

## Gerringong Golf Club - Local Rules (updated 6 Mar 25)

**Out Of Bounds (Rule 14)** – If the ball is known or virtually certain to be OOB, the player may:

- take 'Stroke and Distance' relief (1 Stroke Penalty) and play from where the previous stroke was made,
- hit a Provisional Ball (1 Stroke Penalty), or
- invoke **Model Local Rule E-5 (Ball OOB)**. For 2 Penalty Strokes, the player may take a drop (and then 2 club lengths relief) in the General Area between the point the ball crossed the OOB boundary and the nearest edge of the fairway (no nearer the hole).
- Note: **Model Local Rule E-5** is not available if a provisional ball has been played.

**Penalty Areas (Rule 17)** – (1 Penalty Stroke) Point of entry, no nearer the hole.

- Body of Water - Lake, pond, spring, drainage ditch (highlighted by red markers and stone blocks).
- Unmaintained Scrub – Bound by long grass (no markers).

**Penalty Area Exceptions (Rule 16)** – (Free drop) Nearest point of total relief, no nearer the hole.

- Garden Area - 13th and 3rd tee areas including the pitfall toilet behind the 6th green and the area to the rear of the 8th Green, including concrete cart paths, chipped gardens, and stone borders.
- Rubble drainage areas; on the 12th fairway (left of the dam) and the high side of a number of greens.
- All bridges, car/cart paths and pedestrian walkways (not within a Penalty Area); bare patches (fairways and greens only); and animal scratchings or embedded rocks (General Area).

**Immovable Obstructions (Sprinkler) Close to Putting Greens (Model Local Rule F5.1)** – On the 'line of play', if an obstruction (sprinkler) is on/within 2 club lengths of the putting green and within 2 club lengths of the ball the player may take complete relief. Exception - No Relief If Line of Play Clearly Unreasonable.