



Blind Golf Canada Bylaws

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Name

The governing body shall be called **Blind Golf Canada** (hereinafter may be referred to as “BGC. Any future registration(s) of BGC will be based on the Head Office, and may be addressed by the Board of Directors to ensure all documentation and operating considerations are aligned to conform with required compliance, laws, or any regulatory needs as defined at the various levels of government, governance and reporting.

Head Office

The Head Office of the governing and administrative body shall be located at 2 Bloor St. West, Suite 700, Toronto, Ontario, M4K 3E2. This address shall remain in place until such time or place as the Board of Directors may decide to move or change the location.

Fiscal Year

The financial year of the association shall end on the 31st day of December in each year, and the new fiscal year will begin on the 1st day of January.

Objectives

To develop and promote competitive and recreational golf along with genuine sportsmanship amongst blind and vision impaired golfers in Canada wishing to play at a national, provincial, regional, and/or international level.

To support, publish and maintain a calendar of provincial, regional, national and international events as a member country of the International Blind Golf Association (hereinafter referred to as the “IBGA”). To enforce the rules of play, which will include those defined by the USGA, RCGA, R&A, Golf Canada and the IBGA. BGC, and/or the Tournament Committee may invoke local rules to address weather conditions, golf course nuances, as well as the eligible, and BGC approved, rules of the IBGA.

To promote blind golf to all Canadians who are legally blind or vision impaired, as well as to inform and educate the general public about the sport in an effort to grow membership and provide more opportunities to.

To facilitate competitive and recreational environments for our members, who have the right to freely decide, for each event, the format they choose to play based on their eligibility and the offered formats. Whenever possible, events may have multiple formats, which may include Stroke Play, Stableford brackets, or any other BGC approved formats.

To continue to host a Canadian Open Blind Golf Championship for blind and vision impaired golfers, that will be the responsibility of the Host Committee selected to organize the event, and any provincial or regional championships, that will also allow blind golfers from IBGA member countries to participate accordingly.

To promote and participate in the World Golf Handicap System (WHS), in conjunction with the IBGA and Golf Canada, ensuring BGC members can play in IBGA sanctioned events, other pan-disability tournaments, or any other tournament or event(s) requiring a recognized golf handicap or disability classification.

To maintain Bylaws, and Constitutional documents that will include the fundamental operating principles, policies, as well as the rules by which BGC will function and govern, and all rights

that are given to our members. The Bylaws and Constitutional documents will focus on the four (4) pillars of blind golf: Equality, Diversity, Fellowship, and Charity.

To ensure BGC remains an empathetic and charitable organization, which at all times acts in the best interests of our members, with ideals ensuring we subsidize the events to the best of our ability, with the primary intention being to decrease the costs for our members, coaches, volunteers and raising as much awareness and funds to affect the future growth and maintenance of our organization.

Membership - General

The membership fees of BGC will be set annually by the Board of Directors and voted on at the AGM by the membership. Membership fees are due on or before March 31st for each calendar year. All fees must be remitted to the Vice-President of Administration.

All new members will enjoy the privileges of BGC membership, and are able to immediately vote in the year they have joined and have voting privileges based on their membership category.

BGC encourages membership of coaches, volunteers, and the general public including sighted members that would be eligible to enjoy appropriate membership benefits, hold the right to vote, can be elected to the Board, based on Board composition and seats, and have the right to participate in BGC Committees.

BGC has an open membership policy, with different rights and obligations, that encourages all coaches to become members, as well as encouraging friends, and family to also join. Full membership includes access to Golf Canada and all the associated benefits, as well as the right to participate in membership meetings, the AGM, and any other important meetings or processes that support the governance of BGC as a blind golf organization, not-for-profit, as well as an empathetic and charitable organization.

Eligibility

Any member must be a resident of Canada and/or hold a dual citizenship, one passport being Canadian.

Any person, regardless of vision level, may purchase membership in BGC. Fully sighted, totally blind and partially sighted golfers / members are entitled to the appropriate membership status.

Playing members must be legally blind to compete, in accordance with the current sight classification criteria established by the IBGA, currently, and considering the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), including B1 (totally blind up to light perception, not able to see shadows or shapes), B2 (acuity less than 20/400), and B3 (between 20/200 and 20/400) divisions, and in some cases, as decided by the Board of Directors, and the governing committee for the events, the IBGA stipulations regarding certain visual considerations and

assessments. BGC acknowledges and believes a B4 category should be included as an eligible category and will work to include this new division.

The official eye report, currently the IBGA Sight Classification Form, and any additional documentation required by the BGC, must be sent to the Sight Classification Coordinator of BGC and to the VP Administration. Any player requesting a change in status for their division will be required to provide an updated assessment, complete a new application for submission and be approved by the BGC Sight Classification Coordinator and/or the Board at large.

Extenuating Circumstances

Any BGC member in good standing, who is unable to meet the requirements for membership due to circumstances beyond his/her control, may qualify for membership under an extenuating circumstances permission. The individual must apply in writing to BGC, no later than April 30 of the year in question, clearly stating reasons to qualify as a BGC member in good standing and voting member.

Each application will be reviewed by the 3-person Executive of the Board, on a case-by-case basis. A decision will then be made by the Board.

Duties and Responsibilities of Members

Membership dues, as determined per annum by the Board of Directors of BGC, are due on or before March 31st. Dues must be remitted to the Vice-President of Administration.

BGC encourages all members to act according to a basic Code of Conduct that includes respect for others and sportspersonship, promoting the sport of blind golf as an ambassador who will work honestly and earnestly, and at all times act ethically and morally sound.

Where possible, members should help to raise corporate and sponsor awareness for outreach and fundraising, recognizing the need to maintain the charitable intentions and actions of our organization. Members should stay involved and informed, and look to promote blind golf in their local communities.

Member should participate in the AGM, and be aware of all documentation, forms and campaigns. BGC encourages all members to be active in the affairs of BGC, and promoting blind golf.

All members are encouraged to join the various committees that BGC hosts, and although the committees will include many BGC members, there may be some committees that include other non-BGC members who are willing to support BGC and blind golfers across Canada. Ideally, having these non-BGC persons become members is strongly encouraged.

Meetings of Members

Calling meetings will be for one of two (2) reasons. The Annual General Meeting (hereinafter referred to as the “AGM”), and other general meetings, or events, as required or called for by the Board of Directors.

The AGM is intended to be a virtual event, in person, or a combination of both, that will be held no later than the end of the third quarter of the standing fiscal year. Notice is provided to all members, and those BGC members that are not able to attend in person, will have the ability to participate via video conference software. Should there be a need to vote for positions, that vote will be facilitated via email before the AGM so the results can be shared with the membership at the AGM.

Notification of the AGM will be at least sixty (60) days before the AGM, and any and all documents to be considered at the AGM will be provided to the members, via email, no later than fourteen (14) days before the AGM date.

General meetings can be called for at the discretion and direction of the Board. These meetings may also include discussion or consideration for special topics that are presented by the general membership. Members are encouraged to reach out to a Board member, or members, to present any questions, comments or concerns. Additionally, if the matter to be considered is of consequence, as determined by the Board, and 10 members, or more, in good standing who have presented a

Member's Petition of Consideration email, the Board must act accordingly, and in good faith.

Annual General Meeting of BGC

May be held during a BGC sanctioned tournament, or virtually by means of an appropriate and accessible video conferencing system designated by the BGC Board of Directors. Notice of the date, format, place, time and agenda of the meeting shall be given to the membership, either by written notice or in electronic format sixty (60) days in advance.

1/3 of BGC eligible Voting Members is required to form quorum at the AGM. Failure to achieve 1/3 of members in attendance, will require a new date, and if required an additional format, which may include online meeting and video platforms. The VP Administration will be responsible to ensure quorum is met before proceeding with the AGM. Only when quorum is confirmed will a meeting be called to order.

A simple majority, or 51%+ of the eligible votes are required to pass any regular motion(s) at the AGM, and any other BGC member meetings. For Special Resolutions (i.e. changes affecting the Bylaws, Constitution, or other matters determined as significant by the Board) a majority of two-thirds (2/3) of the Voting Members present at the meeting is required.

Standard voting procedures apply to in-person meetings, or in the case of virtual meetings, the electronic voting procedures will be outlined to members ahead of the vote. Virtual meetings

will be held by video conference software/apps. If members are not able to attend, they will not be allowed to vote, or transfer their vote to anyone. Each member will receive one vote, for each appropriate vote or poll that said member is eligible to vote for.

BGC membership will be provided an Agenda and schedule for the Annual General Meeting, and any other applicable special meetings, via email to their registered account.

Meetings of the Board of Directors

Meetings of the BGC Board of Directors can be held, either in person, by phone, or electronically.

The Board will meet at least six (6) times a year, or about every two (2) months, but may meet more frequently as determined by the Board.

The Board meeting will be chaired by the President, and the agenda shall be created by the same. The VP Administration will handle all minutes, and administrative reporting, including reporting to BGC members as required, which includes Board meeting summaries.

All votes will be recorded, unless unanimous which will be declared in the minutes, or in the case of a Board member wanting to be noted opposed or for a particular motion or item said Board member can request to be noted.

Four (4) out of the seven (7) BGC Board members present and participating will constitute a quorum.

The Board will have at least a three (3) person executive, to include President, VP Finance, and the VP Administration.

The Board of Directors will be required to meet at least 6 times per year. The requirement is that a meeting, at a minimum, occurs once every two (2) months. The Board will set an annual schedule, and update said schedule or dates to ensure proper governance and reporting.

The Board is responsible for keeping minutes of the meetings. These minutes will either be made available to any members of BGC at their request, and may or may not be available behind a membership portal, that is password protected and available to the membership on a year-to-year basis, on the BGC website.

Board motions, will be passed by a simple majority vote.

If a significant motion or information is presented, and the Board decides to notify the members, the process will be to notify them by email, and if required follow-up with phone calls to ensure the members are contacted and encouraged to participate.

Notices of Motions and Nominations from Members

Notices of documentation, or documents, for the AGM will be distributed at least fourteen (14) days prior to the AGM.

Notices of the AGM, the request for nominations, and motions from members for elections must be submitted to the BGC Board of Directors at least sixty (60) days prior, with

nominations no later than thirty (30) days prior, to the Annual General Meeting date. This is the required formal process for elections, and Board or Committee positions that may be defined or require a vote. The list of the accepted nominees will be provided to the members no later than thirty (30) days before the meeting.

BGC membership will be provided an Agenda and schedule for the Annual General Meeting, and any other special meetings, via email to their registered account.

Election of Officers

Only voting members in good standing are eligible to vote for the Board of Directors.

All votes must be cast in person, or in the case of electronic votes, cast from the members registered email address, unless otherwise stipulated by the Board of BGC.

Elections shall take place every two (2) years when three (3) or four (4) of the seven (7) Board of Director seats shall be up for election. The membership will be notified as to which three (3) or four (4) seats will be up for election accordingly. If an AGM is not held, the vote for new Board members will still take place via electronic voting procedures set up by BGC.

The nominations must be submitted electronically to the Vice President of Administration.

The Executive, made up of the President, VP Finance, and VP Administration positions are voted on and decided by the Board.

The IBGA position will be filled from within the Board, but in the case that is not an option, then the Board may nominate an appropriate individual to represent Canada at the IBGA.

All Board elections will be overseen by two (2) scrutineers for any elections, or votes of consequence, including electronic polls or votes, or emails. One of the two (2) scrutineers must be a member of the BGC Executive, and if all of the Executive members are running, a Board member at large will be appointed as a scrutineer, and one (1) of the scrutineers must be a non-BGC member.

Vacancies

Should any representative not be able to fulfill his/her term on the Board of Directors, a new representative may be appointed by the BGC Board of Directors, with a majority vote, to fill the vacant position until such time as the position is due for election.

Board of Directors

The Board shall consist of seven (7) Directors, which may or may not include the representative to the IBGA. All Board members must be members in good standing with BGC.

A majority of the Board must be legally blind or vision impaired.

A sighted member of BGC may be elected to the Board, and perform any and all related tasks aligned with said position. Upon election of and installation in said BGC Board position, the sighted person, will hold membership in BGC and have full voting privileges on the Board.

Board responsibilities for positions, Executive positions and the Committee are defined by the Board.

The Board will define the terms, responsibilities, and requirements of each Committee and be responsible for accepting and considering any and all information provided by said Committee.

Management of Affairs

The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the general management and control of the affairs of the association including, but not limited to:

Planning, hosting and facilitation of any and all BGC or IBGA tournaments in conjunction with the local hosting committees held in Canada.

Coordinating the selection of any/all players representing Canada at a global/international Blind Golf Championship tournament or team event using the appropriate selection criteria according to BGC bylaws.

BGC shall determine dates and locations for the Canadian Open Blind Golf Championship, and will provide final approval for

any provincial or regional events that will take place in conjunction with the Canadian Open Blind Golf Championship.

BGC will form an organizing Tournament Host Committee for any of the above events, or any other, that will be comprised of the Board Executive, an appointed Chairperson of the Tournament Host Committee, which must be a member of the Board of Directors, a Co-Chairperson from the selected provincial or regional blind golf association, and the appropriate sub-committee members and positions for the various committees.

Should there be a dispute between the BGC Board, and the local organizing Host Committee, the decision of the BGC Board will be binding, and final.

President

Will be elected by the Board, shall be the Chair of the Board of Directors, and chair all meetings of the Board.

Will advise the BGC Board of Directors when called upon, and act in the best interest of our members, the organization and the Board.

All meetings will be called to convene by order of the President.

Will be responsible for determining, guiding and upholding the BGC purposes and missions.

Any and all committees, or special Board committees, will report directly to the President who will then report and advise the Board accordingly.

Shall not hold any signing authority where any monies or monetary notes are involved. All financial authority will lay with the VP Finance, and a second signatory, where required, and defined by Board resolution, will be the VP Administration.

May, but is not obligated to, also hold the position of IBGA delegate jointly with that of BGC President if such situation / scenario should present itself. Will be the international representative for BGC, along with any other Board members appointed, and shall at all times act honorably, and with the best of intentions.

The President has the ability to grant any special authority, with the approval of the Board, to ensure the sound, professional operation and affairs of BGC.

Where appropriate, and subject to other committee affairs, the President will interact with major sponsors with the intention of growing awareness, educating the blind sports community or general public, and supporting fundraising and outreach.

Responsible for lobbying local, provincial, federal governments, and in certain cases, international bodies. Can appoint another Board member to support the efforts of the President.

The President will be considered a member of every committee, and will at all times, make themselves available for said meetings, notwithstanding any extenuating circumstances.

Vice-President of Finance

Shall be responsible for the maintenance of a complete set of financial records in accordance with recognized accounting procedures.

Will be the primary signatory for financial matters, and is one (1) of at least two (2) Board members which can be vested with signing authority.

Shall be responsible for all banking and financial transactions pertaining to Blind Golf Canada under advisement of the Board of Directors.

Shall be responsible for overseeing the collection, payment and administration of any and all monies involved with the operations of Blind Golf Canada such as, but not limited to, membership dues, sponsorship(s), IBGA subsidies, etc.

BGC contracts of consequence, that include sums to be paid for events, including deposits, will be executed by the VP Finance, with payment made according to Board approval where required, with the VP Finance being the signing authority. The local host committee, along with the regional host, will be responsible for all aspects, funding, and contracts for their portion of the regional event.

Working with the appointed accountant for BGC, to create financial statements, file taxes, or complete financial management and reporting requirements. Overseeing the overall budgeting process for BGC, the Board or any events that are funded in whole, or in part, by BGC. VP Finance will also be responsible for the annual auditing or financial documentation process.

Approve final budgets, and payments for all BGC or IBGA sanctioned events, as well as any and all operational affairs of BGC.

Manage and Chair the Fundraising and Outreach Committee, with a Co-Chair for Fundraising, and a Co-Chair for Outreach.

Manage a Contingency banking account, that will ensure BGC is allocating at least 20% of proceeds to said account, for any special needs or directions per the Board.

In addition to the above, where required, will manage and chair regulatory, government, or other formal needs. Corporate filings, taxation, provincial or federal requirements are all the responsibility of the VP Finance.

The VP Finance, where applicable, will help ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and will direct the contract and agreements discussions. The VP Finance will chair the Governance and Documentation Committee, Fundraising and Outreach Committee, and any other committees that should be directed by the VP Finance.

Vice-President of Administration

Shall take, or cause to be taken, the minutes of all BGC meetings. In the case of the Board minutes, they will be approved by the Board, then uploaded to the document library of BGC.

Shall be responsible for all incoming and outgoing correspondence for BGC under advisement of the Board of Directors. VP Administration will retain copies for BGC files that will be uploaded to the document library.

Required to keep the legacy documents, and all records that deal with the affairs of BGC.

Shall be responsible for Membership, including all aspects from documentation to active members in good standing.

Shall be the primary Chair of the Canadian Tournament Host Committee, any BGC international tournament being hosted in Canada, and responsible for creating and providing any reports that may be required by BGC, the IBGA, or other organizations that are part of the hosting processes.

Shall be the reporting agent to IBGA, and will work closely with the President and the VP Finance to ensure all information, including financial, is presented in a timely, and professional manner.

Shall be responsible for ensuring documentation with all applicable laws, regulations, insurances and affairs are in order, per any direction of the VP Finance.

Will provide support to the President, VP Finance, and the Board as required.

Shall collect all dues from the members of Blind Golf Canada, and report to the VP Finance for reconciliation and record keeping.

Shall maintain a list of members whose current dues are paid and up to date and are members in good standing.

Director(s) at Large

Membership and members are top of mind, and will always be the focus of the Board.

Shall perform such duties as requested by the Board of Directors.

Other duties include attending meetings, supporting outreach, and fundraising, etc. Board members must be active, and are expected to act professionally, and in a timely manner.

All Board members will be required to Chair at least one, if not more, BGC committees.

All Directors have a vote on the BGC Board, and like the Executives, must be in attendance at called meetings in order to cast a vote, or submit motions.

All Directors will be expected to attend all Board meetings. If a Board member misses 3 Board meetings in a calendar year, they may be removed, at the discretion of the Board, notwithstanding health or other significant issues.

Sight Classification Chair

Shall create and maintain a register of BGC players and their sight-classification in accordance to IBGA classifications, and in some cases, at the sole discretion of BGC, with IPC standards and record keeping practices.

An up-to-date Sight Classification form will be in place at all times, that can be provided to the IBGA, or other entities as defined by the Board, with conditions that are agreed to by BGC. Forms will be kept in the BGC document library and archives, and must be updated by the members if circumstances change.

Shall at such times as requested by the Board of Directors, confirm that all BGC members have a current eye report that has been submitted from a registered optometrist or ophthalmologist.

For all international blind golf, or other disabled sport events that include blind golfers, the Sight Classification Coordinator will provide the documentation to the organizing committee, on behalf of the BGC members that will be participating.

BGC stands by the professional opinions of the registered Canadian doctors, optometrists, ophthalmologists, and it will be

those opinions that will define the sight classification or divisions for BGC blind golf membership.

Handicap Chair(s)

Shall create and maintain a registry of Blind Golf Canada players, and their current Golf Canada handicaps in association with the World Handicap System (WHS), and when applicable, IBGA records and standards.

BGC supports and uses the WHS where required, at the sole discretion of BGC, for any and all events.

IBGA Representative for Canada or Nominee

Will be legally blind according to Canadian regulations and guidelines.

Shall act as a liaison between the International Blind Golfers Association and BGC.

Will be an elected Board member, in good standing, and will be nominated from within the Board.

Shall perform such duties as requested by Blind Golf Canada and must also hold another position on the Board of BGC jointly.

Will be responsible for providing an IBGA update at each Board meeting, related to the IBGA activities, IBGA events, and all other IBGA affairs.

Reporting to the membership, soliciting opinions, engaging with policy documents and submissions that reflect the opinions and interests of BGC members.

General Committees

The following committees will be part of the BGC administration and governing requirements:

- Governance & Documentation
- Fundraising & Outreach
- Handicap & WHS
- Sight Classification
- Rules & Play
- Marketing & Social
- International Golf Organizations, Lobbying

The Board can add any other committees, at any time, for any reason(s) based on the best interests of BGC, and membership.

In some cases, certain committees may not be relevant in a given calendar year. In that case, the Board of Directors will pass a motion or resolution detailing the reason(s) why the committee is not required for a given period of time, and can also call the committee back into order based on needs and objectives at that time.

Committees can be made up of BGC members, volunteers, coaches, sighted supporters. committee chair will be appointed by the BGC Board, and each committee chair will have the

authority to call meetings, and must provide a report to the Board in a timely manner, and per reasonable Board request(s).

Tournament Participation

Eligibility for participation at any BGC sanctioned tournaments requires holding membership within BGC prior to the tournament date as well as meeting the criteria set forth by IBGA.

Every BGC member participating in a BGC-sanctioned tournament shall pay an entry fee to be determined by the tournament organizing committee and/or BGC and will adhere to any and all conditions, stipulations, and agreements as set forth by BGC and/or the tournament hosting committee.

Eligibility for participation at any BGC-sanctioned tournaments by non-BGC member golfers requires holding membership within an IBGA sanctioned blind golf association as well as meeting any and all criteria set forth by IBGA and BGC.

The Tournament Host Committee for all BGC, or international competitions hosted in Canada, will include the BGC Executive, Board members, and the appointed and responsible persons who will be hosting the event locally. The Host Committee will be struck in a timely manner, once the location of the events is confirmed by the Board of Directors.

Canadian IBGA events and funding, will have 60% of the funding made available before the events being hosted by the provincial blind golf organization. The remaining funds are

provided when the final report is provided, no longer than two (2) weeks after the event(s) is/are completed.

All local hosting organizations must provide financial statements to the BGC Board, to ensure the regional organizations are financially sound and 100% responsible and able to host the event, and cover any and all costs above and beyond the amount(s) that would be provided by BGC, at its sole discretion, any international organizations via BGC, and/or any fundraising that may have taken place by BGC for these noted events.

Shall be responsible for and payment of annual membership dues to the International Blind Golf Association and will also be responsible for the securing of funds from IBGA which have been allotted to BGC for the hosting of a Canadian Open Blind Golf Championship or any other IBGA funded event held in Canada. BGC will not be responsible for any additional costs over and above any previously agreed upon amounts by IBGA which have been accrued before, during, or after by the tournament host committee.

BGC reserves the sole right to determine whether a local organization can host the event, and what any additional reporting requirements will be for each event.

Rules of Golf and Play

The rules of golf will be honored for all BGC sanctioned events, based on the USGA, and the R&A rules that are in force at the time the event is held.

BGC will be the final authority on the rules of play, and if required will be able to adapt certain rules to ensure pace of play, equality across sight classifications, and any other circumstances that may arise.

Team Selection

The ultimate goal of the BGC is to always have the best players, from each sight category and gender, represent Canada at any World Championship, Vision Cup, and/or similar events.

A player wishing to represent Canada at a World Championship must meet all IBGA (currently seven qualifying rounds of tournament play within a two-year period) criteria to be considered.

Qualified players of either gender and from each of the sight categories will be eligible.

BGC standard score, a mathematical calculation, for each sight category will be established in the year prior to the World Championship to ensure BGC members are aware of the parameters.

Team selection will be based upon a combination of a player's comparison to the BGC standard score and their ranking by

handicap, and their willingness to participate as a Canadian representative.

Remuneration of Board of Directors, Sighted Assistants or Volunteers

No Director shall be entitled to receive or be paid any remuneration for any services rendered in the capacity as Director or member of any committee. Subject to approval of the Board, a Director, sighted assistant or volunteer may, however, be reimbursed such as travelling or other expenses as they may incur in the performance of any duty, service or function on behalf of the association.

Conflict of Interest

No Director shall be required to vacate such office by reason of that Director being a shareholder, owner or member of any firm or corporation that has entered into, or proposes to enter into any contract or provide any service to the Association, or has an indirect pecuniary interest in any person, firm or corporation that has, or proposes to enter into any contract with or to do any work for the Association. That Director shall declare such interest and shall not participate in discussion or vote on such matter(s) except that the Director may provide technical information, or general information, if so requested.

Disciplinary action can be taken at the discretion of the Board, if any member violates any of the Bylaws, and/or any of the policies, or constitutional elements, or is perceived contrary to

the best interests of BGC and membership. This is not limited to conflict of interest, and does include any actions that may be considered unethical, immoral, inappropriate, and contrary to the organization, and the sport of blind golf.

Limitation of Liability and Indemnification

No Director of BGC shall be liable for the acts, receipts, neglects or defaults of any other Director; for joining in any receipts or other acts of conformity; for any loss, damage or expense happening to BGC through the insufficiency or deficiency of title to any property acquired for or on behalf of the BGC; for the insufficiency or deficiency of any security in or upon which any of the monies of the BGC shall be invested; for any loss or damage arising from the bankruptcy, insolvency or tortuous act of any person with whom any of the monies, securities or effects of the BGC shall be deposited; for any loss occasioned by any error of judgment or oversight on the part of such Director; or for any other loss, damage or misfortune whatever which shall happen in the execution of the duties or office or in resolution thereto; unless the same shall happen through the dishonesty of such Director.

Every Director of BGC or any other person who has undertaken or is about to undertake any liability on behalf of BGC and their heirs, executors, administrators and estate and effects respectively shall, at all times, be indemnified and saved harmless out of the funds of BGC from and against, all costs, charges and expenses whatever which such Directors or any

other persons sustains or incurs in or about any action, suit or proceeding that is brought, commenced or prosecuted against them or in respect of any act, deed, matter or thing whatsoever made, done or permitted by them in or about the execution of duties of their office or in respect of any such liability and all other costs, charges and expenses that they sustain or incur, in or about or in relation to the affairs thereof, except such costs, charges or expenses that are occasioned their own wilful neglect or default.

BGC is not responsible for any liability at the course(s), or at one of our events. All incidents, or accidents, should be covered by the course insurance policy. All members understand, and agree to abide by this condition. BGC will work with, but is not obligated to do so, any member that may need help if the circumstances require it.

Bylaws

The Board may from time to time, pass bylaws not contrary to any legal act, regulations, or the law, and may by Bylaw repeal or amend these Bylaws or re-enact the same. Such bylaw or repeal or amendment shall be effective only until the next Annual General Meeting, unless confirmed at said meeting, or in the case of default of confirmation, may cease to have effect at and from time to time.

Dissolution of the Association

Upon the winding up or dissolution of the Association, the assets which remain after the payment of all costs, charges and expenses which are properly incurred in the winding up, shall be distributed to a registered charity or registered charities as defined in the Income Tax Act (Canada), as may be determined by the Members of the Association at the time of winding up or dissolution. This provision shall be unalterable.

Coming into Force

This Bylaw shall come into force when it has been sanctioned and confirmed by the membership of BGC.

The previous BGC Bylaws have been PASSED by all of the elected Board Directors of Blind Golf Canada on the 1st day of May, 2022 and confirmed by BGC members on the 1st day of May, 2022. This current version of the Bylaws has been approved and passed by the BGC Board, and the membership at large, on day of February, 2024, and will come into force immediately upon being approved.

Gerry Nelson, President

Printed Name, Vice President