



## **PLAYING FOR ANOTHER INSTITUTION POLICY**

### **Introduction**

A number of SSS sports are played only by selected institutions and the establishment of operational clubs can be both time consuming and logistically difficult. Historically, SSS has allowed students to compete for an institution other than their own across the SSS programme under the goal of allowing as many students as possible to be involved in competition within the sector. SSS had a set of regulations for this with required documentation for monitoring purposes.

More recently, it has become clear that the documentation is not happening in all instances and that the regulations were not being followed in all sports. As a result, the Competitions Committee has reviewed and updated the policy as below.

### **Limitations**

This policy is not intended to cover involvement from any of the following groups:

- Staff
- Non students
- Alumni

In other words, this policy refers solely to the adoption of matriculated students from SSS member institutions into teams from other institutions.

***It should also be noted that playing for another university is not permitted in any BUCS sports and so this policy does not apply to BUCS Scottish Conference leagues or tournaments.***

### **Policy**

- In sports where there are individual categories, students may only represent their enrolled institution. Where there are team elements to these sports, students must only represent their enrolled institution, with the exception of:
  - In Swimming Division 2, students may swim for any institution, providing their enrolled institution does not have a team. However, they may only swim for their home institution at the SSS Championships.
- In sports that only provide a team element (shinty, curling, handball), students may represent any institution but can only represent one institution in any academic year in that sport.
- Where sports provide exceptional circumstances (e.g. Coxes in Rowing), requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the SSS Competitions Committee.

### **National Squads**

Students should be aware that if selected for National Squads, funding will be handled by their home institution. They should contact their Sports Union or equivalent as soon as they are selected and will be expected to be members to qualify for any funding support.

### **Arbitration**

In cases of dispute, abuse or appeal the SSS Sports Manager shall convene a panel whose decision shall be final. This panel will include representation from the SSS Competitions Committee and the Sports Chair from the sport in question.