

# ORLGA Bylaws 2025

## ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Ocean Ridge Ladies Golf Association, hereafter referred to as ORLGA.

## ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the ORLGA is to encourage enjoyment of the game of golf and to expose players to the rules, good sportsmanship and etiquette of the game. The ORLGA and its members will adhere to the USGA Rules of Golf, except where modified by the ORLGA's local rules.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be extended to all ladies who have paid the annual membership dues and are property owners and or residents in Ocean Ridge. Only ORLGA members may participate in our Major (Special) Events. For purposes of communicating information regarding ORLGA events and activities, members should submit name, address, phone number, email address, designate full-time (*more than six months per year*) or part-time (*six months or less per year*) residency, and date of birth (month and day only).

### Section 1.

Any new member who has an established USGA handicap must provide her USGA GHIN number. If a new member does not have an established USGA handicap, a handicap index of 40.4 will normally be assigned for ORLGA play until a USGA handicap is established.

### Section 2.

All members of the Ocean Ridge Ladies Golf Association (ORLGA) are required to maintain an established USGA golf handicap through the GHIN system at Ocean Ridge. However, if a member maintains memberships at multiple golf clubs, she must designate one club as *her home club* for handicap purposes.

Should a member choose to maintain her GHIN handicap at another authorized club, she must ensure that:

1. The club is recognized and authorized to issue official USGA handicaps through the GHIN system; and
2. She provides her current GHIN number to the ORLGA and the Handicap Committee.

## ARTICLE IV - FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall begin on January 1 and end on December 31 of each year.

## **ARTICLE V - Dues/Revenues**

### **Section 1.**

Membership dues shall be reviewed by the ORLGA board on an annual basis.

### **Section 2.**

The revenues of the ORLGA shall come from general sources including membership dues, donations and tournament/special event fees.

## **ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS**

### **Section 1.**

Meetings will be held each quarter in January, April, July and October. Additional membership meetings may be held at such times and places as called by the President or as requested by a majority of club members. If a meeting is unable to be held physically due to unforeseen circumstances, the meeting may be held electronically.

### **Section 2.**

The order of business for the ORLGA meetings shall be as follows:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Read and approve the minutes of previous meeting by majority vote
- C. Treasurer's report
- D. Committee reports
- E. Unfinished business
- F. New business
- G. Adjourn

## **ARTICLE VII – QUORUM AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS**

### **Section 1.**

One third of the members in good standing of the ORLGA shall constitute the quorum necessary to vote. This quorum can be comprised of the number of members present at the meeting plus the number of electronic votes submitted prior to the meeting as determined by the Secretary.

### **Section 2.**

The bylaws of the ORLGA may be amended by a majority vote (greater than 50%) of the total membership of ORLGA. Such amendments must be presented to the membership beforehand. If it is not possible to present such amendments at a physical meeting due to unforeseen circumstances, the amendments may be presented electronically to the membership beforehand. Voting may be done electronically.

## **ARTICLE VIII - OFFICERS**

The officers of the ORLGA shall be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers, along with the past president, shall constitute the Executive Board. If for any reason the past president is unable to serve on the Executive Board, the past vice president shall serve in place of the past president on the Executive Board.

- **The President shall:**
  - a. Preside over and be responsible for all meetings of the ORLGA
  - b. Be responsible for the functional operation of the ORLGA
  - c. Be one of the two officers to sign checks of the ORLGA
  
- **The Vice-President shall:**
  - a. Assist the President in all ORLGA activities
  - b. In the absence of the president, perform the duties of that office
  - c. Act as Tournament Chairwoman
    1. May appoint a Tournament Assistant
    2. Responsible for acquiring annual tee times. Oversees coordinators who post signup sheets, collect game fees, select game format, assign pairings, review score cards, and distribute prizes for regular Monday and Wednesday play
    3. Delegate responsibility for special tournaments to other members
  
- **The Secretary shall:**
  - a. Keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the ORLGA
  - b. Handle all correspondence
  - c. Have a copy of the By-Laws on hand at each meeting
  - d. Determine if there is a quorum for voting on by-law changes
  
- **The Treasurer shall:**
  - a. Take charge of and keep full account of all funds received
  - b. Be one of the two officers to sign checks of the ORLGA
  - c. Make disbursements and give a full and accurate report at each meeting
  - d. Maintain a register of members in good standing
  - e. Clear any emergency expenditure through the Executive Board

## **ARTICLE IX - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

### **Section 1.**

There shall be a Nominating Committee. The President shall appoint the chairwoman who, in turn, shall select two additional members to serve on her committee. The committee shall present a slate of officers at the July meeting preceding the bi-annual election, at which time additional nominations shall be accepted from the floor. No member shall be nominated who has not given her consent to serve. Elected officers shall serve a term of two (2) years, beginning in October. No officer shall be eligible for the same office more than two consecutive terms.

### **Section 2.**

The election shall be held every two (2) years in August.

### **Section 3.**

- A. A vacancy occurring in any of the offices as a result of death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal from office or any other reason may be filled by the remaining

Executive Board. The appointed officer shall serve for the unexpired term of her predecessor in office.

- B. In the event a nominee on the presented slate of officers either no longer wishes to be considered for office or cannot be considered between the time her name is presented and the vote taken, the Nominating Committee will immediately reconvene to identify a replacement nominee. The replacement nominee's name will be sent electronically to the membership.

**ARTICLE X - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

Parliamentary authority for the ORLGA shall be "Robert's Rules of Order".

**AMENDED BY THE MEMBERSHIP (October 26, 2025)**

Signed:

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**Diane Wright**  
**PRESIDENT, ORLGA**