

Volleyball NZ 2023 Transfer Policy

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VNZ membership links athletes, coaches and team staff to a school and or club and a Regional Association. Club membership is required for all athletes, coaches and staff participating outside of the VNZ school competitions, especially but not limited to zone leagues leading to the VNZ Club Championships.

Responsibilities:

1. Athletes and staff registering as VNZ members indicate school and or club affiliation as well as membership of an affiliated Regional Association.
2. Once registered as a member of a club, the athlete is linked to this club until such time as an approved transfer is received.
3. An inactive athlete is still linked to the club in which they were last active until such time as an approved transfer is received.
4. A transfer is not required from secondary school to an affiliated club.
5. An athlete may only register with one club at a time.
6. An athlete may only participate in one zone competition annually.
7. Prior to playing for a new Club, the player and Club must have received confirmation of approval of the transfer from VNZ.
8. An athlete may transfer between clubs only once in the VNZ membership year, (1 March – 28 February following) except under specific regulations of the Club Championships Transfer window.

8.3 Following the conclusion of Zone Qualification events, each qualified Division I team may loan in one player from a non-qualified Division I team within the loan window which will be 18-22 September 2018. The player must complete a Loan Form and lodge with VNZ on or before 22 September 2018.

Club Responsibilities:

9. A club must be affiliated to a VNZ Regional Association in order to participate in regional and or national club events.
10. Clubs may determine the membership conditions for the club and are urged to ensure that all financial commitments of athletes are communicated clearly to the athletes and that any fees are invoiced from the club to the athlete.
11. A club may only decline the transfer of an athlete where there is an official record of outstanding debt as invoiced or where there is club equipment (e.g. uniform) outstanding as per a signed receipt.
12. A club may not recover funds received from a community funding grant received by the club from an individual athlete or withhold a transfer in regard to such funds.

Regional Association Responsibilities:

13. The Regional Association shall be affiliated to VNZ by having paid the annual Affiliation Fee.
14. The Regional Association shall maintain a register of affiliated clubs for their region.
15. The Regional Association may determine the conditions for club affiliation.
16. The Regional Association is required to countersign club entries to VNZ events indicating that the club is an affiliated member and is in good standing with the Regional Association.
17. The Regional Association is required to countersign an athlete club transfer form and may withhold approval of a transfer if such player is non-financial with the Association where there is an official record of outstanding debt as invoiced or where there is Association equipment (e.g. uniform) outstanding as per a signed receipt.
18. Where a club is no longer active, the Association will sign on behalf of the transferring club.
19. A regional Association may not recover funds received from a community funding grant received by the Association from an individual athlete or withhold a transfer in regard to such funds.

VNZ Responsibilities:

20. The VNZ membership register will include the school and or club and regional affiliation of each athlete and any approved transfer for the relevant season.
21. The Club Transfer Form will be distributed to clubs and Regional Associations annually and will be available from the VNZ website.
22. VNZ will require any club or Regional Association to provide documents in support of any non-approval of an athlete club transfer.
23. VNZ may withhold a transfer approval if such player is non-financial with VNZ where there is an official record of outstanding debt as invoiced.