



RULES OF GOLF

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Golf is a self-regulating game and it is the responsibility of all golfers to know the Rules, or at least the basics. The Rules are not just there to penalise you when you do something wrong, they provide the framework for the game itself, and a sound knowledge of them may even save you a few strokes.

The basics, such as taking relief from a cart path and what to do when your ball is in a water hazard, out of bounds or lost, are not as hard as you may think. They are covered in “A Quick Guide to the Rules of Golf” and knowledge of them is enough to see most players around the golf course most of the time. This guide is available free from New Zealand Golf, courtesy of the R & A.

For those that want to know more than the basics and for those that need to know more, e.g. referees, golf club officials and Committee members, there is no substitute for a thorough knowledge of the Rule book itself and Decisions on the Rules of Golf. The Rules and Decisions are at the core of the R & A’s Rules Explorer. We recommend the R & A website to keep up to date with rules stories and to test yourself using the Quiz section www.randa.org

RULES PUBLICATIONS

New Zealand Golf can provide:



The Rules of Golf booklet:

Every four years one copy per member is distributed to District Associations. Extra copies are available from New Zealand Golf.



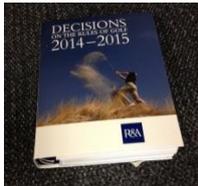
A Quick Guide to the Rules of Golf:

This is available from New Zealand Golf and ideal for new members to your Golf Club.



Golf Basic Rules:

This is a real beginner's introduction to the Rules of Golf prepared by Auckland rules enthusiast Jan Beaumont. Thanks to the Lion Foundation, this is available free to Clubs.



Decisions on the Rules of Golf:

When stock is available this can be purchased from New Zealand Golf for \$40.