

FRU Player Transfer Policy

Once a player has played a FRU League Game for a club, that player may not participate in a league game for any other club within that competitive season.

If a player wants an exception to the above rule, they must submit a request to the FRU Executive Committee and notify their current club in writing, that they intend to switch clubs. The following are examples of reasons for club transfer:

1. A Senior Player's change of geographic location must be at least 50 miles.
2. Collegiate Players who transfer to a different college must complete and submit the CIPP Player Change/Transfer Form to the USA Rugby office and send a copy of the approval to the FRU Competitions Chair.
3. A college player who graduates and begins to play for a club must complete and submit the CIPP Player Change/Transfer Form to the USA Rugby office and send a copy of the approval to the FRU Competition Chair. They may only compete for one national championship in a competitive year.

All requests for exceptions will be carefully evaluated by the Executive Committee with decisions rendered within two (2) weeks or less of receipt of the transfer request. If approval is granted, a player must then submit the CIPP Player Change/Form to the USA Rugby office for final approval.

Member clubs who use players on any team in league, playoff or challenge matches who have switched to another club, but have not fulfilled the provisions as outlined above, and have not received approval from the FRU, will be subject to a fine of \$500 per player per match and these matches will be declared forfeits and counted as losses.

Clubs are responsible for informing their members of these regulations.

Any protest concerning eligibility of match participants must be made in writing to the match referee prior to his or her leaving the playing enclosure on the day of the match. Such protest must specify the first and last names of the player(s) being protested, their CIPP #, and the grounds upon which the protest is based. The protest must be sent to the Competition Chair within three (3) days of the match. If the Competition Chair finds the protest to be valid, the offending team will forfeit the game and the FRU Discipline Chair shall administer sanctions, fines or suspensions as outlined in this handbook.