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Notice to Manufacturers

Indoor Ball Test - Phase II Implementation

The USGA will implement Phase II golf ball Overall Distance Standard (ODS) test conditions and limits for the Indoor Test Range (ITR). All balls received by the USGA after May 26, 2004 for conformance testing (which will appear in Conforming Golf Ball List beginning August 4, 2004) will be evaluated in accordance with the conditions and limits of Phase II.

Comments about the Phase II conditions and limits were received and evaluated by the USGA. Some modifications to the test procedures have been made as a result of the comments and evaluations. The limits remain unchanged from the original proposal. Attached is a revised Golf Ball ODS Test Protocol which includes the changes. A revision summary sheet has been included with the Protocol.

Any questions regarding Phase II golf ball ODS testing implementation should be sent to: Dick Rugge; Senior Technical Director; USGA; P.O. Box 708; Far Hills; N.J 07931; Fax: (908) 234-9687; or e-mail at drugge@usga.org.