

# SILGA Bylaws

## Article 1

**Statement of Purpose:** The purpose of the Seabrook Island Ladies Golf Association (SILGA) is to provide competitive, social, educational and philanthropic opportunities to encourage, support and promote women's golf and to always inspire good sportsmanship and congeniality among golfers.

## Article 2 - Membership:

Section 1. Eligibility: Any member in good standing of the Seabrook Island Club (SIC) is eligible to be a member of SILGA.

Section 2. Handicap Requirements: SILGA offers competitive golf for members who have an established USGA handicap. Members without a USGA handicap are eligible to play SILGA golf events where handicaps are not used to determine prizes.

Section 3. Membership Dues: SILGA membership requires an annual fee to be paid to the SIC at the beginning of each calendar year. The amount is determined by the SILGA organization and is nonrefundable after February 28th.

## Article 3 - SILGA Executive Board:

Section 1. Organization: SILGA shall have five elected officers that function as the Executive Board - President, Vice President, Tournament Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. In addition to the elected officers, the President may annually form special committees in order for the league to function. They may be invited to attend Executive Board meetings but will hold no voting power. The Executive Board shall have voting power for items affecting SILGA membership, finances, and tournaments.

Section 2. Term of Office: The term for newly elected officers shall begin on January 1st. Elected officers are elected for one-year terms. Elected officers may serve up to 2 consecutive terms in the same position if nominated and voted for a second term.

Section 3. Vacancies: If there is a vacancy in the office of the President, the immediate past President (if available) will become the President and serve out the term. If the past President is not available, the Vice President will become the President and serve out the term. If there is a vacancy in any other office, it will be filled by vote of the remaining members of the Executive Board to serve out the term.

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## **Article 4 - Elections:**

Section 1. Nominating Committee: The nominating committee shall consist of the immediate past President and two SILGA members of her choosing. In the event that the immediate past President is not available, the executive board shall nominate and vote on another SILGA member to serve as the head of the nominating committee, and that person shall select two SILGA members to serve with her. The nominating committee shall communicate a slate for the Executive Board to the membership at least 21 days prior to the annual meeting. Nominees must be SILGA members in good standing at the time of their nomination.

Section 2. Elections: An annual business meeting of the membership shall be held once each year. Election of the Executive Board shall be held at the annual meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the time of the election provided the consent of each candidate has been obtained before her name is brought forth. Election results shall be determined by majority vote of members present and voting.

In the event of an incomplete nominating slate, the remaining newly elected Executive Board members shall be responsible for filling the vacancy(s).

## **Article 5 - Financials:**

Section 1. Annual Funds - an amount agreed to by the Executive Board shall be maintained and carried forward each year. Any balance in excess of that amount, which has not been budgeted for specific use, will be allocated to be spent in the immediate subsequent year.

## **Article 6 - Amendments:**

Section 1. SILGA Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of members present at the SILGA annual business meeting. SILGA members must be notified of proposed changes and of the business meeting at least one month prior to said meeting.

## **Revision History**

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