



# **INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER REGULATIONS**

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## **§ 1 GENERAL**

- 1.1 An International transfer, hereafter transfer, is when a player transfers from a club, the giving club, in one IFF Member Association to a club, the receiving club, in another IFF Member Association.
- 1.2 A player is a person belonging to a club of an IFF Member Association participating in a national or regional competition, organised by this IFF Member Association.
- 1.3 A player can only be licensed for one club at a time.
- 1.4 A player having played in a national team or a club on an Elite level (two highest divisions of the national association concerned) for the last two years is considered to be a registered player even if the Member Association does not have a system for player registration/licensing.
- 1.5 All IFF Member Associations must have a reference to the International Transfers Regulations in their own transfer regulations.

## **§ 2 SPECIAL TRANSFERS**

Any infringement to the transfer regulation in respect to the misuse of special transfers, will lead to a sanction of at least a doubled ordinary transfer fee.

### **2.1 Temporary Play**

- 2.1.1 A Club may grant their players, who are under contractual basis, an exemption (Temporary Play) from this regulation for participation with another Club in a specified Friendly International Tournament (see IFF Competition Regulations for Friendly International Matches)
- 2.1.2 Temporary Play transfers can be done only during the period of 1st May – 31st August

### **2.2 Intercontinental Visitor transfer**

- 2.2.1 An intercontinental visitor transfer can be granted during the official transfer period (1st July – 15th January) for a player who wants to play in another club in another continent for maximum of 60 days.
- 2.2.2 An intercontinental visitor transfer can be made valid for specific 60 days period based on the application of a player.
- 2.2.3 When the 60 days period is over the player automatically transfers back to the original club and no separate transfer is needed. Two intercontinental visitor transfers per player can be granted during the official transfer period.

### **2.3 Student Overseas Transfer**

- 2.3.1 If a player, for reasons related to studies, travels to another continent (overseas) for a period shorter than six months outside the transfer period (1st July – 15th January), the player can apply for a student overseas transfer for the period between 16th January and 30th June.
- 2.3.2 The player has to produce written proof of his/her studies in the country they are transferring to.
- 2.3.3 The student overseas transfer is valid for six months and expires automatically on the 30th of June even if the six month time period is not fulfilled

## **2.4 Intermediate Student transfer**

- 2.4.1 An intermediate student transfer can be granted during the official transfer period (1st July – 15th January) for a player, who is to study in a foreign country and who wants to play in a club in this country.
- 2.4.2 The player has to produce written proof of his/her studies in the country they are transferring to.
- 2.4.3 An intermediate student transfer can be made valid for a specific 60 days period based on the application of a player. When the 60 days period is over the player automatically transfers back to the original club and no separate transfer is needed

## **§ 3 TRANSFER APPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 All transfers shall be applied for using the applicable IFF Transfer Form. All transfer forms can be found on the [IFF Website](#)
- 3.2 All transfer applications must include the completed IFF Transfer Form. For express transfers, the receipt of payment of transfer fee must also be included
- 3.3 No transfer will be processed until payment is received

## **§ 4 TRANSFER FEES**

- 4.1 The cost of transfers are as follows:
- International transfer to a country ranked between 1 and 25 in the official IFF WFC ranking is 220 CHF
  - International transfer to a country ranked number 26 or below in the official IFF WFC ranking is 110 CHF
  - For a player under 15 years no transfer fee shall be due
  - Temporary play transfer is 110 CHF
  - Student overseas transfer is 110 CHF
  - Intermediate student transfer is 55 CHF
  - Intercontinental visitor transfer is 110 CHF for each 60-day period
- 4.2 For Express handling of a transfer (see §7) the transfer fee is 330 CHF. This applies to all transfer categories
- 4.3 All transfer fees shall be paid to the IFF at the same time the transfer form is submitted to the IFF
- 4.4 There are no refunds of transfer fees, regardless of whether a transfer is made valid or not

## **§ 5 TRANSFER PERIOD**

- 5.1 An international transfer according to §1 must be received by the IFF during the period 1<sup>st</sup> May - 15<sup>th</sup> January (latest at midnight CET).
- 5.2 A transfer arriving outside the transfer period shall be rejected
- 5.3 The period between two transfers of the same player shall be at least 21 days
- 5.4 A player having played in the EuroFloorball Cup or EuroFloorball Challenge may not transfer to another Club until 21 days after the event.

- 5.5 Exemption from the transfer period can be given only when a player under the age of 15 years is moving, due to family reasons, to another country. Such exemption requires the approval of the giving and receiving Member Association as well as the giving and receiving club

## **§ 6 VALIDITY**

- 6.1 A transfer shall be considered correct and be made valid when an IFF transfer form, signed by the player and the involved clubs and approved by the Member Association of the giving club, arrives to the IFF within the transfer period and the transfer fee according to §4 is received
- 6.2 A transfer shall be made valid by IFF on the first Monday occurring 7 days after a correctly submitted transfer form is received by the IFF, however not before 1st of July
- 6.3 An Express transfer, correctly received according to §8, is handled immediately, during the official IFF office hours

## **§ 7 TRANSFER CONDITIONS**

- 7.1 A player is free to transfer, and cannot be hindered by the giving club, unless the player is under a valid written contract or has an obligation to the giving club or is under national suspension
- 7.2 If a player is under a valid contract a transfer shall be made valid by IFF only when the giving club has agreed upon the transfer
- 7.3 A transfer of a player under the age of 15 years, moving, due to family reasons, to another country, may not be hindered, unless the player is under national suspension.
- 7.4 A player having not played for two years cannot be hindered to transfer. The Member Association, of the giving club, shall confirm on the transfer form that the player has not played for the two previous years. Such transfer shall not be subject to a transfer fee. All players must however fill in the transfer form in order to transfer from one country to another.
- 7.5 The transfer for a player having not played for two years will be made valid by IFF from the day the confirmation (transfer form) has arrived to the IFF. These transfers are also handled outside the transfer period.
- 7.6 The signature of the giving club and the signature of the national association of the giving club is to confirm the above.

## **§ 8 TRANSFER PROCEDURE**

- 8.1 The applicable transfer form shall be signed by the player and the receiving club and shall then be handed over to the giving club.
- 8.2 If the giving club agrees upon the transfer or is not entitled to hinder the player according to §7, the giving club shall sign the transfer form and return it to the receiving club within 14 days.
- 8.3 If the giving club does not agree upon the transfer or is entitled to hinder the player according to §7, the giving club shall return the transfer form to the receiving club within 14 days with a written statement of the reason not to sign the transfer form.

- 8.4 When the transfer form is correctly signed by the player and both the receiving and giving clubs, the receiving club shall pay to IFF the transfer fee according to §4 and send the transfer form to the Member Association of the giving club for approval with the receipt of payment of the transfer fee enclosed.
- 8.5 If the clubs do not agree upon the transfer the receiving club can still choose to submit the transfer form to the Member Association who will make a decision on the validity of the transfer request
- 8.6 If the transfer form is not returned by the giving club to the receiving club within 14 days, the receiving club is entitled to send their copy of the transfer form to the Member Association of the giving club
- 8.7 When a Member Association receives a copy of a transfer form not signed by all parties it shall investigate the matter within 14 days. If there is no reason according to §7 to hinder the player to transfer the Member Association shall approve the transfer
- 8.8 The Member Association shall, after having approved or disapproved a transfer, send to IFF the transfer form with the receipt of payment enclosed within 7 days from approval / disapproval. If disapproved by the National Association the reasons shall be stipulated

## **§ 9 DECISION**

- 9.1 Decisions on transfers shall be made by the IFF Office.
- 9.2 The official IFF WFC Ranking, which is valid in the beginning of the transfer period shall be used for transfers during the entire transfer period.

## **§ 10 APPEAL**

- 10.1 Appeal against a transfer decision shall be dealt with by the IFF Appeal Committee (AC) and shall be received by the IFF within 21 days from the announcement of the decision by IFF RACC / IFF Office. The day of announcement is considered the day the decision is sent by IFF.
- 11.2 The decision of the AC is final. No appeals may be lodged against the decision of the AC.

## **§ 11 ARBITRATION**

- 11.1 If there is a dispute concerning the contract in a transfer matter the dispute shall be settled by the IFF Board of Arbitration (BA).
- 11.2 When processing the dispute in the BA the IFF Arbitration Regulations shall be applicable.
- 11.3 The decision of the BA is final. No appeals may be lodged against the decision of the BA.