



**IHSA Boy's Golf Championship
Class 3A – The Den @ Fox Creek
October 6-7, 2023**

Notice to Players

(This information supplements the 2023 IHSA Boy's Golf Terms and Conditions.)

Ground under repair – Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage, including areas where carts or other traffic has combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, but only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an immovable obstruction, such area is part of the obstruction.

Stakes and Support Wire for Trees – Are deemed to be Immovable obstructions

Wood Chips and Mulch – Are loose impediments

Obstructions – Wooden stiles, railroad ties, stones, and other curbing adjacent to cart paths is considered part of the cart path, and thus an immovable obstruction.

Integral Parts of the Course (No free relief) – Large boulders and rock walls bordering penalty areas are considered integral parts of the golf course.

Out of Bounds – O.B. is defined by the inside points of stakes or split rail fence posts at ground level, or a white painted line. If both stakes and a line are present then the line defines the O.B. When a penalty area extends to the O.B. the margins of the O.B. and the penalty area are deemed to coexist.

Penalty Areas – Penalty Areas are identified by red stakes and lines.

Penalty Area – Hole #7 – Provisional Ball for Ball in a Penalty Area – Model Local Rule B-3 is in effect. If a player does not know whether his ball is in the penalty area on Hole #7, the player may play a provisional ball under Rule 18.3. In playing the provisional ball, the player may use the stroke and distance option under Rule 17.1d or the Drop Zone option under Model Local Rule E-1. Once the player has played a provisional ball under this Rule, he may not use any further options under Rule 17.1 in relation to the original ball. If the original ball is found within three minutes, the player may play the original ball as it lies in the penalty area or continue play with the provisional.

Drop Zones – Hole #6, #7, & # 17 – Model Local Rule E-1.1 is in effect. If a ball is in the penalty area on Holes #6, #7 or #17, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found came to rest in the penalty area, the player has these relief options, each for **one penalty stroke**: Relief under Rule 17.1 or drop in the area marked "Drop Zone"

Damage by Animals – Model Local Rule F-10 is in effect. In the general area, areas of damage caused by animals are treated as ground under repair from which relief is allowed under Rule 16.1b. Interference is only for the lie of the ball or area of intended swing.

Obtaining Rulings – Do not hesitate to send for CDGA rules officials. Those authorized to give ruling are identified by CDGA logoed apparel. **Do not accept rulings from marshals, coaches, scorers, or other unauthorized persons.**

COACHES ONLY – Prior to the start of the Championship

Questions regarding this Notice to Players, Rules of Golf, or Course Marking at The Den – email jciotti@cdga.org