

REMINDER ON NOTES KEPT FOR GREEN-READING

1. HANDWRITTEN NOTES FOR THE GREENS ON THE COMPETITION COURSE:

- Handwritten notes that 'could help read a line of play on the putting green' are limited as listed below. Such notes may be kept in the approved yardage book or on the approved hole location sheet or on other items (e.g. post-it-notes, paper, or note-pads) so long as size limit of 7" x 4.25" is met. ✓
- These handwritten notes must be written by the player or his caddie only and must be based on feel, judgment, practice, prior years experiences, personal observations, or TV broadcast observations. ✓
- Drawing arrows or lines, shading in color, or making estimations of slope is allowed as notes; so long as these notes were obtained by personal experiences, skill, and judgment. ✓
- Transferring old notes is allowed, provided those old notes were obtained without using devices such as a level, or non-approved materials such as a green book. ✓
- Hand-drawn images of a putting green meeting the size limit are allowed, but the images must be based on personal observations or taken from approved materials. ✓
- Handwritten notes must NOT be based on the observations of other people or obtained by using a device such as a level, or non-approved materials such as a green book or any other non-approved yardage book. ✗

2. HANDWRITTEN NOTES FOR PUTTING SYSTEMS, CHARTS & FORMULAS:

- A method of green reading where a player or caddie estimates the slope with his feet is allowed. These estimations of slope are allowed to be kept as handwritten notes as they require skill, feel and judgment. ✓
- Handwritten putting charts made by the player or caddie are allowed as notes, so long as the slope, distance, speed, and break are estimated without using a device. ✓
Any chart must be re-created on-site for each tournament, either on the practice greens or during practice on the competition greens. ✓
Using a device to verify any of these chart numbers is NOT allowed. ✗
- Aim-Point charts or other putting systems that use a formula to create a chart may be kept by memory, but NOT as a note. ✗ Any chart that is derived using a formula to provide the green reading numbers may be kept by memory, but NOT as a note. ✗

QUESTIONS? CONSULT A MEMBER OF THE RULES COMMITTEE