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GANTON GOLF CLUB 2023
NOTICE TO PLAYERS ON RULES MATTERS

We expect all players to read the Local Rules and Terms of Competition on [The R&A Hard Card](#) (Effective January 2023) and the Additional Local Rules for the course.

The Additional Local Rules will be available on the player's portal before your first round.

In addition, we would bring your attention to the following points:

1. Pace of Play

Please ensure you read the [Pace of Play Policy](#). A hard copy of this will also be available on the noticeboard.

It is important to note that any **bad times will be carried through to the end of the 36-hole stroke play qualifying**. For example, if you get a bad time in Round 1 of qualifying and you get a further bad time either later in Round 1 or during Round 2 of qualifying, you will get a one-stroke penalty.

In match play, bad times only apply to a specific match, whether 18 holes or 36 holes.

If there is anything relating to pace of play that you do not understand, please ask for guidance at the R&A Compound.

2. Alternative Teeing Areas

Alternative teeing areas may be used during the Championship at the discretion of The R&A.

During practice, championship tee-markers will be positioned on the tee to be used for the stroke play qualifying round and club tee markers will be positioned at the alternative tee that may be used for one or more of the match play rounds. You may practice from both sets of tees.

3. Out of Bounds on Hole 17 and Hole 18

When playing the Holes 17 and 18, the area including the road between the white fence posts which cross these holes is Out of Bounds. Hard Card Local Rule 1 b) does not apply during play of these holes.

4. Yardage Book

Clarification 4.3a/1 in the Rules of Golf limits the size and scale of detailed putting green maps and any similar electronic or digital material that you may use.

If you are **not** using the yardage book that has been provided to you by The R&A please ensure that you check with a referee before play that any other materials you are using that contain a putting green map is allowed.

Note: In the Ganton Club Strokesaver available from the Pro Shop, the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 15th and 18th Hole Green Maps **DO NOT** meet the scale limit. During a round, using one of these images to help with reading your line of play for any stroke made from the putting green would be a breach of this Rule.

5. Naturalised Sandy Areas

There are naturalised sandy areas on the course (for example between Holes 8 and 9). These areas are not bunkers and are part of the General Area. There is no free relief for a ball that is embedded in sandy soil in any part of the course.

The naturalised sandy areas have not been fully prepared and generally do not have rakes available, however rakes have been provided for the naturalised sandy area to the left of the 9th fairway given its proximity to the fairway.

6. Wrong Putting Greens

The practice putting green to the right of the 18th green is a wrong green relief **MUST** be taken under [Rule 13.1f](#) if you have interference to your stance, lie of ball or area of intended swing.

7. Provisional Balls

If there is any possibility that your ball may be lost outside a penalty area or out of bounds, you are strongly encouraged to play a provisional ball (which you must announce).

8. Caddies

Caddies are **not** permitted throughout the Championship.

Players are reminded that advice (giving or receiving) is not permitted at any time under the Rules of Golf. Spectators should keep themselves at a reasonable distance from players to avoid any doubt in this regard.

9. Clubs Longer than 46 Inches Prohibited ([Model Local Rule G-10](#))

In making a stroke, the player must not use a club, except for a putter, which exceeds 46 inches in length. If you need to check the length of your driver to ensure it does not exceed this maximum length, please contact the Chief Referee.

10. Distance Measuring Devices

Rule 4.3a **permits** the use of Distance Measuring Devices. They **must NOT** measure elevation changes. For full information please see [Rule 4.3a](#).

Additional guidance on permissible and non-permissible Distance Measuring Devices is available here: [Understanding the Rules of DMDs](#)

11. Motorized Transportation

During a round, you must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorised or later approved by the Committee.

12. Ready Golf

During the stroke play qualifying rounds you are strongly encouraged to play Ready Golf - when it is safe to do so.

13. Player Conduct

Players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, shout "fore" if necessary, and demonstrate courtesy and sportsmanship at all times. Players should behave in an exemplary manner towards everyone involved in the Championship at all times. Any player breaching this code of conduct may be subject to disciplinary action by the Amateur Championships Committee as per Term of Competition 5f).

14. Divots and Ball Marks

Please repair all divots and ball marks during practice and the championship itself.

15. Other Mobile Devices

You should use your mobile device, such as a phone, to enter your own score after each hole using the GolfBox link sent to you by email. Your own unique passcode to login will be emailed and will also be available from the Starter.

You may also use your mobile device to call for a referee using the phone number at the foot of the additional Local Rules.

16. Pin Positions

Pin positions will be emailed to all players the evening before each round. A hard copy will also be posted on the noticeboard and 1st tee should you prefer to take a photograph.

We wish you a successful Championship.

Lorna Bennett
Chairman of the Championship