



# COBRA/PUMA NORTHERN AMATEUR

8-13 MARCH 2026



THE FOLLOWING TOURNAMENT LOCAL RULES AND COMPETITION CONDITIONS WILL BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE GOLFRSA/SAGA HARD CARD FOR THE DURATION OF THE TOURNAMENT. THE LOCAL RULES OF COUNTRY CLUB JOHANNESBURG ARE HEREBY CANCELLED

## PERMANENT CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

1. Suspension of Play – Rule 5.7 applies. Once siren is sounded (One Long blast), all play **MUST** stop immediately. Any player who fails to comply and continue play, will be disqualified.
2. Transportation – Only permitted if approved by Referee.
3. Scoring – Score recording will be done at the clubhouse in the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole room directly after your round. We will be doing live scoring on the course. Please provide Scorers with the relevant information as requested by them.
4. **Result of the Competition is Final: In the Stroke Play section – when the Final Results have been posted on the Live Scoring and in the Matchplay section – when the Result has been recorded on the Official Scoreboard (Matchplay Tree)**

## TOURNAMENT LOCAL RULES

### PREFERRED LIES

When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from the relief area. The reference point is the spot of the original ball and the size of relief area, measured from reference point is **one club-length**, but must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and must be in general area.

### OUT OF BOUNDS (RULE 18-2):

- Out of bounds is defined by the line between the course-side points at ground level of white stakes and fence posts.
- The clubhouse including car park, driving range and driving range building are also out of bounds, this boundary is defined by the course side edge of the buildings and or roads.

### PENALTY AREAS (RULE 17)

- All unmarked ditches to be treated as Red Penalty Areas
- Where an artificial wall surrounds the edge of a dam or other body of water, the penalty area is defined by the outside edge of the wall on the course side (the wall is considered to be part of the penalty area and must be treated as such)
- Drop Zones (for Penalty Areas), As an additional option for penalty relief for a ball in the penalty area a Drop Zone has been marked on **hole 5**. The Relief Area for dropping purposes is the entire Drop Zone.

### ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS (INCLUDING IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS) (RULE 16)

- Protection of Young Trees. The young trees identified by white stakes are no play zones and must be treated as an abnormal course condition. If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course and it touches such a tree or such a tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f. Relief is extended to the bowl of a staked tree.

### INTERGRAL OBJECTS (RULE 16)

- All flowerbeds are integral parts of the course.
- All roads unless artificially surfaced are integral parts of the course.
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas are integral parts of the course.

### PROCEDURE IN THE EVENT OF A TIE IN STROKE PLAY:

- In the event of a tie for the Stroke Play Championship a sudden death play-off will commence from the 10<sup>th</sup> then 18<sup>th</sup> holes alternating until a winner is determined. Play will not continue beyond the advertised final day of the stroke play Qualifying rounds. For all other ties a count-out will be done as per the rules of golf.
- Should there be a tie for the 32<sup>nd</sup> spot a sudden death play-off will commence to determine the final Matchplay positions. These holes will be determined by the Tournament Committee

### TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE:

Tournament Director: Andy Truluck (082 813 2697)

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