

## KCLGA STANDING RULES

- 1. DUES:** Annual membership dues of \$60.00 will be billed to each member's account in February of the season of play. Only members whose dues are paid are eligible to participate in KCLGA events.
- 2. PLAY:** To compete in weekly events, golfers must have an established USGA Handicap.
- 3. PLAY DAYS:** Play Days should not exceed 4 1/2 hours. Rounds for 9 holers should not exceed 2 1/2 Hours
- 4. HANDICAP LIMIT:** Golfers participating in Thursday events or mixed twilight golf must adjust to no more than a 40 Course Handicap for 18-Holers, or no more than a 25 Course Handicap for 9-Holers, unless a specific tournament or committee establishes other Rules of Competition.
- 5. TIES:** If there is a tie between 1st and 2nd place, we will utilize the USGA tie breaker method unless otherwise advised.
- 6. CANCELLED PLAY:** If a play day is cancelled, the game scheduled for that day will also be cancelled.

## KCLGA LOCAL PLAYDAY RULES FOR 2019

**Local Rule #1:** The new local rule is an additional option to the stroke and distance penalty for any ball that is lost or out of bounds so long as the player does not hit a provisional ball. For two penalty strokes, the player may take relief for a ball that is lost or out of bounds by dropping within two club lengths of the nearest point in the fairway not nearer the hole and anywhere between where the original ball was estimated to be or crossed the margin of out of bounds. If a provisional ball was hit, then this local rule is no longer an option and the provisional ball becomes the ball in play.

**Local Rule #2:** The KCLGA will be playing all unmaintained tall fescue (the native grass) as red penalty areas and the edge of the penalty area is defined where the rough cut of the grass and the tall fescue (the native grass) meet. If you find your ball and choose not to play it from the native, you may take the ball out of the native under a one stroke penalty and proceed to the edge of the native, the primary rough, take two club length relief and drop your ball. If your ball is lost, in the native, you may proceed under the first local rule discussed and take your ball to the edge of the fairway, where the original ball was estimated to have crossed into the native and drop within two club lengths of the nearest point in the fairway not nearer the hole.

### TALKING POINT:

The word Hazard has now been replaced by the term Penalty Area and under the 2019 USGA Rules of Golf, all players may now ground their club, remove loose impediments, movable obstructions and take practice swings in all penalty areas.

### GHIN HANDICAPPING:

Handicap posting began on Friday, March 15th. Each time that a member is on the tee sheet, the GHIN Handicap system is expecting a score from the same date to be posted. The only reason for a score not to be posted is for that round to be declared a practice round, the golfer as a single or the round consisted of 6 or fewer holes played. In any scenario, there should be communication with the KCLGA as to why your round was not posted. This will help make all competitions at the club equitable.