SDFL COMPETITION RULES – RECOMMENDED CHANGES FOR 2023-24 - RATIONALE

No.	RULE	AMENDMENTS	RATIONALE
4	F	*(F) ~~In the event of clubs failing to comply with the above Rule E, clubs will be given a further 4 weeks (31st July) to provide the league of its County Affiliation number for the coming season. Failure to provide this could result in their league application being withdrawn after which their place could be taken by a team on the reserve list. In the event that affiliation is then completed within the extended deadline the League would consider paying back the fine to the Club, on the basis, the delay is from sources outside the clubs direct control.~~*	Removed rule F as it contradicted Rule E
5	B	~~*At the discretion*~~ *of the committee, no person shall hold more than one position on the Management Committee.* *Changed to with agreement of Management Committee*	Needed clarifying
6	J	~~*The presentation of a cheque which is subsequently dishonoured by the Bank or Building Society, will incur a fine in accordance with the fines tariff, plus any associated bank charges accrued*~~	Deleted, as its in rule 6.0 below
6	N	*In any matter not specifically mentioned in these Rules, the Management Committee shall have the powers to take such action and impose such penalties necessary, and all such decisions shall be final.*	Club has the right to appeal added. More clarity
7	B	*Any dispute occurring between Clubs in the Competition shall be referred for determination by the Management Committee whose decision shall be binding upon all parties.*	Club has the right to appeal added. More clarity
8`	a	. ~~*Attendance at an AGM is required from all clubs participating in or wishing to participate in the competition, see Rule 8D*~~	Deleted, as in rule 8D Duplicated
8	g	~~*unless a duly agreed proxy has been received by the Competition Secretary before the meeting.*~~	Removed, proxy More clarity
12	d	*Any Club or Team failing to complete its fixtures in any season shall (~~unless the conditions are beyond their control, or the accredited delegates present at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting decide otherwise by a majority of two-thirds of the votes cast~~) be debarred from membership the following season* *Changed to unless agreed by the Management Committee*	Removed conditions. More clarity
14	c	. A copy of the proposed alterations to Rules to be considered at the AGM or SGM shall be submitted to the Sanctioning Authority or The FA (as applicable) and approved at least 28 days prior to the date of the meeting	Added and approved More clarity

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18	h	*Except ~~when specific approval has been given by the~~ by approval of the Management Committee, a club cannot sign or transfer more than one player from another Club at any one time, unless a period of 14 days has elapsed between each signing*	Deleted specific More clarity
18	o	*Unless the Management Committee ~~gives special dispensation~~, gives approval, any player who plays 5 or more games in a current season for a team in the Swindon & District League is ineligible to play for another team from the same Club in any lower Division match of the Swindon & District League during the same season*	Deleted special dispensation, replaced with gives approval More clarity