



# Golf d'Aubeterre

Manoir de Longeveau

## GOLF COURSE ETIQUETTE

Players must be suitably attired for playing golf.

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No hard (metal) spikes on the course.

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Maximum of 4 players in a group, all with equipment.

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Please check the notice boards at 6th Tee and Clubhouse before playing.

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Players in an official Manoir tournament have priority on the course.

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Casual players leaving Hole 9, to play a second round, have alternating priority on Hole 1.

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Players practising have no priority on the course.

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Please do not damage tees with practice swings.

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Trolleys and bags must not be taken onto tees and greens.

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Replace your divots with care.

Rake the bunker after playing out and replace rake in the bunker where it will least affect play.

Repair your pitch mark on each green.

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Play at a pace which does not delay those behind.

If you lose a clear hole on the group in front and are delaying players behind,  
invite them to play through.

If a ball is out of bounds do not waste time searching for it.

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Please use only putters on putting greens.

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Please be aware, at all times, of other players sharing the course with you.

In particular, take care when playing holes 3, 4 and 9.

Please use pathways where available.

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"Play in the SPIRIT of the game, with SAFETY in mind, with CONSIDERATION for other players, at a good PACE and with CARE for the COURSE." (Rules of Golf, 2004. R&A)

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GOOD MANNERS ON THE COURSE WILL HELP YOU TO ENJOY YOUR GOLF AND  
ASSIST OTHERS TO ENJOY THEIR GOLF.



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## LOCAL RULES

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](http://www.ffgolf.org)) The Rules of Golf apply (as per the 31st 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 outside the line between the front faces of two adjacent white posts at ground level, including the white posts to the left of the 5th and 6th fairways.

b. Internal Out of Bounds. When playing holes 1,3, 4,7 and 9, 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 may take relief for ball and stance, without penalty, in accordance with the procedure under rule 25-1b, (nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole, dropping within one club length etc.) The ball may be cleaned.

#### 2. Protection of Young Trees Identified by a Stake, attached or not to the tree.

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. Unmarked ditches. Small, unmarked drainage ditches, as well as seasonal fissures, are to be treated as Ground under Repair. Proceed under Rule 25-1b without penalty.

c. 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.

d. 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. Bunkers.

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

b. In a bunker, when visible liner appears through the sand and interferes with lie or stance, player should take a free drop within one club length of location of the ball.

#### 5. Water Hazard

If there is doubt whether a ball is in or lost in the water hazard of the first hole, the player may play another ball provisionally under any of the applicable options in Rule 26-1. **If the original ball is found outside the water hazard**, the player must continue to play with it. **If the original ball is found in the water hazard**, the player may either play the original ball as it lies or continue with the ball played provisionally under rule 26-1. **If the original ball is not found or identified within the five-minute search period**, the player must continue with the ball played provisionally.

#### 6. Immovable Obstructions.

a. These include equipment and man-made obstructions (e.g. Sprinkler heads and the pathway leading from the 9th green). Relief for ball and stance is obtained

under Rule 24-2b without penalty.

b. If a sprinkler head, lying on or off the putting green, lies on the line of play within two club lengths of the ball and also of the putting green, the player may take relief by lifting and dropping the ball at the nearest point of relief not nearer the hole. The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

#### 7. Power Lines.

a. If a ball strikes the overhead power lines on holes 5 or 7, then the stroke is cancelled and MUST be replayed without penalty (Rule 20-5). Another ball may be substituted.

#### 8. 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:-**

- 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.
- The shrubs on Hole 1 and the hedge between Holes 1 and 2 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.

### INSURANCE

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