

Do you know the rule.....

.....when to drop or re-drop your ball

As we have covered before it is important to know to how to drop your ball when your are required to, such as when taking relief from an immovable obstruction, ground under repair, from a water hazard or taking an unplayable lie.

Under the rule changes of 2019 you must hold the ball at knee height and then drop it straight down in the “relief area”.

The relief area is defined by measuring 1 or 2 club lengths with the player’s longest club, not including their putter.



Equally important you need to know when and if to re-drop the ball.

When dropping the ball it must come to rest in the relief area where it was dropped. If the ball comes to rest outside the relief area, the player will drop a second time in the relief area. If the ball again comes to rest outside the relief area, the player will place it where the ball first touched the ground on the second drop.

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