

Manoir de Longeveau

Golf - Tennis - Vacances - Bar & Restaurant

GOLF

This course, Golf d'Aubeterre, is an approved 9 Hole course of the Federation Francaise de Golf (FFG) with an SSI of 111 (see www.ffgolf.org) The Rules of Golf apply (as per the 30th Edition of the R&A Rules Ltd and approved by the FFG) with the addition of the specific local rules below.

GOLF - LOCAL RULES.

1. Defining Bounds and Margins.

a. White marker posts identify the limits of the course. A ball is deemed *Out of Bounds* when all of it lies completely on or outside the line between any two white posts.

b. Internal Out of Bounds. When playing holes 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8, a ball is deemed to be *Out of Bounds* if it lies on a closely mown area of another hole (fairway, tee, Green, fringe) **OR** in a bunker where any part of that bunker adjoins a closely mown area of another hole **OR** in any rough **BEYOND** the closely mown area of another hole or adjoining bunker.

c. Yellow marker posts define the water hazards on the course.

d. Blue marker posts identify *Ground under Repair*. Players **MUST** take relief for ball and stance, without penalty, in accordance with the procedure under rule 24-2b, (nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole, drop within one club length etc.) The ball may be cleaned.

2. Protection of Young Trees Identified by a Stake.

If such a tree interferes with a player's stance or intended swing (but not the line of the ball) the ball **MUST** be lifted and then proceed as under Rule 24-2b without penalty.

3. Abnormal Ground Conditions.

a. Preferred lies. A ball, lying on a closely mown area (fairway, fringe) *through the green*, can be marked and lifted without penalty, cleaned and replaced within 15cm of where

it originally lay, not nearer to the hole and not in a *hazard* and not on a *green*. A player may place the ball only once and it is in play once it has been placed.

Note: Failure to mark the ball before lifting, or moving the ball in any other manner, incurs a one stroke penalty.

b. Tree Wells. The watering hollows around some trees, often covered with stones, are to be treated as *Ground under Repair* **but only where identified with a blue peg**. Proceed under Rule 24-2b without penalty. Otherwise, play the ball as it lies.

c. Unmarked ditches. Small, unmarked drainage ditches are to be treated as *Ground under Repair*. Proceed under Rule 24-2b without penalty.

d. Aeration holes. On the *putting green* and *through the green*, a ball that comes to rest on or in an aeration hole may be **PLACED** at a position that avoids the problem, no nearer the hole.

e. Embedded Ball. *Through the green*, a ball embedded in its own pitch mark may be lifted, cleaned and dropped, no nearer the hole without penalty.

4. Stones in Bunkers.

a. Stones in Bunkers are defined as *movable obstructions* (Rule 24-1 applies) and can be removed.

5. Immovable Obstructions.

a. These include equipment and man-made obstructions (e.g. Sprinkler heads, the concrete channel running from the lake on Hole 5, the pathway leading from the 4th green). Relief for ball and stance is obtained under Rule 24-2b without penalty.

6. Power Lines.

a. If a ball strikes the overhead power lines on holes 2 or 9, then the stroke is cancelled and **MUST** be replayed without penalty (Rule 20-5). Another ball may be substituted.

7. Practice Before Playing.

a. Because there is no specified practice area, practice on the course on the day of a competition is permitted.

PENALTY for breach of local rule: (except where otherwise stated) Match Play – Loss of Hole; Stroke Play- two stroke penalty.

***PLEASE NOTE:-**

- i. When the ball is moved, following the procedures outlined under Rule 24-2b and Local Rule 3a, good practice recommends that the ball be marked with a marker, coin or similar object before moving.
- ii. The shrubs on Hole 5 and the hedge between Holes 5 and 6 are integral parts of the course. **Play the ball as it lies.**

COMPETITIONS.

1. Handicap. Non FFG players should submit evidence of their Handicap, to the organiser, in advance of the competition in which they wish to play.

2. Medical Certificate. It is a FFG requirement that players in an official competition should provide a Medical Certificate confirming fitness to play. Where this is not available, self certification should be completed at the bar before playing.

INSURANCE.

All players should have 3rd party accident liability insurance. FFG membership includes such coverage.