

**MESQUITE MENS  
GOLF ASSOCIATION  
(MMGA)**

**CONSTITUTION & BY LAWS**

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# CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS 5/4/10

## Article 1 – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the **Mesquite Men’s Golf Association.**

## Article 2 – PURPOSE

**FIRST:** To stimulate interest in golf at the golf courses in Mesquite by bringing together a group of men desirous of forming a golfing organization.

**SECOND:** To promote and foster among its members a closer bond and fraternity for their joint and mutual benefit, and to promote and conserve the best interest and true spirit of the game of golf as embodied in its ancient and honorable traditions

**THIRD:** To enforce the uniformity in the rules of the game by creating a representative authority.

**FOURTH:** To maintain a uniform system of handicapping as set forth in the regulations of the United States Golf Association.

**FIFTH:** To afford a convenient and authoritative body to govern tournaments and other golfing events held at the golf courses in Mesquite or where events may be held.

## Article 3 – MEMBERSHIP

### SECTION 1

Full membership shall be available to all men 18 years of age or older.

### SECTION 2

In the event any member of this organization shall commit any act which reflects discredit or disrepute thereon or shall refuse or neglect to comply with rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Directors or the duly appointed officers, such member shall be subject to suspension or expulsion after ten days written notice and the right to be heard, by the vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors at any regular meeting or special meeting called for such purpose.

### SECTION 3

The annual meeting of the Golf Association for the election of the Board of Directors shall be held on date appointed by the Board of Directors during the month of November, unless another date is determined to be more feasible by the Board.

### SECTION 4

A legal quorum at any general meeting shall be fifteen members present. Each active member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote.

### SECTION 5

The Board, from time to time in such amounts, shall establish all members' fees and dues as they deem to be adequate to operate and maintain the Association.

### SECTION 6

All initiation fees received shall be applied to the initiation fee of the year received. All membership fees will be due and payable prior to December 1 proceeding the membership year. Non payment of membership fees within twelve months, unless medical or dire circumstances exist, will result in the member being dropped from the roles of the Association. If these conditions do not apply/met, prior members must reapply as a new member all fees apply.

## **ARTICLE 4 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### SECTION 1

To be eligible for the Board of Directors the candidate must be a member in good standing and play twelve rounds of league golf not including tournaments in the year the candidate is elected. To remain on the Board, the board member must play twelve rounds of league golf not including tournaments during the year he serves. Medical or dire circumstances can waive this requirement.

### SECTION 2

The Board of Directors shall consist of seven elected members in good standing of the Mesquite Men's Golf Association. They shall exercise all governing powers not specifically excluded by these By – Laws. One Third (1/3) of the Board shall be elected annually for a term of three years as hereafter provided. To be eligible for President, the candidate shall have served on the Board for the past two consecutive years. The President shall be elected yearly by the elected Board. Past Board members with a minimum of two years experience shall be eligible, after one year on the current Board.

### SECTION 3

When a vacancy exist on the Board, a request to fill the vacancy will be made by the Board to interested and qualified members who would want to serve on the Board for three years. The qualified candidate will then be put on the ballot and submitted to the membership for election.

### SECTION 4

Voting shall be by written, electronic, or website ballot mailed to each member and those names receiving the greatest number of votes cast by those voting members shall be declared to be elected. The Board shall appoint three judges two of which are not members of the Board or candidates for election. Each ballot will be compared to the active membership to insure authenticity.

### SECTION 5

The Board shell meet at such times and places as they may select, and a majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

### SECTION 6

In case of any vacancy through death, resignation, disqualification, or other causes; the remaining Directors, even though less than a quorum, may select and appoint a successor to serve through the remainder of the term of the vacancy.

### SECTION 7

If, during his term, the President resigns, the Vice President shall succeed him, and a new Vice President shall be selected from the remaining elected Board and confirmed by a majority vote of the Board. The normal succession of replacements or other officers shall be determined by the procedure in Section 6 of Article 4.

## ARTICLE 5 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:

### SECTION 1

The responsibilities of the Board of Directors and the Committees are contained in the RULES AND POLICIES appendix.

### SECTION 2

Within ten days after the annual election, the Board shall meet and select the officers.

### SECTION 3

The officers shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer and their duties shall be such as their title would indicate or such as may be assigned to them respectively from time to time.

### SECTION 4

The Board shall authorize and define the powers and duties of all committees. The Committee Chairman shall be appointed by the President; however, the Chairman shall appoint other members of the various committees. The President shall act as ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

### SECTION 5

The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer and the Secretary shall be the Administrative Officer. The President shall preside over all meetings.

### SECTION 6

The Vice President shall act as the assistant to the President and shall assume all duties and responsibilities of the President upon his absence.

### SECTION 7

The Treasurer shall keep accurate records and report as requested by the Board.

### SECTION 8

The Secretary shall record the minutes and handle all correspondence as the Administrative Officer.

### SECTION 9

The following Committees shall be appointed each year with such other Committees as the President may deem necessary:

GOLF LEAGUE OPERATIONS

TOURNAMENT

MEMBERSHIP

RULES

## ARTICLE 6 AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

### SECTION 1

The Board shall have the power to repeal or amend any of these By-Laws, provided that such action shall not be effective until approved by a majority vote of the members of the Mesquite Men's Golf Association attending the general meeting specified for this purpose and held in accordance with the provisions contained herein. Changes to these By-Laws shall be published in accordance with Article 4 Section 2.

## ARTICLE 7 CONDUCT OF MEETING:

### SECTION 1

The Board shall conduct all meetings in accordance with "Robert Rules of Order."