



Green Country Soccer Association

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A. Registration

1. Players

d. Player Transfers and Releases

- i. A transfer shall be defined as adding a currently GCSA registered player to a roster or a player who returns to the same roster.
- ii. Any player registered with a Competitive League team is obligated to that team for the entire seasonal year unless dropped or transferred.
- ii. Requests for player transfers, after team registration, are to be discouraged and will only be permitted in selected circumstances as provided hereafter.
- iv. (a) Players desiring to be released from their obligation before the end of the seasonal year (September 1 through August 31), and permission to transfer to another competitive team, must complete a written request on the official form provided by GCSA for such purpose. This form shall be submitted to the GCSA Registration Committee and include payment of the required \$100 transfer fee, which shall be credited to the GCSA Scholarship Fund. (Although the circumstances are expected to be rare, the transfer fee may be waived or refunded upon the unanimous approval of the GCSA Registration Committee if they deem special circumstances warrant such action.) No fee shall be required for a release which does not request approval of a transfer. Such requests shall be dated and time stamped when received by the GCSA Registration Committee.

- (b) Transfer Forms may be submitted at any time but must be filed by January 15 to be considered for the following Spring season. Requests for release and transfer will be determined by the GCSA Competitive Commission and advise applicants of its decision in writing, before February 1 whenever possible. The GCSA Competitive Commission may, at its discretion, request a meeting with the player and parent/guardian requesting transfer.
- (c) No player will be permitted to transfer if the number of players on the original team's Official Team roster is reduced to less than the minimum numbers of players required to form the team in the respective age group. (If there is more than one transfer request from a given team, such that this rule may come into effect, the requests will be considered in the order they were date and time stamped by the GCSA Registration Committee.) A transfer may be provisionally approved to permit a future transfer in the event that the original team's Official Roster, which has been reduced to less than the minimum number of players required to form the team in the respective age group, is thereafter increased to the minimum number of players required to form the team in the respective age group through the addition of players to the Official Roster. (2004)
- (d) If a player is released from his competitive team, but is unable to transfer to another team because the original team's Official Roster is reduced to less than the minimum number of players required to form the team in the respective age group, the player is not prohibited by these rules from returning to the original team. If such player has been released from the Official Roster and is therefore added to the same Official Roster, the addition shall constitute a transfer in accordance with Section A. d. i. (2004)
- (e) A player is under no time constraint to select and join another competitive team once a transfer has been

approved.

- (f) A player may request a release from the Competitive League team on which they are registered at any time during the seasonal year for the purpose of returning to the recreational league in their Home Club. Any player released for this purpose will immediately become subject to all GCSA recreational rules regarding registration and team formation.
- (g.) No player will be allowed to transfer to another Competitive League team on which he has participated as a guest player in any tournament requiring a Guest Player Form (or similar form) from GCSA during the current seasonal year if the player was a Guest Player while rostered on his original Competitive League team. (2004)
- (h) Nothing in this rule shall prohibit a player from participating in team tryouts during the annual tryout period established by GCSA each summer for the purpose of annual team formation. If a player has been accepted onto another team during such annual tryout period, he is automatically released to register with that new team.
- (i) In the event that a registered competitive team dissolved as set forth in Section B. 3., players become free agents and no longer need transfer/ release forms to register with another team.