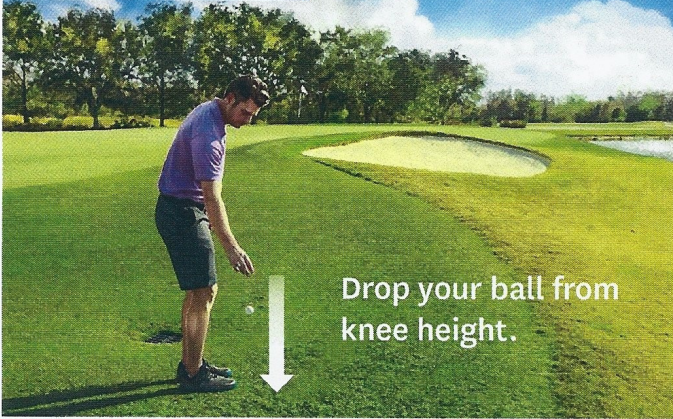


# GOLF'S NEW RULES: KEY CHANGES

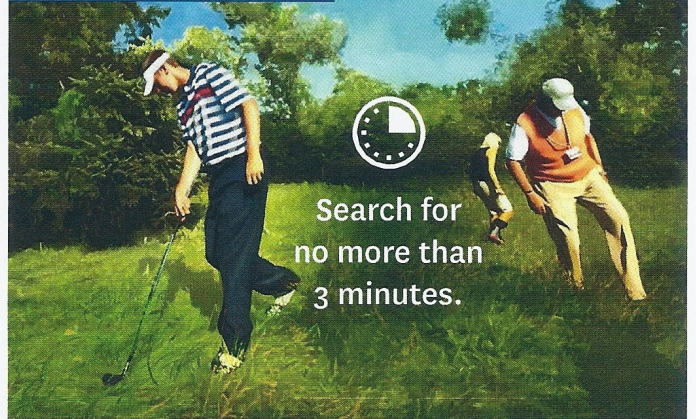
The USGA and The R&A released golf's new Rules, effective January 1, 2019.  
Below are five of the most significant changes.

## How to Drop a Ball



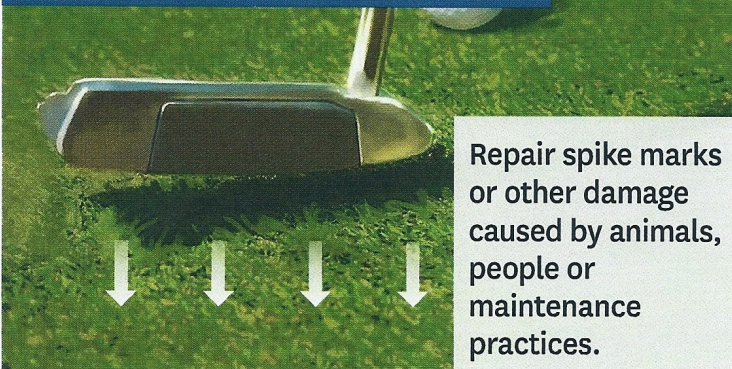
Drop your ball from knee height.

## Time for Ball Search



Search for no more than 3 minutes.

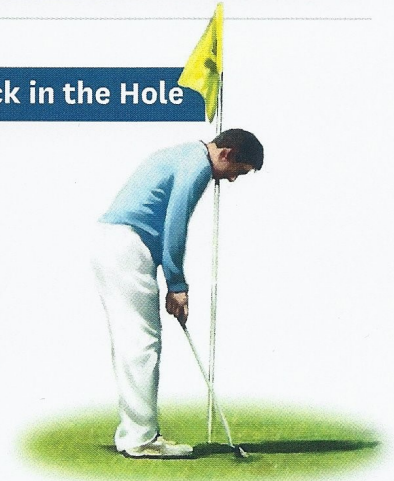
## Repairing Damage on Putting Green



Repair spike marks or other damage caused by animals, people or maintenance practices.

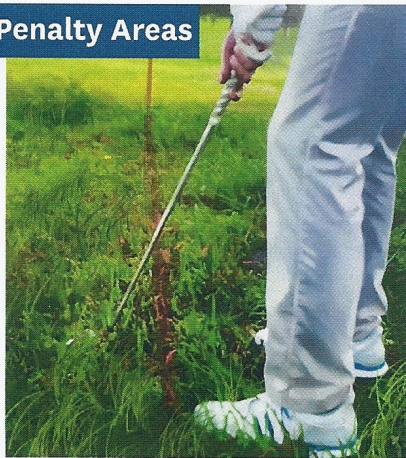
## Leaving Flagstick in the Hole

You may make a stroke from the green with the flagstick in the hole.



## Relaxed Rules in Penalty Areas

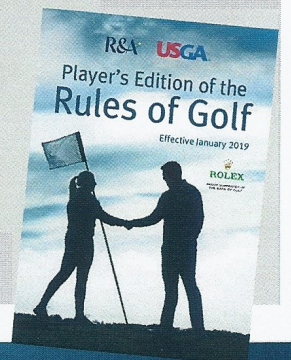
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