

## Rules of Golf Changes: What's Happening?

You will know that the Rules of Golf, administered jointly by the R&A and USGA, are being modernised and simplified, and a dramatically rewritten set of rules will come into effect on 1 January 2019.

Wellington Golf Inc, through the Wellington Golf Referees Association (WGRA), is being kept informed of the process of introducing the new rules. A member of the Wellington Referees is attending a combined R&A/USGA 'Train the Trainers' Seminar in Melbourne in early May together with representatives of NZ Golf and other associations.

Following the seminar Wellington Referees will be in a position to advise a training timetable, which is likely to follow this sequence:

- WGRA Trainers
- WGRA Tournament Referees
- Wellington Clubs

The aim will be to provide training to all clubs before the end of the year.

In the meantime, you are encouraged to study the rules changes and learn the new rules yourself, which can be done on the R&A's website:

[https://www.rules.golf/?utm\\_campaign=123528\\_Rules%20of%20Golf%20Modernisation%20-%20Final&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=R%26A&dm\\_i=49MT,2NBC,H7TVP,A9CB,1](https://www.rules.golf/?utm_campaign=123528_Rules%20of%20Golf%20Modernisation%20-%20Final&utm_medium=email&utm_source=R%26A&dm_i=49MT,2NBC,H7TVP,A9CB,1)