

CONSTITUTION

NORTH TEXAS SENIOR GOLF ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the organization shall be NORTH TEXAS SENIOR GOLF ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

The organization has been formed and exists for the purpose of:

1. Playing the game of golf.
2. Promoting good fellowship and sportsmanship.
3. Practicing the rules, etiquette and the true spirit of the game of golf and thereby promoting the highest standard of the game amongst seniors.
4. Supporting the purposes of the United States Golf Association and cooperating with other organizations.

ARTICLE III

OPERATION

The organization shall carry on its operation within the state of Texas in an area bounded by the Red River to the north, the city of Temple to the south, the city of Abilene to the west and the Texas state line to the east.

The direction of the organization shall be vested in a Board of Directors consisting of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, four Directors elected from the membership (serving 2 year terms) and the retiring President from the previous year, who will automatically be a Director for one year. Also included on the Board of Directors will be the Chairman of the Standing Committees appointed by the President, for example: Tournament and Handicap. All Officers, Directors and Appointees above will be members of the Board and have singular voting rights on all matters coming before the Board.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

The Organization shall be composed of:

Section 1. 215 active members residing in the area delineated in Article III.

Section 2. Any male 50 years of age and over, with a golf handicap no higher than 25 and otherwise acceptable for active membership. The Tournament Chairman will monitor the first 10 rounds of a new member to ensure his handicap is at 25 or below. Handicaps above 25 are acceptable after the first 10 rounds and are usually due to age and physical abilities.

Section 3. Active membership shall entitle the holder to all privileges of the organization including one vote on any matter brought for decision before the total membership at a meeting called in accordance with article VI.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers shall be elected annually. No person may hold more than one office concurrently. Additional officers required and any vacancy in the officers' ranks occurring between annual meetings shall be filled by action of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Powers and duties of the officers are as follows:

a) President – The President shall preside at all meetings of the Organization and of the Board of Directors, in general, be the Chief Operating Officer of the organization.

b) Vice President – The Vice President shall act as the chief operating officer during the absence or inability of the President to perform his duties.

c) Secretary – The Secretary shall keep the record of all meetings of the Organization and the Board of Directors. He shall serve notices of meetings. He shall be responsible for all correspondence files, records and papers of the organization except those that pertain to the offices of the Treasurer and Handicap Chairman. He shall be responsible for the membership roster and preparation of timely newsletters which will detail the results of tournaments and pertinent announcements. He shall present, at the annual meeting, a complete report of all matters relating to the affairs of the organization, including a summary of all action taken by the Board of Directors during the year.

d) Treasurer – The Treasurer shall keep a full and accurate account of all monies received and shall deposit such monies in the name of, and to the credit of, the organization in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors. He shall disburse all monies under the direction of said Board. He shall have authority to receive and give receipt for all monies due and payable to the organization, and to endorse on behalf of the organization all checks, drafts, notes, warrants and orders for the payment of money. He shall present

at each annual meeting of the organization a written report of the affairs of the organization and shall make a like report whenever requested by the Board of Directors. His annual financial report may be audited at the discretion of the Board.

ARTICLE VI

MEETINGS

Section 1. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the members of the organization at such time and place as the Board of Directors shall designate.

Section 2. Special Meetings of the organization may be called by the President, by the Board of Directors or by the written request of any ten members in good standing. This request will state the purpose of the meeting.

Section 3. Ten days notice of the date, time and place of the Annual Meeting and five days notice of Special Meetings shall be mailed by the Secretary to all members. Publication of the notice of such meeting in the Association's newsletter providing the time limits specified preceding the meeting, is met, shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this section. No business shall be transacted at a Special Meeting other than that for which the meeting was called.

Section 4. Twenty-five per cent (25%) of the membership shall constitute a quorum at any Annual or Special meeting of the organization. A quorum is required to transact business.

ARTICLE VII

DUES

The annual dues of the organization shall be \$50.00 for new members and established members based on a calendar year of January 1 to December 31. Dues for new members will be \$30.00 if joining after July 1. Dues shall be considered in arrears if not paid by January 1 of the new year, and the member shall be subject to suspension. The amount of annual dues may be changed by action of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

OBLIGATION AND DISCIPLINES

The acceptance of membership in the association shall bind each member to uphold the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the association and to accept and enforce all rules and decisions of the Board of Directors, acting within the Board's jurisdiction.

Section 1. Any member may be subject to suspension or expulsion for unbecoming conduct detrimental to the game of golf, the good name of the association and/or its proper functioning or administration. Any charges preferred must be in writing. Any member failing in his obligation as set forth herein (except failure to pay dues, for which provision is made

in Article VII) may be suspended or expelled by a majority vote of the Board of Directors; provided such member shall have been given due notice of the charges preferred against him and an opportunity to be heard in his defense.

Section 2. Any member thus suspended or expelled by a vote of the Board of Directors may appeal from its' decision to the members of the full organization at any Annual meeting.

Section 3. Any member expelled for cause shall have a refund of his dues for the unexpired term of the year. The amount of the refund will be prorated to the full number of quarters (3 months) remaining in the fiscal year.

Section 4. Officers and Board members determine how the organization is run and must be responsible for its well being. They must be active and attend at least 75% of all events and meetings in order to hold an office (excepting short time illnesses). They must agree to this rule or decline to run or hold a position of an Officer or Board Member. The remaining Board Members must take action to fill the vacancy.

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