

Lake of the Pines Local Rules

1. The USGA Rules of Golf shall govern all play except where modified by local rules.
2. Winter Rules – A ball may be lifted, without penalty, and cleaned. Replace the ball within one grip-length of and not nearer the hole, and within the same cut of grass, from where it originally lay.
3. White posts define Out of Bounds.
4. Yellow stakes or yellow lines define penalty areas.
5. Red stakes or red lines define penalty areas.
6. Ground-Under-Repair is defined by white lines around the GUR area.
7. Distance Markers give distance to center of the green with colored disks and stakes: Blue = 200 yards, White = 150 yards, Red = 100 yards, Gold = 50 yards.
8. Relief with no penalty – stance and one club length no nearer the hole from: French drains, stakes trees, cart paths, sprinkler heads, embedded rocks in the fairway, catch boards to the right of the green on Hole #3, catch boards to the right of the fairway on Hole #4 and from protective fence behind 4th green.
9. Hole #6 – After hitting an errant tee shot from the top of Hole #6, you have two options: One option is to hit a provisional ball, and if the original ball is found, it must be hit as it lies or take an unplayable lie if necessary with a **1-stroke penalty**. The other option is to abandon the original ball and put another ball into play from the tee with a **1-stroke penalty**.
10. Hole #8 – Lateral penalty area along the creek = **1-stroke penalty**.
11. Hole #14 – If the ball lands on the bridge, you may take relief as you would from the penalty area with a **1-stroke penalty**, or play it as it lies.
12. Pace of Play – An 18-hole round of golf should be completed in 4 ½ hours (15 minutes per hole). Players may be disqualified if they do not complete the round in 5 hours (per the discretion of the Tournament Chairperson). All players are required to keep pace with the group in front. Slow players may be asked to pick up their balls and proceed to the next tee.
13. Option Local Rule E-5: Lost or Out of Bounds ball:

The purpose of this rule is to allow an extra relief option that lets a player play on without returning to the location of the previous stroke or taking a provisional ball. For two penalty strokes, a player may drop within the relief area. The relief area is anywhere between:

 - A line from the hole through the ball reference point (and within two club-lengths to the outside of that line) and
 - A line from the hole through the fairway reference point (and within two club-lengths to the fairway side of that line).
 - Then player may create an imaginary line arcing somewhat perpendicularly to the fairway. A ball can now be dropped in that triangular area no closer to the hole.