

# Early Golf Rules



A wee look at the Early Rules of Golf



These are a few of the actual Rules of Golf from circa 1897.

# Rule 2

You must tee the  
ball on th  ground

# Rule 4

*You are not to move stones, bones or any breakclub for the sake of playing your ball upon the fair green, and that only within a club's length of your ball.*

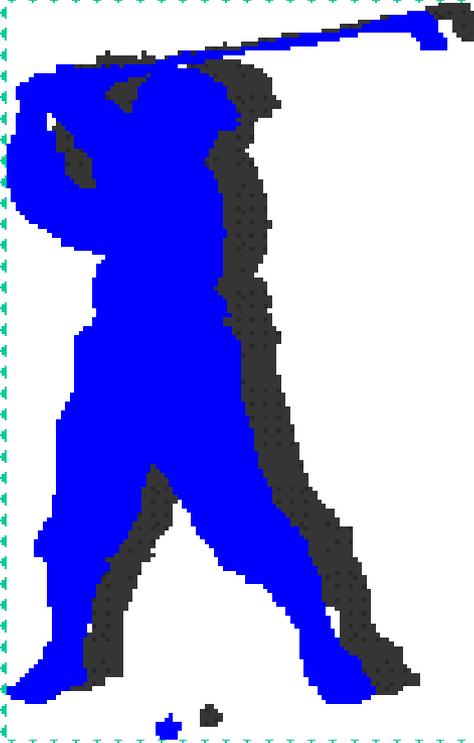


## Rule 7

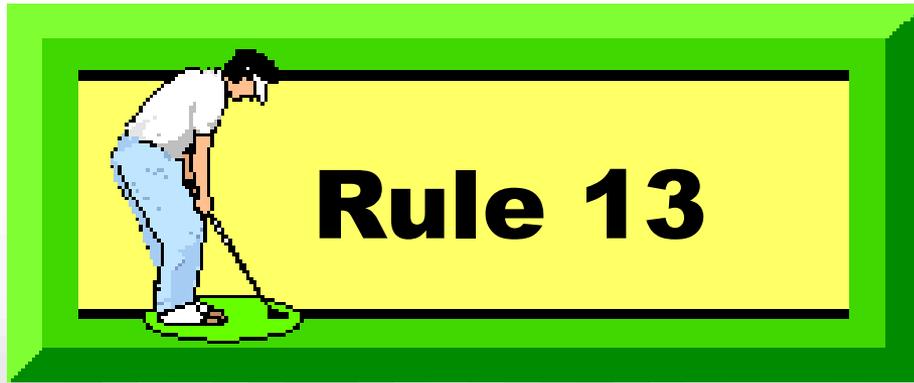
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At holing you are to play the ball honestly for the hole, and not to play on your adversary's ball, not lying on your way to the hole.

# Rule 10



**If the ball be stopped  
by any person,  
horse, dog, or  
anything else the  
ball so stopped must  
be played where it  
lies.**



Neither trench, ditch nor dyke made for the preservation of the links, nor the scholars' holes or the soldier's lines, shall be accounted a hazard, but the ball is to be taken out, teed and played with any iron club.