

## 1. Right to play

Persons with the right to play are those who have concluded a right to play agreement with WINSTONgolf GmbH and paid the relevant fee within the due period, as well as guests and green fee players from other golf clubs.

Guests are obliged to present their proof of membership of their home club when checking in at the clubhouse.

In addition, the following minimum handicaps must be fulfilled:

WINSTONopen	Members	Handicap	54
	Green fee players	Handicap	45
WINSTONlinks	Members	Handicap	36*
	Green fee players	Handicap	36*

Starting times are allocated at the clubhouse reception desk. Every player must check in at the clubhouse before playing. A round may be started from the 10th tee only after obtaining express permission to do so.

\* Gentleman with a hcp from -28,0 to -36,0 are playing from the front blue tees; free tee choice until hcp -28,0. Woman until hcp -36,0 are playing from the red tees.

## General playing conditions

It is played by the official golf rules (including amateur status) of the DGV, the handicap and playing regulations of 2016 and the particular course rules.

## 2. Local rules

### Out of bounds (Rule 27-1)

The boundary is defined by the fence surrounding the course and by white posts.

Internal out of bounds: All gullies on holes 5, 6, 10, 14, 15, 16 and 18 of WINSTONlinks, marked by fences.

### Water hazards (Rule 26)

Water hazards are marked with yellow posts, lateral water hazards with red posts.

The water hazard on holes 3 and 6 of WINSTONlinks is marked by a fence.

### Ground under repair (Rule 25)

Ground under repair is marked by blue posts from which it is not allowed to play.

### Obstructions (Rule 24)

Stones in bunkers are movable obstructions. (Rule 24-1)

### Distance measuring devices (Rule 14-3)

Players are allowed to get distance information by use of a distance measuring device. If a distance measuring device has additional functionality that can gauge or measure other conditions that might affect a player's play (e.g. elevation change, wind speed, etc.), the use of any such additional function is a breach of Rule 14-3.

### Practice areas (Rule 7)

All practice areas are part of the course and free to use.

### Discontinuance of play (Rule 6-8)

If players discontinue their play between holes 9 and 10, they will need a new start time.

## **Golf carts**

Players and caddies are not allowed to use carts during tournaments that have an effect on the handicap. It is only allowed if the tournament leaders give a short-term exception. Same rule applies to team tournaments and their team leaders.

Players with impaired mobility and a severely handicapped pass are allowed to use an electric cart.

## **Exceptional prizes**

### **“Nearest to the Pin”**

The first stroke counts on this hole. The ball has to lay on the green. The distance to the hole’s border has to be measured, after all players of the flight stroked their first ball.

### **“Longest Drive”**

The first stroke counts on this hole. The ball has to lay on the short-cut green (fairway or closer).

## **3. Etiquette**

All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times. This is the "spirit of the game of golf".

### **Safety**

Shortening a round on a player's own initiative is not permitted.

Players should always alert greenstaff nearby when they are about to make a stroke that might endanger the greenstaff.

If players play a ball in a direction where there is a danger of the ball hitting someone, they should immediately shout a warning. The traditional word of warning is "FORE".

### **Pace of play**

Players should play at a good pace and keep up.

Inappropriate delay of play, e.g. retrieving a ball, is forbidden.

If a group cannot keep up with the group ahead of it and is holding up the group behind, then it must invite the latter to play through.

At the weekend and on holidays, foursomes have priority over three- and twosomes.

Single players have no priority on the course whatsoever and must allow all following players to pass them.

When the play of a hole has been completed, players should immediately leave the putting green.

### **Care of the course**

Players should leave the course as they would wish to find it.

This includes:

- the careful repair of impact marks on the green made by the ball, whether they were made by the player himself or others. Every player should repair one impact mark;
- replacement and treading down of divots;
- careful filling up and smoothing out of footprints, holes and other unevenness before leaving the bunker;
- careful repair of damage caused to the green by spikes as soon as play of the hole has been completed;
- when taking practice swings, players should avoid damage to the course caused by removing divots;
- careful use and placement of the flagstick, while taking care not to stand too close to the hole;
- the ball must be carefully removed from the hole; the club head may not be used for this purpose;
- wheeling golf trolleys over teeing grounds, greens, aprons and the areas between greens and green bunkers is not allowed; neither may trolleys be taken into the rough (the same applies to electric carts).
- please dispose of cigarette butts and the like in the ash-trays and refuse bins provided



## General

Players must use their own equipment.

Players are required to dress in accordance with golf etiquette.

Golf shoes may be worn only if they have soft spikes.

Dogs are permitted on leads only. Dog owners must clean up after their dogs and properly dispose of the waste (bags available in the Golf Shop).

Using range balls on the course is forbidden.

Notes of siren to discontinue play

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| • Discontinue play immediately: | 1 prolonged note of siren              |
| • Discontinue play:             | 3 consecutive notes of siren, repeated |
| • Resume play:                  | 2 short notes of siren, repeated       |

## 4. Driving Range

- The teeing grounds must be entered and exited from the back of the teeing ground
- Use grassed teeing grounds only between the lines marked out to delineate these areas
- Played balls may not be collected
- Range balls are the property of WINSTONgolf
- Rented items must be handed back cleaned after use; the renter is liable to pay for loss or damage
- Please take empty ball baskets back to the automatic ball dispenser

**If players follow these guidelines, it will make the game more enjoyable for everyone.**