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REFERENCE: (Article and Subsection) 13.5.2

WHEREAS: (Article as currently written) 13.5.2. SHORTS AND PANTS Women have the option of wearing a combination of shorts and pants as long as the shorts and pants are identical in style and colour.

Revision, Addition, Deletion (choose one) **Revision**

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 13.5.2. SHORTS AND PANTS Shorts and pants are allowable styles of uniform bottoms. An individual player is allowed to wear the allowable style of uniform bottom of their choice. Regardless of the mix of styles of uniform bottoms on a team, all uniform bottoms of the team must be identical in colour and pattern.

RATIONALE: The current wording of Rule 13.5.2 is not up to current inclusivity standards. The current wording is open to interpretation and could be interpreted to be discriminatory.

At one time, players primarily wore shorts as uniform bottoms. At some point, teams started adopting pants as uniform bottoms. However, there were individual players that wanted to continue to wear shorts as uniform bottom. The intent of the original rule is to ensure that players of all ages have the ability to choose whether they would like to wear pants or whether they would like to wear shorts as a uniform bottom but that the general look of a team will still be uniform.

The Revised wording maintains the intent behind the rule using language that is inclusive.

CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE: None

OTHER RULES WHICH MAY BE AFFECTED (including definitions page): None

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: None

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