Articles and Tips - Eleven Ball Drill



I don't know why most students practice things around the short game that they are already good with and need to challenge themselves out of bad lies, uneven lies, etc. This 11 Ball Drill is a wonderful evaluation tool for your short game.

Take 11 ball out to determine your strengths and weaknesses around the green. Find one type of shot that your good with. Example - 'fluffy lie pitch 5 steps off the green'.



Remove the 5 shots that are the closes to the hole (should look something like this).



Then remove the 5 shots that are farthest from the hole (should look something like this). The remaining ball is your average (actually the mathematical median, but lets not digress - golf should be fun). Now go back and try the same pitch shot from a tight lie and see if your average is the same. Hit chip shots, pitch shots, lob shots, and bunker shots, all with the 11 ball drill. From this you can determine where your time will be best spent in your short game practice.

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