



KING LEOPOLD III CHALLENGE



The King Leopold III Challenge is a golf competition organised every two years since 1958 by the Association Royale de Golfteurs Seniors de Belgique (A.R.G.S.B.).

The Rules of Golf published by The R&A together with the Terms of the competition as published by the ARGSB and following Specific Local Rules apply.
The Local Rules on the club scorecard or ad valvas do not apply!

Royal Antwerp Golf Club – 08 and 09 July 2026

SPECIFIC LOCAL RULES

1. Out of bounds (Rule 18.2)

- Defined by white stakes, white lines or fences around the *course*.

2. Integral parts

- All roads or pathways (in gravel or earth).

3. Abnormal ground conditions (R 16.1)

3.a *Ground under repair (GUR)*

- Areas defined by white lines : play authorised, free relief possible.

3.b *Immovable obstruction : irrigation sprinkler heads near the putting green*

- If a ball is in the *general area* cut to fairway height or less, and,
 - is within two *club-lengths* of the *putting green*, and,
 - is within two *club-lengths* of the ball and,an irrigation sprinkler heads (*immovable obstruction*) is on the *line of play* : free relief possible under R 16.1.

Note : Relief under this local rule is not available if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

3.c *Ground under repair – No play zones (R 16.1f)*

- Areas defined by blue lines or blue stakes with green tops
- Heathers (protected areas), no buggies or trolleys allowed.
- Staked trees

Play forbidden, free relief mandatory under R 16.1b.

4. Penalty areas (R 17)

- *Penalty areas* are defined by red or yellow stakes or side points on the ground.
- *Penalty areas* marked with red stakes with green top are **no play zones** : the ball may not be played as it lies; the player must take penalty relief from interference by the *no play zone* under Rule 17.1e.

If a player's ball is outside such a *no play zone* and lies in the *general area*, and if the *no play zone* interferes with the player's area of intended *stance* or intended swing, the player must either take relief under Rule 16.1b or take *unplayable ball* relief under Rule 19.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF ABOVE LOCAL RULES : GENERAL PENALTY



5. 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

GENERAL INFORMATION

Format of play, teeing areas and course data

8 July : Single - Yellow tees (58) or Blue tees (54)

9 July : Chapman¹ - Yellow tees (58)

Teeing areas and course data

Men : yellow tees (58) : 5.799 m ; Par 73 ; CR 71,0 ; SR 124 ;

Men : blue tees (54) : 5.391 m ; Par 73 ; CR 69,0 ; SR 120;

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

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

Pin positions on putting green

Red = front, Yellow = middle, White = back of the green.

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¹ Chapman format : Each partner of a team tees off and each plays the other's ball for the second shots. The best of the second shots is selected and from there the two partners play alternate shot into the hole.