



2022 Girls Junior Americas Cup Hard Card

The Rules of Golf govern play in addition to the 2022 GJAC Hard Card and Local Rules and conditions contained herein. The Tournament Committee: Head Rules Official, one-predetermined member of host organization, Girls Junior Americas Cup Rules Board Representative.

Unless otherwise note the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the General Penalty

Code of Conduct: See separate memorandum to players and team captains for GJAC Code of Conduct. See complete text at [HTTPS://GJAC.org](https://GJAC.org). See Rule 1.2a, 1.2b.

Out of Bounds — Defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts.

Penalty Areas — When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out-of-bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds

Ground Under Repair (GUR) — Defined by white lines. French drains are GUR. For grass-covered trenching, See Temporary Power Lines - Cables.

GUR repair may include areas of unusual damage, including areas where spectators or other traffic has combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an immovable obstruction such an area is part of that obstruction.

Relief from Seams of Cut Turf — If a player's ball lies in or touches a seam of cut turf or a seam interferes with the player's area of intended swing. For a ball in the General Area, the player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. For a ball on the Putting Green, the player may take relief under Rule 16.1d. Relief for lie of the ball only.

Immovable Obstructions — Include plastic bumpers on roads and paths, and mats secured to the ground with spikes when the bumpers or mats cover cables.

White-Lined Areas Tying Into Artificially Surfaced Roads and Paths — White-lined areas of GUR and the artificially surfaced roads, paths or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

Wood Chips and Mulch — Are loose impediments.

Integral Objects — Include cables, rods, wires and wrappings when closely attached to trees, artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas and bunkers.

Temporary Power Lines and Cables — See Notice to Players for detailed Local Rule when in effect. Model Local Rule F-22 is in effect.

Temporary Immovable Obstructions — Please see notice to Players for detailed Local Rule when in effect. Model Local Rule F-23 is in effect.

List of Conforming Driver Heads — Any driver the player uses to make a stroke must have a club head, identified by model and loft, which has been on the List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by the USGA. A driver with a club head that was made prior to 1999 is exempt from this Local Rule. Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect.

Damaged Clubs - Local Rule 4.1b(3) is modified In this way: If a player's club is "broken or significantly damaged" during the round by the player, except in cases of abuse, the player may replace the club with any club under Rule 4.1b(4). When replacing a club, the player must immediately take the broken or significantly damaged club out of play, using the procedure in Rule 4.1c(1). **Exception:** A club face or club head is not "broken or significantly damaged" solely because it is cracked. Model Local Rule G-9 is in effect.

When taking Back-On-the-Line relief, there is no additional penalty if a player plays a ball that was dropped in the relief area required by the relevant Rule (Rule 16.1c(2), 17.1d(2), 19.2b or 19.3b) but came to rest outside the relief area, so long as the ball, when played, is within one club-length of where it first touched the ground when dropped. This exemption from penalty applies even if the ball is played from nearer the hole than the reference point (but not if played from nearer the hole than the spot of the original ball or the estimated point where the ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area). This Local Rule does not change the procedure for taking Back-On-the-Line relief under a relevant Rule. This means that the reference point and relief area are not changed by this Local Rule and that Rule 14.3c(2) can be applied by a player who drops a ball in the right way and it comes to rest outside the relief

Footwear: During a round, a player must not wear shoes with: ceramic or metal spikes. Model Local Rule G-7 is in effect.

Limiting When Stroke Made From Putting Green Must Be Replayed — Exception 2 to Rule 11.1b applies, except when a ball played from the putting green accidentally hits: the player; the club the player used to make the stroke or; an animal defined as a loose impediment (that is worms, insects and similar animals that can be removed easily) the stroke counts and the ball must be played as it lies. Model Local Rule D-7 is in effect.

Groove and Punch Mark Specifications — In making a stroke, the player must use clubs that conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Equipment Rules found at USGA.org Model Local Rule G-2 is in effect.

List of Conforming Golf Balls — Any ball used in making a stroke must be on the current list of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the USGA. Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect.

Pace of Play — See separate memorandum to players and team captains for GJAC pace of play policy, See complete text at [HTTPS://GJAC.org](https://GJAC.org)

Stopping and Resuming Play - All practice areas are closed during a suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing may result in disqualification.

Immediate (dangerous situation) suspension will be signaled by one prolonged air horn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive air horn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short air horn notes.

Practice — Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player must not practice on the competition course before their round. Between the play of two holes a player must not: 1. Make any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the hole just completed, 2. Test the surface of the putting green by rubbing the putting green or rolling a ball. Rule 5.5b. Penalty – 1st breach of Local Rule two strokes, 2nd breach DQ.

Scoring: Scorecards must be returned as soon as possible after completion of the round. Any competitor who leaves the golf facility prior to returning their scorecard may be disqualified. Scorecards are considered to be returned when a player has left the official scoring area.

Electronic Devices and Cell Phones: Cell phone use by players during competition is prohibited. Team captains may carry cell phones (on silent mode) for emergency use or to call for a Rules Official. See complete text at [HTTPS://GJAC.org](https://GJAC.org).

Automotive Transportation: During a round, a player or caddie must not ride on any form of motorized transportation **EXCEPT** as authorized or later approved by the Committee. Model Local Rule G-6 is in effect.

Caddies: The use of caddies is prohibited for the competition. Model Local Rule H-1 is in effect.

Advice Givers: Team captains are authorized advice givers to members of a team. Team Captains are prohibited on putting greens during the competition rounds. There are two team captains permitted for each team for the entire tournament and the only ones permitted to communicate with players. A team assistant captain may be appointed by the team captain to assist with errands and general tournament support. Captains and assistant captains must be identified to the Committee prior to the start of competition. Model Local Rules H-1, H-2, H-3 are in effect.

Ties: In the event of a tie for 1st thru 3rd place ties will not be broken and duplicate medals will be awarded (duplicates will be mailed). Additionally, if there is a tie for 1st place, the second place medal will not be awarded. If there is a tie for 2nd place the third place medal will not be awarded. Ties for 4th through 18th place will be broken by counting all four scores of the final round to determine a team finish.

Close of Competition: The competition is closed when scores are approved and the awards have been presented.