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By-law 1

Election of Zone Councillors and Standing Committee members

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by the Constitution of Football Federation Northern Territory Incorporated (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 1.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

This By-law provides for the election or appointment of Zone Councillors and Standing Committees.

4 Eligibility - Zone Councillors

4.1 Eligibility for election

A person is eligible to be a Zone Councillor if they are:

- (a) 18 years of age or over; and
- (b) nominated according to paragraph 9.2.

4.2 Eligibility to vote

Subject to paragraph 9.1:

Zone Councillors will be elected by the Registered Participants assigned to the relevant Zone (or in the case of Registered Participants under 18 years of age, by their parents or guardians, as the case may be).

5 Eligibility - Referees' Standing Committee

5.1 Eligibility for election

A person is eligible to be a member of the Referees' Standing Committee if they are:

- (a) 18 years of age or over; and
- (b) nominated according to paragraph 9.2.

5.2 Eligibility to vote

Subject to paragraph 9.1, the following persons have the right to vote:

- (a) a Registered Participant who is registered in the category of Accredited referee and is aged 18 years or over; and
- (b) a parent or guardian of a Registered Participant who is registered in the category of Accredited referee and is under 18 years of age.

6 Eligibility - Coaches' Standing Committee

6.1 Eligibility for election

A person is eligible to be a member of the Coaches' Standing Committee if they are:

- (a) 18 years of age or over; and
- (b) nominated according to paragraph 9.2.

6.2 Eligibility to vote

Subject to paragraph 9.1, the following persons have the right to vote:

- (a) a Registered Participant who:
 - (i) is registered in the category of Accredited coach; and
 - (ii) coaches a Football team participating in a competition that is recognised or sanctioned by the Association or a team that represents the Association and who is aged 18 years or over; and
- (b) a parent or guardian of a Registered Participant who;
 - (i) is registered in the category of Accredited coach; and
 - (ii) coaches a Football team participating in a competition that is recognised or sanctioned by the Association or a team that represents the Association and who is under 18 years of age.

7 Eligibility - Women's Standing Committee

7.1 Eligibility for election or appointment

A person is eligible to be a member of the Women's Standing Committee if they are:

- (a) 18 years of age or over; and
- (b) nominated according to paragraph 9.2.

7.2 Eligibility to vote or appoint members

Subject to paragraph 9.1:

- (a) Subject to paragraph 7.2(b), each Zone Council will appoint 3 members to the Women's Standing Committee.
- (b) The Zone encompassing Darwin will elect 3 members to the Women's Standing Committee, but votes may only be cast by Clubs assigned to that Zone fielding teams in women's senior or open competitions that are recognised or sanctioned by the Association. These teams must be participating in such competitions at the date of the relevant election, or have participated in those competitions within the 12 months preceding that date.

8 Eligibility – Juniors' Standing Committee

8.1 Eligibility for election or appointment

A person is eligible to be a member of the Juniors' Standing Committee if they are:

- (a) 18 years of age or over; and
- (b) nominated according to paragraph 9.2.

8.2 Eligibility to vote or appoint

Subject to paragraph 9.1:

- (a) Subject to paragraph 8.2(b), each Zone Council will appoint 3 members to the Juniors' Standing Committee.
- (b) The Zone encompassing Darwin will elect 3 members to the Juniors' Standing Committee, but votes may only be cast by Clubs assigned to that Zone and fielding teams in competitions that are recognised or sanctioned by the Association for players under 18 years of age. These teams must be participating in such competitions at the date of the relevant election, or have participated in those competitions within the 12 months preceding that date.

9 Elections generally

9.1 No right to multiple votes

Despite any other provision of this By-law, at an election held for the purposes of this By-law, a person (including a Club):

- (a) may vote at each election for which that person is eligible to vote; but
- (b) may not at any election:
 - (i) vote for Zone Councillors in more than one Zone;
 - (ii) vote more than once for any Standing Committee.

9.2 Nominations

A person who is eligible for election or appointment according to paragraphs 4.1, 5.1, 6.1, 7.1 or, 8.1 must be nominated for election by either of the following, as appropriate:

- (a) a Club; or
- (b) two persons, eligible to vote at the relevant election according to paragraphs 4.2, 5.2, 6.2, 7.2 or 8.2 (respectively).

An eligible voter may only nominate one candidate for membership of those Standing Committees they are eligible to vote for. That nomination shall be on a Zone basis, with each eligible voter restricted to nominating candidates for the Zone to which they are assigned.

A nomination must be:

- (c) in writing;
- (d) signed by the nominator(s) and the nominee;
- (e) specify the Zone or Standing Committee and Zone in respect of which the nominee is standing for election; and
- (f) be lodged at the Registered Office by the time and date specified in the notice calling for nominations.

9.3 Statements by candidates

Each candidate may provide the Directors with a statement supporting their candidacy.

Statements are to be received at the Registered Office by the date for the close of nominations according to paragraph 9.2.

Statements which are received within time are to be made available to eligible voters in the same way as ballot papers are made available under paragraph 9.6.

The Directors need not make available a statement under this paragraph if it is more than 1,000 words long or is, in the opinion of the Directors, defamatory.

9.4 Need for a poll

If the number of candidates for election is less than or equal to the number required to be elected, those candidates are taken to be elected or appointed and a declaration by the Directors to that effect is final.

If the number of candidates for election is greater than the number required to be elected, a poll will be held according to this By-law.

9.5 Ballot papers

The Directors must arrange for ballot papers to be published for:

- (a) Zone Councillor candidates in each Zone; and
- (b) Standing Committee candidates in each Zone, in respect of which an election is required.

Ballot papers will be in the form and contain the information the Directors think fit.

9.6 Distribution of ballot papers

Ballot papers will be made available to eligible voters in the manner the Directors think fit, including:

- (a) at the Registered Office;
- (b) on the Football Federation Northern Territory Incorporated website; and
- (c) at major competition venues.

9.7 Voting

Votes are to be recorded on ballot papers as follows:

- (a) electors must place consecutive whole numbers starting at “1” in the number of candidate squares equal to the number of candidates to be elected so as to indicate preferences; and
- (b) electors may place further consecutive whole numbers in additional candidate squares so as to indicate additional preferences.

Eligible voters may only vote for the candidates offered in the Zone to which the voter is assigned.

9.8 Return of ballot papers

Completed ballot papers must be returned to the Registered Office by the date stipulated on the ballot paper.

Any ballot paper which is received after that time will not be counted.

9.9 Scrutiny of ballot papers

Except as provided in this paragraph, a ballot paper is formal and effect must be given to the elector's intention as far as that intention is clear.

A ballot paper is informal if:

- (a) in the opinion of the Directors, or the Directors' nominee, it is not authentic;
- (b) no first preference is marked; or
- (c) a first preference is marked for two or more candidates,
- (d) it does not indicate a preference for at least the number of candidates to be elected.

The Directors, or the Directors' nominee, must examine each ballot paper and those ballot papers which are formal must be counted.

A decision by the Directors, or the Directors' nominee, under this paragraph is final.

9.10 Counting votes

The election will be determined in the following manner-

- (a) setting aside from the count as informal any ballot paper not in accordance with By-Law 9.9;
- (b) counting a vote for each candidate for every number marked 1 to the number of vacancies to be filled on the ballot paper admitted to the count;
- (c) vacancies being filled in order by candidate who polls the highest number of votes until all vacancies are filled;
- (d) where there is a tie for the last vacancy/s, it will be determined by the candidate/s who polled the highest number of first preference votes being elected to the vacancy/s. If the candidates are still tied the candidate chosen during the drawing of lots will be declared elected.

9.11 Declaration of results

As soon as possible after results of an election are ascertained, the Directors will:

- (a) declare the successful candidates elected;
- (b) notify the candidates of the results of the election; and
- (c) publish the results in any manner they consider appropriate.

A declaration made by the Directors under this paragraph is final.

10 Term of office and casual vacancies

10.1 Term of office

Each member of a Standing Committee will serve a two-year term and are eligible for re-election or re-appointment, as the case may be.

Each Zone Councillor will serve a two-year term and is eligible for re-election.

10.2 Casual vacancy or other shortfall in members

A casual vacancy will be filled by the Directors. However, in filling a casual vacancy, the Directors are to have regard to the results of the most recent election.

A person appointed under this paragraph holds office until the end of the term of the person in whose place they were appointed.

In addition, the Directors may appoint persons to be Standing Committee members in either of the following situations:

- (a) after an election of a Standing Committee, if the number of candidates for election to a Standing Committee was less than the minimum required number of members for that Standing Committee; or
- (b) at any time, if the Standing Committee had less than the maximum number of members.

In the case of such appointments, the Directors may appoint any number of members they deem appropriate, provided that the Standing Committee does not as a result have greater than the maximum number of members permitted by the By-laws. All persons appointed to fill a shortfall of members holds office as if they were elected at the immediately preceding election of Standing Committee members.

11 Timing of election of Standing Committee members

Elections for, and appointments to, Standing Committee members are to be held every two years and will coincide with every Zone Council election.

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By-law 2

Zone Councils

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by the Constitution of Football Federation Northern Territory Incorporated (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 2.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

In addition to those matters set out in the Constitution, this By-law establishes, and prescribes the functions, membership and method of operation and obligations of Zone Councils.

4 Establishment

There are established Zone Councils of the Association for each Zone established pursuant to rule 3.5 of the Constitution and elected or appointed according to By-law 1.

5 Functions and obligations

5.1 Functions

A Zone Council is to:

- (a) deliver national and territorial development programs as directed by the Association;
- (b) foster development of Football within its Zone;
- (c) within its Zone, conduct competitions approved by the Association;
- (d) identify, select and appoint teams representing its Zone;
- (e) administer Football within its Zone;
- (f) identify and secure safe facilities for the conduct of Football competitions within its Zone;
- (g) develop budgets for approval by the Association;
- (h) manage expenditures approved by the Association;

- (i) charge and collect fees and levies approved by the Association and FFA from Registered Participants and others involved in Football; and
- (j) enforce rules, regulations and by-laws set by FFA and the Association.

6 Membership

Zone Councils comprises a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 10 persons elected according to By-law 1.

These persons are Zone Councillors.

7 Proceedings

7.1 Meetings

The members of a Zone Council may meet together for conducting business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.

A Zone Council must meet regularly throughout the course of each year.

No-one, other than a Zone Councillor of the relevant Zone or an officer or delegate of the Association, is entitled to attend meetings of a Zone Council.

7.2 Chair

The members of a Zone Council must elect one of their number as chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.3 Deputy Chair

The members of a Zone Council must elect one of their number as deputy chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.4 Absence of Chair at a Zone Council meeting

The chair is entitled to preside at meetings of a Zone Council.

If the chair is not present and able and willing to act within 15 minutes after the time appointed for a meeting or has indicated their intention not to be present and able and willing to act, the following may preside (in order of entitlement):

- (a) the deputy chair;
- (b) a member of the Zone Council chosen by a majority of the members present.

7.5 Use of technology

A meeting of a Zone Council may be called or held using teleconferencing or video conferencing facilities or any other technology agreed to by all its members. The agreement may be a standing one. A Zone Councillor may only withdraw their agreement within a reasonable period before the meeting.

8 Membership of the Association

8.1 Becoming a member

The Zone Councillors in each Zone must elect from amongst their number from time to time one person, who together with the chair and deputy chair of the Zone Council will apply for membership of the Association according to the Constitution.

The chair, deputy chair and the person so elected each agree:

- (a) to apply for membership of the Association ;and
- (b) that, once admitted as a member of the Association ,they will maintain that membership until their membership ceases under the Constitution or this By-law.

8.2 Ceasing to be a member

A person automatically ceases to be a member of the Association if:

- (a) their membership ceases under rule 3.10 of the Constitution;
- (b) they are not re-elected as a Zone Councillor according to By-law 1;
- (c) they vacate the chair or deputy chair of the Zone Council (for whatever reason),

in which event the Zone Councillors who elected them according to paragraph 7.2, 7.3 or 8.1, elect another person or persons to apply for membership of the Association in their place.

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By-law 3 Referees' Standing Committee

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by the Constitution of the Association (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 3.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

This By-law establishes, and prescribes the functions, membership and method of operation of, the Referees' Standing Committee.

4 Establishment

There is established a Standing Committee of the Association to be called the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee.

5 Functions

The Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee is to advise the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on matters relating to Football referees and refereeing.

The Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or the Members may refer any matter relating to Football referees or refereeing to the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee for advice.

The Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee may give any advice requested of it, and may (whether or not requested to do so) make recommendations to the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on:

- (a) measures to promote, develop and improve Football refereeing in the Territory or Australia, including accreditation of referees and referees' instructors;
- (b) policies and processes for the selection of referees;
- (c) measures to identify, and promote the development of, talented referees;
- (d) policies and processes to ensure the consistent application of the Laws of the Game by referees;
- (e) refereeing standards and referee behaviour; and

- (f) any other matter relating to referees.

6 Membership

The members of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee will comprise not less than one and not more than three people from each Zone elected or appointed according to By-law 1. The Standing Committee shall not have less than 3 nor greater than 9 members.

7 Proceedings

7.1 Meetings

The members of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee may meet together for conducting business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.

The Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee must meet at least twice in each year.

7.2 Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee must elect one of their number as chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.3 Deputy Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee must elect one of their number as deputy chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.4 Absence of Chair at Standing Committee meeting

The chair is entitled to preside at meetings of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee.

If the chair is not present and able and willing to act within 15 minutes after the time appointed for a meeting or has indicated their intention not to be present and able and willing to act, the following may preside (in order of entitlement):

- (a) the deputy chair;
- (b) a member of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee chosen by a majority of the members present.

7.5 Use of technology

A meeting of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee may be called or held using teleconferencing or video conferencing facilities or any other technology agreed to by all its members. The agreement may be a standing one. A member of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee may only withdraw their agreement within a reasonable period before the meeting.

8 Membership of the Association

The person who occupies the position of chair of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee:

- (a) agrees to apply for membership of the Association according to the Constitution;
- (b) agrees that, once admitted as a member of the Association they will maintain that membership for as long as they remain the chair of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee; and
- (c) automatically ceases to be a member of the Association upon vacating the chair (for whatever reason) of the Northern Territory Referees' Standing Committee.

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By-law 4 Coaches' Standing Committee

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by the Constitution of the Association (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 4.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

This By-law establishes, and prescribes the functions, membership and method of operation of, the Coaches' Standing Committee.

4 Establishment

There is established a Standing Committee of the Association to be called the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee.

5 Functions

The Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee is to advise the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on matters relating to Football coaches.

The Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or Members may refer any matter relating to Football coaches to the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee for advice.

The Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee may give any advice requested of it, and may (whether or not requested to do so) make recommendations to the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on:

- (a) methods of improving talent identification and development, and development pathways, for Territory players;
- (b) appointment of the Territory's representative coaches;
- (c) delivery of programs for improving the teaching of Football;
- (d) delivery of coach accreditation courses and levels;
- (e) coaching standards and coach behaviour;
- (f) player behaviour and safety matters.

6 Membership

The members of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee will comprise not less than one and not more than three people from each Zone elected or appointed according to By-law 1. The Standing Committee shall not have less than 3 nor greater than 9 members.

7 Proceedings

7.1 Meetings

The members of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee may meet together for conducting business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.

The Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee must meet at least twice in each year.

7.2 Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee must elect one of their number as chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.3 Deputy Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee must elect one of their number as deputy chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.4 Absence of Chair at Standing Committee meeting

The chair is entitled to preside at meetings of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee.

If the chair is not present and able and willing to act within 15 minutes after the time appointed for a meeting or has indicated their intention not to be present and able and willing to act, the following may preside (in order of entitlement):

- (a) the deputy chair;
- (b) a member of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee chosen by a majority of the members present.

7.5 Use of technology

A meeting of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee may be called or held using teleconferencing or video conferencing facilities or any other technology agreed to by all its members. The agreement may be a standing one. A member of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee may only withdraw their agreement within a reasonable period before the meeting.

8 Membership of the Association

The person who occupies the position of chair of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee:

- (a) agrees to apply for membership of the Association according to the Constitution;
- (b) agrees that, once admitted as a member of the Association, they will maintain that membership for as long as they remain the chair of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee; and
- (c) automatically ceases to be a member of the Association upon vacating the chair (for whatever reason) of the Northern Territory Coaches' Standing Committee.

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By-law 5

Women's Standing Committee

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by the Constitution of the Association (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 5.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

This By-law establishes, and prescribes the functions, membership and method of operation of, the Women's Standing Committee.

4 Establishment

There is established a Standing Committee of the Association to be called the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee.

5 Functions

The Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee is to advise the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on matters relating to women's Football.

The Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or Members may refer any matter relating to women's Football to the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee for advice.

The Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee may give any advice requested of it, and may (whether or not requested to do so) make recommendations to the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on:

- (a) measures to promote, develop and improve women's football in the Territory;
- (b) measures to identify, and promote the development of, talented women Football players in the Territory;
- (c) consistency of application of rules, programs and structures, and equality of opportunity, for women in Football; and
- (d) any other matter relating to women's Football.

6 Membership

The members of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee will comprise not less than one and not more than three people from each Zone elected or appointed according to By-law 1. The Standing Committee shall not have less than 3 nor greater than 9 members.

7 Proceedings

7.1 Meetings

The members of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee may meet together for conducting business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.

The Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee must meet at least twice in each year.

7.2 Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee must elect one of their number as chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.3 Deputy Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee must elect one of their number as deputy chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.4 Absence of Chair at Standing Committee meeting

The chair is entitled to preside at meetings of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee.

If the chair is not present and able and willing to act within 15 minutes after the time appointed for a meeting or has indicated their intention not to be present and able and willing to act, the following may preside (in order of entitlement):

- (a) the deputy chair;
- (b) a member of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee chosen by a majority of the members present.

7.5 Use of technology

A meeting of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee may be called or held using teleconferencing or video conferencing facilities or any other technology agreed to by all its members. The agreement may be a standing one. A member of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee may only withdraw their agreement within a reasonable period before the meeting.

8 Membership of the Association

The person who occupies the position of chair of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee:

- (a) agrees to apply for membership of the Association according to the Constitution;
- (b) agrees that, once admitted as a member of the Association , they will maintain that membership for as long as they remain the chair of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee; and
- (c) automatically ceases to be a member of the Association upon vacating the chair (for whatever reason) of the Northern Territory Women's Standing Committee.

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By-law 6

Juniors' Standing Committee

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by of the Constitution of the Association (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 6.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

This By-law establishes, and prescribes the functions, membership and method of operation of, the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee.

4 Establishment

There is established a Standing Committee of the Association to be called the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee.

5 Functions

The Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee is to advise the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on matters relating to juniors' Football.

The Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or Members may refer any matter relating to junior Football to the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee for advice.

The Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee may give any advice requested of it, and may (whether or not requested to do so) make recommendations to the Directors and the Chief Executive Officer on:

- (a) inter-Zone and Territory competitions for junior Football players, including school competitions;
- (b) any matters affecting participation by, and the development of, junior Football players; and
- (c) any other matter relating to juniors' Football.

6 Membership and involvement of schools

The members of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee will comprise not less than one and not more than three people from each Zone elected or appointed according to By-law 1. The Standing Committee shall not have less than 3 nor greater than 9 members.

The chairman of the Standing Committee must invite representatives of the following organisations to attend and participate (but not vote) at committee meetings:

- (a) those bodies governing or materially participating in the provision of Football to primary and secondary schools in the Northern Territory; and
- (b) such other bodies relevant to juniors' or schools' Football as the chairman thinks fit.

Such invitations may be on standing basis or applicable only to specific meetings.

7 Proceedings

7.1 Meetings

The members of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee may meet together for conducting business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.

The Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee must meet at least twice in each year.

7.2 Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee must elect one of their number as chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.3 Deputy Chair

The members of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee must elect one of their number as deputy chair and may determine the period for which that person is to hold office.

7.4 Absence of Chair at Standing Committee meeting

The chair is entitled to preside at meetings of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee.

If the chair is not present and able and willing to act within 15 minutes after the time appointed for a meeting or has indicated their intention not to be present and able and willing to act, the following may preside (in order of entitlement):

- (a) the deputy chair;
- (b) a member of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee chosen by a majority of the members present.

7.5 Use of technology

A meeting of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee may be called or held using teleconferencing or video conferencing facilities or any other technology agreed to by all its members. The agreement may be a standing one. A member of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee may only withdraw their agreement within a reasonable period before the meeting.

8 Membership of the Association

The person who occupies the position of chair of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee:

- (a) agrees to apply for membership of the Association according to the Constitution;
- (b) agrees that, once admitted as a member of the Association, they will maintain that membership for as long as they remain the chair of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee; and
- (c) automatically ceases to be a member of the Association upon vacating the chair (for whatever reason) of the Northern Territory Juniors' Standing Committee.

Football Federation Northern Territory Incorporated By-law 7 Zones

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by the Constitution of the Association (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 7.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

This By-law establishes the Zones and identifies their boundaries.

4 The Zones

There will be three Zones and their boundaries are those identified in the **attachment** to this By-law.

Note that the Association must prepare the attachment and have it approved by FFA before adopting this By-law.

5 Association must assign to Zones

The Association must:

- (a) maintain a register of all Clubs; and
- (b) assign each Club to a Zone, and record that fact in the register.

Eligible voters other than Clubs are deemed to be assigned to the Zone within which they either reside or participate, as the Association sees fit on a case by case basis.

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By-law 8 Appeals

1 Status

This By-law is made by the Directors under the powers conferred on them by the Constitution of the Association (**Constitution**). It is to be known as By-law 8.

2 Interpretation

Words and phrases defined in the Constitution have the same meanings in this By-law, which is to be read in conjunction with (and subject to) the Constitution.

3 Purpose

This By-law establishes the Appeal Procedure operated by Football Federation Northern Territory.

4 Establishment

There is established a Territory Appeal Procedure.

5 Appeals

The Association shall establish an Appeal Panel to hear all appeals.

- (a) All Member clubs, Affiliated Organisations, players, officials, and other persons who have been penalised or in any way restricted by a finding or determination of a tribunal, disciplinary committee or any body acting in judicial manner shall have the right to appeal to the Appeal Panel against the decision made after exhausting all avenues of appeal at lower levels of governance, all Member clubs, Affiliated Organisations, players, officials, and other persons shall have the right to appeal to the Appeal Panel. All decisions of the Appeal Panel shall be final and binding on all parties.
- (b) Duties and Powers of the Appeal Panel shall be contained in By-Law and as determined by the Association from time to time.
- (c) The procedures for the hearing of any appeal shall be as laid down from time to time by the Association.
- (d) The Appeal Panel shall consist of persons appointed by the Association. The Association shall also appoint the Chairman of the Appeal Panel. No person shall be appointed to the Panel having or potentially having a conflict of interest between their role on the panel and any other role or position they may hold.

- (e) The quorum of the Appeal Panel shall be three (3) members including the Chairman PROVIDED THAT two (2) members of the Appeal panel may hear an appeal with the consent of all parties.
- (f) Should the Chairman of the Appeal Panel not be present, the most senior member of the Appeal Panel in continuous service shall act as Chairman.
- (g) The Appeal Panel may dismiss or allow in whole or in part any Appeal and may quash or vary by reduction or increase or otherwise any decision imposed or may in substitution for any decision or sentence impose any sentence or make any finding which the original tribunal or disciplinary committee having jurisdiction over the appellant could have imposed or made.
- (h) Subject to the rules of natural justice which shall at all times be observed, the Appeal Panel may lay down its own rules of procedures which may vary as it sees fit from time to time and it shall not save as aforesaid be subject to requirements of legal formality.

IDENTIFIED ZONE BOUNDARIES

Northern Zone

Darwin and the rural area will be the major part of this Zone. Boundaries include:

1. Melville and Bathurst Islands in the north,
2. Chambers Bay in the north,
3. South following the Adelaide River to the Adelaide River township in the south, and
4. West following La Bell Station boundary to Anson Bay.

Central Zone

Katherine, Nhulunbuy and Borroloola will be the major communities of this Zone. Boundaries include:

1. Arnhem Land coast in the north,
2. South to the 19° South Parallel,
3. Western Australian border in the west, and
4. Queensland border in the east

Southern Zone

Alice Springs and Tennant Creek will be the major communities of this Zone. Boundaries include:

1. 19° South Parallel in the north,
2. South Australian border in the south,
3. Western Australian border in the west, and
4. Queensland border in the east.

Northern Territory Zone map attached