

BY-LAWS OF THE LEGENDS MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

GENERAL

- Section 1 The name of the Association shall be Legends Men's Golf Association (LMGA)
- Section 2 The object of LMGA is to promote the game of golf and to encourage the related social and charitable aspects of golf activities.
- Section 3 The Fiscal Year of LMGA shall be from April 1 through March 31 with annual dues payable before commencement of play.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1 The membership is open to all males at least 21 years of age or older with Amateur Status who are resident equity members of Legends Golf and Country Club. Membership shall consist of one (1) category.
- A) **Resident** members are resident equity members. They shall have playing, voting and officer privileges.
- Section 2 Acceptance of membership shall bind each member to uphold the rules of the Association and The Legends, to observe laws, rules and etiquette of golf as set forth by the USGA and to accept and observe all decisions by the Board of Directors.
- Section 3 Any member whose attitude or behavior, in the judgment of the Board of Directors, is not compatible with the stated purpose of the Association, may be penalized or dismissed from the Association with three-fourths (3/4) vote of the Board. In the event of dismissal, the member's Association dues will be refunded on a prorated basis and any accumulated awards shall be forfeited.
- Section 4 Anyone qualified to become a member may join the LMGA by completing the application process.
- Section 5 Application Process.
- Complete the application form, including a check for yearly dues.
 - Include verification of certified USGA handicap.
 - Submit complete information to the Treasurer, via the designated box in the Pro Shop.
 - It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to produce his necessary credentials.
 - The Membership Committee will then determine the level of membership and forward the handicap information to the Handicap Committee. If all is in order, the Handicap Committee will add the new member's name and number to the men's play roster.

ARTICLE III

MONIES

- Section 1 A majority vote of the Board of Directors shall be required for the spending of any monies over five hundred dollars (\$500).

- Section 2 Legends Men's Golf Association bank account shall require two (2) signatures on all checks.
- Section 3 The audit committee will present an annual report of the Association's finances at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Section 1 A Board of Directors consisting of the officers of LMGA shall govern the Association.
The Officers of the LMGA shall be
1. President
 2. Vice President
 3. Secretary
 4. Treasurer
 5. Tournament Chairman
 6. Handicap Chairman
 7. Membership Chairman

ARTICLE V
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Section 1 The duties of the Board of Directors shall be to:
- a. Establish the operational policies of the Association.
 - b. Establish the annual dues of the Association.
 - c. Approve the dates of, anticipated cost of, fees to participate in and distribution of prizes, if any, in any LMGA special events.
 - d. Approve the fees to participate in any regular events and to approve the prize pool for those events.
 - e. Establish the authorization of disbursement of Association funds.
- Section 2 Elect the Officers of the Association
- Section 3 The Board of Directors may not impose any general special assessments on all the members of the Association. However, individual fines may be imposed.
- Section 4 The Board of Directors shall meet, as the Chairman deems necessary with three (3) days' prior notice.
- Section 5 The Board of Directors shall meet upon the call of any three (3) of its members. Such call must be given three (3) days in advance.
- Section 6 A quorum consists of a majority of the Board of Directors members.
- Section 7 All decisions are by majority vote of those voting.
- Section 8 If a member of the Board of Directors resigns or fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings for other than a legitimate reason, such as illness or absence from the area, the Board may, at its discretion, terminate his membership on the Board. The Board may select a replacement to serve out his un-expired term.

ARTICLE VI
OFFICERS AND DUTIES

- Section 1 The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association, be the Chair of the Board of Directors and have general charge of all the business affairs of the Association.

- Section 2 The Vice President, in the absence, disability, death or resignation of the President shall assume the duties of the President.
- Section 3 The Secretary shall maintain necessary correspondence and keep minutes of all meetings.
- Section 4 The Treasurer shall keep all funds of the Association, pay its bills, report to the Board of Directors on the financial condition of the Association and safeguard all valuable papers of the Association.

ARTICLE VII

STANDING COMMITTEES

- Section 1 **Tournament Committee**
Chaired by the Tournament Chairman who selects, with Board approval:
- Event Chairman
 - Yearly calendar of events to include Tournaments and Play Days
 - Event Chairman shall be responsible for organizing tournaments such as Stag Days, Invitationals and Member-Guests. This chairman will work closely with the Board to insure play/funding/prizes is proper.
- Section 2 **Handicap Committee**
Chaired by Handicap Chairman who is responsible for:
- Ensuring member's handicaps are in accordance with the USGA handicap guidelines.
 - Verifying new member's handicaps.
 - Posting new member's names on weekly play roster.
- This committee works closely with the Treasurer and Membership Committee.
- Section 3 **Membership Committee**
Chaired by Membership Chairman who is responsible for:
- Acting upon the receipt of new member applications.
 - Keeping up-to-date membership lists, including addresses and phone numbers and e-mail addresses.
 - Ensuring an adequate number of membership applications, information guides and event schedules are available and disseminated to each new member.
- Section 4 **Audit Committee**
This committee is composed of three members: a chair and two others, none of which will be a Board member. This committee reviews the financial documents of the Association and provides a written report to the membership at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS

- Section 1 The Annual Meeting will be held on the last LMGA sponsored weekly play date in the fiscal year at a luncheon meeting following the close of play.
- Section 2 The election of the Board will be held at the Annual Meeting. The majority of members voting shall elect the Board of Directors.
- Section 3 Only Resident Members may vote at the Annual Meeting.

Section 4 The Board of Directors shall select a Nominating Committee to consist of five (5) members, one of whom must be from the Board of Directors. The President shall name the Committee Chairman.

Section 5 Notice of all nominations shall be posted on the Association's designated bulletin board, at least ten (10) days before Annual Meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor during the Annual Meeting.

Section 6 If the slate as presented by the Nominating Committee is not unanimously approved, elections shall be by written ballot. Names of those receiving the most votes shall be posted the following day.

Section 7 Those elected shall be by majority of those voting.

Section 8 The term of office for all Board members shall be three (3) years. The terms of office will be staggered.

During the first year, the Board of Directors will determine two (2) Board members whose initial term will be one (1) year and three (3) whose initial term will be two (2) years, to enable the odd/even year rotation to begin. Terms of office shall begin on April 1 and end on March 31 of each year.

ARTICLE IX **BY-LAW AMENDMENTS**

Section 1 The By-Laws may be amended by the general membership of the Association at a meeting called for that purpose by the Board of Directors at least fourteen (14) days in advance. Ratification shall be by majority of those voting. Written notice of the proposed amendment shall be posted for the members at least two (2) weeks in advance.

ARTICLE X **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

Section 1 Special Committees may be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall perform such duties as the Board specifies.

Handicap

Net Double Bogey: For a player with an established *Handicap Index*, the maximum score for each hole played is limited to a *net double bogey*, calculated as follows:

Par of the hole + 2 strokes + Any handicap stroke(s) that the player receives on that hole*

(*or minus any handicap stroke(s) that a plus player gives back on that hole.)

RULES AND ETIQUETTE

1. To be a member in good standing and play in LMGA sponsored events you must have 5 (five) scores posted in the Legends Handicap system. To play in "Major" tournaments you must have 10 (ten) Legends Scores Posted.
You enter your request in Fore Tees at least 4 days in advance for each outing. E.G.: Thursday for Monday play.
2. Cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to play. Cancellations after 48 hours as well as no shows are subject to a \$5 fine. Medical emergencies will be excused.
3. Maintain Pace of Play, Play Ready Golf and Keep up with the Group in Front of you!
4. USGA and Local Rules are to be observed at all times. Those members not adhering to the rules will be dealt with by the MGA Committee.