

## Winter Rules / Preferred lies

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When local winter rules / 'Preferred lies' are in force, the rules apply only when the ball is on the fairway or approach to the green.

You MAY, mark the position of the ball, lift and clean the ball then place it on the fairway with 6 inches of the original position, no nearer the hole. No Penalty.

If a ball is lifted and/or cleaned off the fairway it attracts a 1 shot penalty', unless another rule can be used.

## Embedded ball. ( Plugged )

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A ball is embedded when from a previous stroke AND flight, the ball is in its own pitch mark. Eg part of the ball is below the soil. A player may mark, lift, clean and drop the ball with one club length of the marked position.

This rule applies in the general area of the course which does not include penalty areas, bunkers or greens.

Exception to this rule:- the ball is unplayable due to its position. Eg embedded under bushes.

## Lost ball in bad ground conditions Society Rule

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An additional rule for our society games.

The decision to use this rule will be taken on the day, before the game starts, or by the lead group from a nominated hole, as we do with bunkers being GUR.

Following a shot, ONLY IF due to the ground conditions, a ball is lost in an 'open' area, when not in a bunker, penalty area or OOB. eg very boggy ground a ball MAY have plugged out of sight or has gone into leaves and cannot be found AND the playing group agree.

Without penalty. a ball may be placed on the fairway or dropped in the rough. Both are within two club lengths from the agreed spot the ball was 'lost'.

Rule cannot be used if ball is thought to have finished in undergrowth, bushes, trees, penalty area or Out of Bounds.