

Transfer of Officiating Awards Policy

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1. INTRODUCTION

This policy defines the process to be followed by:

- 1.1 An accredited official transferring into a Europe Netball Member country from another World Netball Region who wishes to now officiate in a Europe Netball affiliated member country. This may include but is not limited to umpire, tutor, assessor or technical official.
- 1.2 An accredited official transferring between Member Countries within the Europe Netball Region who wishes to now officiate in a different Europe Netball Member Country. This may include but is not limited to umpire, tutor, assessor or technical official.
- 1.3 A World Netball umpire (ITID or INUA) or assessor (ITP or ITP Cadet) transferring from outside the Europe Netball Region into a Europe Netball Member Country.

2. AFFILIATION AND RESIDENCY

- 2.1 Normally an official within Europe will be affiliated to one Member Country only.
- 2.2 Where an official is affiliated to more than one Member Country, the country of residence will normally prevail as the primary affiliation for recognition by Europe Netball for the purposes of any Europe Netball appointments.
- 2.3 Where an official is affiliated to more than one Member Country, each Member Country will be responsible for determining the terms and conditions for the individual affiliation.
- 2.4 If the country of residence is not an affiliated member of Europe Netball, the official will be required to contact the Europe Netball Officiating Lead to discuss the next steps.

3 OFFICIATING QUALIFICATIONS AND PART QUALIFICATIONS

- 3.1 Officials who start an award must normally complete that award within their Member Country: this includes theory, written and practical.
- 3.2 Awards started in one Member Country and partially completed cannot be transferred to another Member Country, unless the reason for the transfer request is completed on the Transfer Request Form (see Appendix 'A' attached) and approved by the new Member Country. Member Countries should contact the Member Country that the person requesting the transfer is transferring from to verify the completed components at the point of the transfer request and prior to approval.

4 NATIONAL OFFICIALS TRANSFERRING INTO A EUROPE NETBALL MEMBER COUNTRY FROM ANOTHER WORLD NETBALL REGION

- 4.1 The transfer of award process can only be undertaken once the official (umpire, assessor, tutor or technical official) has affiliated to a Europe Netball Member Country.
- 4.2 The official shall obtain from their National Governing Body (Member Country) where the award was gained, documentary evidence of their award accreditation, together with an appropriate endorsement.
- 4.3 This evidence must provide information detailing the scope and content of the relevant accreditation level, to facilitate cross-mapping of the officiating award schemes and accreditation levels in the two World Netball Regions.
- 4.4 The official shall submit this documentary evidence, using the Europe Netball Officiating Transfer Request Form (see Appendix 'A' attached) to the Officiating Lead of their new Member Country, together with a written request for transfer of accreditation to be considered.
- 4.5 For umpire transfer requests above B award level, within one month of receipt, the Officiating Lead of their new Member Country shall forward the request together with the supporting documentary evidence to the Europe Netball Officiating Lead for consideration.
- 4.6 The Europe Netball Officiating Lead will arrange for cross-mapping to be undertaken by Europe Netball, to determine the equivalent level of officiating award in the Europe Netball officiating pathway. Following the cross-mapping, the Member Country will be requested to organise a relevant practical assessment at the level advised by Europe Netball with a qualified supervisory assessor appointed. For umpires, this may include the multi-stage fitness test (MSFT).
- 4.7 The appointed supervisory assessor must hold a current recognised Europe Netball assessor award. If the new Member Country does not have assessors of the appropriate level, they may request these from Europe Netball. Any costs incurred for the assessment will be the responsibility of the official / Member Country, including any travel, accommodation, assessor and assessment fees.
- 4.8 The new Member Country will confirm to Europe Netball the outcome of the assessment and maintain a record of the outcome of the assessment.

- 4.9 Europe Netball will maintain a record of the cross-mapping and the outcome of any assessment.
- 4.10 An approved transfer request will require the official to accept and abide by the rules and processes of the Europe Netball Officiating Awards scheme currently in force and those of their new Member Country. The new Member Country will maintain a copy of the signed documents.

4.11 Umpire award

Refer to Europe Netball Umpire Pathway documentation for the assessment process and relevant documents, available on the Europe Netball website.

4.12 Assessor award

Refer to Europe Netball Assessor Pathway documentation for the assessment process and relevant documents, available on the Europe Netball website.

4.13 Tutor Award

Refer to Europe Netball Tutor Pathway documentation for the assessment process and relevant documents, available on the Europe Netball website.

4.14 Technical Official Award

Refer to Europe Netball Technical Official Pathway documentation for the assessment process and relevant documents, available on the Europe Netball website.

5. NATIONAL OFFICIALS TRANSFERRING BETWEEN MEMBER COUNTRIES WITHIN THE EUROPE NETBALL REGION

- 5.1 The transfer of the Europe Netball award process can only be undertaken once the official has affiliated to the new Europe Netball Member Country.
- 5.2 The official shall obtain from their National Governing Body (Member Country) where the Europe Netball award was gained, documentary evidence of their award accreditation, together with an appropriate endorsement.
- 5.3 The official shall submit this documentary evidence, using the Europe Netball Officiating Transfer Request Form (see Appendix 'A' attached) to the new Member Country Officiating Lead, together with a written request for transfer of accreditation to be considered.
- 5.4 If the umpire award held is a Member Country or Europe Netball Introductory / Beginner Officiating Award, then the new Member Country will:
- Contact Europe Netball to determine whether cross-mapping has already been undertaken between the awards and Europe Netball will advise the outcome
 - If the umpire award has already been successfully cross mapped, then the new Member Country will be advised to recognise the award
 - If there is no existing successful cross-mapping, then the new Member Country will advise the umpire of any additional steps that need to be undertaken

- 5.5 If the officiating award held (C, B, or A) is a current Europe Netball Officiating Award, then no further supporting information is required.
- 5.6 If the officiating award held is not a current Europe Netball Officiating Award, the official must apply to start the officiating Pathway within their new Member Country.
- 5.7 The new Member Country Officiating Lead will confirm the outcome of the transfer request to the applicant within one month and maintain relevant records.

6. WORLD NETBALL OFFICIAL (ITID, INUA, ITP OR ITP CADET) TRANSFERRING INTO EUROPE NETBALL REGION FROM ANOTHER WORLD NETBALL REGION

- 6.1 The transfer of the award process can only be undertaken once the official has affiliated to the new Europe Netball Member Country.
- 6.2 ITID and INUA umpires and ITP and ITP CADET are WN accredited officials, and their award is transferrable across all WN regions and member countries, without any further validation or endorsement required.
- 6.3 The new Member Country will liaise with the Europe Netball Officiating Lead to arrange any training required on Europe Netball specific processes and procedures for an ITP or ITP Cadet who will be undertaking assessment within the Europe Netball Region.
- 6.4 For the purposes of WN appointments, the ITID or INUA will be considered to be a non- European umpire unless they become a permanent resident of their new Member Country.

7. COSTS

- 7.1 Any costs incurred will be the responsibility of the official/new Member Country.

8. CROSS MAPPING OF AWARDS

- 8.1 Member Countries may have already undertaken cross- mapping of awards and are requested to share this with Europe Netball, so that a central system may be maintained, which will save work in the future. This central documentation held by Europe Netball will be available to affiliated Europe Netball Member Countries on request.

Appendix A Europe Netball Officiating Transfer Request Form

Surname			
First Name		Other Names	
Current Address in new Member Country			
New Member Country		Post Code	
Telephone Number			
Mobile Number			
Email			
Country transferring from:			
Country transferring to:			
Details of completed Officiating Award(s) held			
For partial transfer requests, give details of the completed components and the date(s) of completion			
Reason for request of a partial transfer			
Any other supporting documentation			
By signing the declaration, you are acknowledging that all the information is true and accurate			
Print name		Date	
Signed			

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