

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