Rule 14 Quiz Answers

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

- 1. True or False:
 - a. A player drops a ball in a relief area when they were supposed to replace it on a spot. They get the general penalty if they play that ball. TRUE 14.2b(2), 14.7a See Clarification 14.2b(2)/1
 - b. A player is required to drop a ball in a relief area. Instead, they place a ball in the correct relief area, and makes a stroke at the ball. There is a 1-stroke penalty for this procedure. FALSE 14.3b(3)
 - c. A player must always mark a ball when it is to be lifted under a Rule. FALSE 14.1a
 - d. Playing a ball from a wrong place must always be corrected by playing a ball from the correct spot. FALSE 14.7b(1)
 - e. In taking red penalty area lateral relief, a player drops a ball that hits ground outside of the relief area. When they lift the ball to correct the error, they may drop using the back-on-the-line procedure. TRUE 14.5b(2)
- 2. In the following situations, when is the ball in play?
 - a. In taking relief, Wendi drops the ball from shoulder height. IN PLAY-Definition of Drop
 - b. With the ball on the putting green, Wendi has placed a ball marker in front of her ball. IN PLAY-Definition
 - c. Wendi has started a hole outside the teeing area. NOT IN PLAY Definition
 - d. In taking relief, Wendi's dropped ball is rolling outside the relief area. IN PLAY Definition of Drop
 - e. In taking relief, the ball slips out of Wendi's hand and comes to rest in the correct relief area. NOT IN PLAY Definition
 - f. Wendi has teed a ball in the teeing area, after hitting her first tee shot OB. NOT IN PLAY Rule 6.2b(5).
- 3. In which of the following may Baile clean the ball without penalty?
 - a. Baile has lifted her ball from the putting green because it is on Taylor's line of play. YES Rule 15.3b(2)
 - b. Baile has lifted her ball after accidentally kicking in the fairway. YES Rule 9.4
 - c. Baile has lifted her ball to see if it is cracked, and she thinks the crack is under a chunk of mud. NO Rule 14.1c
 - d. Baile has lifted her ball to see if it is embedded in its own pitch mark. NO Rule 14.1c
 - e. Baile removes a single blade of cut grass sticking to her ball in the fairway. NO Definition Loose impediment
- 1. In the following situations, when has Taylor has played from a wrong place?
 - a. Taylor begins a hole from the wrong color tees. NO Rule 6.1b(2)
 - b. Taylor has marked her ball in the fairway and set it aside since it was in Doug's line of play, she plays the ball from the spot she set her ball aside. NO Definition In Play
 - c. Taylor accidentally replaces her ball on the putting green behind Doug's ball mark and makes a stroke. YES Definition of Wrong Place
 - d. Taylor's ball is in a bunker and her stance is on a practice putting green, she makes a stroke. YES Rule 13.1f
 - e. Taylor makes a stroke at her ball that is out of bounds. NO Definition In Play
 - f. Taylor makes a stroke at her ball in a yellow penalty area that is a no play zone. YES Rule 17.1e
- Casey's tee shot came to rest in the rough. His second shot goes out of bounds, so he drops a ball that hits the course in the relief area in the rough and rolls into the fairway less than one-club length from the original spot and no nearer the hole. He plays from there onto the green and he marks his ball. Before he lifts the ball, wind blows his ball 2 feet closer to the hole. He lifts his ball-marker and putts the ball from the new position into the hole. What is Casey's score for the hole?

Casey scores a 5.

In taking relief for OB, he must drop a ball in the general area, since the rough and fairway are the general area, his drop is good. When he marked the ball, it remained in play and natural forces moved it to a new position, so the ball must be played from there.

1: Tee shot, 2: shot OB, 3: Stroke and distance, 4: Shot to green, 5: holed putt