

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
(Revised 17 Nov. 2018)

ARTICLE 1- NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Marcus Pointe Mens Golf Association hereafter referred to as the "Association" or "**MPMGA.**"

ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE

The Association has been formed and exists to:

1. Promote the Game of Golf.
2. Stimulate interest in the Game of Golf at Marcus Pointe
By bringing together golfers who want to form an association.
3. Encourage conformance to the U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf by creating a representative authority.
4. Foster and promote among the members of the association a bond of friendship and goodwill through the Game of Golf.
5. Maintain a uniform system of handicapping as set forth in the U.S.G.A. handicap indexes for the Association members.
6. Provide an authoritative body to conduct and govern competitive events.
7. Motivate the members of the Association to care for the golf course.

ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

1. Membership of the Association shall be limited to persons 18 years of age and older who have paid their annual dues.
2. The Executive Committee will determine member's initiation fee and annual dues, which must be determined by the incoming Executive Committee by November 30 after the annual election of officers
3. Dues must be paid by December 21 of incoming fiscal MPMGA year in order to participate in MPMGA activities.
4. Marcus Pointe Head Professional is a member of MPMGA and is exempt from paying dues.
5. Play at MPMGA sponsored events shall be limited to dues paid members and invited guests 18 years of age or older.
6. Dues will only be used for normal Association operating expenses, and for prizes and/or food at Special Events.
7. MPMGA fiscal year is set to begin December 1 and end November 30

ARTICLE 4 - OFFICERS

1. The elected officers of MPMGA shall be for
 - o President
 - o Vice President
 - o Treasurer
 - o Secretary
2. The immediate Past President shall act in a consulting capacity to the new elected officers.

3. The elected officers shall constitute the Executive Committee and shall have the authority to act for the MPMGA within the parameters of the Constitution and By-laws of the MPMGA.
4. The Executive Committee shall approve all decisions which effect MPMGA operations.
5. The Executive Committee shall fill any vacancy occurring on the Committee during the year. Any appointment to the Executive Committee shall expire November 30 of the fiscal MPMGA year appointed.

ARTICLE 5 - NOMINATION, ELECTION, AND TERM OF OFFICE

1. The President shall appoint a nominating committee at least 2 months prior to the election, which shall consist of (1) executive member (other than the President) and (2) members at large.
2. The nominating committee shall select one candidate for each elective office and must have the consent of each candidate for that office. Additional nominations may be accepted from the floor during the election process.
3. The nominating committee shall notify the President of MPMGA of the recommended slate of offices 2 weeks prior to election (annual meeting) and post the slate of officers on the bulletin board at the time.
4. All officers shall be elected by a majority vote of members present at the annual meeting.
5. Term of office will be for one year starting December 1, after the election and ending November 30 of that fiscal MPMGA year.

ARTICLE 6 - DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF MPMGA OFFICERS

1. President - shall
 - o Preside at all regular MPMGA meetings and call executive committee meetings as necessary.
 - o Appoint a nominating committee for future officers.
 - o Appoint all other committees as required and shall preside over all committees except the nominating committee for new officers
 - o With the approval of the executive committee fill any vacancies on the executive committee as they may occur.
 - o Shall be the spoke person for MPMGA in all matters concerning the association, with the Head Golf Professional.
 - o Ensure the treasurer's books are audited at least 2 times each year – mid-year and prior to annual meeting.
2. Vice President - shall
 - o in the absence of the President, perform the duties of the office.
 - o Upon the resignation or removal of the President, assume the duties of that office for the remainder of the term.
 - o Perform all other duties as assigned.
3. Secretary - shall
 - o Keep proper records of all MPMGA executive committee meetings.
 - o Prepare as required all correspondence for the MPMGA.
 - o Maintain and publish an accurate roster of the MPMGA membership.

- Maintain and preserve all membership and historical records of the MPMGA
 - Perform all other duties as assigned.
4. Treasurer - shall
- Keep an accurate record of all funds received and disbursed by the president and executive committee.
 - Collect all funds, MPMGA dues and hold such in selected bank until the president directs their use.
 - Be responsible, along with the President for all MPMGA matters involving MPMGA funds.
 - Having provided a signature card to the bank used by MPMGA for the Treasurer and one other member approved by the President will be authorized to sign checks on MPMGA funds as required -- 2 signatures required.

ARTICLE 7 - STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Executive Committee - shall
- consist of the elected officers of MPMGA with the immediate Past President acting in a consulting capacity.
 - Shall meet as necessary generally each quarter to discuss policies, tournament events and all other procedures affecting the MPMGA.
 - Establish the annual dues rate at the annual association meeting in December for the coming year.
 - Fill any vacancy on the executive committee that may occur during the year.
2. The Golf Committee - shall
- Be appointed by the President.
 - Shall consult with the Executive Committee on matters concerning
 1. Regular weekly golf play.
 2. Scheduling golf tournaments
 3. All other golf related activities for MPMGA members and guests.
 4. Maintenance of current and accurate handicaps for all MPMGA members
 5. With the Head Golf Pro serve as the rules Committee for all MPMGA events and make all related decisions regarding the rules of golf.
3. The Handicap Committee – shall
- Be appointed by the President.
 - Shall include at least 3 members one of which being the Head Golf Professional
 - Shall publish U.S.G.A. handicap educational information to the membership
 - Shall review periodically members handicaps versus scores
 - Shall review and address any abuse of the handicap system

ARTICLE 8 - SPECIAL EVENTS

1. The executive Committee shall meet within two weeks of installation of new officers to plan special tournament dates for the coming year.

These dates will be coordinated with the Head Golf Professional and will be posted after approval of dates on the Association Calendar.

2. All Special Events shall be self-supporting.
3. Hole-in-One - A \$100 award shall be given to any member having a hole-in-one in an association's sanctioned event. MPMGA will award up to three hole-in-one recipients each calendar year, if funds are available.

ARTICLE 9 - RULES

1. All Saturday Play Day monies shall be completely paid out at each event with the exception of:
 - \$1 of the \$10 collected from each weekly participating player to be contributed towards "reserve funds".
 - All weekly individual payouts (game, CTP, and skins) will be paid out, rounded down to the nearest dollar. Any remaining funds shall be contributed to "reserve funds".
 - Reserve funds shall be used to fund "special event" lunches and for President Cup payouts.
2. All tournament and special events shall be played according to U.S.G.A. Rules and posted Local Rules established by the Professional staff and the Golf Committee
3. All golf scores of members shall be recorded for establishment of a current and accurate handicap. This includes the points pulled used to determine handicap index based on the average points pulled for the player's last 5 rounds
4. Rain Delay
Suspension of play due to inclement weather will be called by the Pro-shop. If play will be delayed more than one hour (Decision of the Pro-Shop or members of the Executive or Tournament Committee) and all players have not completed the same 9 holes, the Game is cancelled and all money will be refunded. If all players have completed the same 9 holes, it will be deemed a nine hole game and prizes will be distributed based on 9 hole results.

ARTICLE 10 - ASSOCIATION DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Association shall have only those duties and responsibilities outlined in these Bylaws. Under no circumstances shall the Association have right or power to expend funds, make contracts, or create or incur indebtedness on behalf of Marcus Pointe, hire, fire, or discipline any employee of Marcus Pointe, it being expressly provided that any and all such rights and powers and any and all management and operational powers and prerogatives are expressly reserved by and unto the Management and Owners of Marcus Pointe alone.

ARTICLE 11 – PLAYER TEE SELECTION

1. If a player is 70 years old or older, that player may elect to play from the Gold tees.
2. If a player is 80 years old or older, that player may play from the Red tees.
3. All other players may elect to play from the black, blue or white tees.
4. Each player shall continue to use the same tees each week as initially selected unless their status changes.
5. Special events may dictate that players play from a designated set of tees, regardless of handicap.

6. Players realize that our Saturday competition will have players competing from different tees. The U.S.G.A. adjustment to handicap is based on the current course rating from each set of tees. Gold – 65.7, White – 68.4, Blue – 69.9 ; so a 10 handicap would get 10 strokes if playing the Gold tees, would get 12.7 or 13 strokes if playing the White tees, would get 14.2 or 14 strokes playing from the Blue tees.

ARTICLE 12 – FLIGHTS

1. During sanctioned games with 24 or more participants, players will be broken into two flights based on their handicap indexes for gross and net skin purposes.
2. During sanctioned games with 23 or less players, there will be one flight.
3. “Special Events” may dictate otherwise.

ARTICLE 13 – CLOSEST TO THE PIN COMPETION

All closest to the pin monies collected from participants each week shall be paid out equally (rounded down to the nearest dollar) to each winner regardless of the number of winners.

ARTICLE 14 - AMENDMENTS

The Constitution and Bylaws of the Association may be amended by Marcus Pointe management or Owners of Marcus Pointe at any time or at any Executive Committee meeting by a majority of such members present.

