Senior players can potentially gain eligibility through a waiver process. For additional information regarding registering please see “How Do I Register” or “How Do I Transfer Clubs.”

For senior club rugby:

Please review the USA Rugby Eligibility Regulations to better understand.

All senior waivers must include:

- The senior club waiver request form
- A personal statement

- A personal statement is a summation of the individual circumstances which has lead the player to seek a waiver.

Additional supporting documentation depends on what type of waiver one is seeking.

A minimum match participation waiver attempt should include any documentation showing why a player would be unable to meet that requirement. This might include medical documentation showing dates of injury and medical clearance, military move orders, job movement documentation, etc.

Those seeking to have competitive eligibility to play with another club after having played a competitive match this season will need a mid-season transfer waiver. For this waiver, the player would need releases from his club and union (if leaving their current union). Usually a release is a simple email stating that the player is released with no financial or disciplinary issues. This can come from anyone in the club’s (union’s) administration. Additionally, a player would need to provide supporting documentation as to why they should be allowed to play with a second club. This might include; military move orders, job relocation documentation, educational documentation, etc.

Those seeking a December graduation from college waiver would need to include releases from their club and conference/union (if leaving their conference/union); please see above if unfamiliar with what a release is. They would also need something official showing their December graduation, usually this is a picture of their degree or a letter from an academic adviser/registrar officer.

Please know that senior club rugby also has three eligibility deadlines:

For Women’s Premier League, the deadline is October 15th.

For 15s, the deadline is April 1st.

For 7s, the deadline is July 1st.

Please know that all players have an eligibility right to a waiver and can submit one for any reason. The resulting additional supporting documentation should reflect the best evidence to support a reason why this waiver should be approved.

Please contact eligibility@usarugby.org or 303-539-0300 x110 with any additional questions.