Rule 20 – Notable Changes

• If a player does not announce which ball the player wishes to score with when playing two balls, the first ball played is treated as the selected ball.

• Naked eye standard introduced to disregard breaches that could not have been seen with the naked eye or otherwise not possible to know.

• After the result of the match is final or the stroke-play competition is closed, players may be disqualified for serious misconduct.
Rule 20 – Key Concepts

20.1 Resolving Rules Issues During Round
• Ruling Request must be made in match play in time.
  – Before starting next hole, or before returning scorecard depending on when facts become known
  – Later requests only considered if opponent knew of issue.
• Two balls may be played in stroke play.
  – Must decide to play before making a stroke.
  – Must tell Committee or be DQ
  – Committee will decide score for the hole.

20.2 Rulings on Issues Under the Rules
• Players expected to play in the spirit of the game.
• The Committee may set a Code of Conduct applying penalty strokes for breaches.

20.3 Situations Not Covered by the Rules