



## **LOCAL RULES DUE TO COVID-19**

*(Effective 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020 until further Notice)*

### **SCORING IN STROKE PLAY**

- Players may enter their own hole scores on the scorecard (it is not necessary for a marker to do it)
- Players may enter their own score into the DotGolf Scoring App
- It is not necessary to have a marker physically certify the player's hole scores, but some form of verbal certification should take place. If a fellow competitor's name or 7-digit ID appears on the scorecard, it is deemed that verbal certification has been agreed upon.

### **FLAGSTICKS AND HOLING OUT**

- Players **MUST** leave the flagstick in the hole at all times. Removing the flagstick will incur a 1-stroke penalty.
- The ball is considered holed if any part of it is below the surface of the putting green.
- A ball is holed with the next stroke if it is within 12 inches (30 cm) of the hole (which is just over the length of a standard putter grip). This does not prevent a player in match play conceding a stroke that is outside this length.

### **BUNKERS**

- When a player's ball lies in a bunker which has had the rake removed, that bunker is declared as Ground Under Repair (GUR).
- The player may take free relief once by dropping the original ball, or another ball, and playing it from this relief area:
  - Reference Point: Nearest Point of Relief outside the bunker
  - Size of Relief Area measured from Reference Point: One club-length, but with these limits:
    - Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point
    - Must be outside the bunker

### **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS**

- All course markers are considered immovable obstructions
- Free relief