

# Goonawarra Golf Club

## Temporary Local Rules

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## Penalty for breach of local or temporary local rules.

General Penalty      Match Play Loss of Hole  
Stroke Play 2 Shot Penalty

# Temporary Local Rules

## Preferred Lies / Lift Clean and Place .

Preferred Lies **WHEN IN PLACE** means that when any part of a player's ball touches part of the general area at ground level the player may take free relief **once** by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from within 1 hand span from the original ball position not nearer the hole and still in the general area.

Once the player's ball has been placed it cannot be moved a second time.

This includes when a ball is close to the green and a player is trying to line the ball up as if on the green.

## Bare Earth / Top Dressed Areas - Updated 18 May 2026

The below areas have free relief under abnormal ground condition rule.

Areas of bare ground within 50 meters of the right of 18<sup>th</sup> green and 8<sup>th</sup> green that are within an area that would normally be classified as rough are GUR.

Area of bare ground between green and mulch on right side of 9<sup>th</sup> green is GUR.

Newly Top dressed areas between holes 2 and 8

Newly Top dressed areas on 6<sup>th</sup> hole

## Fallen Branches – Updated 22 Feb 2026

Any broken branch more than 2 club lengths that is touching the ground is classified as an abnormal ground condition. Relief can be taken under Rule 16. This applies only to branches that are no longer permanently attached to the tree.

This includes a broken branch that may still be tangled in the tree but has disconnected from where break has occurred, and is dead or dying.

It does not include any branches that are still clearly still alive and not disconnected from tree, eg Where a split has occurred at ground level and the branch is still alive.