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Does it count as a stroke if you miss?



So **if you intend to hit the ball with your swing, but fail to make contact, it still counts as a stroke**. This rule applies regardless of where you are on the course – whether you're in the teeing area, in the fairway, in a bunker or in any of the other defined areas of the course. Sep 5, 2024