

## Rule 3-3: Doubt as to Procedure

[ stroke play ONLY ]

**Procedure:** When a Rules Official is NOT present, in **stroke play**, **if** you are **doubtful of your rights** or the **correct procedure** during the play of a hole, you **may**, **without penalty**, **complete the hole with two balls** – **PLAY BOTH BALLS INTO THE HOLE.**

**AFTER** the **doubtful situation** has arisen and **BEFORE** you take **\*ANY further action**, you **SHOULD** do (1) **and** (2):

[\* **If you take ANY further action BEFORE dealing with the doubtful situation, Rule 3-3 is NOT applicable.** ]

- (1) **SHOULD** **state** to the **marker** or a **fellow-competitor** that **you intend to play two balls;**  
**AND,**
- (2) **SHOULD** **state which ball you wish to count ...**  
( if the **Rules** permit ); **THEN MUST** do (3) ...

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(3) **MUST** **report the facts** of the situation to the **Committee** [ **Rules OIC MUST REVIEW** ] **BEFORE** **returning your scorecard even if you scored the same with both balls.**

**NOTE:** **If** the you **fail to report** the facts **BEFORE** **returning your scorecard,** you will be **DQ.**