

Winter Rules

Winter Rules for HMRLGA is in effect from Dec. 1 until March 31. Winter Rules allows participating Member or Guest to “Lift, Clean, and Place” a ball anywhere on the course without changing the lie. A participating Member or Guest may move the ball one club length left, right or behind where the ball originally landed. The placement can be no closer to the pin. The ball must remain in the same ground condition (eg. Rough grass/tree/mulch). You may not move the ball from rough to fairway/ mulch to grass, etc. The following are the exceptions to the rule where you are not allowed to move the ball: green, sand trap, or any hazards. You may follow these rules on any official league play day during this time period. Also, if necessary, to get out of standing water, you may move your ball as far as needed to get away from the water as long as it is not closer to the pin.

If HMRGC has designated the course as Cart Path Only, the Winter Rules will also apply on any official league play days whether it falls within Dec 1st and March 31st or not. On these official league play days, the Winter Rules will apply on holes that are determined to be cart path only because of weather. This does not include the par 3's unless the entire course is cart path only since you are not to go off the cart path at any time on par 3 holes. For example, if holes 6, 10, 13, and 15 are determined to be cart path only, you may use the above Winter Rules on those holes only. If the entire course is cart path only, you may use Winter Rules on all eighteen (18) holes.