



Immovable Obstructions



What is an Immovable Obstruction?

- An artificial or man-made object that you can't move. (Ex: cart-paths, sprinklers, rain shelters, drains, equipment, boxes).

When do you have Interference?

- **Stance:** If any part of your stance lies on the obstruction.
- **Area of Intended Swing:** If your club could contact the obstruction at address or during any part of your swing. (No relief when your **ball** lies in a **water** hazard)
- **Lie of Ball:** If your ball lies in or on the obstruction.

How do you take relief?

- Find your nearest point of relief and without penalty drop the ball **within one club length** no closer to the *hole*. You **must** achieve complete relief from the obstruction.

How to Proceed

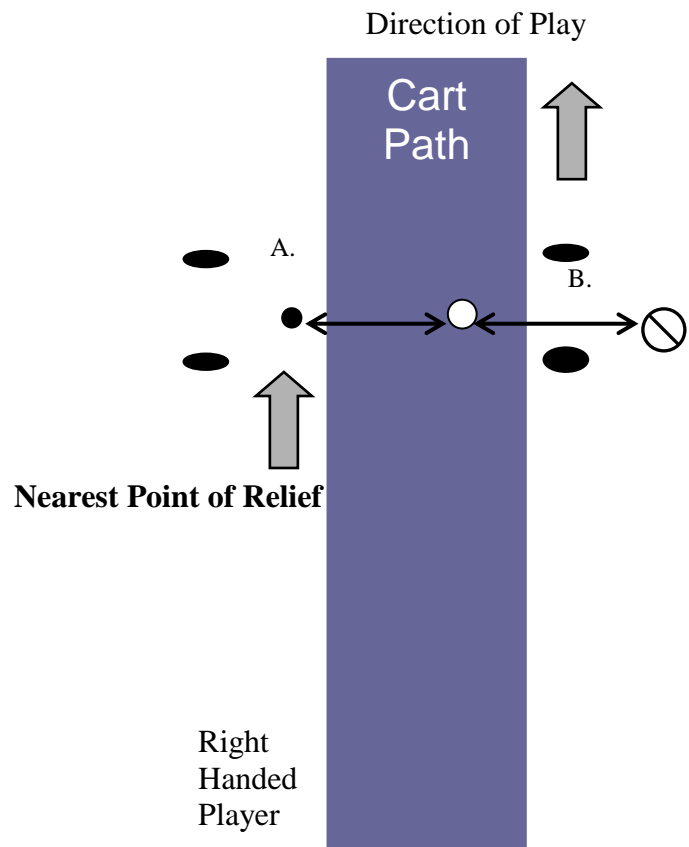
Step 1: Find **Nearest Point of Relief** (not nearer the hole) so obstruction does not interfere with:

- Swing
- Stance
- Lie of Ball

- **See Diagram:** Point A is **nearest** to the ball's original position, so it is the nearest point of relief.

Step 2: Drop the ball within **one club length** of the **Nearest Point of Relief**:

- Not Nearer the Hole
- Take **complete relief** where there is no interference for lie, stance, and area of intended swing (not in a hazard or on a putting green.)



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