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Subject: By-Law Amendments

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<p>Summary: The Board recently approved amendments to the PFL By-laws. A summary of key amendments are below.</p> <p>The latest By-laws can be found at www.perthfootball.com.au</p>	<p>Action: For Information</p>
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Subject: Updated By-Laws for 2025 Season

Dear Club Presidents and Officials,

The Perth Football League (PFL) has undertaken a comprehensive review of its By-Laws, incorporating feedback from clubs and key stakeholders. The updated By-Laws for the 2025 season are attached for your reference. Below is a summary of the key changes:

Key By-Law Amendments for 2025

1. Introduction of Women's Player Points System

- A new Player Points System (PPS) has been introduced for Women's A and B Grades to enhance competition balance.
- Player points are allocated based on previous playing experience, with a maximum of 40 team points per match.

2. Changes Due to Mandatory Match Filming

- All matches will be filmed to improve match review processes, umpiring accountability, and coaching development.
- Clubs must ensure cameras are set up correctly before matches and comply with post-match footage submission requirements.
- Non-compliance will result in penalties.

3. Umpires No Longer Offering Prescribed Penalties

- Field umpires will no longer offer immediate prescribed penalties for reportable offences.

- All incidents will be referred to the Match Review Panel (MRP) or Tribunal for appropriate adjudication.

4. **Production of Club Records for Integrity Oversight**

- Clubs may be required to produce financial and player records upon request by the PFL for integrity purposes.
- Failure to comply may result in fines or loss of premiership points.

5. **Changes to Fines and Match-Day Administration**

- Three-strike system introduced for match-day administration fines to allow clubs to rectify administrative errors before penalties escalate.
- Increased fines for melees to deter on-field violence and maintain game integrity.

Next Steps

- Clubs must review the updated By-Laws and ensure compliance ahead of the 2025 season.
- Any questions should be directed to the PFL Football Operations Team.

A summary of all changes can be found on page nine of the By-Laws. Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to maintaining the integrity and sustainability of our competition.

Best Regards,

Andrew Dawe

Chief Executive Officer

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