



SCORE POSTING DURING COVID-19 RESTRICTED PLAYING CONDITIONS

MODIFICATION TO THE HOLE; NOT REQUIRING PLAYERS TO HOLE OUT

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Keney Park Golf Course is using foam pool noodles around the flagstick in the hole so that the ball is unable to fall to the bottom of the hole. This is done to follow the guidelines set forth to minimize the possibility of exposing golfers to the coronavirus.

In this instance, the ball is not holed per the Rules of Golf (Rule 3.3c), a round played under these conditions will result in an acceptable score for handicap purposes using the most likely score guidelines (see [Rule 3.3 of the Rules of Handicapping](#)).

When using the most likely score, the player should consider the number of strokes most likely required to complete the hole and determine whether the ball would have been holed or not. Most likely score is at the player's best judgment and should not be used to gain an unfair advantage.

While the most likely score procedure is intended to support certain formats of play where the player is not required to hole out (such as in match play when the player's next stroke is conceded or in four-ball stroke play when a partner picks up), it is also temporarily in effect where the above described safety measures are being used.

PLAYING FROM BUNKERS; NO RAKES

If a player's ball comes to rest in a "disturbed area" within a bunker, the "disturbed area" is deemed Ground Under Repair. The player, under Rule 16.1c, may take free relief from the "disturbed area" under the following conditions:

- 1) The *nearest point of complete relief* and the *relief area* must be in the *bunker*.
- 2) Penalty Relief by Playing from Outside Bunker: For **one penalty stroke**, you may *drop* a ball outside of the bunker (Back-On-the-Line Relief).