



Internal Regulations

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The purpose of these rules and regulations is to set out the terms and conditions for accessing and using the facilities and course at Golf d'Opio Valbonne.

These rules and regulations are intended to ensure the smooth running of the golf club. They apply to all users and visitors. In the interests of everyone, they must be strictly observed.

THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS MUST BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS. ANY BREACH MAY RESULT IN EXPULSION FROM THE SITE.

ARTICLE 1: OPENING DAYS AND HOURS

1.1 The golf course is open every day.

Opening hours vary according to the season. They are displayed permanently at the entrance to the estate and the clubhouse. Access to the courses and use of the facilities is only possible during opening hours.

1.2. In exceptional circumstances, all or part of the site may be closed:

- In particular in the event of severe weather conditions,
- When the facilities are unusable for their normal purpose
- To carry out work of any kind in complete safety,
- And, of course, in cases of force majeure.

Insofar as the closure of all or part of the site can be planned, the dates and extent of the closure of the facilities will be communicated by notice in the clubhouse.

The owner, in consultation with the managers, will be the sole judge of the appropriateness of exceptional closures

ARTICLE 2: CONDITIONS OF ACCESS

Golf is accessible to all under the conditions and in accordance with the rules set out in these internal regulations.

2.1. Access to general facilities:

Access to the reception and the Proshop is free of charge.

Access to the restaurant and bar is free. All food and drink from outside the premises is prohibited.

Access to the swimming pool is reserved for members and hotel guests.

Access to the changing rooms is free but reserved for golfers who have access to the driving range, practice areas or course.

2.2. Access to golf facilities:

GOLF FACILITIES ARE RESERVED FOR GOLFERS AND THE PRACTICE OF GOLF.

WALKING AND ALL OTHER ACTIVITIES ARE PROHIBITED unless expressly authorised by management on an ad hoc basis.

Access to the driving range, TrackMan and practice areas is reserved for golfers who have paid the corresponding entrance fee, which is included in the price of ball buckets or purchased with other



access rights to the course or practice areas.

Access to the Golf Academy and the dedicated training centre is by reservation at reception and in the presence of a duly authorised Academy instructor.

Access to the 18-hole course is reserved for holders of a valid licence issued by a National Golf Federation and with a handicap of less than 36 to play before 1 p.m., or holders of a green card in the afternoon and a membership in accordance with the rights granted by the card, or those who have purchased a green fee valid for the date of their access to the golf facilities.

Access to the course or the conditions of use may also be modified (winter green, winter tee, etc.) or restricted under certain conditions (no golf carts, trolleys, staggered tee times) in the event of construction work, bad weather or heavy frost.

For safety reasons, access to the course is reserved for players. The golf club reception must be informed of the presence of non-playing companions. Their number may be limited or their presence prohibited depending on the occupancy conditions of the course. Players are responsible for the safety of their non-playing companions. In the event of high demand, the golf club management reserves the right to restrict access to the 18-hole course to players with a handicap lower than a green card.

2.3. Other facilities

Access to service, storage, maintenance and other facilities is prohibited.

ARTICLE 3: RIGHTS OF ACCESS TO GOLF FACILITIES

3.1. Proof of insurance

The sale of rights of access to golf facilities is reserved for golfers who hold insurance covering their liability when playing golf in France.

3.2. Membership

All new membership applications must be submitted in writing to the Golf Management. In the first year, new members may be required to pay a non-refundable admission fee and a membership fee, the rates for which are available from the secretary's office. This fee is non-refundable, non-transferable and non-assignable.

Any member wishing to stop using the Golf Club's facilities must notify the management in writing before the end of their membership period and pay any outstanding membership fees.

Any newly admitted member who has not paid their membership fee within one month of admission will cease to be a member of the Golf Club and will no longer be able to use its facilities, unless the management deems there to be sufficient justification.

The membership is a right to use the course during its period of validity and by the member (excluding the provisions set out in Article 1.1.2 of Chapter 1 – page 1 of these regulations).

Members benefit from the rates and conditions specified in their membership contract.

Subscribers with a valid subscription may use all facilities during normal opening days and hours and in accordance with the internal regulations.

Subscribers have no right to interfere in the management of the golf course, the maintenance of the grounds or the management of staff. They may not give any instructions or directives to site staff.

In the event of absence, no refund or discount will be given on the subscription fee. Insurance is available to cover such unforeseen circumstances.

3.3. Green fee



The green fee is a fee for the use of a course for a 9- or 18-hole round on the same day by the same person. It is valid for the date indicated on the voucher issued by reception in exchange for payment. It entitles the holder to use all facilities in accordance with the internal regulations.

It is non-refundable (a credit note will be issued in the event of a storm causing a prolonged interruption to play). In the event of complete closure of the course before the golfers tee off, it will be exchanged for a green fee valid for another date. A second green fee must be paid for any second round, even if only partial.

3.4. Rates

Our rates are available at reception upon request.

ARTICLE 4: GENERAL RULES

4.1. Dress code

Appropriate attire is required: suitable trousers (no jeans) and a top with a collar; no shorts, tracksuits, vests, swimwear, etc.

4.2. Good manners and politeness

Anyone whose behaviour disturbs other users or damages the facilities or buildings may be excluded from the facilities and must leave the golf course immediately.

All users of the facilities must refrain from making any public comments of an offensive, racial, political or religious nature. All gambling is prohibited on the golf course.

Access to the facilities, services and products may be refused to any person who is intoxicated.

4.3. Pets

Animals are allowed, provided they are kept on a leash throughout the course or in a golf buggy.

4.4. Trade and soliciting

All trade and/or soliciting is prohibited on the golf course, particularly that related to golf, catering and the shop. Professional players are required to obtain prior authorisation from the golf course management to bring groups of players onto the course or driving range for commercial purposes.

4.5. Exclusive teaching rights

All lessons are given exclusively by instructors from Golf d'Opio Valbonne or approved by the golf management.

4.6. Equipment

One set of equipment per player is required. If this is not the case, the player must immediately return to reception, where rental equipment is available.

ARTICLE 5: TEE TIME RESERVATIONS

All players, whether members or visitors, must reserve their tee times online or at the golf club reception desk. All players, even if they have paid their course access fee and reserved their tee time, must report their presence and inform the reception desk that they are teeing off.

If they fail to do so 10 minutes before their reserved tee time and in the event of high demand, the golf club reception may authorise other golfers to tee off at the reserved time.

Individual bookings can be made by telephone, online or at reception, subject to the booking deadlines associated with the various membership options. Green fee players are not subject to any booking deadlines. Group bookings must be confirmed in writing and will be subject to a deposit set by the



management.

Bookings are subject to availability.

In the event of high demand, tee times may be reserved for groups of four players and players may be grouped together. Tee times must be respected. Any systematic delays or repeated no-shows will result in the inability to book further tee times.

Four-ball games have priority at Opio Valbonne Golf Club in order to ensure smooth play and an enjoyable game.

No shows

A 'no show' is a booked tee time that has not been confirmed by reception. We would like to remind you of the importance of confirming your attendance before playing, in accordance with club etiquette and rules.

You are allowed 3 no-shows. After that, your online access will be blocked until further notice. This measure makes it easier to play by increasing the number of available tee times.

ARTICLE 6: RULES FOR USE OF THE COURSE

6.1. Players must comply with the rules of the ROYAL AND ANCIENT GOLF CLUB OF SAINT ANDREWS. Local rules are established by the club's sports committee and are available at the golf club reception.

6.2. Tees

Players tee off at hole no. 1 and play the course from hole no. 1 to hole no. 9 or 18 in order. Only the golf club reception can authorise teeing off at hole no. 10.

The course maintenance team has priority on the course, particularly for mowing the greens and ensuring the safety of the course. Practice balls are the strict property of the golf club. They may only be used on the driving range. Anyone using a practice ball on the course will be immediately excluded from the course and must leave the premises without delay. Tee times for 9 holes are available according to strict time slots available at reception.

6.3. Course Marshal/Starter

The course marshal/starter is authorised to intervene on the course at any time, in particular to carry out checks and enforce the rules and regulations. Each player must present their valid green fee receipt or membership card to the course marshal/starter and comply with any instructions given by them. Failure to do so will result in exclusion from the course and immediate removal from the premises.

6.4. Etiquette

Respect for other players

Players must respect others and, in particular, play in groups of no more than four, wait until the players ahead of them are out of reach and respect the following order of priority: four players have priority over three, and three players have priority over two.

'If a group is playing slowly and is one hole behind the group in front, it must let the group behind pass.' This rule is not a matter of courtesy but a duty.

Some tips for reducing slow play: (application of ready golf)

- Do not let the group in front of you get too far ahead.
- Leave the green immediately when you have finished playing the hole.
- Be ready to play when it is your turn.



- Avoid multiple practice swings.
- When looking for a ball, immediately let the group behind you pass without waiting for the 3 minutes allowed to elapse.
- Order of priority for groups:
 - o Priority is given to the fastest group. Groups of more than 4 balls are not allowed.
 - o Players must follow the instructions given by the Reception or the Starter.

Respect for the course

Players must respect the course and in particular:

- Replace divots,
- Repair pitch marks on the greens; players must carry a pitch mark repair tool in their pocket and repair damage caused by shoe spikes,
- Do not damage the green by placing a bag on it or leaning on a putter,
- Take practice swings outside the teeing area,
- Rake and level footprints before leaving bunkers,
- Respect the traffic restrictions for trolleys and buggies, which must never be driven on tees, greens, aprons or bunkers,
- Respect traffic restrictions (chains, stakes, ropes),
- Do not remove the ball from the hole with a club.
- Do not mark the ball on a green by scratching the surface of the green.
- Practice (long game and short game) is not permitted on the course. Only the driving range, practice areas and Pitch and Putt are to be used for practice.

Playing time – reference

To complete the course under normal conditions, the playing time for 18 holes is:

- 4 hours for games with 2 players (unless behind games with 3 or 4 players)
- 4 hours 15 minutes for 3-player games (unless behind 3 or 4-player games)
- 4 hours 30 minutes for 4-player games.

ARTICLE 7: TEACHING

All lessons are given exclusively by teachers employed by the club and approved by the golf management.

Teachers must ensure that the club's Internal Regulations are respected and that their students behave appropriately on the course and on the practice grounds.

They must teach new players the etiquette of the game, the rules and the principles of course preservation. Accompanied by their students, they may start from a tee other than hole No. 1 with the permission of the reception desk. Lessons may take place on all golf facilities. Reservations for individual or group lessons can be made at the golf club reception desk or with the employed instructor.

If you are unable to attend a booked lesson, it is recommended that you cancel your reservation at the golf club reception at least 24 hours in advance.

ARTICLE 8: ACCIDENTS AND LIABILITY

8.1. Facilities

All users of the facilities must ensure the safety of everyone, and the owner is not liable for any accidents that may occur, in particular as a result of playing golf or the misuse of equipment and facilities.



8.2. Accidental damage

Any accident causing damage to others or damaging the facilities or property of third parties must be reported to the golf club reception, specifying the name of the person responsible and their FFG licence number or the insurance policy covering their civil liability. Failing this, and in particular in the event of balls being thrown and causing damage to neighbouring properties, the claim shall be reported by the owner, who shall specify the names of the players on the course at the time of the incident.

8.3. Children

Children are the sole responsibility of their parents, who must supervise their behaviour and safety. The owner may therefore prohibit unaccompanied minors from playing golf and/or using the course, but the authorisation of access does not alter the full responsibility of the parents. The only exception will be the presence of children on the course as part of educational activities provided by teachers during their class hours.

ARTICLE 9: EQUIPMENT

The owner provides players with rental equipment subject to availability.

The equipment rental rates are available at reception. Rental requires the deposit of an identity document or a security deposit of up to three times the rental rate, which will be returned immediately upon return of the equipment to the owner in good condition.

Once the equipment has been handed over to the renter, the latter is responsible for it and is personally liable in the event of improper use, damage, theft or accident. Furthermore, the owner reserves the right to refuse future buggy rentals.

The equipment must be returned in good condition at the end of the course for which it was rented and during the golf club's opening hours. Failing this, and in the event of late return, the renter will be liable for the rental price again. In the event of damage, the renter will be liable for the cost of repairs, and in the event of theft, for the value of the equipment. Furthermore, the owner reserves the right to refuse any further rentals or even any further access to the course.

ARTICLE 10: GOLF CARTS/TROLLEYS

Golf carts and electric three-wheelers (where the player sits on the vehicle) may be used on the fairways and roads unless otherwise specified by the Golf Club.

Depending on weather conditions, access to manual and electric trolleys and golf carts may be prohibited on certain parts of the course.

Golf cart occupants must be at least 1.5 metres tall and over 18 years of age.

Golf carts and trolleys are strictly prohibited on tees, greens, pre-greens, and bunkers. The owner provides golf carts for players, subject to availability. Golf cart rental rates, available at reception, are set for an 18-hole or 9-hole course. Golf carts may only be used by persons aged 18 or over who hold a driving licence and comply with the instructions. Any failure to comply with these instructions will result in the immediate immobilisation of the vehicle and the exclusion of the users from the course. Furthermore, the owner reserves the right to refuse them future golf cart rentals.

Once a golf cart has been handed over to the rental holder, it is their responsibility. Together with the users of the golf carts, they are personally liable in the event of improper use, damage, theft or accident. Golf carts must be returned at the end of the round for which they were rented and during the Caddy Master opening hours. Failing this, and in the event of late return, the hirer will be liable for a 6-hour rental fee.



In the event of damage, the hirer will be liable for the cost of repairs, and in the event of theft, for the value of the equipment. Furthermore, the owner reserves the right to refuse any further rentals to the players concerned, or even any further access to the course.

ARTICLE 11: CHANGING ROOMS AND CADDY MASTER

Changing rooms and the caddy master room are available to members and visitors, subject to availability.

Lockers may only be used with the permission of the golf club reception, which will assign a locker number in exchange for payment of the corresponding fee according to the rates available at reception. Bags will be stored in the caddy master's room by the customer, who will be solely responsible for their locker.

As the changing room lockers can be locked, it is the responsibility of each individual to ensure that their locker is locked when they leave the changing room.

The owner is not responsible for theft, disappearance or loss of items and clothing stolen from the changing rooms or caddy master's room, unless they are the result of burglary or violence.

ARTICLE 12: SECURITY

The owner is not responsible for theft or loss of valuables, cash, jewellery, golf equipment, personal bags, the contents of clothing and personal bags, or any other items on the golf course premises. Any facility offered to players for storing their clothing and golf equipment does not entail any responsibility on the part of the owner in the event of loss, theft or damage.

ARTICLE 13: PARKING

The car parks are not monitored and the owner declines all responsibility in the event of theft or break-ins.

ARTICLE 14: PENALTIES

14.1. Golf course staff

Staff are available to assist customers within the limits of their duties and professional expertise.

14.2 Players

Members or visiting players who do not comply with the rules or behave inappropriately towards staff or other users of the facilities will be excluded and must leave the golf club premises immediately, without prejudice to any legal action that may be taken against them. In the event of a repeat offence, they will be notified by a registered letter from the Director and may be notified of a temporary or permanent ban from the facilities, without reimbursement of the access fees paid as initial compensation for the damage caused to the owner by non-compliance with the internal regulations, and without prejudice to any other legal action that may be taken.

14.3. Other persons

Any person found on the course without having paid the access fee will be escorted back to reception where they will be required to pay, in addition to their green fee, a sum equal to three times the green fee as compensation for the damage caused to other players and to the owner by their unauthorised presence on the course.

14.4. Failure to comply with the internal regulations

In all cases where failure to comply with the internal regulations results in exclusion from the

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facilities, the sums paid by the excluded person and, where applicable, by the persons accompanying them, will not be refunded.

ARTICLE 15: AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The internal rules and regulations are established by the manager after consultation with the owner, who reserves the right to add to or amend them at any time. They are applicable as soon as they are posted.

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