



SIX NATIONS TOURNAMENT

Royal Golf Club du Hainaut

Bruyères & Quesnoy courses

Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 August 2025

The Rules of Golf published by the R&A together with the Terms of the competition as published by the Six Nations Committee (version 10/12/2024) and following Specific Local Rules, Code of Conduct stipulations and Terms of the competition apply.

The Local Rules on the club scorecard or ad valvas do not apply !

SPECIFIC LOCAL RULES

1. Out of bounds (Rule 18.2)

Out of bounds are delimited by fences, boar fences, white stakes or white lines. Followings are also *out of bounds* :

- **Hole 9 (Bruyères 9)** : the green keepers' shed on the right.
- **Hole 18 (Quesnoy 9)** : the club house and the surroundings delimited by white stakes.

2. Abnormal course conditions (including immovable obstructions)(Rule 16)

2.a Ground under repair (GUR)

- a) Areas defined by white lines : play authorised, free relief possible.
- b) Areas defined by blue lines or blue stakes with or without green tops : **play forbidden**, free relief mandatory.

Hole 7 (Bruyères 7) and **Hole 16 (Quesnoy)** : the areas around the photovoltaic panels and the adjacent robot shelters are *ground under repair* : **play forbidden** : the player **must** drop a ball in the nearby dropping zone.

2.b Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16.1)

- a) The paths with hardened or added material: play authorised, free relief possible. (All natural paths are *integral part* of the *course* : no free relief).
- b) The path behind the *putting green* of **hole 11 (2 Quesnoy)** and crossing **holes 12 and 13 (3 and 4 Quesnoy)** is an *abnormal course condition* : free relief possible.

3. Boar fences (MLR-E-7)

If a player's ball lies on the *course* in the *general area* and within two *club-lengths* of an electric boar fence, the player may, without penalty, take relief under Rule 16.1, using as the reference point the point that is two *club-lengths* from the fence and an equal distance from the hole.





4. Penalty Areas (R 17)

- *Penalty areas* are defined by red or yellow stakes.
- All unmarked ditches are per definition red *penalty areas*.

5. Preferred lies

When a player's ball lies in a part of the *general area* cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief once by *placing* the original ball or another ball in and playing it from this relief area:

- Reference point: spot of the original ball
- Size of relief area measured from reference point : **one scorecard width**, but with these limits :
 - must not be nearer the *hole* than the reference point, and
 - must be in the *general area*.

**Penalty for playing ball from a *wrong place* in breach of local rules 1 to 5:
general penalty under Rule 14.7a.**

6. Suspension of play (Rule 5.7)

When play is stopped by the *Committee* in case of imminent danger, all players must stop play at once and must not make another stroke until the *Committee* resumes play.

The following signals will be used to suspend and resume play:

- One prolonged note of the siren : **immediate stop/dangerous situation**;
- Two consecutive short notes of the siren, repeated : resume play;
- Three consecutive short notes of the siren, repeated : normal non-dangerous stop.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THIS LOCAL RULE : DISQUALIFICATION

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Pace of play (Rule 5.6 - Code of conduct)

Although the competition is a friendly encounter of senior golfers representing the association of their respective countries, the players will be keen to complete their 18 holes – par 72 round within following time limits (time par) :

- Groups of 3 players : **4h12m** (average of 14 min. per hole)
- Groups of 4 players : **4h30m** (average of 15 min. per hole)

The team captains are responsible for the respect of this pace of play by their team members. The Tournament *Committee* may consider the application of a *general penalty* in case serious breach of this pace of play.





2. Smoking prohibition (Code of conduct – Belgian Federal law)

Smoking or vaping is strictly forbidden on the *course*; smoking or vaping is only allowed in the restricted areas.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THIS CODE OF CONDUCT :

FIRST BREACH : GENERAL PENALTY - SECOND BREACH : DISQUALIFICATION

TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

1. Returning a *Scorecard*

The player must, within 10 minutes after finishing the last hole of the stipulated round, verify and return his own *scorecard* in the Tournament Office. A player, who fails to do so, may be disqualified by the Tournament *Committee*. A player is deemed to have returned his *scorecard* once he has handed over his card to an Official in the Tournament Office and he has left the "Recording Area".

2. Close of a Competition

When the final results sheet has been placed on the official notice board, the result of the competition is deemed to have been officially announced.

GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

Teeing areas and course data

Yellow (56) - Length : Bruyères : 2.902 + Quesnoy : 2.708 = 5.610 m -
PAR : 72 - CR : 69,4 - Slope : 119

Blue (53) – Length : Bruyères : 2.762 + Quesnoy : 2.563 = 5.325 m -
PAR : 72 - CR : 67,9 - Slope : 117

Distance marks on the fairway: disks to the front of *putting green*

White = 200m - Yellow = 150m - Red = 100m - Blue = 50m

Pin positions on putting green

Red flag : front – Yellow flag : middle – White flag : back

See also flyer with measurements of pin positions.

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