



**Men's Club
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

Article I – NAME

The name of this golf club shall be Stonecreek Men's Club.

Article II – PURPOSE

FIRST: To stimulate interest in golf at the Stonecreek golf course by bringing together a group of golfers desirous of forming a golfing organization.

SECOND: To promote and foster among the members a closer bond and fraternity for their joint and mutual benefit, and to promote and conserve the best interests and true spirit of the game of golf as embodied in its ancient and honorable traditions.

THIRD: To encourage conformance to the USGA Rules of golf by creating a representative authority.

FOURTH: To maintain a uniform system of handicapping as set forth in the USGA Handicap System and issue USGA Handicap Indexes to the members.

FIFTH: To provide an authoritative body to govern and conduct club competitions.

Article III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be available to all men 18 years of age or older. There shall be at least 10 members with a maximum membership of 300.

Section 2. Memberships in the club are individual and non-transferable (which is associated with the Stonecreek Golf Course privately owned and operated golf course).

Section 3. Golfers with a reasonable and regular opportunity to play golf with fellow members and who can personally return scores for posting may be members and receive USGA Handicap indexes from the club.

Section 4. Membership confers no voice in the operation of any golf courses, clubhouses nor any facilities of the courses.

Section 5. Membership confers no special privileges in connection with any golf course.

Section 6. Memberships in the club are for a calendar year only, with all memberships expiring on December 31.

Section 7. In the event that any member of the club shall commit any act which reflects discredit or disrepute thereon or shall refuse or neglect to comply with the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Directors or the duly appointed officers, such member shall be subject to suspension or expulsion after ten days written notice and the right to be heard, by a vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors at any regular meeting or special meeting called for such purpose.

Section 8. The annual meeting of the Stonecreek Men's Club shall be held on the third Wednesday in the month of October. The Board of Directors shall provide for the holding of such other meetings as may be deemed necessary or desirable, and they shall call special meetings upon written petition signed by not less than ten percent of the membership.

Section 9. A legal quorum at any meeting shall be twenty members present or by proxy and is in good standing. (Good standing means a member who is current with his dues and has played at least one time) Each member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 10. All membership fees and dues shall be established by the Board of Directors, in such amounts as they deem to be adequate to operate and maintain the club. Members shall be liable for dues which must be paid by December 31. If not paid by that date, members shall be considered "Inactive" and will not be eligible to play in any Stonecreek Men's Club events for the following year until such dues are paid. All monies collected shall accrue to the benefit of the membership.

Article IV – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of a minimum of five members (maximum of seven members) in good standing of the Stonecreek Men's Club and they shall exercise all powers of management of the club not specifically excepted by these By-Laws. The Board of Directors shall include the General Manager of the golf course or his nominee.

Section 2. Five weeks prior to the annual meeting, a list for board member nominees will be posted on the club bulletin board and website. Members in good standing may place their name on the nominee list by notifying the Board. Nominations will be closed two weeks prior to the annual meeting. Board members will serve a two-year term. Board members wishing to serve more than two years must go through the nomination and election process.

Section 3. Voting shall be by email prior to the Annual Meeting or votes can be cast in person on paper ballots at the Annual Meeting. Those names receiving the greatest number of votes cast shall be declared to be elected.

Section 4. The Board of Directors shall meet at such times and places as they may select and a majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

Section 5. In the case of any vacancy through death, resignation, disqualification or other cause, the remaining directors, even though less than a quorum, may elect a successor by majority vote to hold office for the unexpired term of the director whose place shall be vacant, and until the election of his successor.

Article V – OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Within ten days after the Annual Meeting and election, the Board of Directors shall meet and elect the officers.

Section 2. The officers shall consist of president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer & handicap chairman. Their duties shall be such as their titles would indicate or such as may be assigned to them respectively from time to time.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall authorize and define the powers and duties of all committees. Chairmen and members of all committees shall be appointed by the president. The president shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee.

Section 4. Except as modified by the Board of Directors, all appointed committees should function as recommended in the USGA Golf Committee Manual. The following committees shall be appointed each year, with such other committees, as the president may deem necessary or advisable:

Tournament Committee to arrange and schedule with the management of any golf course as necessary, and conduct all intra-club and inter-club competitions.

Handicap Committee composed primarily of members with the responsibility to establish a fair and proper system of handicaps in accordance with procedures set forth in the USGA Handicap System Manual.

Article VI - AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall have the power to repeal or amend any of these By-Laws provided that such action shall not be effective until approved by a majority vote of the members of the Stonecreek Men's Club at a meeting held in accordance with the provisions contained herein.