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# WFGA TOURNAMENT COURSE STANDARDS

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*In general, a course must be fair for both skilled and non-skilled players. This means that the course must be designed in such a way that inexperienced players are able to master the course within the framework of the rules of the game and experienced players have the chance to distinguish themselves in the result according to their abilities.*

*A too easy course without a chance to show existing skills is not suitable for a WFGA tournament. However, this can be compensated by a second, more difficult course in the tournament (fun/profi).*

- ✓ *Grass on fairway and green must be cared for and repaired when needed for at fair play.*
- ✓ *A course must have some kind of tee markers or a square of turf to illustrate a teeing ground.*
- ✓ *All standard grounded holes must be 520-650mm and have a flag present in the middle of the hole. If the hole cup is above the ground on any side of the hole, it should be evened out before the start of a tournament.*
- ✓ *A standard grounded hole should have a minimum depth of at least 300mm.*
- ✓ *A ball should not be able to jump out of any standard grounded hole when being kicked with low speed.*
- ✓ *Obstacles must be built in a way that should reward skill rather than chance and luck.*
- ✓ *A ball should not be able to get stuck in an obstacle.*
- ✓ *It is preferred that a course have clearly visible cut lanes. If not, a course can be played without some of the “out of bounds” rules. (See rule 22.3)*
- ✓ *Potential “out of bounds” areas must be marked with sticks or spray-paint on the ground. If they are marked in any other way, there must be no question on whether the ball is inside or outside the “out of bounds” area. (See rule 22.2)*
- ✓ *If possible, obstacles and bushes that can puncture a football, because of nails, thorns, and the like, should be removed, changed, cut, or repaired if possible.*



- ✓ ***A course must have toilet facilities.***
- ✓ ***A course must have available internet. (Not necessarily WIFI)***
- ✓ ***A course must have small catering facilities available. (Clean drinking water)***
- ✓ ***A course must have a weatherproof shelter with electricity where the tournament management can work.***
- ✓ ***A certified WFGA tournament course loses its certification if changes are made to the course as a condition of certification. Any such changes should therefore be agreed with the WFGA.***
- ✓ ***The certification does not lose its validity when new WFGA certification regulations come into force.***  
***There is protection of the status quo***