



# Srixon Winter Open 2026 Hard Card

Srixon Winter Open 2026 is a federative tournament for juniors, and the following local rules and terms of competition apply for this tournament. Additional local rules may be published during the tournament. If any dispute on this content, the interpretation will be done according to the Rules of Golf. Where there is referred to a Model local rule, the full text is found at [www.RandA.org](http://www.RandA.org)

Unless otherwise stated, the penalty for breach of local rule is two penalty strokes.

## Part 1 – Local Rules

### 1. Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2) (A-2.2 and A-3)

- a. A ball is out of bounds when it is beyond any wall/road defining the boundary of the course.
- b. A ball coming to rest beyond a road defining out of bounds is out of bounds, even if it comes to rest on another part of the course that is in bounds for other holes.

### 2. Penalty Areas (Rule 17)

- a. When a ball is in a red penalty area or it is known or virtually certain, and the point where the ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area coincides with a boundary of the course: The player may take relief on opposite side of the red penalty area, at the same distance from the hole according to model local rule B-2.1 and B-2.2.
- b. Where there is a dropping zone for a penalty area and if a ball is in this penalty area, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found came to rest in the penalty area, the player has these relief options, each for **one penalty stroke**:
  - 1) Take relief under Rule 17.1, or
  - 2) As an extra option, drop the original ball or another ball in the nearest dropping zone from the point where the ball entered the penalty area. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.

### 3. Abnormal Course Conditions (included immovable obstructions) (Rule 16.1) (F-1)

#### 3.a Ground under Repair (GUR)

- a. All areas defined by blue stakes and/or white lines or in other ways are identified as GUR.
- b. Stone-filled drainage ditches
- c. Areas of unusual, damaged ground (i.e., caused by vehicles), but only when so declared by a referee.
- d. Anthills in the general area.
- e. Exposed tree roots or rocks in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or lower.
- f. Areas in bunkers where sand has been removed by the movement of water resulting in deep furrows through the sand.
- g. Seams between cut turf in general area and on putting greens.
- h. Painted distance markings on a part of the general area cut to fairway height or lower and painted dots on putting greens.

**Note:** But interference does not exist if GUR only interferes with the player's stance described under d.-g.

#### 3.b Immovable obstructions

- a. White lined areas and the immovable obstruction they tie into are treated as a single abnormal course condition, when relief is taken under rule 16.1.
- b. Flowerbeds, plants, bushes and similar surrounded by an immovable obstruction is a part of the immovable obstruction.
- c. 150-meter marks/stakes and other distance markers.

#### 3.c Removal of temporary water (J-2)

If a player's ball lies on the putting green and there is interference by temporary water on the putting green, the player may:

- Take free relief under Rule 16.1d, or
- Have their line of play squeegeed.

Such squeegeeing should be done across the line of play and extend a reasonable distance beyond the hole (that is, at least one roller length) and only be carried out by a person appointed by the Committee.

#### 3.c Immovable obstruction close to putting greens (F-5.1)

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1. The player has an extra option to take relief when such immovable obstructions are on or close to the putting green and on the line of play:

Ball in general area: The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is:

- On the line of play, and is:
  - On or within two club-lengths of the putting green, and

- Within two club-lengths of the ball

**But** complete relief must be taken, which includes both physical and line of play interference.

**Exception – No relief if line of play clearly unreasonable.** There is no relief under this local rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

**Penalty for playing ball from a wrong place in breach of local rule: General Penalty under rule 14.7a.**

#### 4. Movable obstructions (Rule 15.2)

- a. All stakes except white boundary stakes.

#### 5. No Play Zones (Rule 2.4) (E-8)

A no play zone in an abnormal course condition is marked by blue stakes with white (or green) top. Free relief must be taken under rule 16.1f.

A no play zone in a penalty area is marked by yellow or red stakes with green (or white) top. Relief must be taken under rule 17.1e.

#### 6. Temporary Immovable Obstructions (F-23)

Model local rule F-23 is in effect.

#### 7. Ball Deflected by Power Line (E-11)

Model local rule E-11 only applies when a ball hits a power line or tower supporting a power line that are in bounds. The stroke must be cancelled and played again.

#### 8. Drivers and balls (G-1 / G-3)

- a. Conforming driver heads. Model local rule G-1 applies.

**Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of this local rule: Disqualification.**

- b. Conforming golf balls. Model local rule G-3 applies.

**Penalty for making a stroke with a ball not on current list in breach of this local rule: Disqualification.**

**Note:** A list of conforming driver heads and conforming golf balls is found at [www.RandA.org](http://www.RandA.org)

#### 9. Practice before or between rounds (Rule 5.2b - Strokeplay) (I-1)

Rule 5.2b is modified in this way: A player must not practice on the competition course before or between rounds, except that the player may practice putting or chipping on or close to his or her first teeing ground and on any practice areas.

**Penalty for first breach: General penalty (applied to the player's first hole).**

**Penalty for second breach: Disqualification**

#### 10. Pace of Play (Rule 5.6) (8K)

A player, for whom it is possible to make a stroke and, from when it is deemed by a referee or the Committee that he/she should have reached his ball, has:

- 60 seconds to make his/her stroke if he/she is deemed to not have had time for preparing for his/her stroke.
- 40 seconds to make his/her stroke if he/she is deemed to have had time for preparing to make his/her stroke.

A player in breach of any of the time limits is deemed to have breached the local rule.

**Penalty for breach of the local rule during same tournament:**

**First breach – Warning**

**Second breach – One Penalty Stroke**

**Third breach – General Penalty**

**Fourth breach– Disqualification**

#### Notes:

- 1) A player has had time to prepare for making his/her stroke if it is deemed by a referee or the Committee that he should have reached his/her ball:
  - a. While another player in the same group, who is to make his/her stroke before the player, is preparing to make his/her stroke, or
  - b. While the group in front of the player's group is within reach of the player's intended stroke.
- 2) It is possible to make a stroke when,
  - a. the group in front of the player's group is out of reach of the player's intended stroke, or
  - b. the player's group does not have a ruling or is not waiting for a referee, or
  - c. the player does not have to wait for players on holes close by.
- 3) Players will not be advised that they are being timed.
- 4) The player should be informed about a warning/penalty stroke as soon as the circumstances allow.

## 11. Suspension of play (Rule 5.7) (J-1)

Model local rule J-1 applies.

Suspension of play in a dangerous situation – one prolonged note of the siren

All other suspensions of play – three consecutive short notes of the siren.

Resume play – two short notes of the siren.

When play is stopped in a dangerous situation, all practice areas are also closed.

**Penalty for breach of local rule:** See rule 5.7b.

## 12. Transportation (Rule 4.3) (G-6)

During a round a player must not ride on any form of motorized transportation **except** as authorized or later approved by the Committee. A player who will or has played a ball under penalty of stroke and distance, is always authorized to ride on a motorized transportation in that case.

**Penalty for breach of local rule:** The player gets the general penalty for each hole there is a breach of this local rule. If a breach occurs between two holes, the penalty applies for the next hole.

**Note:** A player classified as disabled and has approval to use motorized transportation may use motorized transportation during a round.

## 13. Modification of penalty under rule 3.3b(2) for missing player or marker certification (L-1)

Rule 3.3b(2) is modified in this way:

If a player returns a scorecard without the hole scores being certified either by the player, the marker or both, the player gets the **general penalty (two penalty strokes)**.

The penalty applies to the last hole of the player's round.

# Part 2 – Terms of Competition

The following Terms of Competition applies:

### 1. Cancelled rounds

To be a counting event at least 50 % of the tournament must be played.

### 2. Recording

A player's score card is returned to the Committee when the player has left the recording area.

### 3. Deciding Ties

See GolfBox.

### 4. Result of Competition – Competition Closed

The Competition is closed when the prize giving ceremony is finished.

### 5. Antidoping

Tournament organized by an organizational level in the Norwegian Sports Federation and Olympic and Paralympic Committee (NIF) is subject to the common international anti-doping regulations.

The doping provisions apply to anyone who participates in events or other sports events organized by an organization member of the Norwegian Sports Federation and the Olympic and Paralympic Committee (NIF). This means, among other things, that the athlete is obliged to submit a doping test if doping control is carried out during the event. Failure to attend imposed doping control, refusing to submit doping test or evading doping control in any other way is equivalent to having passed positive doping test. More information at [www.antidoping.no](http://www.antidoping.no)

### 6. Practice rounds

During practice rounds a player must only play one ball, with the following exceptions:

- If an approach shot misses the green, the player may play one new ball towards the green.
- A maximum of three chip shots may be shot from just outside the green provided it does not damage the course.
- Only one bunker shot may be hit towards the green from green bunkers. All other shots from a bunker must be done in another direction.
- Up to three practice putts

**Note:** No shots may be done if players behind are waiting.

Pitch marks must be repaired, and divots must be replaced.

Breach of this term of competition may lead to denial to start in the tournament. This will be decided by the Committee.

## 7. Live scoring

The player must announce his/her score. If a player deliberately announces wrong score or neglect to announce score orally or electronically, is **breach of local rule**:

**First breach:** Warning.

**Second breach:** The player will be reported to NGF for disciplinary actions.

A warning applies for the whole tournament.

If the Committee believes a player is in serious breach of player conduct, the Committee may disqualify the player after rule 1.2a. The player will also be reported to NGF.

## 8. Standards of Player Conduct (rule 1.2)

All players are expected to play in the spirit of the game and to follow rule 1.2a. Breach of rule 1.2a may lead to disqualification but also:

### a. Alcohol

A player who drinks alcohol during a round or is visibly affected by alcohol when starting a round is disqualified from the tournament and will be reported to NGF for disciplinary actions.

### b. Smoking and snuff (snus)

Smoking and the use of snuff (snus) during a round is prohibited for any player. This also includes electronic cigarettes and such.

**Penalty for breach of local rule:**

**First breach:** Warning.

**Second breach:** General penalty.

**Third breach:** Disqualification.

### c. Care for the course

A player who during a round deliberately fails to:

- Repair his/her pitch mark on the putting green,
- Replace divot after a stroke,
- Rake a bunker after a stroke, or
- Generally, care for the course.

**Penalty for breach of local rule:**

**First breach:** Warning.

**Second breach:** One stroke penalty.

**Third breach:** General penalty.

**Fourth breach or any serious breach:** Disqualification.

### d. Overall player conduct

A player who during a tournament behaves disrespectfully (by the judgement of the Committee) to other players, the Committee, referees, spectators, and the course or the golf club.

**Penalty for breach of local rule:**

**First breach:** General penalty.

**Second breach or any serious breach:** Disqualification.

**Note:** A penalty for breach of any local rule under standards of player conduct applies for the whole tournament. A breach between rounds – penalty applies to the last hole of the course (hole 18).

**Note:** Cheating or attempt of cheating is a serious breach. In addition to disqualification under rule 1.2a the player will be reported to NGF for disciplinary actions.

## 9. Unsportsmanlike behavior – sanctions regulations

The sanctions regulations apply for all players, coaches, leaders and other who assists the player. Read more in «Spill og bestemmelser» at [www.golfforbundet.no](http://www.golfforbundet.no)

## 10. Caddie prohibited

A player must not have a caddie during the round.

**Penalty for breach of local rule:**

The player gets the general penalty for each hole during which they have a caddie.

If the breach happens or continues between two holes, the player gets the general penalty for the next hole.