

Rule 7
Questions and Answers

1. In match play, A and B share a motorized golf cart. In searching for A's ball in long grass, the moving cart, with A and B in it, accidentally strikes and moves A's ball. What is the ruling?
- A. There is no penalty if B was driving the cart, otherwise A gets a penalty of one stroke.
 - B. There is no penalty regardless of who was driving the cart.
 - C. Both A and B get a penalty of one stroke.

B. 7.4

2. A player lifts a ball to identify it. If the ball belongs to the player, the player will get a one stroke penalty for which of the following?
- A. Not notifying another player before lifting the ball.
 - B. Not marking the position of the ball before lifting it.
 - C. Not putting an identifying mark on the ball.

B. 7.3 and 14.1

3. A player's ball is believed to be covered by sand to the extent that he or she cannot find it. The player may, without penalty, touch or move sand to find or identify the ball in which of the following situations?
- A. Only if the ball is believed to lie in a bunker.
 - B. Not if the ball is believed to lie in a penalty area.
 - C. If the ball lies anywhere on the course.

C. 7.1a

4. In match play, while searching for Player A's ball, her opponent, Player B accidentally kicked and moved A's ball. The exact location of the ball was not known. What is the ruling?
- A. There is no penalty. A must drop the ball within one club-length of the estimated spot where the ball was before it was moved.
 - B. There is no penalty. A must replace the ball on the estimated spot where the ball was before it was moved.
 - C. B is penalized one stroke for moving A's ball. A must replace the ball on the estimated spot where the ball was before it was moved.

B. 7.4

5. During search, a player accidentally moves his or her ball covered with leaves. The player replaces the ball on its estimated original spot without replacing any of the leaves that were covering the ball and plays it from there. What is the ruling?
- A. There is no penalty.
 - B. The player gets a one-stroke penalty for kicking the ball.
 - C. The player gets the general penalty for not properly replacing the ball.

A. 7.4/1