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## **EFL STATEMENT: STEVENAGE V GRIMSBY TOWN**

Following a comprehensive review of events alleged to have taken place prior to the League Two fixture between Stevenage and Grimsby Town on Saturday 19th August, the EFL has now given due consideration to the complaint raised in respect of the stewarding operation on the day.

On receipt of detailed observations from both Clubs, the EFL can confirm that no specific action is to be taken under its rules.

The EFL will, however, continue to work with all its Clubs to ensure that attending matches remains an enjoyable, positive experience for supporters and, to assist, will be issuing updated guidance regarding a number of safety, security and stewarding matters.

In addition, supporters are reminded that dedicated channels exist at all Clubs and the EFL to ensure that there are professional and approachable points of contact to report any complaints or issues of concern. Details are available via a Club's or the EFL's Supporters' Charter.

Alternatively, all supporters have the right to contact the Independent Football Ombudsman (IFO) who are accredited as an Approved Alternate Dispute Resolution Body.

The EFL notes the co-operation received in this matter and in particular would like to thank both the management teams at Stevenage and Grimsby Town for their assistance.

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With 72 member clubs across three divisions, the EFL (English Football League) is the world's original league football competition. It is the largest single body of professional clubs in European football and is responsible for administering and regulating the Sky Bet EFL, Carabao Cup and Checkatrade Trophy, as well as reserve and youth football. The EFL, EFL Trust and our member clubs are at the heart of communities across the country, providing shared experiences for all and using the power of sport to improve lives.

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