



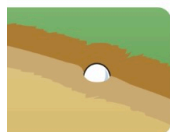
**Bunker Rules:** (Rule 12)

Cannot:

- Deliberately touch sand with a hand or rake or any object to test the condition of the sand
- Touch sand in backswing for a stroke
- Touch sand with a club right in front of or right behind the ball
- Make a practice swing that touches sand

Can:

- Place equipment in bunker
- Take or smooth sand to care for the course
- Lean on club
- Use club to help you get in or out/prevent falling
- Strike the sand in anger



**Unplayable ball** <sup>(R19)</sup>

If a ball in a bunker is declared unplayable, the player has four options to drop a ball, each linked to 1 or 2 penalty strokes.

1. *In the bunker*, take a drop within 2 club-lengths, 1 penalty stroke.
2. *In the bunker*, go back on the extension of the line from the hole to the ball and take a drop on that line (the ball may roll 1 club-length in any direction), 1 penalty stroke.
3. Return to the spot of your last stroke and take a drop within 1 club-length (you can tee up in the teeing area), 1 penalty stroke.
4. With 2 *penalty strokes*, go back on the extension of the line from the hole to the ball *outside the bunker* as far back as you like and take a drop on that line (the ball may roll up to 1 club-length in any direction).

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