NORTH COAST CHAPTER, NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTION, PGA OF AMERICA BYLAWS AND REGULATIONS

As of 2008

Article I Name, Area, Objectives and Power

Section 1 Name

By authority of the Executive Committee of the Northern California Section, PGA of America hereinafter referred to as the "Section," this Chapter shall be known as "North Coast Chapter, Northern California Section, PGA of America" and shall be referred to hereinafter as "Chapter." The Northern California Section, PGA of America shall be referred to hereinafter as the "Section" and the Professional Golfers' Association of America shall be referred to hereinafter as the "Association."

Section 2 Area

Pursuant to the Section, the territory under the jurisdiction of the Chapter shall consist of Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Lake and Siskiyou Counties (see map). In addition to the above jurisdiction, other outlying areas may be brought into the Chapter providing that it is approved by the Section.

Section 3 Objectives

The objective of the Chapter shall be to promote the enjoyment and involvement in the game of golf within the Chapter, and to contribute to its growth by providing services to golf professionals and the golf industry within the Chapter.

The Chapter will accomplish this purpose by enhancing the skills of its professionals and the opportunities for amateurs, employers, manufacturers, employees, and the general public within the Chapter.

In doing so, the Chapter will elevate the standards of the professional golfers' vocation, enhance the economic well-being of the individual member, stimulate interest in the game of golf, and promote the overall vitality of the game within the Chapter.

Section 4 Powers

The Chapter's powers shall be limited specifically to those powers granted by the Section. The Section's Executive Committee shall review and approve all Chapter actions.

The Section shall have complete authority in their discretion and at any time to withdraw the charters of the Chapter.

In the event that the Chapter bylaws, rules, regulations or policies deviate from those of the Section, the Section bylaws, rules, regulations or policies shall control.

Article II Governance

Section 1 Composition

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Tournament Chairman and Education Chairman.

Section 2 Authority

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the management of the Chapter and shall have full authority in all matters including the power to interpret the By-Laws and to give direction in cases not provided for herein. All policies and regulations made by the Executive Committee shall be binding and are subject to approval of the Northern California Section Board of Directors. All policies and regulations are not to be altered or amended except by specific recommendations to, and approval of such modifications at any regular or special meeting of the Executive Committee subject to the approval of the Northern California Section Board of Directors.

Section 3 Officer Terms

The Officers shall be elected for a term of two years and may be elected to that office for more than one term consecutively. Their term of office will begin at the beginning of the year following elections and will end at the conclusion of the year two years later.

Section 4 President

The President of the Chapter shall serve as the Chairperson of the Executive Committee and shall have the following powers and duties:

- 1. The President shall preside over all meetings.
- 2. The President shall serve as the chief spokesman for the Chapter.
- 3. The President shall represent the Chapter at all Northern California Section Board meetings.

In case of absence or temporary disability of the President, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President. If the President resigns, moves to another Chapter, dies, or becomes totally incapacitated, the Vice-President shall succeed him.

Section 5 Vice President

The Vice President shall have the following powers and duties:

1. The Vice President shall serve as Parliamentarian at all Chapter meetings and shall

preside at such meetings in the absence of the President unless the President designates another elected officer to serve in this capacity. In the absence of the Vice President to serve, the President shall designate another individual to serve in this capacity.

2. The Vice President shall oversee all election procedures of the Chapter and coordinate with the Secretary

In case of absence or temporary disability, the Secretary shall perform the duties of the Vice President. If the Vice-President resigns, moves to another Chapter, dies, or becomes totally incapacitated, the President shall fill the un-expired term of the Vice President until such time as a new Vice President is elected.

Section 6 Secretary

The Secretary shall have the following powers and duties:

- The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept the minutes of all Chapter membership meetings. The Secretary shall issue the notice of such meetings, given at least thirty (30) days notice of any membership meeting.
- 2. The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept a roll of all members and apprentices, and take care of all correspondence and papers pertaining to the Chapter.
- 3. The Secretary must record any Amendments to or changes in the Association and Chapter Constitution and Bylaws, and report such Amendments or changes to the Chapter membership.

In case of absence or temporary disability, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the Secretary. If the Secretary resigns, moves to another Chapter, dies, or becomes totally incapacitated, the Vice President shall fill the un-expired term of the Secretary until such time as a new Secretary is elected.

Section 6 Past President

The most recent Past President will remain on the Executive Committee in an advisory capacity. The Past President does not have a vote on issues decided on by the Executive Committee.

Article III Membership

Section 1 General

All membership issues and matters shall be governed by the Association Bylaws.

Article IV Meetings of Membership

Section 1 General

Two membership meetings shall be held annually, one in the spring (Semi-annual) and one in the fall (Annual). The attendance at all such meetings shall be limited to Chapter members, affiliated Apprentices, and, at the President's discretion, members of the press and invited guest.

A: Special Meetings – Special meetings of the Chapter membership may be called by the Executive Committee when considered warranted by a situation, which may affect the status of the Chapter or the welfare of its members adversely.

Article V Election of Chapter Officers

Section 1 General

The Chapter shall elect Chapter Officers, to comprise the Executive Committee, who shall be Master Professionals, Class "A" Members or Life Members whose duty it shall be to carry out the decisions of the Chapter, Section, and Association and to govern and direct the affairs of their respective Chapter in accordance with the Bylaws of the Chapter and the direction of the Section.

The Chapter Officers shall be elected to a term of two years and may be elected to that office for more than one term consecutively. The Officers shall be elected by majority vote upon ballots received along with the following years' membership dues due by 12/31. No votes will be counted if membership dues are not paid and/or received in a timely manner.

Article VI Miscellaneous

Section 1 Section Approval

Any and all policies, rules and regulations are subject to review and approval by the Section Board of Directors.