

JUNE RULES QUIZ

1. Sophia's ball is at rest in the middle of the fairway. Directly in front of her ball is Amanda's ball. Sophia requests that Amanda mark and lift her ball as she believes it interferes with the play of her next stroke.

Which of the following is correct?

- A. Amanda marks and lifts her ball but she moans that Sophia is being picky.
- B. Amanda refuses to lift and mark her ball so Sophia plays her next shot with both balls in place.

2. Amanda's ball is at rest in the middle of the fairway and she tells Sophia she is going to move her ball using Rule 19 as she doesn't like the grass!

Which of the following is correct?

- A. Sophia says that Amanda is now the picky one and she can't use Rule 19 just because she doesn't like a blade of grass!
- B. Amanda moves her ball to another blade of grass and adds a one penalty stroke to her score.

3. Julie takes lateral relief from a red penalty area. She drops the ball correctly but it rolls and comes to rest more than two club lengths from the reference point. Julie plays her ball from where it lies.

Which of the following is correct?

- A. Julie gets a one stroke penalty
- B. Julie gets a three stroke penalty
- C. Julie gets a two stroke penalty

4. Amanda's ball lies in between tree roots and now that Sophia understands the Unplayable Ball Rule she suggests to Amanda that she should take Unplayable ball relief. Sophia is now much nicer to Amanda but.....What is the ruling???

5. Julie and Mary are playing together on a new course and before Julie makes her next shot Mary advises Julie to be aware that there is a lake over the hill ahead of them.

Which of the following is correct?

A. Mary gets a two stroke penalty for giving Julie advice

B. Julie gets a two stroke penalty for taking advice

C. Neither player is penalized

6. Which of the following are USGA "recommendations" to encourage prompt pace of play?

A. Play out of turn when it is safe and responsible to do so, ready golf.

B. A player should make a stroke in no more than 40 seconds (and in preferably less time) once the player is able to play without interference or distraction.

C. A player should play promptly throughout the round by preparing in advance for each stroke, moving promptly between strokes and in going to the next tee.

ANSWERS

- 1. A. Amanda moaning about a player being picky isn't nice but Amanda acted correcting by complying with Sophia's request to mark and lift her ball. If as in option B she had refused to lift her ball and Sophia had made her stroke, Amanda would have incurred a two stroke penalty. Now that's definitely not nice.**

- 2.B. A player may declare their ball Unplayable anywhere on the course except in a penalty area. If you don't like the grass, take a one stroke penalty using Rule 19 and find nicer grass.**

- 3. B. Yikes, a three stroke penalty. Rule 17.1 One stroke for relief from a Penalty area, Rule 14.3, ball must come to rest in relief area, combined with Rule 14.7, ball played from a Wrong place. The breach of these Rules combined is three strokes.**

- 4. Under Rule 10.2a a player must not give "advice" to any other player on how to play their game. Any suggestion which could influence a player in determining their play is "advice". Sophia gets a two stroke penalty regardless of the eventual play of Amanda.**

- 5. C. No penalties for either player. Unlike in question 4 information on where hazards are located on a golf course is public knowledge and therefore Not advice.**

- 6. All are, A, B and C. Players should recognize that their pace of play affects others and they should play promptly at all times.**

I hope this helps you. Hilary