

# APPLICATION FOR SPORTING NATIONALITY APPROVAL

## Applicant Information

**Full Name:**
*Family Name*
*First Name/s*
**Date of Birth:**
*dd/mm/yyyy*
**Residential  
Address:**
*Street Address*
*City*
*Postcode*
*Country*
**Phone:**
**Email:**
*Phone incl. country code*

**Have you represented any country in Floorball at international level?** YES NO

If yes, please give details. What country did you represent, event, year, age category?

*NOTE: If you have previously represented another country at international level, it is possible that you may not be eligible to represent a second country. A decision on this will be made by the IFF upon receipt of your application, based on the current applicable rules regarding dual representation.*

## Basis of Application for Sporting Nationality

**Country you wish to represent:**
**On what basis do you wish to apply to represent this country:**

Were you born in this country?	YES	NO	If yes, you may not need to apply for Sporting Nationality. You can represent this country by showing proof of your current citizenship status (eg. passport). Refer to 'Birth Country' on page 3.
Was one of your parents / grandparents born in this country?	YES	NO	If yes, you will need to provide more information and documentation of this. Refer to 'Birthplace of a Parent / Grandparent' on page 3.
Are you currently living in this country, and have lived there during the last 5 years or more?	YES	NO	If yes, you will need to provide documentation to prove this. Refer to 'Lived in the country for 5yrs' on page 3.

*If you answered YES to any of these questions you will need to provide more information, as specified below. If you answered NO to all of the above you are NOT eligible to apply to represent the country based on Sporting Nationality.*

## Submitting your Application

When submitting your application please ensure that all answers have been completed and that the necessary supporting documents are included. **All supporting documents should be in PDF format**, and preferably combined into one file. Where possible, documents should also be in English.

This application form must be signed by both the applicant and an official representative of the applying National Association. A confirmation of payment of the administrative fee (**50 EUR**) should be sent with the application.

**Payment should be made to the IFF** (Remember to mark the player's name to the info field!)

Account #: 0818-559200-11

Bank: Credit Suisse, CH-8700 Küsnacht, Switzerland.

Swift Code: CRESCHZZ80A / IBAN: CH52 0483 5055 9200 1100 0

**THE APPLICATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION WHICH THE PLAYER IS APPLYING TO REPRESENT.** Only applications received from a National Association will be accepted.

## Disclaimer and Signature of Applicant

*I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

*I certify that all supporting documents are true and have not been falsified &/or obtained through illegal means.*

*If this application leads to confirmation of Sporting Nationality I understand that false or misleading information in my application may result in sanctions against me by the International Floorball Federation.*

Signature:

Date:

dd/mm/yyyy

## Disclaimer and Signature of National Association

*I certify that I have the authority on behalf of the National Association to submit this application for Sporting Nationality which, if approved, will allow the applicant to represent the association at international level.*

*If the application for Sporting Nationality is approved by the IFF I certify that the National Association will allow the player to represent the association based on this approval.*

*I understand that false or misleading information given by the National Association, regarding player eligibility, may result in sanctions against the National Association by the International Floorball Federation.*

Signature

Date:

dd/mm/yyyy

Full Name

Association Name

Role in the Association

## TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION

Send this form (pages 1-2), supporting documents & receipt of payment to: [competition@floorball.sport](mailto:competition@floorball.sport)  
*Incomplete applications will NOT be processed.*

## Birth country

The act of being born in a particular country does not immediately give you the right to citizenship or the right to represent that country in a national sporting team. There are other criteria that you may need to meet.

You should check the official information of your country of birth to see what criteria you must meet to be eligible for citizenship. If you have the right of citizenship and can show proof of your current citizenship you do NOT need to apply for Sporting Nationality approval to represent this country. Proof of your citizenship status, such as a passport, is all you need.

You should check the official information of your National Floorball Federation to see what criteria they set for being allowed to participate in national representative teams. Some sporting bodies have regulations set by government authorities that will override the permission of the IFF. However, if the National Federation regulations allow it, then you may represent the country of your birth, even if you do not have formal citizenship of that country.

**PROOF REQUIRED:** Copy of your birth certificate or other certified official document (from the country of birth) that confirms your place of birth.

## Birthplace of a Parent / Grandparent

If your biological mother or biological father was born on the territory/country of the relevant association you may be eligible to represent that country.

**PROOF REQUIRED:** Birth certificate showing biological mother/grandmother's or biological father/grandfather's first name (s) and surname (s), date of birth, and place of birth PLUS proof of relationship to the player. In the case of the birthplace of a parent being the basis for eligibility, the birth certificate of the applicant should also be included.

*Where a player wishes to rely on the location of birth of their adoptive parent/s, a request for eligibility will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. Factors such as (but not limited by): the age when the player was adopted; the age when the player moved countries (if applicable); whether the player's biological parents are still alive; and whether the player has a 'genuine link' to the relevant Member Association.*

## Lived in the country for 5 years

If you have lived on the territory of the relevant association for at least five years you may be eligible to represent that country. The five-year period does not need to be the last five years, it can be earlier years but no more than five years may have passed since the last date that the player lived on the territory. In that case the time requirement resets.

Notwithstanding permitted absences, the "physical presence" of a player is required in the country or territory of the Member Association (MA) for at least 183 days during a 12-month period for the player to have "lived on the territory" of the MA for that year of the "defined period".

**PROOF REQUIRED:** Several different documents may be required to prove your eligibility in this criteria, but at a minimum the documents should include:

- a valid **registration certificate** issued when you arrived in the country
- evidence that you've been living in the country, such as **utility bills and rental contracts**
- evidence such as **payslips, bank statements, tax returns** that you've been working, studying, self-employed, self-sufficient or looking for work in the country
- evidence that you have not been absent from the country for more than 183 days in any single year of the 5-year period