

## Official Rulings – August 2015

The following Official Rulings are issued by the WCF (“OR”) or by the CA GC Rules Committee (“CAOR”).

**OR 1.1 Running hoops out of order in a handicap game:** *When applying Rule 1(f) in a handicap game any extra turns used during play for, and which includes, the running of hoops out of order, shall be restored. Time, in a time limited game will not be restored in such circumstances.*

**CAOR 7 Ball resting in hoop before it becomes the hoop in order:** *When applying Rules 7(a) and (c), the hoop only needs to be the correct hoop in order immediately before a ball completes the running of it.*

**OR 7.1 Ball jamming in hoop:** *When applying Rule 7(f) if a ball jams in a hoop above another ball already in the hoop, replaying the turn is the only option available once the equipment has been checked and reset or replaced.*

**OR 8.1 Written and on-line advice:** *Players are not permitted to refer to printed, hand written or other prepared material during a match, except for the purpose of clarifying the rules that apply to a circumstance that has arisen.*

[OR 8.2 equates to CA Ruling on Rule 8(e)]

**OR 9.1. Ball hitting clip during hoop running:** *Rule 9(h) should be interpreted as if it read: “If any ball makes contact with a scoring clip attached to a hoop, Rules 9(i) and 9(k) do not apply and all balls are left*

*where they come to rest. No hoop point may be scored for the striker’s side in such a stroke.”*

**OR10.1 Playing before offside balls are ruled:** *If a player with an offside ball plays before a direction under Rule 10(c)(1) is given, that player is not entitled to subsequently rule on an opponent's offside ball. (see 1st and 3rd sentences of 10(c)(2).)*

[OR 12.1 duplicates CA Ruling on Rule 12(c)(4)]

**OR14.1 Deliberate faulting:** *Deliberately committing a striking or non-striking fault is an example of unacceptable behaviour under Rule 14(a).*

[OR 14.2 duplicates CA Ruling on Rule 14(a)(7)]

**OR 14.3 Justifiable delays:** *Rule 14(a)(8) is to be interpreted as though the words “or other justifiable delay applies.” is added to the last sentence.*

**OR 15.1 Emergency rule:** *If a situation does not appear to be adequately covered in the rules, or their interpretation appears to be uncertain, the issue shall be decided by the referee or, in the absence of a referee, by the players in a manner which best meets the justice of the case.*

**OR 15.2 Opponent forestalling play:** *Where a stroke that may produce a fault is to be played the striker should first request a referee or the opponent to watch the stroke. If the striker does not make the request, the opponent may forestall play and ask for the stroke to be watched.*