July 8-12, 2024



Local Rules & Notice to Competitors

The Rules of Golf, Mass Golf Hand Card, and Terms of Competitions for Mass Golf Championships govern all play except as modified by the following local rules:

Scorecard: The Framingham County Club scorecard is unofficial and has no status.

Tees: Play will be from the **RED** Mass Golf tee markers.

Out of Bounds: Defined by the inside edge at ground level of all white stakes, white lines, boundary/property fence posts (whether noted below or not) and the club parking lot. When (OB) is defined by a stonewall, a ball is considered (OB) when it is completely **OVER** the stonewall.

Hole #1 - Left

Hole #13 - Behind Green

Hole #3 - Left

Hole #14 - Left off Tee (*Fence*)

Hole #7 - Left (*Stonewall*)

Hole #16 - Left, Behind Green

Hole #8 - Left (*Stonewall*), Behind Green

Hole #17 - Left

Hole #9 - Left

Hole #18 - Left

Note: A ball that crosses a boundary and comes to rest beyond that boundary is OUT OF BOUNDS, even though it may lie on another part of the course.

Red Penalty Areas: Defined by red lines. In the absence of a line, the stakes define the edge of the penalty area.

Hole #11 - Right, Behind Green

Hole #16 - Right off Tee, Right of Green

Hole #12 - Right off Tee

Hole #17 - Left of Green, Crossing

Hole #15 - Left off Tee, Left and Right of Green

Hole #18 - Right off Tee, Crossing, Left

Yellow Penalty Areas: Defined by yellow lines. In the absence of a line, the stakes define the edge of the penalty area.

Hole #10 - Front of Tee

Hole #14 - Front of Tee

Hole #13 - Front of Green

Hole #18 – Surrounding Green** (**DZ**)

****As an additional relief option under Rule 17, for a ball crossing the edge of the yellow penalty area and coming to rest in the penalty area, a player may use the Drop Zone provided.**

Abnormal Course Conditions: All cart paths (paved or unpaved), roads (paved or unpaved), their immediate extensions/adjacent worn areas, white lined areas tying into paths and decorative rock pyramids. Relief may be taken under Rule 16.1. Where a decorative planted area is surrounded by a cart path, they are treated as a single "ACC" when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

Hole #13 – As an additional relief option for the section of cart path behind the green (between the **BLUE stakes), a player may use the nearest of the two (2) drop zones provided.**

Hole #16 – During the play of Hole #16, If the protective fence for Hole #12 is on a player's line of play, the player may take free relief using the Drop Zone provided. This additional option is allowed **ONLY if the ball is in play nearer the hole than where the Drop Zone is located.**

Moveable Obstructions: All starting/scoring tents, and PVC logo signage (including anchor stakes) are movable obstructions. Relief may be taken under Rule 15.1.

Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Greens: For a ball in the general area, relief may be taken under 16.1b when both the ball and obstruction lie in an area cut to **fairway height or less**. The obstruction must be located: i.) On or within two club-lengths of the putting green, ii.) On the player's line of play, and iii.) The ball must be within two club-lengths of the obstruction.

Ground Under Repair: Areas enclosed with white painted lines are GUR. Relief may be taken under Rule 16.1. White circles labeled "DZ" are not ground under repair.

Relief from Seams of Cut Turf: If a player's ball lies in or touches a seam of cut turf or a seam interferes with the player's area of intended swing, The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. But interference does **NOT** exist if the seam only interferes with the player's stance. All seams within the area of cut turf are treated as the same seam in taking relief.

Integral Objects: All stonewalls, rock outcroppings and any exposed rock (whether painted white or not) are integral objects, relief without penalty is **NOT** permitted.

Pace of Play: Pace for this round is 4 hours and 34 minutes. Please ensure that you are keeping within a hole of the group in front of you and within the time par printed on your scorecard.

Playoff: Any tie(s) for the final match play qualifying spot(s) will be decided by a hole-by-hole playoff on Tuesday, July 9th (Holes 1 & 9 – unless otherwise approved by the Committee).

DECISIONS BY THE COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE ARE FINAL

Committee: Dr. Paul Burke, Jr., George Pendergast, Kevin Eldridge, and Matt Killeen