



Rule 13.1: Putting Green

13.1c: Improvements Allowed on Putting Green (whether ball is on or off the green)

Can Be Fixed / Moved	Cannot Be Fixed*
Sand and loose soil	Normal maintenance practices (e.g. aeration holes)
Ball-Marks	Temporary water from irrigation or rain
Shoe damage (spike marks)	Dew or frost
Indentations caused by equipment or flagstick	Natural surface imperfections (e.g. bare areas)
Old hole plugs	Natural wear of the hole
Turf plugs or seams of cut turf	
Scrapes from maintenance tools or vehicles	
Animal tracks	
Embedded Objects (e.g. stones, acorns, tee)	
Damage to the hole (by player or equipment)	

***General Penalty** for making these improvements to any conditions affecting the stroke