

Stroud & District Football League – Player Transfer and new Registration process

As of 16-Sept-2020, Jamie Thomas is taking over the role of Registrations Secretary. His contact details are in the handbook under Disciplinary Officer (a role he continues with)

This is the 2020-21 season process that must be taken in order for a player to be successfully transferred and available to play for the new team.

Summary - The League must receive a completed copy of the (combined) transfer and new registration form, and the player must be approved by the League on Whole Game (WGS) as a transfer request (not just submitted). The player must then appear on the team's list of players on Full-Time **BEFORE** a player can play. The process is not as quick and easy as a simple player registration, therefore, if you attempt to transfer a player on the day of a match, do not assume that it will be done.

Terms – The "From Club" is the player's current club.

The "To Club" is the club wanting to enact the transfer of a SDFL registered player to their SDFL team(s).

The Transfer Process:

The "To Club" must seek the permission of the "From Club", and if there is no objection, a transfer form must be completed using the form on the website at <http://www.stroudleague.co.uk/forms/>).

If the "From Club" objects to the transfer, then 7 days notice needs to be given by the "To Club".

If the player owes money to the "From Club", then this should be advised to the Registrations Secretary to lodge an objection to the transfer within the 7 days notice period.

This season, due to the COVID-19 restrictions, it is not necessary to obtain the written signature of the "From Club", so long as the "From Club" have given permission by an email confirmation sent to the Registrations Secretary. This can be in response to the request being made by the "To Club", or a response to the Registrations Secretary himself on receiving the transfer request from the "To Club".

Note that if the "To Club" are able to get the form signed by the "From Club", then this negates any need for email confirmation as above, and the League will assume that the "From Club" accepts the transfer of the player without further issues, or the need of the 7 day notice.

A new registration form (also on the printout) must also be completed at the same time as the transfer.

Paperwork passed to the League: - The transfer and new registration form can either be:

- scanned as a JPEG or PDF and emailed to the Registrations Secretary, or
- posted or delivered by hand or to the Registrations Secretary's home address (see handbook),

It will not be valid UNTIL the forms have been **received** (not sent) and approved.

On Whole Game - Additionally, the new club must start the electronic transfer process on Whole Game. You need to submit the player registration as you would do for a normal registration, this will then trigger a submitted transfer request to the League. This requires the League to approve it (but will only be done so, once the paperwork is received), in which case the player's registration will become active for the new team.

Once the transfer request has been approved by the League on WGS, the updated information "migrates" to Full-Time, and the player should then be listed on the new clubs squad list for all SDFL teams.

IMPORTANT: Only at this stage will the player be permitted to then play for his new club/team.

I hope that this is clear. If in doubt, then please call me. Do not expect to transfer a player on a matchday itself, unless you are confident that you can do all that is required. Make sure that managers are aware that the new player cannot play until he is listed on Full-Time for that team! If in any doubt, do not play the new player, it will result in loss of points and a fine if the player's transfer and new registration have not been correctly processed, and that player plays.