National Area Board Committee Player Transfer Regulations



- All transfers at Area Board level must firstly be completed in accordance with the Regulations and Byelaws of Basketball Ireland, Article 10 - Transfers Within Basketball Ireland.
- 2. All players wishing to transfer at club level must complete the Basketball Ireland Transfer Form regardless of age.
- 3. In order to comply with the transfer date deadline, players requesting a transfer must have completed the first section of the transfer form, signed by the player (parent/guardian if U18), completed by both departing club (unless Rule 5 applies) and receiving club, and have it lodged with the Secretary of their Area Board by midnight of the 31st of October of the current season.
- 4. Once a player has been registered with Basketball Ireland and has been issued with a BIPIN the player is considered to be a member of the club he/she has been registered with for transfer purposes. All players, irrespective of age, must be registered with Basketball Ireland.
- 5. A player is deemed to be an inactive player if he/she has not been registered with Basketball Ireland as a player for a minimum of one (1) season. They shall be required to complete a transfer form to be signed by the Area Board where they were last registered. They shall not be required to have their previous club sign the form. The transfer shall not count towards a clubs maximum incoming number from another club (Rule 10).
- 6. No transfer shall be signed by the assigned representative of the Area Board without all sections of the transfer form being fully completed. The BIPIN must be included on all forms if the player has previously been registered with Basketball Ireland.
- 7. U11 players who have not played in a competitive league need to submit a transfer form in the normal manner. However, once the relevant Area Board confirms that the player had not played in a competitive league, the Area Board are permitted to approve these transfers.
- 8. When a player transfers form one geographical area to another, the secretary of the outgoing Area Board, when the transfer has been completed, shall send a copy of the transfer form to the secretary of the incoming Area Board.
- 9. A player shall only be permitted to transfer once in a playing season.
- 10. A club can only accept a maximum of 3 incoming <u>senior</u> players and 3 incoming <u>underage</u> players from any one club in a season. If a club caters for both genders, they can accept a maximum of 3 incoming transfers for each gender. At <u>underage</u>, clubs are only permitted to transfer 2 players into any one team. If an <u>underage</u>, transferred player plays on 2 teams in their new club, this counts as a transfer into both of those respective teams. If an <u>underage</u>, transferred player is to be registered to also play with a <u>senior</u> team that transfer will count toward the <u>senior</u> transfer limit. (An <u>underage</u> player is deemed to be a player from U12 to U18, a <u>senior</u> player is deemed to be a player that is over the age of 18.)

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This does not include National League transfers to Super League or National League Division 1, both men's and women's:

- i. where an U20 player wishes to transfer and play Super League or National League Division 1 and play National Cup, any other NABC competition or any Area Board competition, they will be classed as an Area Board transfer and count as one of the 3 incoming players.
- ii. an U20 player transferring to play Super League or National League Division 1 only will count as a National League transfer.
- 11. Where a club cannot facilitate a team within their natural age group, Rule 10 above shall apply.
- 12. Where a club becomes defunct, all players become free to transfer to a club of their choice and are not subject to the Rule 10 above. The transfer form must be completed with the TRANSFERRING CLUB AUTHORISATION section crossed CLUB DEFUNCT.
- 13. Where a club does not offer senior teams, i.e. only caters for players up to U18 level, players wishing to play senior basketball with another club are not restricted to transfer Rule 10 above and are free to transfer to a club of their choice. This rule only applies to players moving from U18 to Senior.
- 14. When transfers are fully completed the assigned representative of the Area board shall forward the forms to Basketball Ireland as per Rule 10 E of Basketball Ireland, Regulations & Bye Laws.
- 15. Where a transfer does not come under the above rules, the secretary of the Area Board whom jurisdiction for the transfer falls under shall submit the transfer to the National Area Boards Committee (NABC) for their decision.
- 16. Where an Area Board refuses a players transfer within the rules above or for any other reason the player shall have the right of appeal to the National Area Board Committee (NABC). In order for the appeal to be valid it must be received in writing by the NABC (nabc@ireland.basketball) within 14 days of notification of the decision of their Area Board and must be accompanied by a deposit of €300.00. This deposit shall be refunded if the appeal is upheld.
- 17. When the National Area Boards Committee (NABC) receives an appeal under Rule 16 above, the NABC will inform the players Area Board of the receipt of the appeal and set the date for the hearing which shall take place at the next scheduled meeting of the NABC and/or within twenty-eight (28) days of the receipt of the appeal. All parties to the appeal shall be entitled to be represented at the hearing.
- 18. The National Area Boards Committee shall have the right to exercise its judgment in the interpretation of the above rules.

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