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BY-LAWS - CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SECTION 1

Competition Rules

- The schedule for all pre-season and regular season games shall be determined by the Commissioner under the provisions of Articles 11.13, 13.01 and 13.05 of the Constitution.
- 2. The team of a member Club playing a pre-season, regular season, play-off or Championship Game in the home city of another member Club shall be required to be present in that city by the deadline prescribed annually by the Management Council or, in any event, not later than midnight of the day immediately preceding the day of the game, except in the case of:
 - (a) A game between the Toronto and Hamilton Clubs in which case the visiting team shall be required to schedule its team's transportation to arrive at the game site within a reasonable time, or
 - (b) A pre-season game between two member Clubs whose home cities are less than 800 kilometers apart, in which case the visiting team shall be required to be present at the game site not later than 8 hours prior to the advertised starting time of the game.
- 3. In any game, a Club must be at least one point ahead at the end of the regular time to win the game.
- 4. In any regular season game, the Club winning the game shall count two points in its own Division standings. In the event of a tie score at the end of the game, each Club shall count one point in its respective Division standings.
- 5. In any game, the visiting Club shall wear its white jerseys and the home Club shall wear its dark jerseys. This arrangement may be reversed by agreement between the Clubs.
- 6. In any game, the visiting Club shall be entitled to six seats in a preferred location at no cost to the visiting Club, and any additional requirements are to be a matter of private arrangement and on advance notice.
- 7. In the event that the score is tied at the end of regulation time in a regular season game, each Club will be given the opportunity to score using the following procedure:

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The first Club, as determined by coin toss, shall scrimmage the ball at the opponent's 35-yard line, and may advance by consecutive series of downs until it makes a score or loses possession. The second team will then scrimmage to the same 35-yard line and proceed as above.

If the score is still tied the procedure shall be repeated, at the opposite end of the stadium, with both Clubs being given equal opportunities to score.

If a winner is not determined after two attempts, in a regular season game, the game will be declared a tie.

If the game is a playoff or championship game and a winner must be determined, the same procedure shall continue until a winner is finally declared.

- 8. When two or more member Clubs are tied in the final Division standings at the conclusion of the regular season schedule preferential ranking for playoff purposes shall be determined on the basis of the following priorities and shall be awarded to the Club which
 - (a) has won the greater number of games played against all member Clubs of the League, or
 - (b) has won the greater number of games played against the other tied Club, or
 - (c) has scored the higher net aggregate of points (i.e. points scored for less points scored against) in games played against the other tied Club, or
 - (d) has scored the higher net quotient of points (i.e. points scored for divided by points scored against) in games played against the other tied Club, or
 - (e) has won the greater number of games played against all member Clubs of the Division, or
 - (f) has scored the higher net aggregate of points in games played against all member Clubs of the Division, or
 - (g) has scored the higher net quotient of points in games played against all member Clubs of the Division, or
 - (h) has scored the higher net aggregate of points in games played against all member Clubs of the League, or
 - has scored the higher net quotient of points in games played against all member Clubs of the League.
 - (j) has won a coin toss against the other tied Club.

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- 9. (a) If prior to any game the best information available indicates the probability of extremely unfavourable playing conditions, including but not limited to those which would be created by inclement weather of any kind, force majeure or power failure, a game may be postponed to the following day if such postponement is authorized:
 - (i) For a regular season and playoff game by the Commissioner and both competing Clubs.
 - (ii) For the Grey Cup Championship Game by the Commissioner.
 - (b) If a member Club, having scheduled its team's transportation to the game site in a manner which would enable its conformation to the requirements of paragraph (2) of this section and the team is precluded for reasons beyond its control from arriving at the game site in reasonable time to play the game, it may be postponed to the following day with the sole authorization of the Commissioner. If a member Club having failed to schedule its team's transportation to the game site in a manner which would enable its conformation to the requirements of Paragraph 2 and the team fails to arrive at the game site in a reasonable time, the Commissioner may award the game to the home Club.
 - (c) If a regular season, playoff or Championship game has commenced and extremely unfavourable playing conditions occur as contemplated in Paragraph 9 (a) of this Section, the Commissioner may declare the game suspended and if, in the sole judgment of the Commissioner, such conditions will preclude the resumption of the game in a reasonable time on the same day the following procedure will be applied:
 - (i) If the game is suspended any time during the first three quarters it shall be continued on the following day and possession and location of the ball, yardage and downs to be gained, time to be played and score will remain the same as they existed when the game was suspended.
 - (ii) If the game is suspended in the fourth quarter, two ten-minute halves will be played the following day with only the score remaining the same as it existed when the game was suspended.
 - (iii) Having regard to the score and remaining time if it is agreed by the Commissioner and both competing Clubs in the case of a regular League and playoff game, and recommended solely by the Commissioner in the case of the Championship Game, any game which is suspended in the fourth guarter may be declared ended.

- 10. A member Club shall be required to notify the Commissioner in writing prior to the Annual Meeting for the year, the names of its personnel authorized, on behalf of the Club to
 - (a) sign a Standard Player Contract as executing officer for the Club,
 - (b) request that a player's name be added to, or removed from the Club's Active Roster, Injured Players List, Disabled List, Retired Players List, Deferred List or League Suspension List,
 - (c) request that a player's contract be offered on waivers, claimed on waivers, or recalled from waivers,
 - (d) request that a player's name be added to or removed from the Club's negotiation list.

Any such request under this paragraph may be made by telephone subject to confirmation by facsimile message or letter, not later than 4 PM Toronto time on the day such request is to be effected, over the signature of the person authorized by the Club.

Game Protests

- If a member Club, knowing a player is ineligible under the Constitution, By-laws or Rules and Regulations of the League, permits said player to participate in a game or if a game official intentionally misinterprets or misapplies a playing rule, which participation or misinterpretation or misapplication could reasonably have affected the result of the game, a protest against the result may be made.
- 2. A protest must be made to the Commissioner in writing, outlining the grounds of protest, signed by the protesting Club's president or secretary, within seventy-two hours of the advertised time of the match protested, and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$5,000.00 which sum shall be forfeited to the League should the Commissioner disallow the protest.
- 3. The Commissioner, on receipt of a protest, shall immediately notify the opposing Club of the protest and of the grounds therefore.
- 4. The Commissioner shall make such investigation of the matters concerned in the protest as shall be necessary and shall rule on the protest promptly. In so ruling, the Commissioner will have the following option:
 - (a) disclaim the protest, or
 - (b) allow the protest and award the game to either of the Clubs or order the game to be replayed in whole or in part or recommend that disciplinary action be taken by the Board of Governors under the provisions of 8.06(a) of the Constitution.
- 5. (a) If the Commissioner's ruling is to award the game to a specific Club or if he orders such replaying of the game, either Club involved shall have the right to appeal such ruling to the Board of Governors of the League, provided it furnishes the Commissioner with notice in writing of its intention to do so, within seventy-two hours of receipt of such ruling, and forwards with such notice a deposit of \$5,000.00 which sum shall be forfeited to the League should the Board of Governors disallow the protest.
 - (b) On receipt of such notice and deposit within the aforesaid time limit, the Commissioner shall immediately convene a meeting of the Board of Governors to deal with the protest appeal and its decision shall be final.
 - (c) If the Commissioner recommends that disciplinary action be taken by the Board of Governors all information obtained from investigation of the matter shall be submitted to it, with a request that the recommendation be considered at its next regular meeting, or earlier if requested by either of the Clubs involved.
- 6. In the event of a protest or an appeal being allowed, the cash deposit with the protest or appeal shall be returned to the Club depositing same.

Negotiation List

- 1. A member Club shall be entitled to exclusive negotiation rights to a player whose name is shown on its Negotiation List maintained by the Commissioner. The number of players permitted on such a list shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Governors.
- 2. A member Club is expressly forbidden to negotiate, directly or indirectly, with a player whose name is on the Negotiation List of another member Club.
- 3. A member Club may apply to place a player's name on its Negotiation List by notification to the Commissioner by letter or facsimile, telegram, letter or telephone advising such details as the player's full name, playing position, name of college or university or team in another league where the player is presently playing or has most recently played. Notification by telephone shall be accepted subject to confirmation by letter or facsimile message, not later than 4 PM Toronto time on the day such request is effected.
- 4. When two or more member Clubs make application to place the same player's name on their Negotiation Lists priority of application shall prevail, and the governing factors in determining such priority shall be in the case of a telegram the time of dispatch as shown on its face, in the case of a facsimile message the time of receipt in the League Office, in the case of a mailed letter, the time of mailing as indicated on the envelope, and in the case of a telephone message, the actual time as mutually noted during the conversation. Such a telephone message shall be accepted subject to confirmation by letter or facsimile message, not later than 4 PM Toronto time on the day such request is effected.
- 5. A member Club, when requesting the removal of a player's name from its Negotiation List, shall advise the Commissioner whether such player has been signed or is unsigned.
- 6. If the member Club advises that a player has been signed the contract shall be forwarded to the Commissioner within seven days or such longer period as the Commissioner may allow.
- 7. The Commissioner shall advise each member Club by daily status report of changes in the Negotiation List and shall, periodically, submit to each member Club revised copies of the complete Negotiation Lists of all member Clubs.
- 8. All Negotiation List information, including the names thereon, obtained by a member Club concerning another member Club, shall be considered strictly confidential and made available only to authorized personnel of the Club, who are expressly forbidden from disclosing such information to any unauthorized persons.

- 9. When the name of a player has been removed from the Negotiation List of a member Club as unsigned and two or more member Clubs request that the player's name be placed on its Negotiation List at any time on the day the member Clubs receive the Commissioner's notification of such removal, the request shall be determined and awarded by the Commissioner on the basis of the waiver priority, as set out in paragraph 5 of Section 4 of the By-laws. The Commissioner shall withhold such final determination until satisfied that all member Clubs have received the notification that the player's name has been so removed.
- 10. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 9 hereof a member Club shall be permitted to transfer its rights to a player whose name appears on its Negotiation List to another member Club pursuant to an agreement between the Clubs and upon advice to the Commissioner.
- 11. A member Club may not place on its Negotiation List the name of a player who is in any manner the property of another member Club, including but not limited to a Player who:
 - (a) is on another member Club's roster, Injured Players List, Retired Players List, or League Suspension List, or Deferred List, or Disabled List, or
 - (b) has been declared by another member Club on its Non-Active List, pursuant to paragraph 9 of Section 8, or
 - (c) Is eligible for selection in the College Draft pursuant to Section 6, or
 - (d) is protected under the provisions of Section 5, or
 - (e) has been signed for the following year to a contract filed with the Commissioner, or
 - (f) has been registered on the roster of a member Club during the current season.
- 12. A member Club shall, for a period of eighteen days following the Championship Game in a season, retain exclusive rights to negotiate with or sign a player who, during that season, had been registered on its roster and was not subsequently registered on the roster of another member Club. Effective from midnight of the fifteenth day following the Championship Game until midnight of the eighteenth day a member Club may place on its negotiation list the name of such player who qualifies as a non-veteran player. Any such player not signed to a Standard Player Contract by, or named on the negotiation list of, his former Club prior to midnight of the eighteenth day shall, on the nineteenth day following the Championship Game, be made available to other member Clubs on the basis of the waiver priority. A player not selected on the nineteenth day shall be available thereafter as provided in paragraph 4 of this Section 3.

- 13. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 11 of this section a member Club may claim the playing rights to a player whose rights are currently considered to be held by another club, by submitting a written claim to the Commissioner stating the basis for such claim, and the Commissioner shall conduct such investigation as deemed necessary and shall rule promptly and advise both Clubs in writing of the ruling. The Club submitting the claim may request that during the period of investigation, the name of the player in question, subject to the limits of paragraph 1 above, be placed on its Negotiation List, and if so placed no Club shall, directly or indirectly, negotiate with or sign the player until authorized to do so by the effect of the Commissioner's ruling.
- 14. A member Club shall not permit a player named on its negotiation list to participate in a practice session, except under the provisions of paragraphs 9 and 14 of Section 8 of these By-laws.
- 15. A member Club shall be permitted to retain a player's name on its negotiation list for an indefinite period. However, if the player is in a free agent status and has notified the Club of a willingness to enter into negotiations to sign a Standard Player Contract the Club shall be required to offer the player a contract and thereafter remove the player's name from its negotiation list as follows:
 - (a) not later than ten days following the receipt of such notification from the player if the Club is not prepared to offer a contract, or
 - (b) not later than 365 days after the date of offer by the Club if the terms of the contract can be deemed by the Commissioner to be reasonable, or
 - (c) forthwith if the terms of the contract offered by the Club are deemed by the Commissioner not to be reasonable.
- 16. A member Club, having been required to remove a player's name from its negotiation list pursuant to paragraph 15 of this Section 3 shall be permitted to place the player's name back on its Negotiation List not earlier than 96 hours following removal therefrom provided that the player's name is not on the Negotiation List of another member Club at that time. In counting 96 hours the time shall commence at 4 PM Toronto time on the day that the player's name is so removed from the Club's Negotiation List.
- 17. A member Club shall not be permitted to place on its Negotiation List the name of a player who has acquired the status of a veteran player in the League as a result of
 - (a) having been named on the active roster or Reserve List or Injured Players List or Disabled List of any member Club for seven or more regular season or playoff games or the Championship Game in the immediately preceding season or
 - (b) having been named on the active roster or Reserve List or Injured Players List or Disabled List of any member Club for an aggregate of eight or more regular season or playoff games or Championship Games in preceding seasons.

Waivers

- 1. A member Club shall not dispose of the services of a player by transfer or otherwise, except to another member Club, nor shall it voluntarily take any action by which the player becomes a free agent in law, until all other member Clubs have had the opportunity to claim the services of the player in accordance with the provisions of this Section.
- 2. A member Club desiring to terminate the contract of a player on its roster shall notify the Commissioner by facsimile message, or by telephone confirmed by letter or facsimile, to offer the player on waivers specifying whether the waivers shall be with or without the right of recall. If the waivers are to be requested without the right of recall the Club is required to serve written notice to that effect to the player, in a form authorized by the Commissioner. In the event that such notice cannot be served directly to the player the Club shall be deemed to have served such notice to the player by delivering same to the Players Association representative on the Club roster.
- 3. The Commissioner shall forthwith notify all member Clubs by daily status report and shall designate a deadline by which a member Club may enter a claim for the player, such deadline to be:
 - (a) during the period between midnight following the Championship Game and midnight May 15, not less than seven days, or
 - (b) during the period between midnight May 15 and midnight following the Championship Game, not less than 48 hours, or
 - (c) on the date determined by the Management Council pursuant to paragraph 1 of Section 8 of these By-laws, not less than 24 hours after the dispatch of such notification.
 - (d) where, pursuant to paragraph 17 of this Section 4, waivers have been requested on a player identified as "injured", not less than 24 hours after the dispatch of such notification.
- 4. A member Club desiring to claim the player shall so notify the Commissioner by facsimile, telegram or telephone before the designated deadline. In determining the time of receipt of such message the Commissioner shall be guided by the time of origin as noted on the face of the telegram, facsimile or the actual time as mutually noted during the telephone conversation. Such telephone message shall be accepted subject to confirmation by letter or facsimile message, not later than 4 PM Toronto time on the day such request is effected.

- 5. When two or more member Clubs enter claims for the services of the same player offered on waivers by another member Club the Commissioner shall award the player to the Club having the higher waiver priority as of the claim deadline. The priority shall be established initially as of midnight following the Championship Game and thereafter adjusted on two occasions during the subsequent regular season, as follows:
 - (a) The priority established following the Championship Game shall be the reverse order of final standings of all member Clubs at the conclusion of the regular season schedule on the basis of points in the standing, except that the Club winning the Championship Game shall have the least priority and the other Club competing in the Championship Game shall have the second least priority. In the event that on this basis two or more Clubs are tied the priority between those Clubs shall be determined as provided in Paragraph 8 of Section 1 of these By-laws.
 - (b) The priority shall be adjusted as of a date determined by the Commissioner following the first third of the regular season schedule when each Club will have played a minimum of six games, and shall be the reverse order of standings of all member Clubs as of that date on the basis of what the percentage of total standing points attained is of the total standing points possible.
 - (c) The priority shall again be adjusted as of a date determined by the Commissioner following the second third of the regular season schedule when each Club will have played a minimum of twelve games, and shall be the reverse order of standings of all member Clubs as of that date on the same basis as provided in sub-paragraph (b). Such order shall prevail until midnight following the Championship Game.
- 6. The Commissioner, upon receipt of a claim for a player by another member Club, shall forthwith by facsimile or telephone notify the member Club which had requested the waivers.
- 7. Within 24 hours of the deadline the member Club originally requesting the waivers shall have the right to notify the Commissioner that it has recalled the player and the Commissioner shall promptly inform the other member Clubs. The right to recall a player from waivers may be exercised on not more than two occasions during a calendar year with regard to that player by that member Club.
- 8. A member Club having been awarded a player on waivers by the Commissioner shall pay to the member Club disposing of the player the sum of \$350.00 within seven days of the date of the Commissioner's notification of the successful claim.
- 9. A member Club having claimed and been awarded a player on waivers shall be required to accept assignment of the player's Contract from the waiving Club, and subject to paragraph 14 of this Section 4 shall assume all rights and obligations of such Contract unfulfilled as of the date of notification by the Commissioner that the player has been placed on waivers.

- 10. A member Club, having been awarded a player on waivers by the Commissioner at a time when, according to the provisions of paragraph 1 of Section 8, there is already a maximum number on its roster shall, pursuant to paragraph 7 of Section 8, advise the name of a player to be deleted therefrom.
- 11. A member Club shall be permitted to dispose of a player to a Club in another League only upon confirmation by the Commissioner that no claims have been received from other member Clubs for that player.
- 12. When no claims have been received for a player who has been offered on waivers by a member Club and that player is still registered on that Club's roster
 - (a) when it participates in a scheduled pre-season, regular season or playoff game, or
 - (b) as of midnight following the Championship Game, or
 - (c) as of midnight May 15, or
 - (d) as of the deadline determined by the Management Council pursuant to paragraph 1 of Section 8 of these By-laws.

such player shall not be transferred except to another member Club, or to the Retired Players List or, if eligible, to the League Suspension List or otherwise disposed of, without again being offered on waivers by that member Club.

- 13. A member Club, having decided not to exercise its option to renew the contract of a player on its roster, shall be required to request waivers on that player at least thirty days prior to the date of expiration of the contract, and in the event of a successful claim by another member Club shall forward to that Club a transfer of the player's contract within seven days of the date of the Commissioner's notification of such successful claim.
- 14. A member Club placing a player on waivers any time during the season subsequent to its first regular season game shall be required to pay to the player the equivalent of one game pay as provided in the Contract with the said Club unless placed on waivers and so notified by the Club, pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Section 4, at least 48 hours prior to the commencement of the Club's next game.
- 15. A member Club may request waivers, subject to the right of recall if applicable, on a player on the Injured Players List provided that such waiver period expires not earlier than the day preceding the required restoration of the player to the active roster.
- 16. When a member Club has notified a player that having cleared waivers and/or that further services are not required, it shall within 48 hours of such notification request the Commissioner to delete said player from its roster.

- 17. A Member Club may request waivers, with or without the right of recall, on a player on its roster designated as "Injured" subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) If another Member Club claims and is awarded the player it shall assume all rights and obligations of the waiving Club and be totally responsible for the player thereafter.
 - (b) A player recalled from waivers by the waiving Club shall be retained on its roster but shall not be permitted to dress for its next game. It may transfer the player to its Reserve List or to the Injured Players List, as provided in Section 9A of these By-laws.
 - (c) If no claims are received, whether the waivers had been requested with or without the right of recall, the player shall be retained by the Club on its roster, but not permitted to dress for its next game. A player transferred to the Injured Players List shall remain in that category for only one game. Subsequent to that game, the Club may again request waivers "Injured" on that player provided that the claiming period expires prior to its next following game.

Territorial Rights

- 1. For the purposes of the By-Laws a person shall be considered to be of junior age, and is referred to herein as a junior player in any year prior to the year in which the age of twenty-three years is attained.
- 2. A junior player who is domiciled or is deemed by the Commissioner to be domiciled within a member Club's territorial limits, as described in Article 4.07 of the Constitution shall not be, either directly or indirectly, contacted, negotiated with or signed by any other member Club.
- 3. A junior player domiciled, or deemed by the Commissioner to be domiciled, within the territorial limits of a member Club shall be permitted to participate in its practice sessions without being signed to a Standard Player Contract.
- 4. A member Club's rights to the services of a junior player shall expire
 - (a) upon registration on that Club's roster pursuant to a Standard Player Contract, or
 - (b) as of midnight December 15 in the calendar year such player attains the age of twenty-two years

whichever comes first.

5. Without restricting the generality of the foregoing where a junior player leaves a member Club's territorial limits to attend a school, high school, college or university, and does not become subject to the College Draft provisions of Section 6, the member Club shall retain the Canadian Football League playing rights to the player until and throughout the entire year in which the player graduates or leaves school prior to graduation, and for the entire following calendar year, and no other member Club shall, either directly or indirectly, contact, negotiate with, or sign such player during this period.

College Draft

- 1. A College Draft selection meeting shall be held annually at a time and place to be determined by the Commissioner.
- 2. All member Clubs shall participate in the Draft and the priority of selection in each round shall be the same order as that provided for waivers in Section 4, paragraph 5(a).
- 3. To be eligible for selection in the College Draft a player must:
 - (a) have registered in an undergraduate course leading to a degree or diploma at a college or university in Canada or the United States of America for the academic term commencing in the fourth year preceding the current draft year, and
 - (b) be scheduled to graduate, or the class in which the player originally registered, is scheduled to graduate in the current Draft year, and
 - (c) have participated as a player in a football game as a member of the football team representing the school in intercollegiate competition, at any time during the player's college career prior to the Draft meeting, and
 - (d) qualify as a non-import player under the provisions of Paragraph 4 of Section 8 of these By-laws, and
 - (e) have been declared eligible for the Draft by the Commissioner pursuant to paragraph 5 of this Section.

A player who would otherwise qualify under the provisions of sub-paragraph (a) may elect, by written application to the Commissioner, to defer draft eligibility to the following year, as provided in paragraph 4(c) of this Section.

A player who would otherwise fail to qualify under the provisions of sub-paragraph (a) above shall be deemed so to qualify if registered in an undergraduate course leading to a degree or diploma following a course of three years at a college or university in Canada or the United States of America for the academic term commencing in the third year preceding the current draft year, and had elected, by written application to the Commissioner, to be declared eligible in the current draft year.

A player who would otherwise fail to qualify under the provisions of sub-paragraph (b) above shall be deemed so to qualify if,

- (i) prior to registration in an undergraduate course as described in sub-paragraph (a), had registered in a pre-university course at a junior college in the United States of America for the academic term commencing in the fifth year preceding the current draft year, or
- (ii) had, prior to January 1st of the current draft year, attained the age of twenty-five years.
- (iii) had voluntarily terminated college eligibility through formal application to qualify for professional football in another league.
- 4. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 a player shall not be eligible for the Draft who:
 - (a) prior to registration at the current college or university, had received a degree or diploma following a course of at least three years from a college or university in Canada or in the United States, or
 - (b) prior to registration at the current college or university had signed a Standard Player Contract with a member Club, had been registered by the Commissioner on its roster, and had subsequently been deleted therefrom, or
 - (c) has elected, by written application to the Commissioner not later than February 1 of the current draft year, to defer eligibility for the draft until the following year, and the Commissioner, after consideration of the request, has approved the application, or
 - (d) has been declared eligible for the Draft in a previous year.
- 5. The list of players eligible for the Draft shall be determined in accordance with the following procedure:
 - (a) The Commissioner shall solicit from each Canadian university the names and other information pertaining to its players eligible for the current Draft and shall distribute to the member Clubs such information so obtained.
 - (b) A member Club may, not later than February 1 of the Draft year, add to the eligible list the name of a player not submitted by the university, with supporting evidence to show that the player is in fact eligible.
 - (c) A member Club may, not later than 30 days prior to the Draft date, challenge the eligibility of a player submitted by the university with supporting evidence to show that the player is not in fact eligible.

- (d) The Commissioner shall, not later than 21 days prior to the Draft date, declare the final eligible list, as determined from information available.
- (e) A player declared eligible for the Draft under this paragraph and not selected by a member Club during the Draft meeting shall be considered a free agent as of the conclusion of such Draft meeting.
- 6. The College Draft meeting shall be conducted in the following manner:
 - (a) Not later than 21 days prior to the Draft meeting, the Management Council shall determine the number of rounds to be held.
 - (b) A member Club may transfer or assign to another member Club its right to select a player in any round of the draft.
- 7. The rights of a member Club to the services of a player properly selected in the College Draft shall take precedence over the claims of another member Club by virtue of Section 3 (negotiation list) or Section 5 (territorial rights). The rights to the services of that player shall expire
 - (a) upon registration on that member Club's roster pursuant to a Standard Player Contract, or
 - (b) not later than midnight December 31 in the calendar year following the year of the Draft, except as provided in Paragraph 9 of this Section 6

whichever shall occur first.

- 8. A player enrolled in an undergraduate course at a college or university who is eligible for selection at the current or subsequent College Draft is not eligible to play for a member Club or to be added to the negotiation list or otherwise claimed as the property of a member Club until the conclusion of the draft meeting at which that player was eligible for selection.
- 9. A member Club, having selected a player in the College Draft without subsequently completing a Standard Player Contract, shall retain the Canadian Football League playing rights to that player throughout the entire year of the Draft and for the entire calendar year following. Where however the player continues to attend college or university, or signs to play with a football club in a league other than the Canadian Football League, the Club shall, notwithstanding Paragraph 7 of this Section 6, retain such Canadian Football League playing rights until the year in which the player leaves college or university, or leaves such other league, and for the entire calendar year following.

- 10. A member Club, having selected a player in the College Draft with the player having expressed willingness to sign a Standard Player Contract, shall be required to offer a contract to that player together with an invitation to participate in its football activities, or forthwith abandon its draft rights to that player.
- 11. If the player described in paragraph 9 first reports to the Club holding the draft rights at a time when roster limitations are in effect, pursuant to paragraph 1 of Section 8 of these By-laws, the Club may require the player to participate in its practice sessions for a maximum period of ten days before accounting for that player within the roster quota.
- 12. A supplementary Draft may be held not later than 60 days following the regular draft meeting, at the time and place to be determined by the Commissioner, and a player shall be eligible for selection at such supplementary Draft meeting if that player
 - (a) should have been eligible for selection at the regular Draft meeting but, through oversight or otherwise, was not listed among the eligible candidates, or,
 - (b) was not eligible for selection at the regular Draft meeting but has submitted, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, evidence of termination of that player's career as an undergraduate student as a result of academic failure or financial hardship.

The supplementary Draft shall follow the same order of selection as the regular Draft meeting. A member Club selecting a player must offer to forfeit a selection in the next regular Draft meeting. The next Club has the right to offer to forfeit a higher selection for that player, and so on until each Club has had an opportunity to bid for that player, with the rights to that player being awarded to the Club offering the highest ranking forfeiture. A player not selected in a supplementary Draft shall be declared a free agent.

If following the supplementary Draft, or more than 60 days have passed since the regular Draft meeting, it is determined that a player who should have been declared eligible for either the regular or supplementary Draft but whose name was not submitted shall be declared on the eligible list for the following year's Draft meeting and in the meantime shall not be eligible to play for, or to be named on the negotiation list of, or otherwise claimed as the property of a member Club.

Standard Player Contract

- 1. (a) The Standard Player Contract shall be used by each member Club and all paragraphs thereof are obligatory and shall be used in their entirety without alteration, with the exception of paragraphs 3, 11, 18 and 19 which may be varied by mutual consent of the parties to the Contract.
 - (b) Any other paragraphs added to the body of the contract covering a provision not included in the contract shall be signed and initialled by both parties and shall not in any manner whatsoever alter the effect of paragraphs 1 to 26 inclusive.
 - (c) If there is another document or addendum covering a provision not included in the contract reference to such document or addendum shall be made in the body of the contract, such document or addendum shall be signed or initialled by both parties, shall clearly state that it forms part of and is to be read in conjunction with the said contract, shall be attached to said contract, and shall not in any manner whatsoever alter the effect of paragraphs 1 to 26 inclusive of the said contract.
- 2. A member Club shall be required to forward within seven days of execution thereof, the Commissioner's copy of the Standard Player Contract for a player in respect of the playing season for the current and/or subsequent years. If through circumstances beyond its control the Club is unable to comply with the seven-day requirement, it may apply to the Commissioner for an extension.
- 3. The Commissioner may, for any reason deemed valid, refuse registration of a contract submitted by a Member Club
- 4. A player shall not be eligible to play for a member Club in a pre-season, regular season, playoff or Championship Game unless and until the Club has filed with the Commissioner a copy of the signed contract prior to such game. For the purposes of this paragraph a contract filed by facsimile shall have the same effect as actual delivery.
- 5. A player in the training camp of a member Club prior to the opening of the season must be signed to a contract registered with the Commissioner, subject to the exceptions provided in paragraphs 3 and 7 of Section 5.
- 6. A member Club, assigning a player to, or receiving a player from another member Club in return for cash, another player, or other consideration shall notify the Commissioner within seven days of the date of such transaction, specifying any and all conditions of the trade.

- 7. A member Club may sign a player for the following year if such player is on its roster at the time of said signing, but should the player be subsequently deleted from the Club's roster during the current season, the contract for the following year will have no force or effect.
- 8. A member Club shall be permitted to sign an import player to a contract for the following year who is not on its roster at the time of said signing. However, such player shall be ineligible to participate in a game until the following year.
- 9. A player whose contract with a member Club has expired shall be deleted from the Club roster following the expiration date of such contract and such player shall become a free-agent and shall be able to sign a contract with any other member Club in the League and there shall not be any consideration flowing from the member Club with whom the player signs to the member Club from where the player came.
- 10. A member Club shall not be permitted to pay to a player a bonus or other consideration determined by reference to
 - (a) the winning of a game by the Club during the regular season, or
 - (b) the number of games won by the Club during the regular season, or
 - (c) the Club's final standing at the conclusion of the regular season schedule, or
 - (d) the Club's performance in a Division playoff game or the League Championship Game, or
 - (e) the Player's performance in a Division playoff game or the League Championship Game.
- 11. A member Club shall not be permitted to sign to a Standard Player Contract an import player who is registered as an undergraduate student at a college or university in the United States of America and who is not, nor is the original class, eligible to graduate in time to play during the playing season covered by the said contract, unless it can establish, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, that the player's status as an undergraduate student has been terminated.
- 12. A member Club shall be required, not later than midnight December 31, to file with the Commissioner a copy of the letter sent to each player whereby the Club exercises its option, pursuant to paragraph 15 of the Contract, with that player for the following year, whether the player is named on the active roster, or Retired Players List or League Suspension List. In the event that the Club chooses not to exercise its option it shall request the Commissioner to offer the player on waivers, pursuant to paragraph 13 of Section 4 of these By-laws.

Eligibility of Players

- The Commissioner shall maintain in the League office a registry of players under contract with each member Club. Prior to the opening of the regular season schedule each Club shall, in accordance with a timetable prescribed by the Management Council, establish its active roster at
 - (a) a maximum of 40 players, including 3 players who shall be identified as quarterbacks, or a minimum of 39 players, including two players who shall be identified as quarterbacks, and
 - (b) a maximum of 37 other players, of whom not more than 18 may be imports
- 2. A member Club shall be permitted to dress for a regular season or playoff game or League Championship Game its active roster as described in paragraph 1. The players identified as quarterbacks shall be permitted to alternate for each other during the game at the quarterback position exclusively and shall not be permitted to enter the game at another position under any circumstances. For the purposes of this paragraph, the duties of the quarterback position may include punting, place-kicking, kicking-off or holding the ball for the kicker on a convert or field goal attempt. The player identified as the third quarterback shall not be eligible to perform the duties of a punter or kicker but may perform all other quarterback duties. When the Club dresses its full quota of import players two shall be designated as a special teams player who may enter the game at another position only upon the understanding that another import player is required to leave the game for that play.
- 3. The following players shall be classified as import players:
 - (a) A player who has received training in football outside of Canada by having participated as a player in a football game outside of Canada prior to attaining the age of seventeen years.
 - (b) A player who has received training in football outside of Canada by having participated in a football game as a player outside of Canada after attaining the age of seventeen years, but who has received no football training in Canada prior to attaining the age of seventeen years.
- 4. The following players shall be classified as non-import players:
 - (a) A player other than one referred to in paragraph 3.

- (b) A player who was physically resident in Canada for an aggregate period of five years prior to attaining the age of fifteen years.
- 5. A player shall be classified as an import unless and until the member Club submits evidence to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that such player is a non-import.
- 6. The Commissioner shall advise each member Club by daily status report of changes in player rosters and shall, periodically, submit to each member Club revised copies of the complete player roster of all member Clubs.
- 7. A member Club acquiring a player from the roster of another member Club by purchase, trade, or waiver at a time when the roster limitations are in effect, pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Section 8, shall assume all rights and obligations of that Club under the contract immediately and shall account for the player on its roster not later than 3 PM Toronto time on the day that is 96 hours after the day the Commissioner effected the transfer. In the event that the acquiring Club is scheduled to play a game on that day it may elect to defer accounting for the player on its roster until 3 PM Toronto time on the following day.

If the player has failed to report to the Club by the time it would otherwise be required to account for the player on its roster it shall be deemed to have valid grounds to request that the player's name be transferred to the League Suspension List, pursuant to paragraph 1 of Section 9 C.

- 8. A player whose name is deleted from a member Club's roster other than by transfer to another member Club or the Injured Players List, or the Disabled List or the Retired Players List, or the Deferred List or the League Suspension List shall become a free agent.
- 9. A member Club may, subsequent to the date determined by the Management Council in paragraph 1 of this Section 8, permit a player not on its current roster to participate in its practice sessions provided that the Commissioner is notified as of the first day of such trial period that the player has reported to the Club and has executed a Practice Agreement.
- 10. A member Club shall not permit a player to participate, directly or indirectly, in any of its practice sessions unless:
 - (a) on the member Club's current roster, or
 - (b) on the member Club's Injured Players List, or
 - (c) entitled to participate under the provisions of Section 5 of these by-laws, or
 - (d) on a member Club's Non-Active List as described in paragraph 9 of this Section 8.

Without restricting the meaning of "a practice session" a player shall be deemed to be participating therein if:

(i) in attendance at a Club lecture, film session, or chalk talk, or

- (ii) physically present at the same time and place as the other team members for a conditioning exercise, or
- (iii) subject to the direction of the coaching staff in any manner whatsoever, except to the extent necessary for the supervision of treatment of an injury sustained while previously a member of the Club roster.
- 11. A member Club permitting a player to attend a practice session other than a player described in paragraph 10 hereof, shall be liable for a fine of not less than \$500.00 or, at the discretion of the Commissioner, up to \$1000.00 for each such practice session attended by such player.
- 12. The Commissioner shall establish annually a deadline by which a member Club may obtain a player from the roster of another member Club, which deadline shall not be later than midnight, Wednesday of the sixth week preceding the Championship game subject to the following;
 - (a) A member Club may obtain a player from the roster of another Club after such deadline but that player shall not be eligible to play until the following year unless
 - (i) acquired by transfer, trade or purchase prior to the deadline and the Commissioner has been so notified prior to said deadline, or
 - (ii) placed on waivers by the former Club prior to the deadline and has been awarded to the Club by the Commissioner.
 - (b) A player who is a free agent as of the deadline shall be eligible to play for any member Club after that date.
 - (c) A player shall be deemed to have been a free agent as of the deadline if offered on waivers by the former Club prior to the deadline and deleted from its roster upon expiry of the specified claim period, notwithstanding that it may have occurred after the deadline.
 - (d) A player deleted from a Club roster after the deadline, except as otherwise provided in this paragraph shall not be eligible to play for another member Club until the following year.
- 13. (a) If a player on a member Club's roster fails to report to a practice session when required during the pre-season training period the Club may
 - (i) suspend the player and request the Commissioner to place the player's name on the League Suspension List, pursuant to Sub-section C of Section 9 of these By-laws, or
 - (ii) request the Commissioner to place the player's name on the Retired Players List, as provided in Subsection B of Section 9 of the By-laws, if the player has served written notice of the intention to retire, or

- (iii) request waivers on the player without the right of recall.
- (b) If a player on a member Club's roster, upon reporting to the Club, is determined by the Club's medical committee to be unfit to fulfill the obligations under the contract, the Club shall
 - retain the player on its roster, in which case it will accept full responsibility for the contract, or
 - (ii) transfer the player's name to the Disabled List, pursuant to Subsection D of Section 9 of the By-laws, if the findings of the medical committee are not related to an activity performed under the current or a prior year contract with a member Club, or
 - (iii) request waivers on the player without the right of recall.
- 14. A member Club shall not be permitted to conduct a practice session prior to the date determined annually by the Management Council except for:
 - (a) a preliminary training session held outside of Canada to test, without physical contact, the speed, agility, conditioning and basic football skills of a player who has not signed, but is eligible to sign a Standard Player contract with that Club;
 - (b) a preliminary training session held within a Club's territorial limits to test, without physical contact, the speed, agility, conditioning and basic football skills of a non-import player who is domiciled within such territorial limits and is not under contract to, or otherwise the property of, any member Club and is eligible to sign a Standard Player Contract with that Club;
 - (c) a preliminary training session held within the Club's territorial limits to test, without physical contact the speed, agility, conditioning and basic football skills of a player not domiciled within that Club's territorial limits nor under contract to the Club, but is eligible to sign a Standard Player Contract with that Club, up to a maximum of three such players on any one day;
 - (d) a preliminary training session held prior to the above mentioned date determined by the Management Council, and which shall be limited to players under contract to the Club each of whom is
 - (i) a quarterback, or
 - (ii) a non-veteran player, or

- (iii) a veteran player who has been treated by corrective surgery since playing in a game in a previous season,
- provided that the Commissioner is notified by the Club not later than seven days prior to each such preliminary training session.
- 15. A member Club having transferred a player to the roster of another member Club at a time when the roster limitations are in effect, pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Section 8, shall not be permitted to re-acquire that same player by trade or purchase until named on the active roster or Reserve List or Injured Players List of another member Club for a minimum of two games.

Inactive Roster

A. Injured Players List

- 1. A player who has been injured may be registered by a member Club on the Injured Players List upon application to the Commissioner accompanied by a certification by the Club Doctor that, in whose professional opinion, such player, by reason of the specified injury, is unable to fulfill the obligations to the Club under the Standard Player Contract. Such player shall be removed from the Club's roster and shall not be restored thereto until 30 days have passed. If, however, the Club has participated in four regular season or playoff games during the 30 day period it may, upon application to the Commissioner, elect to restore the player to its roster at any time following the fourth such game.
- 2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, a player may be registered on the Injured Players List by a Member Club for a period of one game provided that pursuant to paragraph 17 of Section 4 of these By-laws, the player has been offered on waivers identified as "Injured" and no claim has been entered by any other Member Club.
- 3. At the conclusion of such period described in paragraph 1 above the player's name shall be removed from the Injured Players List and restored to the roster unless the Commissioner receives a further certification from the Club Doctor that, in whose professional opinion, such player is still unable to fulfill the obligations to the Club under the Standard Player Contract, in which case the player shall not be so restored until a further 30 days have passed. If, however, the Club has participated in four regular season or playoff games during such extended 30 day period it may, upon application to the Commissioner, elect to restore the player to its roster at any time following the fourth such game.
- 4. Notwithstanding paragraph 1 a member Club may transfer a player to the Injured Players List for a period covering the playing of nine games, provided that
 - (a) The Player has sustained an injury which, in the opinion of the Club Doctor, will probably render the player physically unfit to perform for a minimum of nine games.
 - (b) The Club has notified the player in writing of being transferred to the Injured Players List and that the player shall not be eligible to be restored to the active roster until the Club has participated in a minimum of nine games.
 - (c) The player has acknowledged, in writing, receipt of the Club's notification of transfer to the Injured Players List.
 - (d) The provisions of Article XVI of the Constitution shall not apply to the compensation payable to the player in respect of the said nine games.

- 5. A member Club may elect to terminate the Standard Player Contract of a player named on its Injured Players List upon application to the Commissioner accompanied by a certification by the Club Doctor in whose professional opinion, the player is able to fulfill the obligations to the Club under the Standard Player Contract. Such player shall be restored to the roster, placed on waivers without the right of recall, and deleted simultaneously. Such player shall not be eligible to play for that Club during the current season, but shall be eligible to play for another member Club, subject to the provisions of paragraph 12 of Section 8 of these By-laws.
- 6. A member Club may acquire by trade, purchase or subject to Section 4 Paragraph 15, by waivers the playing rights to a player on the Injured Players List of another member Club; however such player shall not be eligible to be restored to the roster until the date eligible to be restored to the roster of such other Club. The acquiring Club shall assume all rights and obligations under the Standard Player Contract unfulfilled as of the date the player was so acquired. Any such player not eligible for restoration to the roster prior to the deadline prescribed in paragraph 12 of Section 8 of these By-laws (the trading deadline) shall be eligible to be restored to the roster subsequent to such deadline, if the Commissioner has been notified by the involved Clubs prior to that deadline that such player has been traded, purchased or placed on waivers.
- 7. The Injured Players List shall be in effect from the date as determined by the Management Council and shall terminate on the day following the Championship Game. A member Club shall not be permitted to transfer a player on its roster to such list following the final game of the regular season schedule or following its final playoff game for the season; however, such Club shall be permitted to retain on its Injured Players List for the remainder of the season a player who was named thereon as of the final game of the regular season schedule or as of the Club's final playoff game for the season.

B. Retired Players List

- 1. The Commissioner shall maintain a Retired Players List and upon receipt of a letter of intent signed by the player, who shall also forward a copy of said letter to the Club, the Commissioner shall transfer the player from the roster to such list. A player while so named on the Retired Players List shall not be eligible to play for a member Club or participate in its practice sessions.
- A player transferred to the Retired Players List after midnight of the day preceding the day of the Club's first game of the regular season schedule shall not be eligible to play for any member Club during the remainder of that year.
- 3. A player transferred to the Retired Players List after midnight of the day preceding the day of the Club's first game of the pre-season schedule and prior to midnight of the day preceding the day of the Club's first game of the regular season schedule shall not be eligible to be restored to the Club's active roster until the date the player would have been eligible to be so restored had the player been transferred to the Injured Players List pursuant to paragraph 1 of Subsection A of this Section 9.

- 4. A player transferred to the Retired Players List prior to midnight of the day preceding the day of the Club's first game of the pre-season schedule shall be eligible to be restored to the Club roster at any time. A player transferred to the Retired Players List in accordance with this paragraph shall be restored to the Club roster forthwith upon the player serving written notice to the Commissioner of the intention to come out of retirement. Upon the said player attending at the Club's next practice session. The Club shall be allowed to have such player attend at practices for a maximum of ten days as a player in addition to the 40-man roster on the basis that the player does not participate in any games but the player shall not be required to be paid during the said period.
- 5. A player named on the Retired List of a member Club may be transferred directly to the Retired Players List of another member Club without being restored to the roster of either member Club. For the purposes of this Subsection B such player shall be deemed at all relevant times to have been named on the Retired Players List to which transferred.
- 6. A player named on the Retired Players List shall be removed therefrom and restored to the Club roster upon application by the player to the Commissioner.
- 7. A player named on the Retired Players List shall be removed therefrom upon the expiry of the contract with the Club.
- 8. Any player who serves written notice to the Commissioner after the applicable date in Article 15 of the Collective Agreement, and before the date of the Grey Cup Game of_the intention to come out of retirement shall not be entitled to the benefit of Article 15 of the Agreement unless placed on the Active Roster, Reserve List or Injured Players List for one or more games.
- 9. When, pursuant to paragraph 6, a player named on the Retired Players List reports to the member Club for reinstatement, the Club, before being required to restore the player to its roster, shall be permitted to direct the player to participate in its practice sessions for a period not exceeding ten days or until the day following its next game, whichever period is the greater.

C. League Suspension List

- A member Club may suspend a player in accordance with the provisions of its contract with the
 player but the Club shall not be permitted to replace such player on its roster unless and until
 the Commissioner has approved the inclusion of such player's name on the League
 Suspension List.
- 2. A member Club, having suspended a player pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Subsection C, may request that the suspended player's name be placed on the League Suspension List and shall submit to the Commissioner a statement of reasons for its request including the basis on which the Club suspended the player. The Commissioner, after a review of such reasons, may comply with or refuse such request.

- 3. A player whose name is included on the League Suspension List shall be removed from his Club's active roster and shall not be eligible to play for any member Club or participate in its practice sessions. The Club shall not, either directly or indirectly, make any payment whatsoever to the player prior to, during the period of suspension or any time thereafter in respect of any game played by the Club during the period of suspension.
- 4. A player's name shall be removed from the League Suspension List upon notification to the Commissioner by the Club that it has terminated its suspension of the player and that the player is being restored to its roster.
- 5. A player whose name is included on the League Suspension List by reason of failure to attend the first practice session required by the Club after such services were acquired from another member Club by purchase, trade or waiver shall upon termination of the suspension be restored to the Club roster before being eligible to participate in a practice session.
- 6. A member Club may at any time terminate the contract of a player named on the League Suspension List by requesting waivers on the said player. If claimed by and awarded to another member Club the player's rights shall be transferred directly to the League Suspension List of that other member Club without being restored to the active roster of either member Club.
- 7. For the purposes of this Subsection C a player transferred directly from the League Suspension List of one member Club to the League Suspension List of another member Club shall be deemed at all relevant times to have been named on the League Suspension List to which transferred.
- 8. A player who is suspended and reports to the member Club after the applicable date in Article 15 of the Collective Agreement, and before the date of the Grey Cup Game shall not be entitled to the benefit of Article 15 of the Collective Agreement unless named on the Active Roster, Reserve List, or Injured Players List, for one or more games.
- 9. When a player who, having been named on the League Suspension List, reports to the member Club for reinstatement, the Club shall be permitted to direct that player to participate in its practice sessions for a period not exceeding ten days before it shall be required to terminate the suspension.

D. Disabled List

- 1. The Commissioner shall maintain a Disabled List and a Club may, upon application to the Commissioner, transfer a player from its roster directly to the Disabled List until such time that such player has been judged by the Club Doctor to be fit to resume the obligations to the Club under the contract.
- 2. The application by the Club to the Commissioner shall include:
 - (i) a copy of the written notice to the player of being named on the Disabled List, and
 - (ii) a letter from the Club Doctor describing the nature of the injury or illness and, verifying the professional opinion that the player is not completely fit to perform the obligations to the Club under the contract, and
 - (iii) a letter stating that, to the best of the Club General Manager's knowledge and belief, the player's injury or illness is unrelated to an activity performed under the current or a prior contract.
- 3. A player named on the Disabled List of a member Club shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 6A of the Standard Player Contract, which is a salary per game in the amount of the lesser of \$2,000 or 60% of the per game salary prescribed in paragraph 3 of the Contract.
- 4. A player named on the Disabled List of a member Club shall not be eligible to play in a preseason or regular season or post-season game, but may participate in its practice sessions.
- 5. A player may be removed from the Disabled List at any time upon notification to the Commissioner accompanied by a letter of verification from the Club Doctor in whose stated professional opinion, the player is fit to resume the obligations to the Club under the contract.
- 6. A member Club may at any time elect to terminate the contract of a player named on its Disabled List by requesting waivers without recall.
- 7. The Disabled List shall terminate at midnight following the Championship Game.

E. Deferred List

The Commissioner shall maintain a Deferred List and shall upon confirmation that a player has signed a contract with a NFL club, being eligible to do so, transfer said player from the roster of a member club to the Deferred List until such time that the player is either restored to the roster or the player's contract with the member Club is terminated.

- 2. Upon notification from the Commissioner that, pursuant to the League's agreement with the National Football League, the player has signed a contract with a NFL club, notwithstanding that said player is already under contract to the member Club for the current season, the member Club shall inform the Commissioner whether it elects to retain its rights to the player while named on the Deferred List.
- 3. A player while named on the Deferred List shall not be entitled to receive payment of any kind pursuant to the Standard Player Contract filed with the Commissioner.
- 4. A player may be removed from the Deferred List at any time upon notification to the Commissioner by the member Club that the player has no further obligation to the other League and that the player is being restored to its roster.
- 5. When a player who, having been named on the League Deferred List, reports to the member Club for reinstatement, the Club shall notify the Commissioner by facsimile that such player has reported for reinstatement. The Club shall be permitted to direct that player to participate in its practice sessions for a period not exceeding five (5) days before it shall be required to restore the player to its roster or terminate the Standard Player Contract of the player.
- 6. The rights to a player named on the Deferred List of a member Club may, upon notification to the Commissioner, be assigned to another member Club.
- 7. Notwithstanding paragraph 3, if pursuant to paragraph 5, the player returns to the member Club during the current season the player shall be entitled to receive payment for any game played by the Club during the aforesaid 5 day period unless
 - (a) the player had reported to the Club within 96 hours of the said game, or
 - (b) the player is terminated not later than 48 hours prior to the said game.
- 8. The provisions of paragraph 14 of section 4 of these By-laws and Article 14, Section 14:07 of the Collective Agreement shall apply only if the player had reported to the Club more than 96 hours prior to the game and was terminated within 48 hours of the said game.

League Championship

- 1. The compensation payable to each player of a team participating in the Championship Game shall be remitted directly to the player's Club by the Commissioner out of the gross revenues of the Game. The number of players entitled to such compensation shall be determined annually by the Management Council not later than the Semi-Annual Meeting for that year.
- 2. A member Club shall, not later than 30 days prior to the date of the Championship Game, pay to the Commissioner an amount equal to 50% of the face value of its basic allotment of tickets to the Game, with the balance payable not later than seven days prior to the date of the Game; and shall, not later than seven days following the Game, pay to the Commissioner the full face value of additional tickets received from the League based on its final Division standing; and furthermore shall be subject to a penalty of \$500.00 for each day it is delinquent in its payments to the Commissioner; it being further understood that the Commissioner shall, not later than sixty days prior to the date of the Game, have distributed to each member Club its basic allotment of tickets, as determined by the Management Council, and shall, not later than six days prior to the date of the Game, have distributed to each such member Club, on the basis of its final Division standing such additional tickets as determined by the Management Council, and thereafter shall, not later than seven days following the Game, pay to each member Club not less than 75% of its share of the net revenue from the Game with the balance to be paid within 30 days.
- 3. A member Club participating in the Championship Game may claim the following expenses which, upon verification of claim by the Commissioner, shall be payable out of the gross revenues of the Game.
 - (a) The amount of three hundred (\$300.00) per day, or such other amount as determined from time to time by the Management Council, as a fixed amount for each day, commencing with the day after the Club has been declared one of the Grey Cup competing Clubs, and continuing up to and including the day of the Game to cover all expenses, except those expenses specifically referred to in subparagraphs (b). (c), (d) and (e) of this paragraph 3.
 - (b) The return transportation cost from the home site of the Club to the site of the Game, including the cost of transporting all necessary baggage and equipment. When air travel is used the allowable cost will be the actual rate incurred up to an amount equivalent to the current Air Canada group economy rate. The maximum number of persons for whom travel expense may be claimed shall be determined annually by the Management Council not later than the Semi-Annual Meeting for that year.

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- (c) The cost of bus transportation for Club personnel as incurred in the home city between the home site of the Club and the airport and at the Game site between the airport, stadium and team living quarters.
- (d) The cost of hotel accommodation at the Game site for each day, up to and including the day of the Game, that the participating Club resides in and operates from such hotel as selected by the Commissioner. The amount to be allowed per day shall not exceed the cost of 29 twin bedded rooms, 2 one bedroom suites, 1 two bedroom suite, a team meeting room, a private dining room and a team office.
- (e) A meal allowance for each day that the participating Club resides in and operates from the hotel referred to in sub-paragraph (d) of this paragraph 3. The amount of the per diem allowance and the number of persons for whom the expense may be claimed shall be determined annually by the Management Council not later than the Semi-Annual Meeting for that year.
- 4. The costs incurred in respect of practice facilities at the game site for the competing Clubs in the Championship Game shall be payable out of the gross revenues of the Game.

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General Prohibitions

- 1. A coach, manager, trainer, player, officer, executive or any other person connected, directly or indirectly, with a member Club is prohibited from:
 - (a) entering an official's dressing room;
 - (b) wagering on any game being played or to be played by a member Club;
 - (c) fraternizing or consorting with a known gambler;
 - (d) directly or indirectly through an agent or by public or private statement or inference, contacting or negotiating with
 - (i) any non-playing person connected with another member Club, or
 - (ii) any player who is under contract to, on the Negotiation List, or Suspension List or Retired List, or otherwise the property of, another member Club

for the purpose of engaging such non-playing person or player in activities relating to football without permission in writing having first been obtained from the member Club with or to which such person or player is associated or under contract;

- (e) disclosing to a non-playing person associated with, or a player under contract to, another member Club confidential information regarding the present and future operations and plans of the member Club with or to which such person or player is associated or under contract.
- (f) disclosing to an unauthorized person confidential information obtained from participation in, or attendance at, a meeting of the Board of Governors or Management Council.
- 2. A member Club shall not, either directly or indirectly, pay the fine for a player, coach, employee, official or team executive against whom one has been assessed.
- 3. During a game a member Club shall not be permitted to employ:
 - (a) A visual reproduction device which would provide simultaneous or delayed viewing by team personnel of game action in the stadium, or
 - (b) an electronic communication device other than one which would provide oral communication between the team bench and its spotters booth.

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- 4. A member Club shall not be permitted to change the design or colour of its playing uniform including the helmet, or the design of its logo, symbol or trademark unless written authorization has been granted by the Commissioner a full calendar year in advance of January 1 of the year of the playing season in which such change would occur, on the understanding that such authorization would be withheld only to conform to the provisions of any legal assignment already granted by the Club.
- 5. A member Club shall not be permitted to disclose or confirm publicly any information whatsoever concerning the roster of another member Club, including but not limited to
 - (a) the name of a player presently on, added to, or removed from such other Club's negotiation list, player roster, Injured Players List, Retired Players List, or League Suspension List, or
 - (b) the name of a player offered on waivers by, claimed by, or awarded to such other Club, or
 - (c) the name of a player whose playing rights have been transferred by such other Club to another member Club by trade or purchase.

7. The penalty for any violation of this Section 11 shall be interpreted under the provisions of Article XI of the Constitution.

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