

## *Do you know the rule.....*

## *.....ball unplayable*

### Question:

Timothy hits a shot into a flower bed and determines the shot is not playable from that spot.

What are his options?

### Answer:

Tim will take a one stroke penalty and then he can choose to:

- A. Go back to the spot from where he played the shot and play a ball as nearly as possible to the spot from where it was played.
- B. Drop a ball within two club lengths of the spot where the ball lay, no closer to the hole.
- C. Drop a ball behind the point where the ball lay, keeping that point directly between the hole and the spot on which the ball was dropped. There is no limit to how far behind that point the ball may be dropped.

If a ball is in a place of danger (i.e. bee hive, prickly cactus, etc) and Tim deems it unplayable he does not have to retrieve the ball, he can declare it unplayable and continue play with another ball.

On all unplayable lie circumstances once Tim has identified the ball and deemed it unplayable he may lift, clean, or substitute it with another ball.



(You can find further information on rule 28 in the USGA Rules Handbook)

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