



GREAT FLINDERS FOOTBALL LEAGUE INC.

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**AFFILIATED WITH THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL
FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

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CONSTITUTION & RULES

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CONSTITUTION ALTERATIONS

By-Law	Change	Changed Date / By
5.b	Added "Kinlough Cup"	15 Feb 2023
13	<p>Alter part a – remove one of whom shall be elected Senior Vice President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the League and shall have a casting vote only. In his absence the Senior Vice President shall preside at the meeting. In the absence of the Senior Vice President then a Chairman shall be elected from those present and shall have a deliberate vote as well as a casting vote if a proxy delegate is unavailable. All the above Offices, with the exception of the President, shall be elected annually at the Annual Meeting of the League. Any vacancy occurring in the office bearers shall be filled at the next meeting of the League or at a special meeting called for that purpose.</p> <p>Remove b, c & d</p> <p>(b) Each Club may submit a nomination for the position of President, for the ensuing 12 months; such nomination shall be in the hands of the Secretary within 14 days of the termination of the season. If no nomination is received within the required period the Secretary shall notify all Clubs and call again for nominations to be in the hands of the Secretary within 28 days of the termination of the season.</p> <p>(c) Such President shall then be elected by ballot at a meeting of Delegates within five weeks of the termination of the season, and his duties shall commence at the next Annual General Meeting after all offices have been declared vacant.</p> <p>(d) If no nomination shall have been received within 28 days of the termination of the season the President shall be elected at the next Annual General Meeting.</p>	15 Feb 2023
18	Change "sign cheques" to "make payments"	15 Feb 2023
21	Change 21.d) remove "two-thirds" before majority. Change 21.e) remove "75 per cent" before majority.	15 Feb 2023
24	Alter "Commissioner of Country Football" to "Head of Community Football"	15 Feb 2023
25	<p>Alter 25.c) change "12 noon on the second business day following the day" to "5pm the following Monday". Change "Leagues Independent Tribunal" to "independent EP MRO (Match Review Officer) Subject to the MRO review a recommended penalty shall be provided to the League or alternatively refer to a Tribunal Hearing." Remove "Their decision on the matter may be dealt with by fine, suspension or censure and their decision shall be final, except where such decision is over ruled by the South Australian National Football League (Minutes 30/10/2000)"</p> <p>Alter 25.d) Change "Independent Tribunal" to "Executive, Commission or EP Match Review Officer"</p>	15 Feb 2023

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CONSTITUTION & RULES

1. NAME

The name of the League shall be THE GREAT FLINDERS FOOTBALL LEAGUE INCORPORATED.

2. OBJECTIVES

The OBJECTS OF THE LEAGUE- The encouragement of football, the arrangement of matches, and the time and places of such matches; the consideration and decision of all disputes and matters in which the League or any of the League Clubs or any member thereof shall be concerned, whether in respect of matches or otherwise: the acquiring of money, subscriptions, percentage or otherwise, from the League Clubs or any other League, Association or body: the assistance (pecuniary or otherwise) of any of the League Clubs, the infliction of penalties provided in these Rules, or in the laws of the game, or in any subsequent rules, for the infringement of any of its Rules or the laws of the game: and the doing of all things as shall be incidental to the aforementioned objects:

- (a) To purchase, rent, have on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire, construct, provide, make hold, improve and maintain real and personal property of every description for the purposes of the League or any of them for the proper conduct and management of the affairs of the League or for the attainment of any of its objects;
- (b) To sell, assign, transfer, exchange, mortgage, lease or grant options in respect of let, hire, dispose of or turn to account all or any part of the real or personal property of the League or any estate or interest therein upon such conditions in all respects as may seem expedient, and
- (c) In this Constitution and Rules, the League shall mean a quorum of all Clubs affiliated with the Great Flinders Football League Inc.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The League shall consist of any number of Clubs not exceeding eight. The admission of any new Club shall be determined by a majority greater than 50 per cent of the participating Clubs for the season prior to the application.

4. DELEGATES

The Secretary of each club shall notify the Secretary of the League prior to the Annual General Meeting of the League of the appointment of two delegates. In the event of a delegate being unable to attend any meeting of the League a substitute proxy delegate may be admitted to League meetings and hold the same authority as a nominated delegate.

5. LIFE MEMBERS

The League shall be empowered to grant Life Membership to any person who has rendered outstanding service as a player and/or official on a 75 percent majority of the Clubs affiliated with the League voting for it at the Annual General Meeting.

(a) Any Club shall be entitled to nominate candidates for Life Membership, such nominations to be forwarded to the Secretary within 14 days of the termination of the season. All relevant information pertaining to the Life Membership nomination is to be circularised to all Clubs prior to their Annual meetings.

(b) Criteria for Nomination-

PLAYER/OFFICIAL- Minimum of 15 years' service to the League. PLAYER is as representing the League in Association, Mortlock, Kinlough Cup, EP & SA Country matches.

OFFICIAL - Minimum of 15 years' service. OFFICIAL- League Official, League Delegate, League Commissioner, Umpires Director, Panel Umpire, Head Trainer, Coach, Selector, Team Manager.

(c) A record of such membership shall be kept in a book provided for the purpose, each Life Member being presented with a badge and certificate.

6. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Each Club shall pay an annual affiliation fee determined at the Great Flinders Football League AGM. This shall cover affiliation of all the Clubs.

7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the League shall be held not later than the first week in March.

8. GENERAL MEETINGS

All meetings of the League shall be held in Cummins. No meeting shall extend over a greater time than a three hour session provided that the President may allow one extension of 15 minutes for urgent business.

9. SPECIAL MEETING

Upon receiving a requisition signed by not less than three delegates setting forth the object of the meeting, the Secretary shall call a special meeting, due notice of which shall be given to the Club Secretaries, to be held within five days of receipt of such requisition. Such meetings shall have power to deal with that business set forth in the Secretary's notification to the Clubs calling the meeting and any other business.

10. NOTICE OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL MEETING

All meetings of the League shall be called by notice from the Secretary to the Club Secretaries.

11. QUORUM

Delegates from at least five of the Clubs comprising the League shall form a quorum at any meeting of the League.

12. VOTING

- (a) The voting of every meeting of the League shall be determined by a simple majority unless otherwise stated from a show of hands unless a ballot is provided for or demanded by at least three delegates.
- (b) Any decision regarding the Great Flinders Football League combining with any other League in any way whatsoever shall not be undertaken without a majority of 75 per cent of the Clubs affiliated with the League voting for it.

13. OFFICERS OF THE LEAGUE

- (a) The honorary office of the League shall consist of Patron, Vice-Patrons (ad infinitum), a President and Vice President All positions are to be declared vacant at the Annual General Meeting with office bearers to be nominated by the club delegates.

14. SECRETARY

A Secretary and Treasurer or a Secretary/Treasurer shall be appointed by the League at an honorarium to be fixed at the Annual Meeting for the previous season. Such officer or officers shall not be Club delegates.

15. AUDITOR

An Auditor shall be appointed at the Annual Meeting. Such officer shall not be an executive member of the League.

16. REVENUE

- (a) The League shall decide the remuneration of all paid officials at the Annual Meeting.
- (b) In the minor round matches the home team shall collect all gate monies and pay the fees of all officials. The League shall pay all travelling and accommodation expenses.
- (c) The League shall collect all monies and pay all officials for major round and special League matches.

17. LEAGUE LOSSES

The losses of the League, if any, shall be borne by the Clubs in equal proportion.

18. BANKING ACCOUNT

The President, Secretary and/or Treasurer, or any other elected person shall be empowered to operate a banking account at any financial Institution decided by the League and any two shall be authorised to make payments on behalf of the League.

19. COMMITTEES

The League may from time to time by resolution at any meeting delegate any of its powers to Sub – Committees or Committees or a Board consisting of such one person or more persons as it shall think fit to appoint and may recall or revoke any such delegation or appointment. Such resolutions may provide that a decision of any such Committee in exercising the power so delegated shall be final and without appeal.

20. BY-LAWS

The league shall have power from time to time to make, alter and repeal such By-Laws, as it may deem necessary or convenient, or expedient, in relation to the proper conduct and management of the business and affairs of the League and the attainment of its objects. All By-Laws so made, and for the time being in force, shall be binding on all members of the league and the League Clubs, and shall have full effect accordingly.

21. CLUBS WITHDRAWING FROM THE LEAGUE – WINDING UP

- (a) Clubs desiring to transfer to another Affiliated League shall follow the guidelines as laid down by the SA Community Football League Constitution & Rules.
- (b) No Club shall be allowed to withdraw unless and until it complies with such conditions as the League may impose.
- (c) In the event of any Club leaving the Great Flinders League, it shall have the right to claim up to an equal share of the finances of the League, to the discretion of the League Delegates.
- (d) Any decision of the Delegates on any finance to the Club leaving the Great Flinders League shall be by majority of the delegates present voting for it.
- (e) In case it shall appear at any time desirable or necessary to dissolve the League, a Special Meeting duly called for the purpose shall have power by a majority of the Clubs affiliated with the League to resolve that the League be absolutely dissolved and the same shall thereupon be dissolved and the affairs thereof wound up accordingly in such a manner as the meeting shall direct.

22. ALTERATION OF RULES

To alter the Rules a notice of motion must be given 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting. All League Clubs shall be notified by the League Secretary of the proposed alteration 21 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

23. RESCISSION OF RESOLUTION

No resolution passed at any meeting of the League shall be rescinded or varied except by a two-thirds majority of the delegates present at the Annual Meeting, or at a Special Meeting called for that purpose.

24. MATTERS NOT DEALT WITH

In all matters not provided for by these rules this League may by resolution refer it to the Head of Community Football appointed by the SANFL Inc for a ruling. Any such ruling when obtained shall bind this League until such time as this League shall have dealt with the matter by passing a new Rule.

25. DISCIPLINARY

An Officer of the League, Director, Life Member or servant of the League, Player, Director or Registered Official of a League Club, Director of an Affiliated League Club, Player registered to play with a Club of an Affiliated League, appointed Official of any Club which is a member of an Affiliated League, an Umpire registered by the League under these Regulations, or any person who is acting in any official capacity at any match of football authorised or approved by the League or any Affiliated League shall not at any time:

- (a) Use abusive, threatening or insulting language to or interfere with or assault any Umpire, Officer of the League, delegate or member of a Tribunal Committee or Commission of the League, Director, Member of the Football Commission or Servant of the League, Playing Member of a League Club, Registered Official of a League Club or gatekeeper or other employee of the League engaged at an oval at which a game arranged by or under the control of or approved by the League is being played;
- (b) Engage in conduct which is in the opinion of the Football League, is unbecoming, detrimental or prejudicial to the welfare, image, spirit or best interests of football or the League or any League Club.
- (c) A charge of misconduct may be laid by the Secretary or President of a League Club or the League Secretary or President. Such charge shall be laid to the League Secretary by no later than 5pm the following Monday on which the event or conduct is alleged to have occurred. Such matter shall be heard by the independent EP MRO (Match Review Officer) Subject to the MRO review a recommended penalty shall be provided to the League or alternatively refer to a Tribunal Hearing.
- (d) The League Executive, Commission or EP Match Review Officer have the absolute right at their discretion to refer any matter direct to the S.A.N.F.L. Commission for their adjudication.



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