



2023 Loveland Classic Notice to Competitors



The Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association and The R&A effective January 2023 govern play.

All items specified on this notice apply to both courses, unless specifically noted otherwise.

Tees: Championship Flight: Blue (Olde) / Black (Mariana) Men's 1st Flight: Blue (Both Courses)

Men's 2nd/3rd Flights: White (Both Courses)

Women's Flight: Gold-Marina | Orange- Olde Course

Scoring Area: Players must return their official scorecard to the scoring area immediately following each round. The Competition is closed when the scores have been approved by the Committee or when the prizes have been awarded.

Format: 36-Holes of Stroke Play comprised of two stipulated 18-hole rounds. In the event that 36 holes can not be completed, the tournament may be shortened to 18 holes so long as all players have completed the same 18-hole course.

Playoffs: If necessary, playoffs for 1st Place in the Championship Flight will be on holes to be determined by The Committee. All other places will be determined by a score card playoff, starting on #1 handicap and moving through the handicap holes..

Drop Zones: Drop Zones may be used as an additional option for interference, as noted. Players may also take relief using any of the available options in Rule 16 or 17, as appropriate:

Olde Course: Hole 12 – see Protective Fence below – two dropping zones are in place one for each fence,

Hole 14 – for balls known or virtually certain to be in the Red Penalty Area behind the Putting Green

Mariana Butte: NO Drop Zones are in effect

Olde Course Only: Protective Fence on Holes 9 and/or 13 – TWO dropping zones, one for each fence: During play of the 12th hole, if the protective fence on hole 9 or hole 13 is on a player's line of play, the player may take free relief by dropping a ball in and playing from the dropping zone nearest to the fence that is blocking the shot. **This relief is allowed only if the ball is in play nearer the hole than where the dropping zone is located** (Model Local Rule E-6).

Out of Bounds: is defined by white stakes, white lines, the course side of concrete edging, sidewalks, public streets and boundary fences. All OB stakes are deemed to be fixed and may not be moved or removed.

Where multiple boundary objects exist, the boundary object that is closest to the golf course defines the course boundary.

A ball that crosses a public road defined as out of bounds and comes to rest beyond the road is out of bounds, even if it may lie on another part of the golf course. (MLR A-3)

Olde Course: The road to the parking lot between holes 4 & 5 is out of bounds and the course side edge of the curb defines the boundary.

Penalty Areas: Penalty Areas are marked by freshly painted red lines/stakes. Unmarked Penalty Areas are treated as Red.

Bare Areas: Thinly grassed areas from winterkill or drought conditions are not considered and not marked as ground under repair.

Abnormal Course Conditions: are defined by freshly painted white lines, where relief is optional.

Cultivated flowerbeds and active nurseries are Abnormal Course Conditions, whether or not marked and where relief is mandatory. Flower beds which are enclosed by an obstruction are treated as a part of the obstruction.

Obstructions: All roads and paths on the course even if not artificially-surfaced, are treated as immovable obstructions from which relief, without penalty, is allowed under Rule 16.1.

Trees with Stakes and Wires: If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a penalty area and it lies on or touches such a tree or the tree and/or the stakes or wires interfere with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f. (MLR E-10)

Electronic Communication Devices: The use of cellular phones and other electronic devices can be distracting to other players and their use is discouraged. Repeated use of a cell phone during a tournament may be a serious breach of etiquette.

Music: Music or other amplified sounds are prohibited during play of the championship. Ear buds or headphones are likewise prohibited during play. (MLR G-8)

Playing Two Balls When Uncertain What to Do: If a player is uncertain of their rights or the correct procedure during the play of a hole, the player may, without penalty, complete the hole with two balls, employing Rule 20.1c(3). After the uncertain situation has arisen, **and before making a stroke**, the player should tell their marker or another player which ball they wish to count, if the Rules permit. The player must report the facts of the situation to the Committee before returning their scorecard, even if the score with both balls is the same. If the player fails to do so, they are disqualified.

Model Local Rules: The following are in effect:

- Ball Deflected By Power Line On the Course. (MLR E-11)
- Relief from seams of Cut Turf (Sod Seams) Relief is for lie of ball and area of intended swing only. All seams in an area are treated as the same sod seam for purposes of taking relief. (MLR F-7)
- Modification of penalty for missing player certification. MLR 8I-1

Restrooms are located at:

Olde Course: 5, 15 & Clubhouse

Mariana Butte: 3, 5, 6, 11, 17 & Club House

For rules assistance, call the course being played:

Olde Course Pro Shop: (970) 667-5256

Mariana Butte Pro Shop: (970) 667-8308