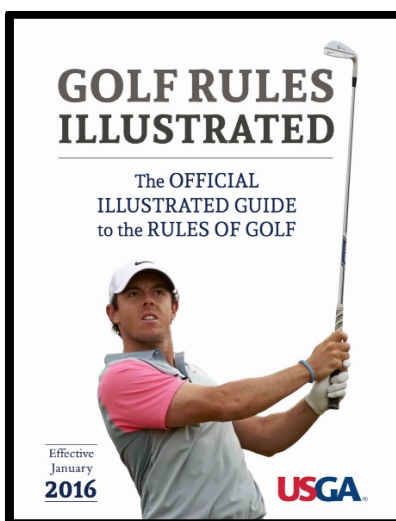


A SIMPLE AND QUICK WAY TO LEARN THE RULES OF GOLF



NOTE – 2019 update. Be prepared for the latest version of this publication with the 2019 Rules as a central part of the publication.

Many who wish to learn more about the Rules of Golf seem to never have the spare moments for a program of serious study that would require a great deal of time. This brings to mind the quote from the fictional Mattie Ross, a central figure in the book, *True Grit* – “You must pay for everything in this world one way and another. There is nothing free.”

However, there is an efficient way to develop a reasonable level of mastery of the Rules that will require a minimum amount of time using the USGA publication, *Golf Rules Illustrated, 2016*. This very useful publication is available from the online USGA Publications Store [\$19.95]. Each of the Rules is illustrated in brief with drawings that show an application of the specific Rule. Further at the end of each Rule, there is at least one Rule’s incident included that relates the details of a situation requiring knowledge of that Rule. By reading through a Rule’s incident that applies the specifics of a Rule, the association of the application with the text of the Rule will help to fix the Rule in memory much more easily than a simple reading of the text of the Rule.

Do this for one Rule every day for a month then fill-in the end of the month with a review of the Definitions, which are essential to learning. Start over again the next month. Continue this over a whole year and your knowledge will increase exponentially.