

SUNLAND SPRINGS VILLAGE MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE
BY-LAWS *(revised 3/27/24)*

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be Sunland Springs Village Men's Golf League (League) located in Sunland Springs Village at 11214 E. Laguna Azul Circle, Mesa, Arizona 85209.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this League shall be to promote an interest in golf among the residents of Sunland Springs Village, to encourage sportsmanship and good fellowship among its members at all times, to arrange and conduct such golf and social activities as the member's desire, and to establish and maintain handicaps for all active members.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. - Membership in the League is open to all men who are property owners and/or residents of Sunland Springs Village (SSV).

Section 2 - Application for Membership shall be in writing on forms provided for that purpose and shall contain such information as is required thereon.

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business and affairs of the League shall be managed by its Board of Directors, subject to these By-laws and to the mandate of the dues-paying membership as such mandate may be expressed at annual and special general membership meetings of the League.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall consist of seven men: Four Officers and three Directors at Large. The immediate past president of the Club shall be a member ex-officio, but shall not vote with the Board.

Section 3. The Board may, by its own action, fill any vacancies by appointment until the March General Membership Meeting. It is understood and expected that members of the Board will assume responsibility for chairing committees such as membership, tournament, handicap, rules and grounds, and social.

Section 4. Four Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board. A simple majority of the total voting membership of the Board shall be required to pass any motion before the Board.

Section 5. The Board shall establish its own meeting schedule, rules, order of business, and method of procedure. The President, who will preside at the meetings, shall call meetings of the Board.

Section 6. Any League Member desiring an audience before the Board shall have that right upon written notice to the President at least 48 hours prior to a Board meeting.

Section 7. The Board shall prescribe such policies, rules and regulations as in its judgment are necessary and proper for the conduct of the activities and affairs of the League. It shall authorize or ratify all expenditures and shall constitute the ruling and governing body of the League for the purposes aforesaid.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS:

Section 1. The Officers of the League shall be a President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the March General Membership Meeting. Three Directors at Large shall also be elected at the March General Membership Meeting. All Officers and Directors shall be property owners and/or residents of Sunland Springs Village.

Section 2. The Board may authorize such appointive officers as it shall deem desirable; such officers to have the authority to perform the duties prescribed by the Board. The President shall appoint such officers, subject to the approval of the Board.

Section 3. The Officers and Directors at Large shall serve for two-year terms or until their successors have been elected or appointed. The Board may fill any Board vacancy prior to the next March General Membership Meeting.

Section 4. No member shall hold the same office longer than two full consecutive terms.

Section 5. Duties of all the elected and appointed officers shall include the following:

1. The President shall:
 - a. Preside at all meetings, either regular or special.
 - b. Appoint members to all committees.
 - c. Serve as ex-officio or advisory member of all committees, without the right to vote, unless he stands as an appointed Committee member, when he would have the right to vote.
2. The Vice-president shall:
 - a. Act as assistant to the President and preside at Meetings in the absence of the President.
3. The Secretary shall:
 - a. Attend and record minutes of all Meetings of the League.
4. The Treasurer shall:
 - a. Receive all moneys paid into the League and pay all approved bills incurred through actions of the Board of Directors.
 - b. Maintain a proper bank account for the receipt and disbursement of League funds.
 - c. Prepare an up to date financial report for each regular Board Meeting and General Membership Meeting.
5. Directors at Large shall:
 - a. Attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and participate in all Board actions.
Other duties may be assigned as prescribed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES

The President in conjunction with the Board of Directors may appoint committees as needed. Typical committees: Tournament, Handicap, Nominating, Rules, Grounds, Membership, Publicity and Audit.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS:

Section 1. Three General Membership Meetings shall be convened each year. The first meeting shall be held during the first ten days of January, the second during the last two weeks of March, and the third during the last two weeks of June. The purpose of the January meeting is to review the current membership roster and transact such business as may come before it. The purpose of the March meeting shall be to elect Officers and Directors, establish membership dues for the ensuing calendar year, and to transact such business as accrued since the January meeting. The purpose of the June meeting is to review summer league play and propose changes (if any) that would improve summer league play.

Section 2. The Board of Directors may call special General Membership Meetings for the purposes as it may deem desirable. A special General Membership Meeting may be proposed to the Board of Directors by a written request signed by at least ten percent of the members of the League. The Board will respond to such a proposal within seven days either by calling a special meeting or by giving the proposers an explanation of the reasons why such a meeting is not in order.

Section 3. Any properly called General Membership Meeting shall require at least ten percent of the Membership present to constitute a quorum.

Section 4. The President shall preside at all General Membership Meetings of the Club. In his absence, the Vice-president shall preside.

ARTICLE VIII - ELECTIONS:

Section 1. The four Officers and the three Directors at Large shall be selected at the General Membership meeting held in March and shall be installed immediately following certification of the election. To ensure continuity on the board, the President, Secretary and two Directors at Large shall be elected in even numbered years, and the Vice President, Treasurer and one Director at Large shall be elected in odd numbered years.

Section 2. At least thirty days prior to the March General Membership meeting, the Board shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of at least three members, other than its own members or any other Officer, with instructions to prepare a slate of candidates for the existing vacancies to occur each year under the provisions of these By-laws. The slate of candidates will be presented at the March General Membership meeting for a Membership vote. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at this meeting, provided the proposed candidate(s) has agreed to accept the nomination and meets all By-Laws requirements.

Section 3. Each regular member of the League, who is present at the meeting, shall be entitled to one vote for each of the Officers and Directors at large to be elected.

ARTICLE IX - DUES:

Section 1. Membership dues for each year shall be proposed by the Board of Directors and shall be established by vote of the membership at each March membership meeting.

Section 2. The dues shall be payable on or before December 31 and will become delinquent on January 1 for the succeeding year.

Section 3. New applicants joining the League between January 1 and June 30 shall pay annual dues at the annual rate. Applicants joining the League between July 1 and October 31 shall pay one-half the annual rate. Applicants joining the League between November 1 and December 31 shall pay the new annual rate which includes the current year and the next year.

Section 4. Active membership in League may be maintained only by the payment of the regularly assessed dues. There will be no participation in any event sponsored by the League until dues are paid.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS:

Section 1. These By-laws may be amended or new By-laws adopted by a majority of the voting members present at an Annual General Membership Meeting or a Special General Membership Meeting,

Section 2. Notice of proposals to amend or replace the By-Laws shall be emailed to each member at least two weeks prior to the meeting at which the proposal is to be voted on.

ARTICLE XI - TOURNAMENTS:

Section 1. Only paid up Members with an established handicap will be allowed to play in the two League Tournaments.

Section 2. To be eligible to compete for the League Championship, members shall have played at least seven (7) 18-hole rounds in League events in which the individual handicap is used and must be after November 1st of the preceding year.

Approved and updated by league members at League General Meeting March 27, 2024.