

Ellerslie AFC

International Player Policy

Ellerslie AFC is always happy to accept either players who have moved to New Zealand and wish to play football in their new country, people who are in the country on a working holiday visa or people who are returning to New Zealand having been overseas – If your new to football then it's easy but if you have played football while you have been overseas then you will need to read the details below.

Description of an “International Player”

Any player who wishes to play in New Zealand who has previously been registered to play football for a club or school in another country will require an internal transfer to be requested and cleared by New Zealand Football and the FA of the country the players registration is currently held.

There are two types of International transfers, there is one for senior players (aged 18 and up) and one for all youth and junior players. Youth and junior international transfers are more complicated and will need to be discussed with an Ellerslie AFC club official before one is requested.

Club Policy

SENIOR INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER

If a player wishing to play for Ellerslie AFC requires an senior international transfer then the fee of \$100 inc GST must be paid to a club official before the transfer is requested. The club does not make any money from this; the fee is what New Zealand Football charges us for a player to have an International Transfer lodged.

The normal stand down time for an international transfer is 4 weeks, however this can drag on sometimes depending on the amount of information the player has supplied about his or her former club.

There are certain cases in which the players \$100 fee can be refunded to the player – as it stands this is by a player making 15 appearances in the clubs first teams (Men's or women's) in one season. The only other way a refund will apply is at the discretion of the Senior Club Operating Committee in conjunction with the Senior Director of Coaching.

JUNIOR/YOUTH INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER

The fee for a Junior/Youth International transfer is \$100.00 inc GST

Contact a club official on admin@ellersliefootball.org.nz to discuss

Details required for an International Transfer:

Generally the more details provided the quicker the transfer will be processed, that in mind some of the key things you will need to provide us are:

- Name of your former club (or organisation you played football with)
- The regional governing body for this club if known (if not then accurate address details for the area your former club operated in)
- The country this club or organisation is located
- The year the last time you played for this club/organisation
- If possible a contact name and email address of an official from your former club/organisation
- A copy of your clearance certificate from your former club/organisation (if you have one)
- A full set of your information, including your email address, your NZ postal address and contact number
- Your DOB
- A photocopy or digital copy of your passport

Plus there are some additional requirements for a junior/youth International transfer

Some other helpful tips about Football in New Zealand:

- Football in New Zealand is a winter sport – our season runs from late-March to mid-September, you can have a look at the Auckland Football website for more info:
www.aff.org.nz
- Our club has social teams for the not so serious player, developmental teams for the young player wishing to improve, competitive teams for the top level player and age grade teams (like over 30's and over 35's) for the older players.
- For the really top level players NZ has a summer national football league (the top level of Football in New Zealand) – check out <http://www.nzfootball.co.nz/asb-premiership/> for more information

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us on the details below – and remember if you're looking to come to New Zealand and you wish to play Football while you're here get this process started before you come.

Seniors (18+) – chairman@ellersliefootball.org.nz

Juniors/Youth (5 to 17) – admin@ellersliefootball.org.nz