

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

2026 U.S. Open Local Qualifying • The Club at P.B. Dye • May 11, 2026

This information supplements the 2026 Local Rules and Terms of the Competition for USGA Championships, Pace of Play Guidelines/Procedures, and event entry form. Posted course local rules do not apply.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

Teeing Ground

The USGA tee markers define the teeing area.

Pace of Play

Pace of Play is set at **4 hours and 30 minutes**. When a group is out of position at any time, the group is subject to monitoring and timing per the Pace of Play Policy. See the Pace of Play Guidelines/Procedures for full description.

Playoff

In the event of a tie for the last qualifier or alternate places, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff to determine the final qualifiers and the 1st and 2nd alternate if necessary. All announcements regarding the playoff will be made at the public scoreboard upon completion of the qualifying round.

ADDENDUM TO LOCAL RULES

Transportation

Automotive transportation is prohibited for players and their caddies unless approved by the Committee

Out of Bounds

Out of bounds is defined by white stakes/white lines/property fence at ground level or any combination thereof and also includes:

- **Nos. 1 & 3** – Fence on left side of hole
- **No. 14** – Split-rail fence on right side of hole

Internal Out of Bounds

- In the play of **No. 6**, the line between course-side points of the white posts at ground level between Nos. 6 and 9 define Out of Bounds. In the play of all other holes, those posts do NOT define Out of Bounds and are considered Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16.1 applies).
- In the play of **No. 12**, the line between course-side points of the white posts at ground level between Nos. 12 and 16 define Out of Bounds. In the play of all other holes, those posts do NOT define Out of Bounds and are considered Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16.1 applies).

Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green (MLR F-5.2)

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1. The player has an extra option to take relief when such immovable obstructions are on or close to the putting green and on the line of play:

Ball in General Area: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is on the line of play and is:

- On or within two club-lengths of the putting green, and
- Within two club-lengths of the ball

But complete relief must be taken, which includes both physical and line of play interference.

This Local Rule only applies when both the ball and the obstruction are in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less.

Free Relief From Immovable Obstruction in Penalty Area – No. 2 (MLR F-24)

Relief from interference by the sprinkler head located in the penalty area on No. 2 is allowed under Rule 16.1b with the following modifications:

- The nearest point of complete relief must be in the penalty area
- The side of the relief area measure from the reference point is one club-length but with these limits:
 - Must be in the penalty area in which the ball came to rest,
 - Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and
 - There must be complete relief from all interference by the immovable obstruction.

Ground Under Repair

Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage, including areas where cart traffic has combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, but only when declared by a Rules rover.

Drop Zones

On the following holes, as an extra option, the player may drop the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone defined by a white circle and labeled 'DZ'. The dropping zone is an additional relief area under Rule 14.3.

- **No. 2** – forward tee box

Flower Beds & Mulched Areas

Flower beds & mulched areas have no special status; relief without penalty is not available.

Integral Part of the Course

The following are deemed an integral part of the course, relief without penalty is not available:

- Stacked stones and retaining walls in penalty areas
- Rock outcroppings
- Railroad Ties
- Stone wall on Nos. 8 & 15

Immovable Obstructions

The following are considered abnormal course conditions and a player may take free relief under Rule 16.1b:

- Flower beds and drains encircled by or adjacent to cart paths are deemed to be a part of the obstruction

Scorecards

Immediately upon the completion of his round, the player shall return his scorecard to the scoring area inside the restaurant of the clubhouse. A scorecard is considered returned 15 minutes from the time it has been entered and saved in the electronic scoring system.