DEAF REGIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE LLC

OFFICIAL BYLAWS

League Governance | Regional Divisions | Administration

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PREAMBLE

These Bylaws establish the league governance structure of Deaf Regional Football League LLC, referred to as DRFL.

DRFL operates organized football programs, including Flag Football and Tackle Football, and may establish authorized regional divisions throughout the United States.

These Bylaws are intended to promote:

- Fair competition
- Player safety
- Consistent league administration
- Financial responsibility
- Accountability
- Regional growth
- Professional conduct
- Long-term sustainability

These Bylaws supplement DRFL's Articles of Organization, Operating Agreement, insurance requirements, contracts, policies, Operations Manual, and Game Rules.

If these Bylaws conflict with controlling law, DRFL's Articles of Organization, or DRFL's Operating Agreement, the controlling legal authority shall govern.

ARTICLE I—NAME, LEGAL STATUS,

DEFINITIONS, AND ORGANIZATION

Section 1. Official Name

The official legal name of the organization is Deaf Regional Football League LLC The organization may use:

DRFL

for branding, registration, scheduling, competition, communication, media, and league operations.

Section 2. Legal Status

DRFL is organized as a limited liability company.

DRFL shall maintain its own:

- Business identity
- EIN
- Banking
- Accounting records
- Contracts
- Insurance
- Website
- Registration systems

- Payment systems
- League documents
- Intellectual property

Participation with another league, nonprofit, association, sports organization, tournament, or championship does not automatically transfer ownership or control of DRFL.

Section 3. Definitions

For purposes of these bylaws: DRFL means Deaf Regional Football League LLC.

Commissioner means the individual designated to exercise overall administration of the DRFL.

"Regional Division" means an authorized geographic football division operating within the DRFL structure.

"Regional Commissioner" means an authorized person responsible for administering an assigned DRFL region.

"Team owner" means the approved person primarily responsible for a registered team.

Coach means an approved head coach or assistant coach.

Player means an individual registered and approved to participate in DRFL competition.

"Team" means a football team properly registered with DRFL.

Season means an officially designated DRFL competition period.

Good standing means that applicable registration, fees, roster requirements, insurance requirements, conduct standards, and league obligations are current.

Game rules mean the separately adopted flag football or tackle football competition rules.

Operations Manual means DRFL's administrative rules and procedures that may be updated without rewriting the full bylaws.

Section 4. Sports Operated by DRFL

DRFL may operate:

- Men's Flag Football
- Women's Flag Football
- Men's Tackle Football
- Approved COED Flag Football
- Other football programs approved by DRFL

Additional sports may be established in the future through proper DRFL action.

Section 5. Playing Formats

DRFL may authorize:

- 7v7 Flag Football
- 8v8 Flag Football
- 7v7 Tackle Football
- 8v8 Tackle Football

DRFL is not required to operate traditional 11-player football.

Section 6. Regional Divisions

DRFL may organize teams into geographic divisions, including:

- Southeast Region
- Northeast Region
- Midwest Region
- Southwest Region
- West Region
- Other approved regions

Regional boundaries may change based on participation, travel, scheduling, competitive balance, and league development.

Section 7. Regional Operating Names

DRFL may authorize regional operating names.

For example: Southeast Deaf Football League (SEDFL) A regional operating name does not automatically create a separate:

- LLC
- Corporation
- Nonprofit
- Bank account
- Ownership interest
- Legal entity

unless separately established in writing.

Section 8. Authority of Regional Divisions

All DRFL regions shall follow:

- These Bylaws
- DRFL Operations Manual
- DRFL Game Rules
- DRFL safety policies
- DRFL insurance requirements
- DRFL financial policies
- Authorized Commissioner directives

Regional divisions may adopt reasonable local operating procedures but may not override DRFL-wide rules.

ARTICLE II — PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES DRFL's purposes include:

- Creating organized football opportunities
- Supporting Deaf and hard-of-hearing athletes and communities
- Providing Flag and Tackle Football
- Supporting men's and women's programs

- Encouraging sportsmanship
- Improving player safety
- Supporting owners and coaches
- Developing officials and commissioners
- Building regional competition
- Supporting affordable participation when financially practical
- Developing championship opportunities
- Building sustainable league operations

DRFL may collaborate with:

- Nonprofit organizations
- LLCs
- Sports associations
- Sponsors
- Municipalities
- Schools
- Insurance providers
- Field operators
- Other leagues

Collaboration does not automatically transfer DRFL ownership, finances, branding, or management authority.

ARTICLE III — MEMBERSHIP, TEAMS,

AND PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Section 1. Participation Categories

DRFL participants may include:

- Owners
- Head Coaches
- Assistant Coaches
- Players
- Commissioners
- Officials
- Referees
- Volunteers
- Administrative personnel

Participation does not create ownership in DRFL LLC.

Section 2. Team Admission

Teams may be required to complete:

- Registration
- Owner/coach application

- Team fees
- Player fees
- Rosters
- Insurance requirements
- Agreements
- Waivers
- League acknowledgments

DRFL may deny or condition participation when necessary to protect safety, competition, finances, scheduling, or league integrity.

Section 3. Player Eligibility

Players must:

- Meet applicable age requirements
- Register with DRFL
- Appear on an approved roster
- Complete required waivers
- Meet applicable payment requirements
- Follow league rules
- Follow safety requirements

Section 3A. Minors in Adult Football and Planned Youth Divisions

Adult division baseline: DRFL adult football divisions are generally intended for participants age 18 or older. The following age-based exceptions are proposals, not an automatic right to participate.

Current adult flag-football proposal: A player who is age 16 or 17 may apply to participate in DRFL adult flag football only after DRFL gives individual written approval and all applicable legal, insurance, safeguarding, registration, and safety conditions are satisfied. Players younger than 16 are not eligible for adult flag football under this exception.

Current adult tackle-football proposal: A player who is age 17 may apply to participate in DRFL adult 7v7 or 8v8 tackle football only if the exact age-mixed, proposed protective-equipment and contact format is expressly accepted in writing by the insurer and approved after qualified football safety and legal review. A player younger than 17 is not eligible for adult tackle football under this exception. No minor may participate until all conditions are satisfied.

Required protections for any approved minor: Written parent or legal guardian permission, age and identity verification, required waivers, emergency contacts, appropriate medical and return-to-play procedures, trained and vetted adult supervisors, abuse-prevention and reporting safeguards, age-appropriate participation restrictions, and any additional requirements imposed by law, insurer, venue, or DRFL.

Future youth program proposal: Beginning no earlier than a later season approved by DRFL, DRFL may establish separate youth flag football and youth tackle football programs for ages 13 through 17. No youth division is automatically activated by these Bylaws; each must receive independent written DRFL approval, proper insurance, safeguarding protocols, and sport- and age-specific gameplay and safety rules before registration or participation.

Youth tackle safety: No youth tackle program, and no full-contact tackle play using soft protective equipment, may commence solely because it is listed in these Bylaws. The contact method, protective equipment, age grouping, medical staffing and return-to-play program require review by appropriate qualified safety professionals and written insurer acceptance. If approval is not obtained, DRFL shall not operate that proposed format.

Youth safeguards and staff conduct: Before launching a youth program, DRFL shall adopt written screening, supervision, anti-abuse, mandatory-reporting, private communication, transportation, incident-handling, and accessible communication practices appropriate to the minors served. Coaches and volunteers must complete all legally and insurer-required clearance and training before supervised activity.

Youth age grouping: Age brackets and any age, size, maturity, or skill separation shall be set in a youth-specific season policy after insurer, legal, and qualified sport-safety review. A general 13-through-17 division description does not authorize all ages to compete directly against one another.

Youth governance and finances: A designated DRFL youth-program administrator shall document parental contacts, eligibility approvals, emergency protocols, coach authorizations, incidents, and insurance confirmation. Youth registration and payments do not by themselves confer eligibility or guarantee an event will occur.

Rule hierarchy: Detailed playing formats, roster implementation, age brackets, fees, waivers, staff qualifications, and safety procedures shall be documented in separately adopted DRFL policies and game rules consistent with applicable law and these Bylaws. DRFL may deny or delay participation when requirements are unmet.

Section 4. Flag Football Divisions

Flag competitions may include:

- Men's Flag
- Women's Flag
- COED Flag
- 7v7
- 8v8

Section 5. Tackle Football Divisions

Tackling competition may include:

- Men's Tackle
- 7v7 Tackle
- 8v8 Tackle

Additional safety and equipment requirements may apply.

Section 6. Regional Assignment

Teams normally participate within their assigned region.

DRFL may approve:

- Crossover games
- Interregional competition
- Regional championships

- National championships
- Special tournaments

Section 7. Good Standing

A team must remain in good standing to receive full league privileges.

Good standing may require:

- Current fees
- Complete roster
- Required insurance
- Required waivers
- Compliance with discipline
- Compliance with league deadlines

Section 8. Roster Verification

DRFL may:

- Review rosters
- Verify player identity
- Investigate eligibility
- Correct roster errors
- Reject unauthorized players
- Penalize teams using ineligible participants

Knowingly using an ineligible player may result in forfeiture or additional discipline.

Section 9. Championship Eligibility

A team may need to maintain good standing to participate in:

- Playoffs
- Regional championships
- National championships
- Special postseason events

Outstanding fees, serious discipline, or roster violations may affect eligibility.

ARTICLE IV — ADMISSION AND GATE

PRIVILEGES

Section 1. Admission

DRFL may charge admission for:

- Regular games
- Tournaments
- Championships
- Special events

- Live-streaming services

Section 2. Credentials and Passes

DRFL may issue:

- Team passes
- Coach passes
- Commissioner credentials
- Official credentials
- Volunteer passes
- Media credentials
- VIP passes

Unauthorized duplication or use is prohibited.

Section 3. Gate Revenue

Admission revenue collected by DRFL shall be treated as DRFL business revenue unless a written agreement provides otherwise.

Section 4. Event Conduct

DRFL may remove spectators or participants whose conduct creates a threat of violence.

- Threats
- Violence
- Serious disruption
- Harassment
- Safety concerns
- Interference with officials

ARTICLE V — BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Section 1. Purpose

DRFL may maintain a Board of Commissioners to assist with league administration.

The Board does not automatically constitute ownership or legal management of DRFL LLC.

Section 2. Board Positions

Positions may include:

- Founder & Commissioner
- Assistant Commissioner
- Regional Commissioners
- Flag Football Commissioner
- Tackle Football Commissioner
- Women's Flag Commissioner
- Officials Coordinator

- Safety Representative
- Other approved positions

Section 3. LLC Ownership

Board service does not automatically provide:

- LLC ownership
- Equity
- Profit-sharing rights
- Banking authority
- Property rights

Section 4. Appointments and Terms

Commissioners may be appointed according to DRFL needs.

Terms may be:

- Annual
- Seasonal
- Multi-year
- Until replaced or resigned

The Founder & Commissioner may establish specific terms in appointment documents.

Section 5. Vacancies and Resignation

A Commissioner may resign by written notice.

DRFL may appoint an interim replacement when a position becomes vacant.

Section 6. Regional Commissioners

Regional Commissioners may administer their region but may not independently:

- Change DRFL ownership
- Open unauthorized DRFL bank accounts
- Change DRFL-wide fees
- Transfer DRFL assets
- Sign major contracts without authority
- Transfer DRFL teams to another organization
- Change DRFL Bylaws
- License DRFL branding without authorization

Section 7. Removal

A Commissioner may be suspended or removed for:

- Serious misconduct
- Failure to perform duties
- Financial misuse

- Confidentiality violations
- Unauthorized agreements
- Repeated rule violations
- Conduct harmful to DRFL operations

ARTICLE VI — DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Founder & Commissioner

The Founder & Commissioner shall provide overall DRFL leadership and may oversee:

- League development
- Scheduling
- Financial administration
- Insurance
- Regional divisions
- Championships
- Commissioner appointments
- Policy enforcement
- Discipline
- Business operations

Section 2. Assistant Commissioner

The Assistant Commissioner may assist with:

- League operations
- Communication
- Scheduling
- Regional coordination
- Administrative projects

Section 3. Regional Commissioner

Regional Commissioners shall:

- Communicate with teams
- Monitor registration
- Assist scheduling
- Enforce DRFL requirements
- Report major concerns
- Support regional development

Section 4. Flag Football Commissioner

The Flag Commissioner may oversee:

- Men's Flag

- Women's Flag
- COED when approved
- Flag scheduling
- Flag rules
- Flag officials
- Flag championships

Section 5. Tackle Football Commissioner

The Tackle Commissioner may oversee:

- Tackle schedules
- Weekly competition
- Home-and-away scheduling
- Safety requirements
- Equipment requirements
- Tackle officials
- Championships

Section 6. Official Coordinator

The officials coordinator may assist with:

- Referee assignments
- Official availability
- Rule communication
- Game reports
- Official conduct
- Safety concerns

Officials remain responsible for enforcing applicable game rules during competition.

Section 7. Standard of Conduct

All officers shall act in good faith and in the interests of proper DRFL operations.

ARTICLE VII — MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

Section 1. Regular Meetings

Meetings may occur monthly, seasonally, or as necessary.

Section 2. Meeting Methods

Meetings may be conducted:

- In person
- Through video conference
- Through accessible electronic platforms
- Through other approved methods

Accessibility for Deaf participants should be considered.

Section 3. Special Meetings

The Commissioner may call special meetings when necessary.

Section 4. Notice

Reasonable notice should be provided whenever practical.

Section 5. Quorum

Unless otherwise established by DRFL policy, a majority of currently appointed voting commissioners shall constitute a quorum for formal Board recommendations.

Section 6. Voting

When a formal board vote is requested, a majority of votes cast shall determine the board recommendation unless another requirement has been established.

Board voting does not override authority legally reserved to the LLC owner.

Section 7. Tie Votes

A tie vote does not automatically approve a proposal.

The Commissioner may:

- Request additional discussion
- Request another vote
- Refer the matter for additional review
- Exercise authority otherwise granted by DRFL governing documents

Section 8. Electronic Action

DRFL may permit authorized Board action through the following:

- Email
- Electronic voting systems
- Approved online platforms
- Written electronic consent

when appropriate.

ARTICLE VIII — COMMITTEES

DRFL may establish committees including:

- Rules
- Finance
- Safety
- Discipline
- Appeals

- Officials
- Championships
- Sponsorship
- Regional Development
- Women's Football
- Media

Committees are advisory unless specific authority is delegated.

ARTICLE IX — FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Section 1. Financial Responsibility

DRFL shall manage business and league finances responsibly.

Business funds should be maintained separately from personal funds.

Section 2. Revenue

DRFL revenue may include:

- Team fees
- Player fees
- Registration
- Admission
- Sponsorships
- Fundraising
- Donations made to DRFL
- Merchandise
- Streaming
- Advertising
- Events
- Grants for which DRFL qualifies
- Other lawful revenue

Section 3. Authorized Expenses

DRFL may pay appropriate expenses, including:

- Insurance
- Officials
- Referees
- Fields
- Equipment
- Safety supplies
- Website
- Domain

- Business email
- Payment processing
- Championship prizes
- Awards
- Administration
- Marketing
- Professional services
- Approved travel
- Emergency expenses

Section 4. Flag Football Budget

Flag Football may have its own operating budget.

Expenses may include:

- Insurance
- Officials
- Limited scheduled league fields
- Equipment
- Flags
- Footballs
- Championships
- Administration

Section 5. Tackle Football Budget

Tackle Football may require a larger operating budget due to:

- Weekly competition
- Home-and-away scheduling
- Additional field rentals
- Officials
- Safety requirements
- Equipment
- Higher operating expenses

Section 6. Fees and Forfeit Fees

DRFL shall publish applicable fees before each season.

Fees may include:

- Team fees
- Player fees
- Insurance contributions
- All-in participation fees
- Event fees

- Forfeit fees
- Other properly announced charges

Forfeit Fees

A team that fails to appear for a scheduled game, refuses to continue a game without an approved reason, or otherwise causes an official DRFL forfeit may be charged: First Forfeit: $150 Second Forfeit: $250 Additional forfeits may result in:

- Suspension
- Loss of playoff eligibility
- Removal from the schedule
- Removal from DRFL
- Other appropriate league action

Forfeit fees must be paid by the deadline established by DRFL.

Section 7. Test-Year Pricing

DRFL may designate a season as a test year.

DRFL may review actual:

- Insurance costs
- Fields
- Officials
- Equipment
- Website expenses
- Payment processing
- Administration
- Championship costs

Future fees may be adjusted based on actual expenses.

Section 8. Sponsorship and Fundraising

DRFL may seek sponsorships, fundraising, grants for which it qualifies, and other business support.

These funds may help reduce financial pressure on players, owners, and coaches.

Section 9. Refund Policy

DRFL may establish a No Refund Policy when properly disclosed and legally permitted.

Written exceptions may be approved when appropriate.

Section 10. Banking and Payment Authority

Only individuals specifically authorized by DRFL may:

- Access DRFL banking
- Approve payments
- Sign financial agreements

- Issue refunds
- Enter payment-processing agreements
- Make major business purchases

Regional commissioners and coaches do not automatically receive financial authority.

Section 11. Reimbursements

A person seeking reimbursement for an approved DRFL expense may be required to provide:

- Receipt
- Invoice
- Proof of payment
- Business purpose
- Prior authorization when required

Unauthorized personal expenses are not automatically reimbursable.

Section 12. Financial Records

DRFL shall maintain reasonable records of:

- Revenue
- Expenses
- Fields
- Officials
- Insurance
- Sponsorships
- Payment processing
- Equipment purchases
- Major league costs

Section 13. Fiscal Year

Unless otherwise changed by DRFL, the financial year shall follow the calendar year: January 1 through December 31.

Section 14. Operating Reserve

DRFL may retain reasonable business reserves to help cover:

- Emergency expenses
- Unexpected field costs
- Insurance increases
- Equipment
- Website expenses
- Future league operations

Not all collected revenue must be spent during the season in which it is received.

ARTICLE X — CONDUCT, DISCIPLINE,

AND APPEALS

Section 1. Standard of Conduct

Participants shall maintain professional and sportsmanlike conduct.

Section 2. Prohibited Conduct

Prohibited conduct may include:

- Fighting
- Threats
- Harassment
- Discrimination
- Dangerous play
- Abuse of officials
- Fraud
- Roster falsification
- Financial misconduct
- Unauthorized use of DRFL property

Section 3. Discipline

Possible discipline includes:

- Warning
- Probation
- Game suspension
- Multiple-game suspension
- Season suspension
- Ejection
- Forfeit
- Team sanction
- Removal from DRFL

Section 4. Fighting and Dangerous Conduct

Fighting or deliberate attempts to injure another participant may result in immediate removal and additional discipline.

DRFL may review:

- Official reports
- Video
- Witness information
- Participant statements

Section 5. Team Responsibility

Owners and coaches are responsible for helping maintain appropriate team behavior.

Repeated misconduct by team members may result in team-level sanctions.

Section 6. Appeals

A disciplined participant may submit an appeal according to the deadline and procedure in the Operations Manual.

An appeal should identify:

- The decision challenged
- Relevant facts
- Supporting information
- Requested outcome

Section 7. Final Decision

The Commissioner or designated Appeals Committee shall issue the final internal DRFL administrative decision.

ARTICLE XI — CONFIDENTIALITY AND PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Section 1. Confidential Information

Confidential information may include:

- Player personal information
- Financial information
- Discipline investigations
- Insurance claims
- Legal matters
- Internal Commissioner discussions
- Business-sensitive information

Section 2. Access

Access shall be limited to individuals who have a legitimate DRFL reason to receive the information.

Section 3. Public Statements

Only authorized representatives may make official DRFL statements.

Personal opinions shall not be represented as official DRFL decisions.

Section 4. Social Media

DRFL representatives shall not knowingly publish:

- Confidential information
- False official statements
- Unauthorized league decisions

- Protected player information

Section 5. Electronic Communications

DRFL may communicate official league information through:

- Email
- Website
- Approved messaging platforms
- Electronic forms
- Video communication
- Other authorized systems

ARTICLE XII — CONFLICT OF INTEREST, INDEMNIFICATION, RECORDS, AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY Section 1. Conflict of Interest

A decision-maker shall disclose a personal or financial interest that could improperly influence a DRFL decision.

DRFL may require that person to abstain.

Section 2. Outside Business Interests

DRFL representatives may participate in other organizations provided they do not:

- Misuse DRFL information
- Divert DRFL funds
- Create undisclosed conflicts
- Falsely represent DRFL
- Interfere with assigned duties

Section 3. Indemnification

To the extent allowed by law, contracts, and applicable insurance, DRFL may provide indemnification for authorized representatives acting properly within their assigned responsibilities.

This section does not guarantee insurance coverage.

Section 4. Records

DRFL may maintain:

- Team applications
- Player registrations
- Rosters
- Waivers
- Contracts
- Insurance records
- Financial records
- Commissioner appointments

- Meeting records
- Discipline records
- Championship records

Section 5. Record Security

DRFL shall use reasonable measures to protect confidential and business-sensitive information.

Section 6. DRFL Intellectual Property

DRFL may claim and protect rights in its original materials, including:

- DRFL logos
- Original graphics
- Original forms
- Original manuals
- Original policy language
- Website materials
- Marketing materials
- Original regional branding
- Original league publications

No person may falsely represent DRFL materials as their own or use DRFL branding in a manner suggesting unauthorized affiliation.

Nothing in this section claims ownership over generally available football concepts, laws, public-domain material, or material that is not legally protectable.

Section 7. Electronic Signatures and Records

DRFL may accept electronic:

- Signatures
- Applications
- Waivers
- Agreements
- Acknowledgments
- Approvals
- Notices

when legally appropriate.

Electronic records may be treated as official DRFL records.

ARTICLE XIII — PARLIAMENTARY

AUTHORITY DRFL may use simplified parliamentary procedures to conduct meetings fairly and efficiently.

Formal parliamentary procedure may be used when helpful.

No parliamentary rule shall override:

- Applicable law
- DRFL's Articles of Organization
- DRFL's Operating Agreement
- These Bylaws
- Properly adopted DRFL policies

Accessibility and clear communication should be prioritized.

ARTICLE XIV — AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Section 1. Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended to improve:

- Operations
- Safety
- Governance
- Financial administration
- Regional development
- Competition

Section 2. Proposed Changes

Changes may be proposed by:

- Founder & Commissioner
- Authorized Commissioner
- Designated committee

Section 3. Approval

Final approval shall follow the authority established by DRFL ownership and its Operating Agreement.

Section 4. Notice to Teams

Major changes affecting participation should normally be communicated before the applicable season.

Section 5. Emergency Changes

DRFL may make temporary or immediate operational changes when reasonably necessary because of:

- Weather
- Field closure
- Safety concerns
- Insurance requirements
- Government requirements
- Venue problems
- Emergency scheduling
- Other serious operational conditions

Emergency changes do not automatically create permanent amendments to these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XV — DISSOLUTION, SEVERABILITY, AND CONTINUING AUTHORITY Section 1. Dissolution

If DRFL LLC is dissolved, its assets, liabilities, contracts, and obligations shall be handled according to:

- Applicable law
- DRFL's Operating Agreement
- Binding contracts
- Creditor obligations

DRFL assets are not automatically required to transfer to a nonprofit organization solely because DRFL operates sports programs.

Section 2. Severability

If one provision of these Bylaws is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall continue in effect to the extent legally permitted.

Section 3. No Waiver

If DRFL fails to enforce a rule in one situation, it does not permanently waive its right to enforce that rule in the future.

Section 4. Controlling Authority

If there is a conflict among DRFL governing documents, controlling law and DRFL's formal LLC governing rules shall take priority.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION - FOR LEGAL REVIEW

This governance-only revision is proposed for review. It does not replace or amend the previously signed DRFL Bylaws unless adopted through the applicable DRFL amendment and LLC approval process.

DEAF REGIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE LLC

Founder & Commissioner: Tranese Hall

Proposed revision effective date: _____

Authorized signature: _____

Date of approval: _____

SCHEDULE A

MATTERS DELEGATED TO THE DRFL OPERATIONS

MANUAL

The following matters may be established or updated through the DRFL Operations Manual without rewriting the complete Bylaws, provided they do not conflict with controlling law or these Bylaws.

Game Rules Are Separate Documents

Detailed Flag Football and Tackle Football gameplay requirements, including 7v7 and 8v8 play, field dimensions, game clocks, scoring, overtime, penalties, officiating mechanics, and equipment specifications, are established in separately adopted DRFL Game Rules and safety policies, not in these Bylaws.

Those separate Game Rules remain subject to applicable law, insurer and facility requirements, and the governance authority stated in these Bylaws.

Team Administration

- Team Registration
- Owner and Coach Applications
- Player Registration
- Roster Requirements
- Roster Deadlines
- Player Transfers
- Eligibility
- Player Identification
- Waiver Requirements

Financial Operations

- Annual Team Fees
- Player Fees
- All-In Participation Fees
- Insurance Contributions
- Forfeit Fees
- Payment Deadlines
- Refund Procedures
- Payment Processing

Regional Operations

- Regional Boundaries
- Regional Assignments
- Regional Commissioner Procedures
- Interregional Competition
- Regional Playoffs
- Championships

Game-Day Operations

- Official Assignments
- Field Scheduling
- Home-and-Away Scheduling
- Game Check-In

- Gate Procedures
- Emergency Procedures
- Injury and Incident Reporting

Practice Operations

- Practice Supervision
- Practice Waivers
- Coach Responsibility
- Practice Field Responsibility
- Safety Requirements

Unless DRFL approves otherwise, owners and coaches are responsible for supervising team practices and arranging team practice fields.

Discipline

- Suspension Procedures
- Appeals
- Ejections
- Fighting
- Unsportsmanlike Conduct
- Forfeits

Business and Communication

- Website Procedures
- Live Streaming
- Social Media
- Sponsorship
- Fundraising
- Forms and Documents
- Commissioner Communications
- Electronic Signatures
- Other operational matters approved by DRFL

DRFL REGIONAL COMPLIANCE

STATEMENT

Every authorized DRFL regional division shall follow:

DRFL Bylaws

DRFL Operations Manual

DRFL Flag Football Game Rules

DRFL Tackle Football Game Rules

DRFL Safety Requirements

DRFL Insurance Requirements

Regional divisions may create reasonable local procedures when necessary, but local procedures may not override or conflict with DRFL-wide governing documents.

DOCUMENT OWNERSHIP

DRFL may claim rights in its original league policies, administrative language, regional operating provisions, and organizational materials. No claim is made to generally known football rules, standard terminology, laws, public-domain materials, or unprotectable concepts.

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