

OAKCREEK COUNTRY CLUB
MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION
1977 BY-LAWS – REVISED MAY, 2015

ARTICLE I – NAME AND LOCATION

The name of this organization shall be the Oakcreek Country Club Men's Golf Association (**OCCMGA**). The headquarters shall be the Village of Oakcreek, 690 Bell Rock Boulevard, Sedona, Arizona 86351.

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVES

1. The objectives of this organization are:
 - a. To promote and direct golf tournaments, competitive play, and to promote and develop discipline and courtesy in connection therewith
 - b. To assist members to qualify and participate in tournaments of golf associations and other organizations
 - c. To promote social activities of, or that include, this association

ARTICLE III – GOVERNMENT AND MANAGEMENT

1. Board of Directors
 - a. The government and management of this association shall be accomplished by a Board of Directors. The Board shall constitute the ruling and governing body of the association, shall perform such duties as hereinafter provided for, and shall prescribe rules not inconsistent with the provisions of these bylaws regulating the affairs and conduct of the association.
 - b. The Board shall consist of four (4) elected members, three (3) Committee Chairmen, a Handicap Committee Representative, and a Greens Committee Representative. The elected members are the Executive Officers; and the Committee Chairmen are the Tournament, Social, and Membership Chairmen. These nine (9) men are the voting members of the Board. A person holding more than one these positions shall have one vote.
 - c. The non-voting members of the Board are the immediate Past President and the Staff Advisor. They shall have advisory roles in serving the Board.
 - d. The Board of Directors will be assisted in the management of the association by other committees as deemed appropriate by the Board.
2. Executive Officers
 - a. The Executive Officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. They will be elected or re-elected annually, at the year-end meeting of the general membership, and their term of office shall be for one year commencing January 1st following their election.

3. Nominating Committee

Not later than the third Thursday of October, the Board of Directors shall select a nominating committee of three (3) members in good standing who shall select candidates for election for the ensuing year. Incumbent Board members may not be on the nominating committee. The nominating committee shall present the slate of candidates to the membership at the year-end general membership meeting, each year; during which, any qualified member in good standing with the association may be nominated from the floor.

4. Board of Directors Meetings

The Board of Directors shall meet monthly during its term of office for the transaction of business of the association at a regular time and stated place as the President may direct. Special meetings may be held on the call of the President or two (2) other Board members. Four (4) Board members shall constitute a quorum.

5. Absenteeism

Any member of the Board of Directors who is absent for more than three (3) consecutive regular monthly meetings of the Board shall be “ipso facto”, no longer a member of the Board unless he presents an excuse for nonattendance in writing to, and accepted by, the Board at a meeting at which he need not be present.

ARTICLE IV – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. President

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the association and its Board of Directors; appoint and remove, upon the approval of the remainder of the Board of Directors, committee chairmen; assure that the bylaws and such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the association are enforced; call such meetings as are herein provided for; have general supervision over the affairs of the association; and, at the year-end general membership meeting, make a report to the membership of the financial status and general concerns of the association during the past year. The President shall be ex-officio member of all committees.

2. Vice President

The Vice President shall assist the President in the accomplishment of his duties and, in the absence of the President, to perform the President’s duties.

3. Secretary

The Secretary shall record and publish minutes of general membership and Board of Directors meetings, conduct correspondents of the association, maintain historical records of the association, and ensure that necessary documents are posted on the association bulletin board; and perform such other duties as the President may direct.

4. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall act as the financial agent for the association for the receipt and disbursement of funds. He shall safely keep and account for all funds that come into his hands and deposit same to the credit of the association in such financial institutions as the Executive Officers may direct. The Treasurer may be bonded in an amount as directed by the Executive Officers. All checks, drafts, and orders shall be signed by the Treasurer. An accounting of all receipts and disbursements for the past year shall be made to the membership at the year-end general membership meeting annually or more frequently if requested. Financial records may be reviewed annually by a person appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Officers. A report of the financial review shall be available to the general membership and be a permanent record of the association.

ARTICLE V – MEMBERSHIP

1. Eligibility

Membership in the association (OCCMGA) shall be automatic for any man who pays for his annual golf privileges in accordance with the Village of Oakcreek Association's (VOCA) Schedule of Golf Initiation Fees and Membership Dues for Perennial Memberships.

2. Suspension and Expulsion

Acceptance of membership obligates the member to abide by and support the Bylaws and the activities of this association. Refusing or neglecting strict and honorable compliance with the rules and regulations of this association may render any member subject to suspension or expulsion from the association. A member may be suspended or expelled upon unanimous recommendation of the Board of Directors and concurrence by two-thirds of the membership present and voting at a scheduled general membership meeting. No member shall be suspended or expelled before written formal charges have been made and an opportunity given to present a defense.

ARTICLE VI – REVENUE

There are two primary sources of income for OCCMGA, both funded by members of OCCMGA:

The first income source is from annual OCCMGA dues. These dues are collected on behalf of OCCMGA as part of Oakcreek Country Club (OCC) golf membership fees. OCCMGA dues are passed on to the OCCMGA Treasurer at the beginning of each calendar year. These funds are used to pay for events, goods and services for the benefit of OCCMGA members and the OCC.

The second source of income is OCCMGA tournament entry fees for events conducted for the benefit of OCCMGA member participants. These funds are passed directly to the OCC golf shop as merchandise/services credits for the benefit of tournament prizewinners.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

General membership meetings may be held each year as scheduled by the Board of Directors. The default is four (4) meetings, but may be more or less upon the direction of the President. Active members present at a general membership meeting shall constitute a quorum. Meetings shall be governed by ***Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised***. Officers meetings and Board of Directors meetings shall be convened at the call of the President. General membership meetings and Board of Directors meetings are open to all members of the association. Some limited business of the Board may be conducted via the Internet.

ARTICLE VIII – COMMITTEES

1. Composition

All Committee Chairmen and Representatives shall be appointed by the President, subject to the approval of the Executive Officers. The Chairmen will name their own committee members as needed. Chairmen of Standing Committees and the Representatives, hereinafter enumerated, may continue from the previous year without re-appointment, as they are willing and able, unless removed by the Executive Officers.

2. Standing Committees

The Standing Committees of the association (OCCMGA), governed by the Board of Directors, are: (a) Tournament, (b) Rules, (c) Membership, (d) Social, (e) Publicity, (f) Member-Guest, and (g) Home & Away

a. Tournament Committee

The Tournament Committee shall arrange matches and tournaments between association members, collect entry fees, exchange cash for credit in the Golf Shop, post the tournament results, and allocate credit to the tournament winners. Competitive play, held under the jurisdiction of the OCCMGA, shall be governed by the U. S. Golf Association (USGA) Rules of Golf and any Local Rules in effect at the time of the event, and shall use USGA approved Clubs and Balls.

b. Rules Committee

The Rules Committee, in cooperation with the Staff Advisor and the Head Golf Professional at Oakcreek Country Club, shall interpret the U. S. Golf Association (USGA) Rules of Golf, which shall apply to all OCCMGA competitions.

c. Membership Committee

The Membership Committee shall be responsible for welcoming and serving the needs of new members and for reporting on the status of the official roster.

d. Social Committee

The Social Committee shall be responsible for securing, organizing, and administering social activities deemed beneficial to the club membership.

e. Publicity Committee

The Publicity Committee shall be responsible for securing favorable publicity for activities of the OCCMGA.

f. Member-Guest Committee

The Member-Guest Committee shall have charge of, or assist the Oakcreek Country Club in, arranging and staging the annual Member-Guest Tournament.

g. Home & Away Committee

The Home & Away Committee shall represent the OCCMGA in arranging Home & Away matches in Inter-Club play and other sponsored trips by member groups; including any meals, transportation and accommodations needed. The Chairman of this committee may work with, assist, or be assisted by, the Golf Professionals.

3. Representatives

The Representatives, governed by the Board of Directors, represent the association (OCCMGA) on (a) the Greens Committee, and (b) the Handicap Committee.

a. The Greens Committee Representative shall attend the Oakcreek Country Club Greens Committee meetings as a member of that committee, representing the association and its interests, and reporting to the Board of Directors.

b. The Handicap Committee Representative shall attend the Oakcreek Country Club Handicap Committee meetings as a member of that committee, representing the association and its interests, and reporting to the Board of Directors. Specific duties are to review scores from Men's League events and enter said scores in the Arizona Golf Association (AGA) Handicap System. He will also monitor for exceptional scores and make the appropriate handicap adjustments, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

The bylaws may be amended, or new bylaws adopted, at any general membership meeting by a vote of two-thirds of those present, provided notice of the amendments shall have been given at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

ADDENDUM FOR NEW MEMBERS

In order to permit new members to participate in OCCMGA events and the Championship Flight of the Club Championships, current USGA certified handicaps will be accepted from any club in the U.S. until issuance of an Oakcreek Country Club processed handicap. The exceptions are that new members of less than sixty days are not eligible to play in the OCCMGA major tournaments; the Master's, President's Cup, and Partner's Best Ball; and any handicapped flight of the Club Championships.

ADDENDUM FOR NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS

In order to permit non-resident members to participate in OCCMGA handicapped events, handicaps must be current in the Oakcreek Country Club handicap system, including postings from the member's home course for the preceding two-month period.

HOLE-IN-ONE INSURANCE

Any member scoring a hole-in-one in a competitive round of golf at Oakcreek Country Club, properly attested by fellow member players, is eligible receive insurance benefits. If the member chooses to follow the tradition of buying drinks to celebrate making a hole-in-one, a Redstone bar bill will be reimbursed or paid, up to the following limits:
For play in a Men's League tournament on Wednesdays – **one hundred dollars (\$100)**
For scheduled play at any other time during golfing hours – **fifty dollars (\$50)**

POSTING OF SCORES

All scores from rounds played according to the USGA Rules of Golf are to be posted in the handicap system. Some exceptions are scrambles, better ball, 4-club, course conditions, etc. It will be announced if scores will not be posted for Men's League events on Wednesdays.