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INTERPRETATION

1. Unless the context otherwise requires, words used in these By-Laws shall have the same meaning and interpretation as in the Constitution of CV.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEN'S PREMIER CLUB MEMBERSHIP

2. Subject to any dispensation granted by the Directors, the minimum qualifications for membership of CV for a Men's Premier Club are to have four senior men's teams competing in all four grades of Men's Premier Cricket and the lease, licence or confirmed right to use of two grounds and facilities throughout the season that meet the requirements set out in the Men's Premier Criteria Assessment to host Premier Cricket matches approved by CV management.
3. (1) Any entity applying for admission to membership of CV as a Men's Premier Club must forward with its application:
 - (a) a copy of its last Balance Sheet, signed by its Secretary and Treasurer, showing that it possesses the necessary qualifications;
 - (b) a copy of its memorandum and articles of association or rules for the approval of CV;
 - (c) proof of support from the relevant Local Government agency including, where relevant, the lease, licence or other confirmed right to use the ground and facilities;
 - (d) a written acknowledgment signed by the President and Secretary of the Men's Premier Club that the club satisfies the criteria in CV's Men's Premier Criteria Assessment.
- (2) Not less than seven days prior to the AGM of CV in each year, each Men's Premier Club shall deliver to CV:
 - (a) evidence, in a form approved by CV from time to time, of the continued satisfaction by it of the qualifications required by By-Law 2 and the criteria set out in CV's Men's Premier Criteria Assessment;
 - (b) a copy of its independently audited annual accounts and its annual report; and
 - (c) a declaration signed by the President and Secretary to CV stating that the members, officials and employees of the Men's Premier Club agree to be bound by CV's Constitution, By-Laws and Premier Cricket Competition Rules.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR WOMEN'S PREMIER CLUB MEMBERSHIP

4. The minimum qualifications for membership of CV for a Women's Premier Club are to have two senior women's teams competing in the two grades of Women's Premier Cricket the lease, licence or other confirmed right to use of a turf wicket ground and facilities throughout the season that meet the requirements set out in the Women's Premier Criteria Assessment to host Premier Cricket matches approved by CV management.

- (1) Any entity applying for admission as a Women's Premier Club must forward with its application:
 - (a) a copy of its last Balance Sheet, signed by its Secretary and Treasurer, showing that it possesses the necessary qualifications;
 - (b) a copy of its memorandum and articles of association or rules for the approval of CV;
 - (c) proof of support from the relevant Local Government agency including, where relevant, the lease, licence or other confirmed right to use the ground and facilities; and
 - (d) a written acknowledgment signed by the President and Secretary of the Women's Premier Club that the club satisfies the criteria in CV's Women's Premier Criteria Assessment.
- (2) Not less than seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting of CV in each year, each Women's Premier Club shall deliver to CV:
 - (a) evidence, in a form approved by the Directors from time to time, of the continued satisfaction by it of the qualifications required by By-Law 4, the criteria set out in CV's Premier Women's Criteria Assessment and a copy of its audited annual accounts and its annual report;
 - (b) a copy of its independently audited annual accounts and its annual report; and
 - (c) a declaration signed by the President and Secretary to CV stating that the members, officials and employees of the Women's Premier Club agree to be bound by CV's Constitution, By-Laws and Premier Cricket Competition Rules.

DISQUALIFICATION OR SUSPENSION

5. Any Member while under disqualification or suspension shall forfeit all the rights and privileges held under CV, its representatives shall cease to serve on any committee of CV and the Member shall be barred from competing in any match played under the auspices of CV.
6. CV may endorse the suspension or disqualification of any member or player of a cricket club imposed by any body controlling a cricket competition which is recognised by CA or CV and may prohibit any such member or player from participating in any match played under the auspices of CA or CV.

SUSPENSION AND FINES

7. Any Premier Club or player, official, member, employee or other participant of a Premier Club charged with misbehaviour or bringing the game of cricket into disrepute pursuant to Premier Cricket Competition Rule 11 shall be liable to be reprimanded, fined, suspended or otherwise sanctioned for such time as may be decided upon by the CV Tribunal.

APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO PREMIER CLUB

8. No Premier Club may change its legal or trading name, relocate to other grounds and facilities and/or merge with another club (regardless of whether the proposed partner club is a Premier Club or an Affiliate) without first obtaining the approval of CV.

MEN'S SELECTION COMMITTEE

9. The Directors shall from time to time determine the structure and composition of the committee to be engaged in the selection duties set out in By-Law 13 below, which committee will consist of at least three members (each of who shall exercise one vote), any or all of who may be employees, contractors or consultants of CV with specific roles relating to the management of the Victorian Men's senior squad (***Men's Selection Committee***) and shall advise the Members accordingly.
10. The Men's Selection Committee will be assisted by a panel of non-voting advisers (***Advisory Panel***) with the number of members to be determined by CV management from time to time. The function of the Advisory Panel will be to observe Men's Premier Cricket and provide information as required on players of interest to the Men's Selection Committee. Each such member of the Advisory Panel shall be appointed for a period of 12 months, or for such other period as determined by CV management.
11. The Men's Selection Committee will make a recommendation to the Directors as to who should be captain of the Victorian Men's Team from time to time. The Directors shall appoint a captain and the persons so appointed may be appointed to the Men's Selection Committee by the Directors. In determining who to appoint as the captain the Directors shall have regard to, but shall not be bound to follow, the Men's Selection Committee's recommendation.
12. Not less than 50% of members for the time being of the Men's Selection Committee shall constitute a quorum.
13. The duties of the Men's Selection Committee shall be:
 - (1) to select players to represent Victoria, including in all interstate and other representative cricket matches; and
 - (2) to recommend to the Directors a captain of the Victorian Men's Team prior to commencement of each season.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Directors may override any decisions of the Men's Selection Committee in exceptional circumstances.

WOMEN'S SELECTION COMMITTEE

14. The Directors shall from time to time determine the structure and composition of the body to be engaged in the selection duties set out in By-Law 17 below, which committee will consist of at least four members and if so desired, the Women's State Head Coach and Captain (each of who shall be entitled to exercise one vote) (***Women's Selection Committee***) and shall advise the Members accordingly.
15. The duties of the Women's Selection Committee shall be such as may be prescribed from time to time by the By-Laws including, but not limited to, making recommendation to the Directors as to who should be captain of the Victorian Women's Team from time to time. In determining who to appoint as the captain the Directors shall have regard to, but shall not be bound to follow, the Women's Selection Committee's recommendation.
16. Not less than 50% of members for the time being of the Women's Selection Committee shall constitute a quorum.

17. The duties of the Women's Selection Committee shall be:
- (1) to select players to represent Victoria, including in all interstate and other representative cricket matches; and
 - (2) to recommend to the Directors a captain of the Victorian Women's Team prior to commencement of each season.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Directors may override any decisions of the Women's Selection Committee in exceptional circumstances.

WOMEN'S PREMIER PANEL

18. (1) The Women's Premier Panel shall consist of the following persons:
- (a) the representative of each Women's Premier Club, appointed in accordance with the procedure in By-Law 18(3), each of who shall exercise one vote in meetings of the Women's Premier Panel; and
 - (b) the Women's Premier Panel Chair, elected by the Women's Premier Club representatives in accordance with the procedure in By-Law 18(2), who shall exercise one vote in meetings of the Women's Premier Panel.
- (2) The Women's Premier Panel Chair shall be an independent person elected for a term of three (3) years in accordance with the following procedure:
- (a) *Qualifications:* a nominee to the position of Women's Premier Panel Chair must be over 18 years of age and be a resident of Victoria.
 - (b) *Call for Nominations:* There shall be a call for nominations sixty (60) days before any meeting of the Women's Premier Clubs at which the election of the Women's Premier Panel Chair is to occur.
 - (c) *Nominations:* The Women's Premier Clubs each have the right to nominate one or more individuals for the position of the Women's Premier Panel Chair. Nominations must be:
 - (i) in writing;
 - (ii) on the prescribed form (if any) provided for that purpose;
 - (iii) signed by the relevant Women's Premier Club or the Directors;
 - (iv) certified by the nominee (who need not be a financial member of a Women's Premier Club) expressing their willingness to accept the position for which they are nominated; and
 - (v) received by the returning officer (who shall be such person as determined by the Women's Premier Panel from time to time) at least 28 days prior to the meeting of the Women's Premier Clubs at which the election of the Women's Premier Panel Chair is to occur.
 - (d) *Voting:* The voting shall be conducted by preferential ballot and each of the Women's Premier Clubs shall have one vote. In the event of a tie, the Women's Premier Panel Chair will be determined by lot.

- (e) The Women's Premier Panel Chair, must within 48 hours of being elected to such position, resign from any position that may be held as either:
 - (i) an employee of a Women's Premier Club or;
 - (ii) an Official Position within a Women's Premier Club.
- (3) A representative from each Women's Premier Club shall be appointed for a two-year term in accordance with the following procedure:
 - (a) *Qualifications:* a nominee to the position of Women's Premier Club representative must be over 18 years of age, be a resident of Victoria and a member of a Women's Premier Club.
 - (b) *Appointment:* Each Women's Premier Club shall appoint a representative to the Women's Premier Panel and shall notify CV of their appointed representative not less than sixty (60) days prior to the meeting of the Women's Premier Clubs at which the election of the Women's Premier Chair is to occur.
- 19. The function and purpose of the Women's Premier Panel shall be to provide advice to CV management in relation to the conduct, organisation and management of Women's Premier Cricket and to represent the interests of the Women's Premier Clubs at meetings of CV. The Women's Premier Panel represent and record the interests of the Women's Premier Clubs at General Meetings of CV by way of the Women's Premier Panel Chair casting votes in accordance with the CV Constitution. For the avoidance of doubt, the Women's Premier Panel is entitled to direct how the Women's Premier Panel Chair will cast the votes of the Women's Premier Panel at any General Meeting of CV.
- 20. The Women's Premier Panel shall meet as often as is deemed necessary, but at least 5 times per year, and always prior to the CV AGM and General Meetings. Without limiting the power of the Women's Premier Panel to regulate its meetings as it thinks fit, a meeting of the Women's Premier Panel may be held where one or more of the Women's Premier Panel is not physically present at the meeting provided that all persons participating in the meeting are able to communicate with each other and that each Women's Premier Panel member has received notice of the meeting.
- 21. Subject to the Constitution or any applicable By-Law or Rule, the Women's Premier Panel may lay down its own rules of procedure, which it may vary as it sees fit. The Women's Premier Panel shall not be subject to requirements of legal formality. A resolution in writing, signed or assented to by facsimile or electronic mail or other form of visible or other electronic communication by all the members of the Women's Premier Panel shall be valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Women's Premier Panel duly convened and held.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CRICKET PANEL

- 22. (1) The Women's Community Cricket Panel (**WCCP**) shall consist of 5 elected members and the Cricket Victoria Women's Community Competition Administrator (non-voting).
- (2) The nomination and appointment process of the WCCP shall be conducted as follows:
 - (a) *Call for Nominations:* There shall be a call for nominations prior to any meeting of the Women's Community Cricket Clubs (**WCC Clubs**) at which the election of the Women's Community Cricket Panel Representative (**WCCP Representative**) is scheduled to occur.

- (b) *Nominations:* The WCC Clubs each have the right to nominate one or more individuals for the positions of WCCP Representative.
 - (c) *Qualifications:* Nominees for the position of WCCP Representative must be over 18 years of age, be a resident of Victoria and a member of a WCC Club or interested individual.
 - (d) *Election:* If there are more nominations received than positions available, profiles of each candidate will be emailed to WCC Clubs prior to the vote.
 - (e) *Voting:* The voting shall be conducted by preferential ballot and each of the WCC Clubs shall have one vote. In the event of a tie, the WCCP Representative will be determined by lot.
 - (f) *Limitation:* There shall not be more than one representative of any WCC Club on the WCCP.
23. The duties of the WCCP shall include but is not limited to making recommendation to the Directors about grading of teams, match formats, rule changes, use of venues, clearance disputes and affiliation fees related to women's cricket.
24. The process relating to rule changes effecting Women's Community Cricket shall occur as follows:
- (1) WCC Clubs and CV management are to submit proposed rule changes by a date nominated by CV management each season;
 - (2) The WCCP will review all suggestions and provide a recommendation on each. WCC Clubs are then to be provided with proposed rule changes not less than 14 days prior to the May WCCP meeting; and
 - (3) WCC Clubs will vote on rule change proposals at the May meeting, with any approved rules to then be implemented.

SERVICES AGREEMENTS

25. Subject always to the Constitution, the Directors may resolve at any time to enter CV into a services agreement with entities (including Members) provided that any reimbursement for cricket expenses made under any service agreement entered into between CV and that entity must:
- (1) not be distributed to any of the individual members of the relevant service provider (except in accordance with this By-Law 25);
 - (2) be made in return for goods or services properly rendered to CV by the relevant service provider;
 - (3) be for the purposes of achieving the principal objects of CV;
 - (4) be in return for the relevant service provider promoting and fostering the growth of the sport of Cricket throughout the territory in which the relevant service provider operates; and
 - (5) be properly referable to the services provided by that relevant service provider to CV.