Rules 5-6 Quiz with Answers

Assume all questions are in stroke play and no local rules are in effect, unless stated otherwise.

- 1. True or False:
 - a. Before the round and on the same day, a player may practice on the "North" course without penalty, when the competition is on the "South" course of the same facility. True 5.2b and Clarification 5.2/1
 - b. If two groups of two combine into a group of four to help with place of play, the players are automatically disqualified. False 5.4b
 - c. Before resuming play from a stoppage because of weather, a player accidentally kicks their ball that was at rest in the fairway and marked with a tee. There is no penalty. False 5.7d(2) & Rule 9
 - d. A player in taking relief from a sprinkler head drops a Titleist in the right way when the original ball was a Callaway. If he makes a stroke at the Titleist, there is a penalty. False 6.3b(1)
 - e. A player can never play a wrong ball with a stroke to begin a hole. True Definition Wrong Ball
- 2. Casey has marked his ball on the putting green after a chip shot. While he is waiting his turn to putt, he hits two practice chip shots with a stray range ball in the rough near the putting green. What is the ruling?
 - a. No penalty, this is allowed
 - b. 2 stroke penalty 5.5a & 1.3c(4)
 - c. 4 stroke penalty
 - d. Disqualification
- 3. In match play, Baile and Taylor are opponents. Baile believes there is danger from lightning and stops play, Taylor agrees. After 30 minutes the Committee tells the players the danger has passed, and they must resume the match. Baile refuses to resume as she believes the danger still exists. Which of the following is correct?
 - a. Baile is subject to disqualification if she continues to refuse to play Rule 5.7, Clarification 5.7c/1
 - b. Taylor must also agree to continue to stop play for no penalties to be given.
 - c. Because Baile believes there is danger, she may continue to stop the match without penalty.
 - d. Baile is subject to disqualification for player misconduct (Rule 1.2).
- 4. Which one of the following is <u>completely true</u> with respect to stroke play?
 - a. Playing from a wrong teeing area further away from the hole is a 2-stroke penalty and does not need to be corrected.
 - b. A ball may always be moved without penalty when it is in the teeing area. 6.2a & 6.2b(6)
 - c. If a player incorrectly substitutes a ball and makes a stroke at it, they get 1 penalty stroke and must correct the error by replacing the substituted ball with the original ball.
 - d. There is no penalty for playing a wrong ball in temporary water.
- 5. On Hole # 10, Wendi's tee shot comes to rest on the green, 20 feet away from the hole. She substitutes her favorite putting ball and makes a stroke that comes to rest 1 foot from the hole. She then realizes her mistake and replaces the original ball on the spot 1 foot from the hole and taps it in and tees off on # 11. What is Wendi's score for Hole # 10?

Wendi makes a 5.

When she incorrectly substituted a ball in play and made a stroke, she gets a 1-stroke penalty under 6.3b(3) and must continue with the substituted ball. When she puts her original ball back in play and makes a stroke, she will get another 1 stroke penalty, and the ball is holed. Her stroke was an intervening act (1.3c(4)) so both 1-stroke penalties will apply.

1 - Tee shot, 2 - Putt, 3 - penalty (6.3b(3)), 4 - Tap in, 5 - penalty (6.3b(3)).

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Bonus Question:

Q: After Baile realized she's played the 1st wrong ball, she returns to search for her original. She finds a ball in a bad lie, mistakenly thinking it's her original. She takes unplayable relief & drops the ball in the lateral relief area and plays it back to the fairway. She then discovers it is not her original. What is the ruling?

A: Under 6.3c(1), Baile must correct her error by playing the right ball from its original spot or by taking relief under the Rules.

When Baile dropped the stray ball with intent for it to be in play, she was substituting a ball and it became her ball in play under 6.3b(2).

She didn't find her original ball, so the only Rule that allowed her to substitute a ball was 18.1. Lateral relief under 19.2 is only available if the player has found the ball (C 19.2/5). When she substituted a ball, she was taking relief under a Rule as required by 6.3c(1), even if doing so incorrectly, so she has "corrected" for the purposes of 6.3c(1).

Rule 18.1 required her to play under stroke-and-distance from the tee. Instead, she played from a wrong place (14.7) and would be required to correct that error as it would be a serious breach.

Baile incurs 3 more penalty strokes (in addition to the 2 for playing a wrong ball): 1 for 18.1 stroke-and-distance, and 2 for wrong place. She must correct before playing from the next tee.