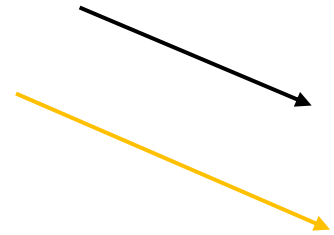


Unplayable Ball



If a ball is lost in a tree, such as the fairway tree on the 3rd hole, here are the player's options. First, the player must be able to identify the ball as his.

The player may then deem the ball unplayable. Remember, the player is the sole judge as to whether his ball is unplayable or not. The player may deem his ball unplayable anywhere on the course unless it is in a water hazard.

If ball is deemed unplayable, the player must under penalty of one stroke:

1. Replay the stroke, playing from where the ball was last played; or
2. Drop a ball behind the point on the ground below where the ball is positioned. There is no limit to how far back you may drop the ball, but you must keep a straight line between the point on the course below where the ball lay and the hole; or
3. Drop a ball within two club lengths in any direction not nearer the hole of the point on the ground, directly below the position of the ball.

This is one of the few instances where the player may drop a ball on the putting green.

Remember, don't just take my word for it, and always consult your rule book.