



GCCRBA Junior Club Transfer Policy

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide a clear and consistent process for junior player registrations and club transfers within the Gold Coast Basketball Junior Competition.

The policy is designed to protect the integrity of club trials, team selections and competition planning, while ensuring that players and families make an informed decision before committing to a club.

2. One Club Per Season

A junior player may only register with **one Gold Coast Basketball affiliated club per season**.

Players and families are responsible for ensuring they are registering with the club they intend to represent before completing their registration through Basketball Connect.

Players must not register with multiple clubs while deciding where they wish to play.

3. Registration Before Trials or Team Placement

All junior players must complete their registration through the **Basketball Connect registration portal before attending club trials, submitting a trial exemption or being placed on a club team**.

Clubs must not permit a player to formally trial or allocate a player to a team unless the player has completed the required Basketball Connect registration.

4. Commitment to a Club

Registration, trial participation and team selection form part of a club's planning process for the upcoming season.

A player is considered committed to their club for the season once they have completed **any** of the following:

- attended a trial with the club;
- participated in any part of the club's selection process;
- submitted a **trial exemption** to the club;
- accepted or been offered a position within a team; or
- been placed on a club team list.

Once any of the above has occurred, the player **will not be eligible to transfer to another Gold Coast Basketball affiliated club for that season.**

Families should therefore ensure they are comfortable with their choice of club before registering, attending trials or submitting a trial exemption.

5. No Transfer Following a Trial or Trial Exemption

A transfer request will **not be approved** where the player has:

- attended a trial with their registered club; or
- submitted a trial exemption to their registered club.

This applies regardless of whether the player subsequently changes their mind, prefers another club, has friends playing elsewhere, is unhappy with the team or division offered, or receives an opportunity to play with another club.

Submitting a trial exemption is treated in the same manner as attending a trial. It indicates the player's intention to be considered for selection by that club and therefore commits the player to that club for the relevant season.

Families should not submit a trial exemption unless they intend for the player to represent that club.

6. Incorrect or Accidental Registrations

If a player has genuinely registered with the wrong club by mistake, the family must contact the **Gold Coast Basketball Junior Competition Manager immediately.**

The player must **not register with another club** while the matter is being reviewed.

An incorrect registration may only be corrected where Gold Coast Basketball is satisfied that the registration was genuinely made in error and the player has **not**:

- attended a trial;
- submitted a trial exemption;
- participated in a selection process;
- accepted a position within a team; or
- been placed on a team list.

Registering with the wrong club does not automatically entitle a player to transfer.

7. Exceptional Circumstances

Exemptions to this policy will be **extremely limited** and will only be considered where Gold Coast Basketball determines that exceptional circumstances exist.

A change of preference, dissatisfaction with a team allocation, division, coach or teammates, wanting to play with friends, transport preferences or receiving an offer from another club will **not** be considered exceptional circumstances.

There will be **no exemption** where a player has already attended a trial or submitted a trial exemption with their registered club.

Gold Coast Basketball is under no obligation to approve a transfer simply because both clubs or the family agree to the request.

8. Transfer Requests

Any eligible request to correct or transfer a registration must be submitted directly to the **Gold Coast Basketball Junior Competition Manager** at:

cc@gccrba.com

The request must include:

- player's full name;
- date of birth;
- current registered club;
- club the player wishes to transfer to;
- reason for the request;
- date the original registration was completed;
- confirmation of whether the player has attended any trials;
- confirmation of whether a trial exemption has been submitted; and
- confirmation of whether the player has been offered or allocated a team position.

Gold Coast Basketball may contact either club for further information before making a decision.

9. Club-to-Club Arrangements

Affiliated clubs cannot independently approve or arrange the transfer of a registered junior player.

A discussion or agreement between clubs, coaches, team managers or families **does not constitute approval of a transfer.**

Any eligible registration correction or transfer must be approved by the Gold Coast Basketball Junior Competition Manager before a player registers with, trials for or participates with another affiliated club.

10. Financial Obligations

Players transferring from a previous club must ensure they are **financial and have no outstanding fees or obligations** with that club.

Where a player has outstanding amounts owing, the previous club may place a restriction on the player's participation until the outstanding matter has been resolved.

Families should contact their previous club before registering if they are unsure of their financial status.

11. Final Determination

Gold Coast Basketball will make the final determination on all registration corrections and transfer requests.

Unless written approval has been provided by the Gold Coast Basketball Junior Competition Manager, the player's original registration remains in place.

Families should not register with another affiliated club unless they have received written confirmation that the transfer or registration correction has been approved.