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As of January 2010 there is a new International Transfer Request (ITC) process. This is for anyone between the ages of 12 to 18. ALL documents are required and from this point forward there will be no provisional transfers granted.

As per Article 19 – Protection of Minors, from the FIFA Regulations for the Status and Transfer of Players, International transfers of players are only permitted if the player is over the age of 18.

There are only two exceptions that apply to this rule with respect to FIFA and the CSA:

- (1) the player's parents have moved to Canada for purposes other than playing soccer;
- (2) the player lives no further than 50km from a national border (i.e. Canada/USA), and the club for which the player wishes to be registered in the neighbouring Association is also within 50km of that border. The maximum distance between the player's domicile and the club's quarters shall be 100km. In such cases, the player must continue to live at home and the two Associations concerned must give their explicit consent.

The conditions of Article 19 shall also apply to any Minor player who has never previously been registered for a club and is not a national of the country in which he wishes to be registered for the first time.

Requests for ITC's involving players 18 years of age or younger (Minors) are now processed through the FIFA TMS.

Accordingly, with respect to the first exception noted above, we require the following mandatory documents (each of the following 6 documents MUST be in PDF format and no larger than 3MB), as required by FIFA:

- (1) Employment Contract – Player's Parents
- (2) Proof of Birth Date (Birth Certificate) – Player
- (3) Proof of Identity & Nationality – Player
- (4) Proof of Identity & Nationality – Parents
- (5) Proof of Residence – Player's Parents
- (6) Work Permit – Player's Parents

With respect to the second exception, we will require the following mandatory documents (again, in PDF format no larger than 3MB):

- (1) Proof of Birth Date (Birth Certificate) – Player
- (2) Proof of Distance for 50km rule (e.g. as from Google Maps)
- (3) Proof of Identity & Nationality – Player
- (4) Proof of Residence – Player

For each exception noted above, the mandatory documents will be uploaded into the FIFA TMS for processing, along with our official request for the ITC. No requests will be processed without the mandatory documents being provided (NO EXCEPTIONS).

According to FIFA, depending on the complexity of the case, processing times will vary between one to six weeks from the date the documents are submitted to FIFA.

Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact either Jamie Smith(jsmith@soccer.on.ca) or Brett Knox (bknox@soccer.on.ca).
