



Ontario Water Polo

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To: Club Presidents, Coaches, OWP Board of Directors and OWP Tech. Committee

From: John Panethere, Executive Director, Ontario Water Polo

Date: August 10, 2011

Re: Club Transfer Policy

Please be advised, that the following OWP Policy has been approved by the OWP Board of Directors and will be deemed in effect immediately. This policy applies to all those who are or have been registered with an OWP member club and who wish to transfer to another club. While the requirements to fill out a transfer form and pay debts apply to all members and former members, the requirement to make the request during the transfer window applies only to those who were members of another club in the season immediately preceding the season for which the transfer is sought.

1. A player who wishes to transfer from one club to another must submit a Club Transfer Form request during the transfer window. It is the responsibility of the player to submit the request in writing directly to the OWP office with all required signatures. OWP will confirm the receipt of the transfer request with all parties within 5 business days. The former club may not impede the transfer unless the player owes a debt to the former club.
2. If there is a dispute about whether or not the debt claimed to be owed to the former club is valid or the former club declines to sign the form for other reasons, the OWP will arbitrate the dispute, using a committee of board members. If a player satisfies the debt with post dated cheques to facilitate the transfer and then subsequently reneges, the player will be placed in bad standing by the OWP. The transfer window for the 2011/12 season will be **August 10** to August 31, 2011. For subsequent years, the transfer window will be from June 1 to July 31.
3. Players may change clubs at other times during the year with no restrictions, where there has been a change in principal residence. The same Transfer Request Form should be used for all transfers; for mid season transfers relating to the change of residence, proof of a change in school registration must be provided.
4. After the transfer window has passed, the player can change clubs, however, his or her membership registration level will be "Active for Life" which restricts the player from participating in Provincial Club Championships, National Championships and any Provincial and National Team programs. The membership level will remain in effect for the balance of the season in which the transfer is initiated. For subsequent years when the transfer window is June 1 to July 31, if the transfer occurs in August, the Active for Life status will continue throughout the next full season.
5. Players who choose to transfer Clubs should be aware of the implication for the NDJ and that OWP's transfer rules have no impact on the WPC/NDJ transfer rules.
6. Notwithstanding the policy to allow freedom of transfer, there should NOT be any active recruitment of players from another club by coaches or club executives. Penalties for violating this prohibition can include fines, suspension from coaching and or suspension of membership by the OWP Discipline Committee.



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Club Transfer Form

Please ensure all information is filled in:

Date of Request _____
Player's Surname _____ Given _____
Date of Birth (M/D/Y) _____
Home Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____
E-mail _____

Present Club _____
Club requesting to move to _____

Reason for transfer request: (Select from below)

Club Transfer _____

Permanent Address Relocation _____
(Please provide proof of address change and change of school information)

Parent / Legal Guardian's Signature _____

By signing this form, the player as stated above has met all requirements of the OWP policy and has met all financial obligations to their present club, therefore authorizing the player to transfer to the new club.

Present Club President Name _____

Signature _____

Present Head Coach Name _____

Signature _____

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Transferring to Club Presidents Name _____

Signature _____

Transferring Head Coach Name _____

Signature _____

OWP Approval _____

Date _____

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