



## Rule of the Month

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### A Course is a Course, of Course of Course

#### Parts of the Course: Entire Course

Many of the Rules prescribe different procedures depending on the location of the player's ball. For instance, a player taking relief for interference to his stance from a sprinkler head when his ball lies on the fringe of the green must drop the ball. However, if his ball had been on the putting green he would be placing the ball. Every player should be familiar with the parts of the course and how the location of their ball will effect procedures. A thorough reading of the definitions starting on page 30 of the Rules of Golf book will point you in the right direction.

This month we look at the entire course and for the next few articles we will focus on a different part of the course each month.

#### Questions: True / False

1. When out of bounds is marked by both stakes and a line painted on the ground, the line defines the margin of the course.
2. If any part of the ball touches the out of bounds line the ball is out of bounds.
3. When out of bounds is marked by only stakes, the stakes are out of bounds and the out of bounds line is formed by the course side edge of the stakes.
4. Relief without penalty is always available for interference from ground under repair and immovable obstructions on the course.
5. A player may declare his ball unplayable anywhere on the course.
6. Out of bounds stakes must be white.
7. A provisional ball may be played if the player believes his ball is lost anywhere on the course or out of bounds.
8. There are only two types of hazards on the course.
9. "Through the green" refers only to areas of the course cut to fairway height or less.
10. A sign straddles the out of bounds line. A player has interference to his swing with the part of the sign that is out of bounds. He is entitled to relief without penalty for the immovable obstruction.