

APPLICATION FOR A JUNIOR PLAYER TO PARTICIPATE IN A DIFFERENT GENDER CATEGORY

THIS APPLICATION IS FOR A JUNIOR PLAYER WISHING TO PARTICIPATE ON A CONTACT RUGBY TEAM IN A DIFFERENT GENDER CATEGORY.

SECTION 1 - PLAYER INFORMATION

APPLICANT'S NAME:						
GENDER:	HEIGHT (cm):	WEIGHT (kg):				
DATE OF BIRTH (dd/mm,	/уууу):					
CLUB:						
ACTUAL AGE CATEGORY	: REQUESTED AGE	CATEGORY:				
PLAYING POSITION:						
NUMBER OF YEARS OF P	LAYING RUGBY:					
HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY PLAYED RUGBY IN A DIFFERENT GENDER CATEGORY:						
REASON FOR REQUEST:						
RUGBY ONTARIO USE ON	NLY: APPROVED	NOT APPROVED				



SIGNATURE:

DATE:



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SECTION 2 – ASSESSING COACH INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT

NAME:	DATE
IAIVIE.	DATE

HIGHEST COACHING QUALIFICATION LEVEL: NCCP NUMBER:

WORLD RUGBY ONLINE COURSES COMPLETED:

RUGBY READY
 CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT
 YES
 NO

The above coaching qualifications MUST ALL be fully met in order for this application to be valid for the purpose of assessing an exemption for the players to participate in competitions in a different age or gender category. The coach is to assess the player against the following four criteria using the factors for consideration listed in Appendix A of this form as guidance. If the answer is no to any of them, then the player shall not be considered capable of competing safely with players in the proposed age and gender category.

CRITERIA	EXPLANATION	ASSESSMENT		
Physical Development	Does the player's level of physical			
	development allow both the applicant and	YES	NO	
	all other players to compete safely in the			
	requested age and gender category?			
Skill Level	Is the player's skill level comparable with			
	other players in the requested age and	YES	NO	
	gender category?			
Experience Level	Does the player have similar experience			
	levels to compete with other players at a	YES	NO	
	comparable standard of competition in the			
	requested age and gender category?			
Competition Standard	Is the standard of competition in the			
	requested age and gender category suitable	YES	NO	
	to allow both the applicant and all other			
	players to complete safely?			

This is to attest that the player's physical development, skill level and experience are such that the players is capable of competing safely with players in the requested gender and age category. I have explained to the player and their parent/legal guardian that the player will be competing with and against players of a different gender and possibly in a different age category and this may involve increased risk.

COACH'S SIGNATURE:

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SECTION 3: PHYSICIAN OR SPORT MEDICINE SPECIALIST

This is to confirm that, based on my understanding of the physical and competitive environment expected for the applicant in the different gender category, an examination has indicated that he/she is physically capable of participating in that level of competition.

PHYSICIAN

SPORTS MEDICINE SPECIALIST

NAME:	DATE:
SIGNATURE:	
	SECTION 4: PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION
 I have re the risk a who may The asse I I I have distributed in the second in the s	that: Irent or legal guardian of the applicant and the World Rugby Mixed Gender Rugby Guideline and fully understand and accept associated with the applicant competing with and against players of a different gender be stronger and/or more physically developed. Is sing coach has explained to my satisfaction that: In his/her opinion, the applicant's physical development, skill level and experience is at a evel that he/she is capable of competing safely in a different gender category, even hough the applicant's physical development, skill level and experience may differ from hat of the players he/she will play with or against scussed the risks and coach's assessment with the applicant affied with the medical assessment quest the exemption to be revoked for safety reasons
DARENT/IEG	AL GLIARDIAN NAME:

PAREINI/ LEGAL GUARDIAN NAIVIE:

PARENT/ LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:

DATE:

All applications must be submitted to the Rugby Ontario office via email to edigiulio@rugbyontario.com Before the applicant can play in the requested gender category, written confirmation approving the application must be received from Rugby Ontario.







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APPENDIX A

The minimum qualification required by a coach to provide a risk assessment of the applicant is a current:

- NCCP Competition Introduction (Level 2) certificate; and
- World Rugby Rugby Ready certificate; and
- World Rugby Concussion Management for the General Public Certificate; and
- Coach registration with Rugby Canada.

In conducting any assessment, the coach should take the following common factors into consideration:

- What is the player's level of physical development (e.g. height, weight, build) when measured against potential playing colleagues in the different gender category?
- Is the player physically equipped to compete on an equal basis with players in the competition?
- Will the player's skill level place them on an equal basis with eligible players in the different gender category?
- Is the competition at a level in which the player can compete safely?

In conducting an assessment for a player to participate in a different gender category, the coach should take the following additional factors into consideration:

- Does the player have a sufficiently high skill level specific in relation to both his/her playing position and to the game's fundamentals (e.g. tackle, pass, ruck, maul, scrum)?
- What is the player's level of experience?
- Is the player reasonably experienced and has he/she gained that experience in a comparable standard of competition?
- What is the standard of competition in the requested different gender category?
- Does the player undertake a regular strength training program? If so, how many times a week does he/she complete strength training and who provided the program?
- What was the nature of the strength program that was completed over the last month?
- For how months/years has the player been doing regular strength training?

In addition to the above considerations, if the player's position is in the front row of the scrum (prop or hooker), then the coach must also consider:

- How many years of front row experience does the player have?
- Was he/she a front row player during the previous season?
- If the player missed a game through injury in the previous season, what was the nature of the injury?
- What coaching qualifications does the player's current coach have?
- Has the player received any specialist front row coaching in the last 2 years?
- If so, what type of coaching was received and who provided it?
- What are the coaching qualifications and experience of the specialist coach?

Once the coach has completed and signed the assessment, it should be explained to the player's parent or legal guardian.

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