



**27th Massachusetts Senior Four-Ball Championship**  
**Country Club of New Bedford**  
**May 13 - 14, 2024**



**Local Rules & Notice to Competitors**

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

**Scorecard:** The Country Club of New Bedford scorecard is unofficial and has no status.

**Tees:** Play will be from the Mass Golf **BLACK** Tee Markers.

**Out of Bounds:** Defined by the inside edge at ground level of all white stakes, white lines, parking lot curbing and boundary fence posts. When Out of Bounds is defined by a stonewall, a ball is considered Out of Bounds when it is **OVER** the stonewall.

Hole 3 – Behind Green (Fence)	Hole 11 – Left (maintenance area) & Behind Green (Stonewall)
Hole 4 – Right (Fence)	Hole 12 – Right (Stakes/Fence) & Behind Green (Stakes)
Hole 5 – Right (Fence/Stonewall)	Hole 13 – Right (Fence)
Hole 6 – Right (Stonewall) & Left (Parking Lot/Curbing)	Hole 14 – Right (Fence)
Hole 7 – Right (Stakes)	Hole 15 – Right (Fence)
Hole 8 – Behind Green (Fence) & Left off Tee	Hole 18 – Behind Green (Parking Lot)
Hole 9 – Right; starting at 200 yds. & Behind Green (Fence/Stonewall/Fence)	

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

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

Hole 3 – Left & Behind Green	Hole 4 – Left of Tee	Hole 14 – Right
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**Hole #3:** The red line on the cart path has no status.

**Hole #3 & #17** – The red/yellow penalty area behind the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> greens extends to & coincides with the boundary fence.

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

Hole 16 – Right of Tee	Hole 17 – Front of Green & Behind Green
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**Hole #17** – 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.

**\*\*\* The Yellow Penalty Area behind the 17<sup>th</sup> green can be treated as a Red Penalty Area while playing Hole #3\*\*\***

**No Play Zone(s):** All cultivated/decorative flowerbeds are No Play Zones. Players **MUST** take relief under Rule 16.1f.

**Note:** Areas containing just mulch are part of the **GENERAL AREA**.

**Hole #9, #10, #11, & #12** – The areas identified by a **WOODEN STAKE** are a no play zone, players **MUST** take relief.

**Hole #12** – As an additional relief option for the **NO PLAY ZONE** (identified by the **WOODEN** stakes) on the right side of the fairway, a player may use the nearest drop zone provided.

**Abnormal Course Conditions:** All cart paths (paved or unpaved), roads (paved or unpaved), their immediate extensions/adjacent worn areas and white lined areas tying into paths. Relief may be taken under Rule 16.1.

**Hole #5** – As an additional relief option for the no play zone, cart path, scoreboard, & patio behind the green, a player may use the nearest drop zone provided.

**Hole #12** – As an additional relief option from the section of cart path (between the **BLUE** stakes) behind the green, a player may use the nearest drop zone provided.

**Ground Under Repair:** Areas enclosed with white painted lines are considered GUR. Relief may be taken under Rule 16.1.

**Integral Objects:** All stonewalls and rock outcroppings are integral objects. Relief without penalty is **NOT** permitted.

**Pace of Play:** Pace for this round is 4 hours and 52 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 for first place will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole playoff at Country Club of New Bedford (18, 18, & 1).

**DECISIONS BY THE COMMITTEE IN ATTENDANCE ARE FINAL**

*Committee: Dick Osborn, Greg Howell & Drew Rosen*