

International Clearances

FIFA have amended the Rules regarding players born overseas and moving to Australia and subsequently play football OR players returning to Australia from overseas to resume playing football.

Senior Players

Over 18 yo

Applies if:-

- Player's last registration was with a Club in a country other than Australia

OR

- Player has never played football before and they are not an Australian citizen.

Junior Players

10 – 17 yo

Applies if:-

- Player's last registration was with a Club in a country other than Australia

OR

- Player has never played football before and they are not an Australian citizen

AND

- The family moved to Australia for reasons not linked with football.

See the list of the required documents detailed in the Appendix.

Note:

Senior and Junior players requiring an International Clearance are not permitted to participate in any form of competitive fixture, which includes pre-season competitions.

Please be aware that an International Clearance can take up to 6 weeks to be received (after all required documentation is received).

Appendix A

Players coming from the following countries require **additional** documentation.

- Senior players need to provide a scan of their passport.
- Junior players need to provide a scan of their passport and both parents' passports.

Countries:

- Argentina
- Belize
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- Chile
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Honduras
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Spain
- Suriname
- Uruguay
- Venezuela

Appendix B

ITC Application for Minors:

Juniors players are now categorised in four ways. Each category has different required documentation. These are outlined below.

Original documents must be presented to the club. These will be scanned at the club for forwarding to FFA as pdf documents. Photographs of documents are not acceptable.

1 Resident in Australia for less than 5 years –

Refer ITC Application for Minors Resident in Australia for Less Than 5 Years

Documentation of Academic Education	Letter from school on school letterhead confirming enrolment AND School timetable outlining subjects OR Last school report indicating subjects
Employment Contract – Player’s Parents	Letter from parents’ employers on company letterhead stating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Employer’s name ▪ Employer’s address/location ▪ Employee’s full name ▪ Employee’s job title ▪ Employment start date ▪ Basis of employment: full time or part time OR Contract of employment OR Where self-employed, a copy of the company registration AND a signed cover note explaining this.
Proof of Identity and Nationality – Player and Player’s Parents	Scanned photo page of player’s passport AND Scanned photo page of <u>both</u> parents’ passports.
Proof of Residence – Player’s Parents	Rental agreement indicating residence start date OR Utility bill OR (as a last resort) Current driver’s licence or vehicle registration papers.
Work Permit – Player’s Parents	Department of Immigration Visa Grant Notice stating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Country ▪ Date of Issue ▪ Permit Holder’s Full Name ▪ Terms of Validity <i>This is NOT required where one or both BIOLOGICAL parents are either Australian or New Zealand citizens</i>

2 Resident in Australia for 5+ years –

Refer ITC Application for Minors Resident in Australia for 5+ Years

Proof of Identity and Nationality – Player and Player’s Parents	Scanned photo page of player’s passport AND Scanned photo page of <u>both</u> parents’ passports.
Proof of Continuous Residence in Australia for a period of 5 or more years for Player and Parent	Copy of the player’s International Movement Record AND Copy of at least one parent’s International Movement Record. International Movement Record can be obtained from the Department of Immigration and Border Protection using Form 1359. This record will state: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Visa Class ▪ Arrival Date ▪ Any Movement into and out of Australia since arrival date.

3 Refugee –

Refer ITC Application for Refugee Minors

Documentation of Academic Education	Letter from school on school letterhead confirming enrolment AND School timetable indicating subjects OR Last school report indicating subjects.
Employment Contract – Player’s Parents	Letter from parents’ employers on company letterhead stating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Employer’s name ▪ Employer’s address/location ▪ Employee’s full name ▪ Employee’s job title ▪ Employment start date ▪ Basis of employment: full time or part time OR Contract of employment OR Where self-employed, a copy of the company registration AND a signed cover note explaining this.
Proof of Identity and Nationality – Player and Player’s Parents	Scanned photo page of player’s passport AND Scanned photo page of <u>both</u> parents’ passports. Document for Travel to Australia as issued by the Australian Government is also acceptable. Need to list Player and both Parents.
Proof of Residence – Player’s Parents	Rental agreement indicating residence start date OR Utility bill OR (as a last resort) Current driver’s licence or vehicle registration papers.

4 Player Moving to Australia WITHOUT Their Parents

Refer ITC Application for Minors Moving to Australia Without Their Parents

This covers players in Australia as Exchange Students for six to twelve months OR Boarding School Student, of Australian Nationality, whose Parents Remain Living Abroad. There are a number of documents required outlined on the ITC Application link above.