

1. BBNZ Criteria for Transfer and Loans

Associations are to apply for transfers and loans via The Huddle. The association requesting the transfer will fill out the application. The guide for this process (new for 2022) can be found [HERE](#).

Below is the key information from our Regulations (Book 4 – Players and Officials) pertaining to Special Invitational Loan Players and Association Representative Player Transfers. The complete series of BBNZ Regulations can be found on the BBNZ website, under All Competition Resources.

For a list of associations and contacts, please click [HERE](#)

For Basketball New Zealand's athlete pathway, please click [HERE](#)

2.1 General Principles

- a. Each Affiliated Association or School which enters a team or teams in a BBNZ Competition is responsible for ensuring its players are eligible at all times and will bear the consequences of any breach of these Regulations.
- b. A player who is selected to represent an Affiliated Association is a Representative Player. Representative Players must be eligible (under Regulation 2.1(a)) and may only represent the Affiliated Association in the Area of the player's usual residence, in accordance with this Regulation.

2.3 Association Representative Player Transfer

- a. Where a player is seeking to play for an Affiliated Association in a BBNZ Competition other than the Association they have previously played for (Transferring Association), the Affiliated Association seeking to have that player in its representative team (Receiving Association) must:
 - i. ensure the player is eligible to play under these Regulations;
 - ii. complete, and send to BBNZ, a transfer form that complies with Regulation 2.3(b) below.
 - iii. have the written approval of the Transferring Association, which must be sent to BBNZ within the time set by BBNZ for team rosters to be confirmed. The Transferring Association cannot withhold such approval unless any of the grounds specified in Regulation 2.3(d) of this Regulation apply.
- b. Affiliated Associations are to manage all applications from players seeking to transfer Associations and can choose to use the Affiliated Association Representative Player Transfer form provided by BBNZ or generate their own form, which must comply with this Regulation.
- c. The deadline(s) for player application forms is the date/s set by agreement between the Affiliated Associations in each Zone.
- d. Where a transfer cannot be agreed between Affiliated Associations, the player seeking to transfer may forward his/her application to BBNZ that will, in its sole and absolute discretion, determine the outcome of the application. BBNZ must seek the views of both Affiliated Associations and the player on the transfer application, before making any decision. There is no further right of appeal from this decision. BBNZ may deny an application on any ground including (but not limited to) where BBNZ determines that the player:
 - i. has debts owing to BBNZ or to the Transferring Association or
 - ii. has property of the Transferring Association or BBNZ that has not been returned or
 - iii. is involved in any disciplinary or judicial matters that are pending.
- e. As per 2.1i a player who transfers may not transfer to another association for 2 years.

2.4 Loan Players

- a. An Affiliated Association may have up to a maximum of three loan players from another Affiliated Association for the purposes of competing at a National Championship, or the Under 13 Regional Championship, provided that;
 - i. loan players are not permitted for Qualifying Competitions. The only exception to this rule is if the player falls under one or both of Regulation 2.4aii prior to the Qualifying Competition;
 - ii. the loan players are from Affiliated Associations that are within the same Zone; and,
 - iii. the player seeking to be loaned, either:
 - actively sought to gain a place in the team of their Affiliated Association but failed to be selected; or
 - their Affiliated Association is not entering a team in that competition.
- b. A loan player must have the written approval of the Affiliated Association to which they are registered and the Affiliated Association seeking to play them as a loan player for each BBNZ Competition. Confirmation of such written approval must be provided to BBNZ when team rosters are confirmed.
- c. Affiliated Associations are to manage all applications from players seeking to be a loan player and must use the form provided by BBNZ.
- d. The deadline(s) for loan player application forms is the date/s set by agreement between the Affiliated Associations in each Zone.
- e. Where a loan is not agreed between Associations, an appeal may be made by the player to the Chief Executive of BBNZ who will, in their sole and absolute discretion, determine the outcome of the appeal.
- f. The Chief Executive of BBNZ may, on application, approve a loan where the home Association has denied a loan request but is not entering a team and there is, in the Chief Executive's sole opinion, no reasonable reason to deny the player the opportunity.

NB: Special Invitational Loan Player application process is subject to change.

2.6 Restrictions on Eligibility

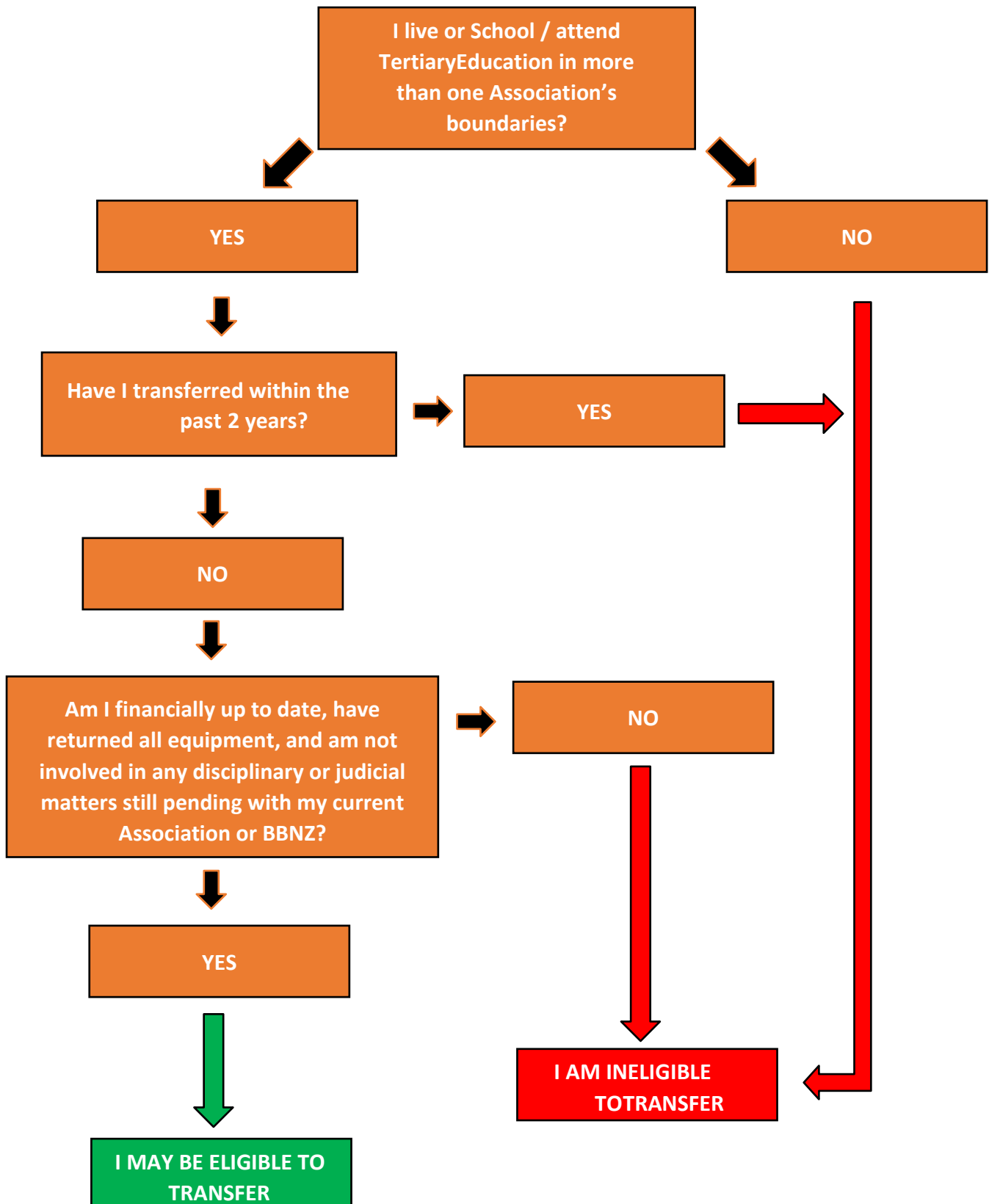
- a. A player may represent only one Affiliated Association at BBNZ Competitions in any one year;
- b. Loan Players are exempt from Regulation 2.6(a) of this Part.
- c. A player may play in only one of the Under 13 Regional Championships or Under 15 or Under 17 or Under 19 age group BBNZ Competitions, in any one year; and for avoidance of doubt:
 - i. a player may play in any one or more competitions in the same age-group competitions in any one calendar year;
- d. An Under 17 or an Under 19 player may play in their age group in BBNZ competitions in any one calendar year, and also play in the Under 23 BBNZ Competitions in that same calendar year.

2. Guide to Transfer and Loan Eligibility

The following two pages are flow charts designed to help guide you through whether a player is eligible to transfer or loan to another Association for the purpose of competing at age group regional qualifiers, regional championships and national championships. This document is not to replace the BBNZ Regulations above, but to use alongside them.

These flow charts are basic, and there may be some circumstances that sit outside of these guides. For those situations, please contact your association for guidance or refer to the relevant regulations above.

Can I transfer to another Association?



Can I be Loaned to another Association?

