

## NOTICE 2012-1 TO MGA MEMBERS

From the Rules Committee

Effective Nov. 15, 2012

On occasion certain areas of the golf course experience “less than ideal” conditions. So the course can be more fairly experienced the Rules Committee will enact “SAND TRAP” exceptions as follows:

CONDITION 1: “RAKE AND PLACE” Except when your ball is plugged in the slope of a sand trap, you may find a spot in the trap NO CLOSER to the hole and at the NEAREST POINT OF RELIEF, still in the sandtrap, and RAKE the sand, then place the ball, WITHOUT PENALTY.

CONDITION 2: “SELECTED GROUND UNDER REPAIR” This is where SPECIFIC traps are identified as traps you may REMOVE your ball from, WITHOUT PENALTY. For these traps, the ball will be dropped within 2 club lengths of the edge of the trap, keeping the point where the ball was retrieved from between the hole and the drop point. Those traps NOT identified will be played as “RAKE AND PLACE”

CONDITION 3: “ALL TRAPS ARE PLAYED AS GROUND UNDER REPAIR”. You may remove your ball from ANY trap on the golf course, WITHOUT PENALTY. The ball will be dropped within 2 club lengths of the edge of the trap. Keeping the point where the ball was retrieved from between the hole and the drop point.

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