

**The 87th DAKOTA OPEN Presented by C-Express Convenience Stores**  
**Lee Park Golf Course & Moccasin Creek Country Club \* August 26 & 27, 2017**  
**RULES & INFORMATION SHEET**

- **"SUMMER RULES" ARE IN EFFECT! Play the ball as it lies, except as noted:**  
A ball lying in the AREA MARKED (between the lakes) ON HOLES #14 AND #17 AT LEE PARK may be lifted without penalty and cleaned. Before lifting the ball, the player must mark its position. Having lifted the ball, he must place it on a spot within SIX INCHES of and not nearer the hole than where it originally lay, that is not in a hazard.
- PLEASE KEEP THE PACE OF PLAY MOVING. If your group is deemed out of position, you will be given a warning. If you fail to improve your position and time you will be penalized one shot. A second violation will result in a two shot penalty and a third violation will result in disqualification.
- DO NOT LOOK FOR LOST BALLS FOR MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES.
- TEE SHIRTS, TANK TOPS, AND SLEEVELESS SHIRTS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT MOCCASIN CREEK COUNTRY CLUB.
- USGA Rules of Golf govern all play except where modified by the **Local Rules printed on the back of this sheet.**
- All players will play the WHITE TEES at Lee Park and the GOLD TEES at Moccasin Creek. The Open Division Championship Flight on Sunday will play the BLACK TEES at Moccasin Creek.
- When in doubt as to a ruling, play two balls and report the circumstances to the Committee (PGA professionals) as soon as possible, but before the scorecard is returned. Do not accept rulings from players or marshals.
- **Golf cars MUST remain and be parked on the paths around all tees and greens!**
- All players tee times will be the same for both days, except those that make the Open Division Championship Flight.
- The Top-16 scores and ties from Lee Park on Saturday will be flighted into the Open Division Championship Flight. They will play at Moccasin Creek on Sunday from the BLACK tees with starting times to be determined.
- The field will be flighted in each Division based on first day scores. Divisions ~ Open (any age), Pre-Senior (age 40-54), Senior (age 55-64), and Masters (age 65+).
- In case of ties, all gift certificate money will be split except for ties for the overall Division Champions. Overall Division Championship ties will be decided by a Sudden-Victory Playoff.
- Rain Out Policy - If both tournament days are rained out, partial refunds will be given to all golfers. If any day's play is completed, no refunds will be given. If a total rain out occurs on Saturday, an 18-hole format will be played on Sunday. If a total rain out occurs on Sunday, payoffs will be given according to Saturday's play. The signal for discontinuing play - Continuous Hi-Lo siren tone.
- Please return scorecards immediately following play to the scoreboard area with the marker and players signatures.
- DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES will be allowed as long as they do not measure slope or wind.

**ALL PLAYERS WILL RECEIVE A LUNCH EACH DAY. LUNCH IS AVAILABE FROM 10:30 - 3:00.**

**PLEASE DO NOT STOP BETWEEN NINES TO EAT LUNCH. INSTEAD TAKE YOUR LUNCH WITH YOU TO THE 10<sup>TH</sup> TEE AND EAT WHILE YOU CONTINUE PLAY. This will help to keep the pace of play moving. Thank you for your cooperation.**

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**PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO THANK OUR SPONSORS:**  
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**DAKOTA OPEN LOCAL RULES**

- **U.S.G.A. RULES OF GOLF** govern all play.
- **OUT OF BOUNDS** is defined by the inside points, at ground level, of large white stakes and fence posts. When both stakes and lines are used to define out of bounds, stakes identify the out of bounds and lines define the margins. Proceed under Rule 27-1. When two out of bounds stakes coincide, out of bounds is deemed to extend to infinity.
- **WATER HAZARDS** are defined by **yellow stakes** or **yellow lines**. Proceed under Rule 26-1.  
**LATERAL WATER HAZARDS** are defined by **red stakes** or **red lines**. Proceed under Rule 26-1.  
  
When both stakes and lines are used to define water and lateral water hazards, stakes identify hazards and lines define margins. When a lateral water hazard is defined on only one side, it is deemed to extend to infinity. When water hazards and lateral water hazards are bounded by out of bounds, the hazard margin extends to and coincides with the out of bounds line.
- **GROUND UNDER REPAIR** is defined by white lines. Relief without penalty may be taken as provided in Rule 25-1. White-lined areas tying into artificially-surfaced roads and paths have the same status as the roads and paths, that of obstructions. Relief without penalty may be taken as provided in Rule 24-2.
- **TREE ROOTS** - If an exposed tree root(s) interferes with the lie of the ball or the area of intended swing, and the ball lies on a closely mown area (fairway height or less), relief without penalty may be taken as provided in Rule 25-1.
- **OBSTRUCTIONS** - All artificially surfaced roads & paths, such as asphalt, concrete, or gravel roads and paths (including worn areas around such roads and paths that are a result of car usage) are immovable obstructions. All flood pumps (usually located on the sides of drainage dikes), culverts, french drains, and pump houses are immovable obstructions. Relief without penalty may be taken as provided in Rule 24-2.
- Anywhere "through the green", a **BALL** which is **EMBEDDED** in its own pitch-mark in the ground, except in loose sand, may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole.
- **ACCIDENTAL MOVEMENT OF A BALL ON A PUTTING GREEN** - When a player’s ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment. The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 & 20-1. NOTE: If it is determined that a player’s ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced.
- There may be **DROPPING ZONES (Ball Drops)** at various locations when it is not feasible or practicable to proceed exactly in conformity with Rule 26-1 (*Water Hazards & Lateral Water Hazards*). The Conditions of Competition sheet should have specifics as to which hazards and how a player may take relief using dropping zones.
- **YARDAGE MARKERS** are located on sprinkler heads and disks located in the middle of the fairways. All yardages are measured to the middle of the greens. **Red disks - 100 yards; White disks - 150 yards; Blue disks - 200 yards.** Yardage disks are moveable obstructions and sprinkler heads are immovable obstructions. Relief without penalty may be taken as provided in Rule 24.

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