



## Lobden Golf Club

### Local Rules on Distance Measurement Devices

In accordance with the Rules Of Golf 2008-2011 and the Joint Statement by the **R&A\*** / **USGA** on Electronic Devices, including Distance-Measuring Devices, and the decision '14-3/0.5 in the 2008-2009 Decisions on the Rules of Golf', the Council of Lobden Golf Club, in association with the Competition and Handicap Committee have introduced by way of a Local Rule the allowance for golfers to use distance measuring devices to obtain distance information during a round.

#### **Local Rule as of 08<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010 :-**

For all Play at Lobden Golf Club, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures **Distance Only**. However, if, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind-speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

The use of Multifunctional devices such as, but not limited to, Mobile Phones, PDA's and handheld computers, is strictly prohibited and such use is a breach of Rule 14-3, the penalty for which is disqualification.

The Competition and Handicap Committee reserve the right to check any device players are using or have used in competition and recommend players check the conforming status of any device prior to use.

#### **The use of a Distance Measuring Device must not delay Play !**

- Devices such as e.g., Binoculars/Monoculars with distance graduations, Laser\*Range finders (\*excluding those with features such as 'Slope edition') and Golf GPS devices with or without course maps are samples of Golf measuring devices that may be permitted provided they comply with the local rule and have no other feature
- Information regarding the distance between two objects is public information and not advice.