

# SOUTHPORT GOLF CLUB

## Temporary Local Rules

Effective **21<sup>st</sup> February 2024** until further Notice

1<sup>st</sup> Hole is closed and out of play in its entirety. Hole 2B in play.

Rear of 2<sup>nd</sup> Tee are closed. Tee off forward on holes 2 & 2A.

4<sup>th</sup> green is closed with temporary green in play.

Players playing the Front 9 will commence that nine by teeing off the 8<sup>th</sup> Hole followed by holes 9, 2, 2A, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and then 10<sup>th</sup>.

When making their way from 9<sup>th</sup> green to 2<sup>nd</sup> tee, players must not walk/drive anywhere along the 9<sup>th</sup> or 1<sup>st</sup> hole. Players shall, using the appropriate due care and attention, utilise the cart-paths along the 1<sup>st</sup> hole.

### 1<sup>st</sup> HOLE IS DECLARED NPZ

All areas of the 1<sup>st</sup> Hole, from the Tee to the back of the Green and between the white line between the 1<sup>st</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> holes and on the **left** side of the entire length of the cart path on the right side of the **1<sup>st</sup> hole**, is declared General Area and further declared as NPZ.

If a player's ball enters this area, they MUST NOT RETRIEVE THEIR BALL, **unless safe to do so.**

No Ball is permitted to be played from within this area, and whether their ball is retrieved or not, FREE relief MUST be taken in the following manner:-

Playing 9<sup>th</sup> Hole – Free relief, equidistance from the hole (No nearer the hole) dropping within one club length from the nearest point of relief (reference point) from the white line from where the balls lies. If the ball is lost in that NPZ area, relief is taken from the point where the ball last crossed the white line.

Playing 18<sup>th</sup> hole - Free relief, equidistance from the hole (No nearer the hole) dropping within one club length from the nearest point of relief (reference point) from the cart path **along the right side of the 1<sup>st</sup> hole** from where the balls lies. If the ball is lost in that NPZ area, relief is taken from the point where the ball last crossed the cart path **along the 1<sup>st</sup> hole**.

**When playing the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole from the Teeing area, if a player's ball crosses the water adjacent the tee and comes to rest in the NPZ of the 1<sup>st</sup> Hole, free relief shall be taken by dropping the ball on the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole side of the pathway along the 1<sup>st</sup> hole **BUT no nearer the hole.** If the only relief option is nearer the hole, free relief shall be taken by dropping the ball in the designated Drop Zone located between the water and the front of the 2<sup>nd</sup> tee. If the ball comes to rest in the NPZ, a player may not be replay their ball from the Teeing Area unless taking penalty relief, therefore 2 stroke penalty.**

4<sup>th</sup> Green proper, where under construction or renovation, are declared General Area and further declared as NPZ. Relief must be taken as signed or in accordance with Rule 61.1b.