PEEL DIAMOND SPORTS INC.

BY-LAWS

1 **DEFINITIONS**:

- 1.1 In these by-laws, unless contrary intention appears:
 - 1.1.1 "Club" means Peel Diamond Sports Inc.
 - 1.1.2 "Committee" refers to the Management Committee of Peel Diamond Sports Inc.
 - 1.1.3 "BWA" refers to Baseball WA.
 - 1.1.4 "SBWA" refers to Softball WA.
 - 1.1.5 "LLWA" refers to Little League WA.
 - 1.1.6 "TBAWA" refers to Tee Ball Association of WA.
 - 1.1.7 "BA" refers to Baseball Australia.
 - 1.1.8 "LLA" refers to Little League Australia.
 - 1.1.9 "SBA" refers to Softball Australia.
 - 1.1.10 "LLI" refers to Little League International.

2 **GENERAL**

- 2.1 These By-laws are to be read in conjunction with the Constitution of Peel Diamond Sports Inc., regulations and the rules of diamond sports as issued under the authority of the governing bodies. Unless otherwise stated, these by-laws apply to all games played in the competitions conducted by the Club.
 - 2.1.1 Within these by-laws where there is a reference to The President, The Treasurer or The Secretary. These positions are to be read as those positions already established in the Club.
 - 2.1.2 Any schedules attached form part of these By-Laws.
 - 2.1.3 At each adoption of any amendments to these By-Laws, they will be renumbered so as to maintain simplicity and numerical order.

3 ADMINISTRATION OF BY-LAWS

3.1 The Executive of the Club will determine interpretation of these By-laws.

4 POWERS OF THE CLUB:

4.1 **PROPERTY**

- 4.1.1 A Property Officer is to be appointed by the Club to control the Club's equipment and assets.
- 4.1.2 An up to date register is to be maintained;
- 4.1.3 A stocktake shall be completed at the start and end of the season:
- 4.1.4 Any disposal of equipment shall be approved by the Management Committee;

4.2 **FINANCES**:

- 4.2.1 Bank accounts can only be opened or closed with the approval of the Management Committee.
- 4.2.2 The term deposit inherited from the Mandurah Tee Ball Club Inc. is to be used for capital projects for the future development of the club.
- 4.2.3 The term deposit, referred to in 4.2.2, can only be accessed at the rate of \$1000 per financial year on approval by the Management Committee. Amounts greater than \$1000 need the approval of a Special General Meeting.

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4.3 **CANTEEN/BAR**:

- 4.3.1 The Club may appoint a Canteen Manager and a Bar Manager.
- 4.3.2 A weekly stock take of all drinks is to be completed.
- 4.3.3 The season final stock take is to be tabled at a Management Committee meeting.

4.4 PLAYER QUALIFICATIONS:

- 4.4.1 'Playing member' shall be defined as:
 - 4.4.1.1 A person who is financial with the Club,
 - 4.4.1.2 A person who has commenced playing for, or has been registered as, a playing member of the Club in the current season,
 - 4.4.1.3 A person who has been cleared from another club, notwithstanding that the player may not yet have commenced playing with the Club.
- 4.4.2 All playing members are to play in their appropriate age group.
- 4.4.3 Any members playing up an age group cannot start in front of any player, of the higher aged group, who has not played that weekend.

4.5 **LIFE MEMBERS**

- 4.5.1 Life members are entitled to the following privileges:
 - 4.5.1.1 Fifty percent discount off playing fees,
 - 4.5.1.2 Exempted from Social Member fees,
 - 4.5.1.3 Invitation to all Social Functions at no charge.
 - 4.5.1.4 Invitation to all Presentations at no charge.
- 4.5.2 An up to date registry of Life Members is be maintained.
- 4.5.3 A life member is entitled to hold any office & enjoy the privileges of the Club.
- 5 **CHANGE OF CLUB NAME**: Refer to appropriate Governing Bodies.

6 CLUB UNIFORMS

- 6.1 When in uniform, no player shall behave on any occasion in a manner which reflects discredit on the Club or relevant Governing Bodies.
- 6.2 The Club playing shirt shall not be worn outside of the game.
- 6.3 Breach of bylaw 6.1 may invoke expulsion of the player from the Club.

7 PROTESTS AND DISPUTES TRIBUNAL

7.1 **COMPOSITION**:

- 7.1.1 The Tribunal shall comprise of three members who shall be either present members of the Committee or persons who are current, Coaches or Life Members.
- 7.1.2 A pool of approximately ten (10) people shall be nominated to be called upon to sit on the Tribunal or to hear complaints as requested by the Club.

7.2 **APPOINTMENTS**:

7.2.1 The President shall select persons to constitute the Tribunal for each sitting. The President shall nominate the Chairperson of the Tribunal. A person shall not sit on the Tribunal if that person is involved in the complaint or matter before the Tribunal or is related to any of the parties.

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7.3 **COMPLAINTS**:

7.3.1 The Tribunal shall hear any complaint or deal with any matter referred to it by the Club.

7.4 **POWERS OF TRIBUNAL:**

- 7.4.1 In the course of hearing or dealing with any complaint or matter referred to it the Tribunal may:
 - 7.4.1.1 Require the attendance of any person before it;
 - 7.4.1.2 Re-open or re-hear any complaint or matter previously dealt with by it;
 - 7.4.1.3 If any person shall fail to answer any questions or shall act in an unseemly or obstructive manner, impose a fine not exceeding \$200 and may suspend that person from participating in a game involving the Club for a period not exceeding twelve (12) months:
 - 7.4.1.4 Impose a fine not exceeding \$200 on any member who has, in the opinion of the Tribunal, made a complaint which is trivial, frivolous or vexatious;
 - 7.4.1.5 Suspend any person from playing, acting as a coach of a team or acting as a team official for a period not exceeding twelve (12) months and/or impose a fine not exceeding \$400 on any person who has in the opinion of the Tribunal contravened these by-laws, contravened the rules of any Governing Body, brought the Club into disrepute or failed to comply with any order or direction of the Tribunal.
- 7.4.2 If a complaint is lodged in writing to the Secretary within five (5) days of the date upon which the incident, the subject of the complaint, took place with a request that it be referred to the Tribunal. The Club shall cause a meeting of the Tribunal to be convened as soon as is reasonably possible thereafter and shall forthwith cause the persons concerned to be advised in writing of the substance of the complaint and the time, date and venue of the meeting of the Tribunal..
- 7.4.3 All decisions of the Tribunal shall be reported to the Management Committee and the Management Committee shall give effect to the decision. Each decision shall be recorded in the minutes of the Management Committee. The Club shall cause all persons concerned to be notified of the Tribunal's findings and shall cause the nature of the complaint to be published, the decision itself and any other relevant facts unless the Management Committee considers such publication is to be undesirable.

8 CHANGES TO BY-LAWS

8.1 In accordance with Clause 15.3 of its Constitution the Club may, from time to time, make, alter and repeal the By-laws of the Club,

Notwithstanding any other provisions contained in these by-laws, if the Management Committee is of the opinion that there is good reason for not following the provision of these by-laws then the Management Committee may at its discretion vary the application of any of the by-laws.

9 SITUATIONS NOT COVERED BY THESE RULES

9.1 Any situation not provided for explicitly in these Club by-laws shall be referred to the appropriate Governing Body and determined in conjunction with their rules.