

# **PEI SOCCER ASSOCIATION (PEI SOCCER)**

## **PLAYER TRANSFER POLICY**

### **1.1 Definitions**

- i) District: A geographic area of the Province of Prince Edward Island encompassing one or more clubs as specified in Appendix A.
- ii) Competitive Soccer: The game of soccer when played by players over the age of 10 in a results oriented format.
- iii) Association: Reference to the term Association in this rule, unless the context indicates otherwise shall mean the PEI Soccer Association.
- iv) Provincial Competition: Provincial Cup or other championship that the Association may hold as and when determined by the Association.

### **1.2 General**

- i) All Members, Players, Clubs, Leagues and other participants are subject to the Rules of the CSA unless specifically allowed for in these rules.
- ii) All Members, Players, Clubs, Leagues and other participants are bound to the Rules of the Association as herein provided.

### **2.1 General**

- i) All players shall be registered annually with the Association through a Member Club's Registration Form.
- ii) Players entering competitive soccer for the first time or who have not registered for one full season in Prince Edward Island at any age group from **U10** to **U18** may register with a Member Club of their choice.
- iii) Upon registration with a club the player is bound to that club unless transferred as specified in this policy.
  - a. Players registered in the **U-9** and younger age groups are free to transfer to other clubs as specified in this policy;
  - b. Players registered in the **U-10** through **U-18** age groups are bound to their club at all times unless transferred as specified in this policy;
  - c. Players registered as a Senior player are free to transfer to other clubs as specified in this policy.
- iv) All youth players registered with a Club are deemed to be registered with the District within which the Club is geographically located.
- v) A player who is selected to a District Team and accepts such selection shall be permitted

to play with the Club where the team is hosted, without the necessity of a transfer.

- vi) A registered player, whose league has finished its playing season, or whose team is forced to fold prior to July 31, remains a registered player with that club until a transfer to another club has been completed.
- vii) The deadline for player registration shall be midnight July 31 and the deadline for transfers shall be midnight July 31 of the current season. If the 31<sup>st</sup> falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the deadline would then be the end of office hours on the following Monday.

## **2.2 Transfers**

- i) When there are insufficient numbers to form a team within a Club or players are declared surplus, these players are free to transfer to another Club within their District. These players are free to register back to their original Club the following year or remain with the club to which they were previously transferred.
- ii) A Youth (U-10 to U-18) player may only transfer to another Club within his/her district. Senior players are free to transfer to any Club within the Association.
- iii) A youth player may only be allowed to transfer out of their district on the basis of exceptional circumstances and only as approved by the Associations Transfer Committee.
- iv) A player wishing to transfer to another Club must submit a transfer form to the releasing and receiving Clubs for approval. The completed form, and the prescribed fee, if applicable, shall then be forwarded to the Association office where the Transfer Committee shall have seven (7) days to adjudicate the request.
- v) The player and Club shall be advised within 24 hours of the decision of the Transfer Committee once made.
- vi) If one or both Clubs refuse to approve the transfer, the transfer request can still proceed to the adjudication stage by the Transfer Committee.
- vii) If approved, the player will be eligible to play after (7) days for Provincial Competition play and one (1) day for League play from the date of receipt of the properly completed documents and transfer fee, if applicable, at the Association office.
- viii) If not approved by the Transfer Committee, the player may appeal within seven (7) days of being advised that his/her request for a transfer has been denied, to a "Transfer Appeal Committee" consisting of three Club Presidents who have no interest in the application. This committee shall be appointed and chaired by the Association Vice President who shall be a non-voting chairperson of the committee.
- ix) No third party Club, team or official has the right or authority to intervene or appeal a decision of the Transfer Committee or Transfer Appeal Committee.
- x) A player shall be entitled to a Transfer only as follows:

- (a) A maximum of two (2) transfers during any one playing season within the jurisdiction of the Association. A player once transferred cannot be transferred to the Club for which he was originally registered until after a period of thirty (30) days has elapsed;
  - (b) A maximum of one (1) transfer to any Province or Territory within the jurisdiction of The Canadian Soccer Association, except that a player shall be allowed to transfer back to the team from which he was last transferred.
- xi) Transfers may be subject to a transfer fee to be set by the Association granting the transfer, such fees shall be due and payable to the Association before the transfer shall be completed.
- xii) Players who are still of youth age (U-10 to U-18) but playing for a senior team shall remain bound to the Club with whom they were last registered as a youth player.
- xiii) Any player registered with a Club which has, with the consent of the Association, merged, ceased to operate, or has been declared defunct by such Associations, shall be entitled to be transferred, provided the transfer deadline has not passed, by making application to the Association concerned who, having satisfied themselves of the bonafides of the application, shall have power to transfer such player to any Club. The Association may waive any or all of the transfer fee, in which case the provisions of Section 2.2.xii shall not apply.
- xiv) Any Club which, through its responsible officers or representatives, attempts to induce a registered player of a Club under the jurisdiction of this Association to leave his/her Club, shall be deemed to have committed an offense and shall be dealt with by the Discipline Committee of the Association.

## **Appendix A**

### **Districts**

The districts of the Association shall be as follows:

#### **Prince County**

West Prince Storm S.C.  
Summerside United S.C.  
Kensington & Area S.C.

#### **Kings County**

Eastern Eagles S.C.  
Souris Lamplighters S.C.  
Morell Strikers S.C.

#### **Queens County**

Eliot River Ramblers S.C.  
Central Queens S.C.

#### **Hillsborough United**

Stratford S.C.  
Sherwood-Parkdale Rangers S.C.  
North Shore Shark S.C.

#### **Charlottetown West**

Winsloe Charlottetown Royals F.C.