

When your ball comes to rest in a penalty area, you have several options how to proceed.

In the case of a yellow or red penalty area, without penalty, you can play the ball where it lies in this zone. You can ground your club and can touch or remove loose impediments, without causing the ball to move. (If the ball does move, then replace it with a one stroke penalty)

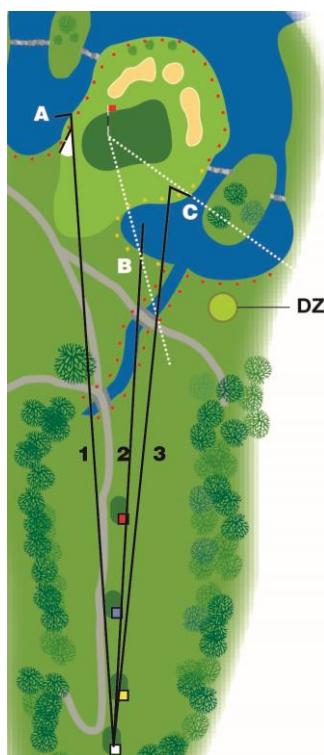
Otherwise in a yellow penalty area, with a one stroke penalty :

- (i) you can play a ball from the spot where the original ball was last played.
- (ii) you can drop a ball back on a line from the hole through the last point where the original ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area.
- (iii) if a Dropping Zone exists, you can drop a ball in this zone.

In the case of a red penalty area, as well as the options listed above :

- (iv) you can drop a ball within two club-lengths of the point where the original ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area.
- (v) if a Local Rule allows it, using a point equidistant from the hole, you can drop a ball on the opposite side of the red penalty area. At Maison Blanche this option is only available on hole number 9.

Here are a few examples from Maison Blanche to clarify these options:



Tee shot on hole 15

Example 1 :

You can choose option (iv) – even though the ball may not have touched the ground, the reference point is A. But be careful not to drop closer to the hole !

Example 2 :

You can choose option (i) and you can use a tee or option (ii) using point B and the white line as reference or option (iii).

Example 3 :

You can choose option (i) and you can use a tee or option (ii) using point C and the white line as reference or option (iii).