

WILLOWBROOK GOLF COURSE

LOCAL RULES

(Update September 7, 2012)

1. **USGA Rules of Golf** shall govern all play along with the following local rules.
2. All play shall begin from the tee area. **Front nine; White Tees, Back nine; Blue Tees.**
3. **Out of Bounds** is defined by *White Stakes, Perimeter Fences and Maintenance Yard.*
For Hole #1, Out of Bounds is defined by the *White Stakes* inside of the #2 protective fence.
4. **Immovable Obstructions--Rule 24-2. Pump Sheds, Electrical Boxes, Protection Fences on Tees, Sprinkler Heads and Lake Overflow Pipes. Relief is for, Lie of Ball, Swing and Stance: Drop within one club-length of the nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole.** No Penalty. No line of sight relief.
5. **Power Line, Power Poles and Support Wires**—*Balls striking these whether from the Tees or Fairways, MUST BE REPLAYED AGAIN* in accordance with **Rule 20-5. NO PENALTY**
6. **Lost Ball**--- A ball in a tree and not able to be identified is deemed lost. **Rule 27.**
7. **Hazards**--- *Water Hazards* are defined by **Yellow Stakes or Paint. Red Stakes or Paint defines Lateral hazards. Marked Hazards for Hole # 2 and Hole #4 will be painted Red completely around the lake Hole #2, #4, #11 and #13** this same hazard will be played as a **Lateral Water Hazard.**
8. **Slow Play** --- Players (The Group) of not keeping up with the groups in front will get a **2 Stroke penalty** in **Stroke Play** or a **Loss of Hole** penalty in **Match Play.** Play **“READY Golf” in stroke play.** Drop-off riding partner near their ball when possible, then return to pick him up after you have hit your ball.
9. **Doubt as to Procedure** – In stroke play only, if a competitor is doubtful as to his rights or procedure, he may play a second ball in accordance to Rule 3-3. Make correction **after receiving correct ruling and** prior to signing scorecard.
10. **Claims – In Match Play Only**, if a doubt or dispute arise between the players, a claim may be made before any player plays from the next teeing ground or in the case of the last hole before all players leave the putting green.
11. **Putt out all putts in stroke play, tournaments and sweeps!**
12. **Rule #7 – Practice**--- No practicing on the golf course before any competition; the practice putting green and chipping areas are not part of the golf course.
Rule 7-2, Note 2, Appendix 5b— Between the play of two holes, a player must not make any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the hole last played and must not test the surface of the putting green by rolling a ball. **Penalty** is two strokes.
13. **Measuring Devices**—**Rule 14-3.** The use of Range Finders (Distance Measuring Devices), are allowed, as long as they do not measure the slope (gradient) or wind. The distance information gathered also may be shared with the others in their playing group.
14. **Cart Paths-- (Paved and Non-Paved/Dirt)** Player may **drop within one club-length of the nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole.** No penalty.

Men's Club Board and Management

New to Local Rule 12

Rule 7-2, Note 2, Appendix 5b