

## **NEW JERSEY STATE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

1161 Route 130 North, Robbinsville, NJ 08691-1104

The new transfer rule, as amended, would read as follows:

### Article V – Eligibility of Athletes

K. Transfers – After his/her initial enrollment in a secondary school, as provided for in Article V, Section 4.G (2) of the Bylaws, a student-athlete is subject to the following transfer rules:

1. A student-athlete who transfers from one secondary school to another because of a bona fide change of residence by his/her parents or guardians, or through assignment by the Board of Education, becomes eligible to represent his/her new school immediately upon entrance unless recruitment or transfer for athletic advantage is alleged and provided all other eligibility regulations are satisfied.

Both the former and new school must complete a transfer form affirmatively stating that the transfer is a bona fide change of residence and that there was no athletic recruitment or a transfer for athletic advantage.

A bona fide change of residence takes place when:

- a. The parent/guardian moves with the student from one public high school district to another public high school district;
- b. The parent/guardian completes an affidavit or certification with the proof of the new residence;
- c. The change of residence must have occurred on or before the following dates: July 1, to be immediately eligible to participate during the Fall sports season; October 1, to be immediately eligible to participate in the Winter sports season; and February 1, to be immediately eligible to participate in the Spring sports season; and
- d. The new residence may not be associated with, leased, or provided by anyone associated with the school or acting at the direction of the school, including but not limited to administration, staff, coaches, students, parents, booster clubs, or any organization having a connection with the school.

The form of the affidavit or certification shall be approved annually by the Executive Committee. The affidavit or certification must be filed with the new school and be available to the NJSIAA upon request. Any school official with actual knowledge that the affidavit or certification is false may be subject to punishment as set forth in Article X.

The affidavit or certification must be accompanied by proof of the new residence. Such proof shall include at least two of the following: (i) a New Jersey driver's license or non-driver's identification showing change of address; (ii) mortgage or lease documents; (iii) utility bills; (iv) voter registration; (v) bank statement; (vi) homeowner's insurance or renter's insurance; or (vii) any business record or document issued by a governmental entity.

The term "guardian" refers to that person who has control over the person and property of a child as established by the order of a court of competent jurisdiction. A student who becomes emancipated shall be deemed not to have made a bona fide change of residence.

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**STUDENT-ATHLETE RESIDENCY AFFIDAVIT**

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Print Student's Full Name	School	Date
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I, \_\_\_\_\_, of full age, being duly sworn to law, upon my oath  
depose and say:

1. I am the parent/legal guardian of the above listed student. (circle)
2. I currently reside at: \_\_\_\_\_  
I have resided at the above address since: \_\_\_\_\_
3. The above-named student moved with me at my new address on: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Prior to moving to the new residence address listed above, I resided at the following address:  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Prior to moving to the new address listed in #2 above, the student resided at the following address:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
  
with named parent/legal guardian \_\_\_\_\_
6. I hereby authorize the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association ("NJSIAA") to investigate and confirm any and all Statements made by me in this affidavit. I agree to provide any additional information that may be requested by the NJSIAA.
7. I will notify the present school immediately, in writing, if any of the conditions recited herein are changed.
8. This residence may not be associated with, leased, or provided by anyone associated with the school or acting at the direction of the school, including but not limited to administration, staff, coaches, students, parents, booster clubs, or any organization having a connection with the school.

I hereby certify that the forgoing statements are true, and I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

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Parent/Guardian Signature	Print Parent/Guardian Full Name
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_. The above-named affiant appeared before me, a notary public of the State of New Jersey, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_ and I made known to him/her the contents of the above affidavit which was then sworn and subscribed to by said affiant before me on this date.

Notary Public: \_\_\_\_\_

**Copies of this Affidavit must be sent to the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association upon request**