

## **2009 County Open Tournament Rules Local Information Houlton Community Golf Club**

1. Preferred lie in own fairway only. [#9 and # 18 are ONE fairway] One club length no nearer to the GREEN!. Cannot improve position, i.e. rough to fairway, fringe to green.
2. White stakes- Out of bounds on holes 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 15.
3. Red stakes- lateral hazard-3 options:
  - a. May play from hazard, WITHOUT grounding club or moving anything in the hazard without a penalty.
  - b. May play shot over from where it was hit — one stroke penalty.
  - c. May drop 2 club lengths from point of entry no nearer the hole with one stroke penalty { may use drop area if in hazards behind greens, if one is marked, taking one stroke penalty. }
4. Holes #9 and 18#. New pond and newly seeded areas are considered ground under repair. Use drop area. DO NOT PLAY FROM NEWLY SEEDED AREA.
5. Orange staked area on hole 6/15 designates a preferred lie area. If ball is within the rectangle bordered by orange stakes, you may take a one club length preferred lie, no nearer the hole.
6. Ground under repair areas are circled in white.
7. Yardage shrubs - free drop from 150 yard bushes if obstructing swing or stance. NO relief if only line of flight is effected.
8. Free Drop from all Drainage Ditches (*except Hazard on 6/15*), Cart Paths or Flower/Vegetable Beds/Newly Planted Shrubs (i.e: #7/16) . One club length from nearest point of relief, no closer to the hole.
9. Embedded ball rule is in effect "Through the green" (Not in bunkers or hazards!).

### **MULLIGANS**

10. If you have purchased a Mulligan for each day, you may use it on any shot you wish PROVIDED you declare your intention BEFORE anyone in your group plays another stroke.

Note: There will be a prize for the longest drive and most accurate drive on the designated holes for each division, each day. Be sure to Measure and Mark.

**All other play will be governed by U.S.G.A. Rules.**

**EVERYTHING MUST BE HOLED OUT!**

Pace of Play is important in allowing for everyone to enjoy their round of golf today. If problems arise groups may be penalized for slow play.

**Scorecards to be turned in on completion of round-----must be signed by all players.**