

**PAN-AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION
OF
Las Cruces, New Mexico**

***** CHAPTER CONSTITUTION *****

ARTICLE I

NAME

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the PAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION OF Las Cruces, New Mexico, here after referred to as the Club.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

Section 1: The purpose of this Club shall be to preserve the history, traditions and ideals of the National Pan American Golf Association (NPAGA) by bringing together individuals interested in the sport of golf, instilling a sense of fair play, the desire to spend time enjoyably, promote amateur golf in the community and promote junior golf.

Section 2: This Club has been established in accordance with, and is subject to the rules and regulations of the National Pan American Golf Association and its objectives will be generally in accordance with those of the parent organization.

Section 3: To cooperate with and solicit good, friendly relations with local civic and athletic organizations and with other Pan American Golf Association Chapters.

Section 4: To provide a governing body to administer the affairs of the Club consistent with national rules and regulations and to plan, coordinate and enforce the provisions of this constitution and its by-laws.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Any individual, male or female, in good standing in the community may solicit membership in this Club by application, oral or written, to any active member.

Section 2: Membership will not be denied any person on the basis of race, religion, national heritage, sex, or physical handicap.

Section 3: All individuals duly accepted, as active members shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the Club and the national organization, and be eligible to participate in all activities of the Club.

Section 4: A member can be expelled from the Club by a majority vote of the membership, in accordance with procedures in the By-Laws.

Section 5: It will be mandatory for all members to participate in the NPAGA handicap system.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1: Elected officers of the Club shall include: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2: The President, at his or her discretion may appoint officers within the Club to include: Tournament Director, Handicap Chairman, Sergeant at Arms, Public Relations Coordinator, and other positions beneficial to the Club.

Section 3: A Board of Directors will be comprised of the Officers; in addition, three (3) active members will be appointed by the President to serve in an advisory capacity and will assist the elected Club officers in the administration and operation of the club.

Section 2A: The appointees must have a minimum of 1 year of active membership in the Club and will serve 1-year terms.

Section 2B: One appointee will be automatically filled by the outgoing President.

Section 4: Elections of officers will be conducted annually. Nominations for officers shall be submitted to the membership commencing with the scheduled membership meeting held in October and be open until the actual vote for officers is taken at the scheduled membership meeting in December. Elected officers will assume their new positions beginning January 1, following the election process.

Section 5: Officers must have been a member of the Club for not less than two (2) calendar years prior to assuming office.

Section 6: Elected officers shall serve a term of two (2) calendar year.

Section 7: The full term of office shall be January 1 to December 31. Officers elected for vacancies that occur during the year will serve the remainder of the year.

Section 8: All officers may succeed themselves if nominated and elected by the membership, except the president, who shall be limited to two (2) consecutive terms in office.

ARTICLE V

MEETING PROCEDURES

Section 1: The constitution and by-laws shall be strictly adhered to at all meetings. Robert's Rule of Order shall govern wherever and whenever applicable if no inconsistencies exist with The Constitution and By-laws.

Section 2: Regular meetings of the Club will be held at least once a month at a time prescribed by the officers of the Club.

Section 3: Special meetings will be held as designated by the Club president.

ARTICLE VI

RESTRICTIONS

Section 1: It is absolutely prohibited to discuss at any of the membership meetings subjects pertaining to religion, politics, or unionism.

Section 2: It is absolutely prohibited for any individual to use the name of this Club in matters that may affect said Club, or in matters which do not concern the Pan American Golf Association, without written consent of the Club.