

# **BYLAWS OF MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION VISALIA-TULARE CHAPTER CHARTERED IN 1963**

## **ARTICLE I - NAME**

**THIS SHALL BE KNOWN AS VISALIA-TULARE CHAPTER OF THE CENTRAL COUNCIL AN AFFILIATE OF THE STATE MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION.**

## **ARTICLE II – OFFICE**

**HEADQUARTERS OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE IN THE CITY OF RESIDENCY OF THE PRESIDENT AND/OR SUCH PLACE AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL DESIGNATE.**

## **ARTICLE III – PURPOSE**

**THE OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSE OF WHICH THIS CHAPTER IS FORMED ARE:**

- (A) TO FOSTER, ENCOURAGE, PROMOTE, ADVANCE AND CREATE INTEREST IN, AND ENJOYMENT OF, GOLF; AND**
- (B) TO ORGANIZE, PROMOTE AND DIRECT GOLF TOURNAMENTS AND COMPETITIVE PLAY; AND**
- (C) TO MAKE POSSIBLE THE QUALIFICATION AND PARTICIPATION BY ITS MEMBERS IN THE TOURNAMENTS OF GOLF ASSOCIATIONS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS; AND**
- (D) TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE YOUTH TO GOLF; AND**
- (E) TO PROMOTE, ORGANIZE AND GOLF FLIGHTS AND/OR TOURNAMENTS FOR THE YOUTH; AND**
- (F) TO PROMOTE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION; AND**
- (G) CHAPTER BY-LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS WILL NOT SUPERSEDE THE MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION STATE AND/OR COUNCIL BY-LAWS OR RESOLUTIONS; AND**
- (H) TO UTILIZE THE TENETS OF THE BY-LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS TO PROMOTE AND CARRY OUT THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CHAPTER BY ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

## **ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP**

**THE MEMBERSHIP OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE OF GOOD CHARACTER AND COMMUNITY STANDING, GENERALLY COMPATIBLE WITH THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION CHAPTERS.**

**CHAPTER SHALL ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION STATE, COUNCIL AND CHAPTERS MEMBERSHIP DUES REGULATIONS:**

**BREAKDOWN OF SCHEDULE OF DUES AMOUNT SET FORTH UNDER CHAPTER POLICIES.**

### **(A)REGULAR MEMBERSHIP:**

**ALL PERSONS EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OR OLDER**

### **(B)SENIOR MEMBERSHIP:**

**1.ALL REGULAR MEMBERS ATTAINING THE AGE OF SIXTY(60) PLUS(15) YEARS OF UNINTERRUPTED MEMBERSHIP; OR**

**2.SIXTY-FIVE(65) YEARS OF AGE PLUS TEN (10)YEARS OF UNINTERRUPTED MEMBERSHIP:**

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### **(C)JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP:**

1. ALL YOUTH, UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN(18); AND
2. DOES NOT PAY DUES; AND
3. APPROVAL OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS MUST BE OBTAINED.

#### ARTICLE V – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- (A) THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CHAPTER, IS THE BODY ELECTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON(S) APPOINTED BY THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT.
- (B) EACH MEMBER SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE (NO PROXY).
- (C) QUORUM SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY 2/3 OF THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT.
  1. APPOINTED COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON MAY HAVE A PROXY IN CASE OF THEIR ABSENCE.

#### ARTICLE VI – TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

ANY MEMBER CHARGED WITH CONDUCT UNBECOMING A MAGA MEMBER OR WITH ANY ACT PREJUDICIAL TO THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CHAPTER, COUNCIL OR STATE MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION, AND AGAINST WHOM CHARGES ARE SUSTAINED AFTER OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN HIS OR HER DEFENSE, MAY RECOMMEND TO THE STATE MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION FOR A HEARING ACCORDING TO THE STATE BY-LAWS IN ARTICLE X AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, UPON SUCH ACTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE SECRETARY SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE MEMBER IN WRITING, OF SAID ACTION.

#### ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS

ELECTED OFFICERS OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE A PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER AND SGT-AT-ARMS , ELECTED ANNUALLY. THE FISCAL YEAR OF THE CHAPTER SHALL BE JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> OF EACH YEAR UNTIL DECEMBER 31 :

1. PRESIDENT-SHALL SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CHAPTER, PRESIDE AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BE AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF ALL COMMITTEES, EXERCISE GENERAL SUPERVISION OVER CHAPTER AFFAIRS, AND TO SEE THAT THE BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS ARE ADHERED TO.
2. VICE-PRESIDENT-DUTIES THAT MAY BE ASSIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT, THE VICE PRESIDENT SHALL PRESIDE AT ALL MEETINGS.
3. SECRETARY- SHALL KEEP AND MAINTAIN THE MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING.
4. TREASURER-SHALL KEEP ALL RECORDS OF MEMBERSHIP, DUES MONIES AND COLLECTED AND DISBURSED, AND SHALL CONDUCT SUCH CORRESPONDENCE AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
5. SGT-AT-ARMS-SHALL KEEP THE MEETINGS IN ORDER.

APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT TO SUCH COMMITTEES IN ORDER TO PROMULGATE THE BUSINESS OF THE CHAPTER. STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE CHAPTER ARE:

FUNDRAISING, SCHOLARSHIP DANCE TICKETS, TOURNAMENT, HANDICAP, SCHOLARSHIP DIRECTOR AND HALL OF FAME.

#### ARTICLE VIII – MEETINGS

1. REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CHAPTER SHALL BE HELD ON THE FIRST (1<sup>ST</sup>) WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH OR DETERMINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND/OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
2. SPECIAL MEETINGS MAY BE CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT AND/OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
3. QUORUM SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY 2/3 OF THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT.
  - A. APPOINTED COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON MAY HAVE A PROXY IN CASE OF THEIR ABSENCE.

#### **ARTICLE IX – POLITICAL ACTIVITY POLICY**

NEITHER THE CHAPTER AS A WHOLE, NOR ANY MEMBER OR DIRECTOR, SHALL PARTICIPATE OR ADVOCATE ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITY USING THE CHAPTER NAME OR REPRESENTING THE CHAPTER AS FAVORING OR OPPOSING ANY LEGISLATION OR CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE. IT IS THE EXPRESSED POLICY OF THE CHAPTER THAT IT BE A SOCIAL ORGANIZATION FOR THE PURPOSES ENUMERATED IN ARTICLE III, AND SHALL NOT OPERATE AS A POLITICAL PRESSURE GROUP. ALL MEMBERS ARE FREE TO, AND ARE ENCOURAGED TO, ENGAGE IN POLITICAL ACTIVITY AS THEIR INDIVIDUAL CONSCIENCE MAY DICTATE.

#### **ARTICLE X – RULES OF ORDER**

ROBERT’S RULE OF ORDER, LATEST EDITION, SHALL BE RECOGNIZED AS AUTHORITY IN GOVERNING THE MEETING OF THE CHAPTER EXCEPT AS THEY CONFLICT WITH THESE BY-LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS.

#### **ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENTS**

THESE BYLAWS AND REGULATIONS MAY BE AMENDED OR NEW BYLAWS ADOPTED AT ANY MEETING OF MEMBERS BY A VOTE OF 2/3 OF THOSE PRESENT, PROVIDING THAT 30 DAY NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL HAVE BEEN GIVEN IN THE NOTICE CALLING THE MEETING.

ALL AMENDMENTS TO THESE BYLAWS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO STATE MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION FOR APPROVAL.

#### **ARTICLE XI-DISSOLUTION**

UPON THE DISSOLUTION OF THE CHAPTER, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL, AFTER PAYING OR MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF ALL OF THE LIABILITIES OF THE CHAPTER, DISPOSE OF ALL THE ASSETS OF THE CHAPTER EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE CHAPTERS IN SUCH MANNER, OR TO SUCH MAGA CHAPTER(S), CENTRAL COUNCIL, INCLUDING STATE MAGA, AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL DETERMINE.

NAME OF CHAPTER: VISALIA-TULARE MAGA CHAPTER

PRESIDENT: MIKE LOPEZ

SECRETARY: MERCY CALISTRO

DATE ADOPTED: NOVEMBER 2009