

## Primary and secondary team membership

### Definitions:

Primary/secondary team membership: A player may be member of more than one team (if the NGB regulations allow it). This means a player does not have to use a transfer to “switch” teams.

QE-approved secondary player: A player who fulfills all regulations of Quidditch Europe to be allowed to play for their secondary team on international level.

1. This policy only applies for primary/secondary team memberships, not to transfers.
2. Quidditch Europe regulations in regards to primary/secondary membership systems only apply to international competitions run by Quidditch Europe. This includes any qualification events for said competitions (tournaments, league etc.) within NGBs. These regulations only apply if the NGB generally allows some form of primary/secondary membership systems in the first place.
3. Outside of European qualification events (e.g. Qualifiers for EQC), every NGB may decide upon any primary/secondary team membership regulation system they would like to.
4. A player who, according to these regulations, is eligible to play for a certain secondary team at international competitions run by Quidditch Europe is called an QE-approved secondary player.
5. A player can only apply for QE-approved secondary membership for a team they have formerly been a member of under the following growth- or expansion-related circumstances:
  - a. The player must be involved in the starting of a new team. Following regulations apply for a team to be considered new:
    - i. A new team only counts as growth and expansion-related if at least  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the team consists of new players, who have not been registered as a member of any NGB for more than one season.
    - ii. A new team is only considered to be a new team until the next possible EQC they could qualify for<sup>1</sup>
  - b. This new team has to be the player's primary team.
  - c. The QE-approved secondary team must be requested at the time of the founding of the new team and follows regular transfer rules.
6. General considerations:
  - a. A player who is playing at a qualification event may only play with their primary team, not their QE-approved secondary team, unless the primary team isn't participating in the event.
  - b. If the primary team qualifies for a European event, the player may only play with their primary team, not their QE-approved secondary team. If the primary

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<sup>1</sup> This means that a team founded in August 2017, with their national qualifier being hosted in October 2017, is considered new until EQC 2018 is concluded. Conversely, a team founded in November 2018, with their national qualifier already having been hosted in September 2018 will only be able to qualify the next year, and thus is considered new until EQC 2020 is concluded.

team did not qualify, but the QE-approved secondary team did qualify, the player is eligible to play for their QE-approved secondary team.

- c. There is no restriction on the amount of players that can be registered as an QE-approved secondary player with a given team.
  - d. Once a player becomes a QE-approved secondary player with an QE-secondary team, any potential transfers in terms of secondary team must follow regular transfer policies.
7. Exceptions to this policy can be made by Quidditch Europe on a case-by-case basis.

## Summary:

- Secondary Team membership is allowed, if it serves development purposes; i.e. we want to encourage players to get involved in newer teams and not prevent them from joining a newer team for fear of not being able to play for their old team.
- This applies to EQC-relevant tournaments only (i.e. qualifiers; national-level competition is unaffected and up to NGBs to decide)
- A player's primary team must be considered "new" to be able to play for their former team as a secondary player; teams are considered "new" until after the next EQC the team could potentially qualify for (see footnote of policy for an example)
- If both teams a player is a primary/secondary member of attend the same tournament (qualifier), that player MUST play for their primary team. Conversely, if only the secondary team is playing, the player in question may play for their secondary team.
- If the primary and secondary team both qualify for EQC, but within different divisions (D1 and D2), the player may only play for their primary team.