

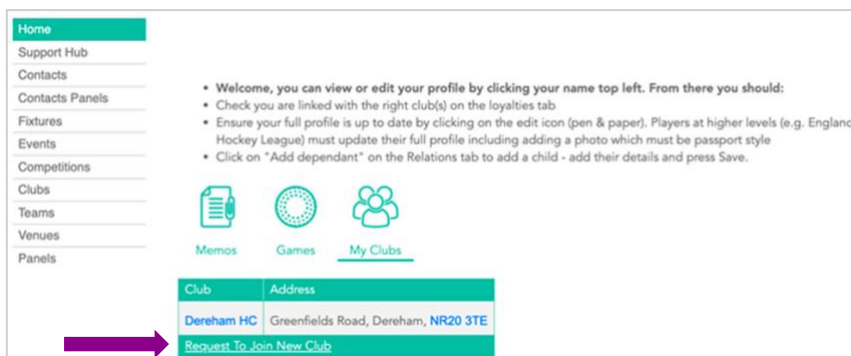
MIDLANDS ADULT LEAGUE

PLAYER TRANSFER GUIDANCE 2024/25

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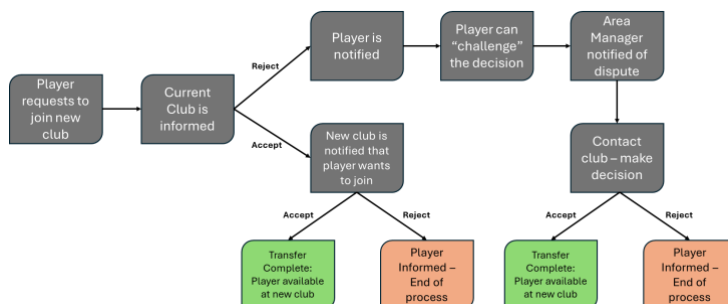
England Hockey GMS <https://gms.englishockey.co.uk/>

Players can request a transfer directly from their home page on GMS. To start the transfer process the player should go to 'My Clubs' and press 'Request To Join New Club'.



The player is given the option to select their 'new' club and provide a reason for their decision to move – at which point the following process occurs:

- Player has initiated transfer via GMS, as above (if not already processed, a player can also remove/delete their transfer request)
- Current club and new club both receive notification of transfer request on GMS home page
- Option to approve or reject the request will be available to the Club Admin
- Where both clubs authorise the transfer, the move is confirmed, and the player will be available for the new club
- If the new club declines the transfer, the player will need to liaise with the club directly to understand the reasons for that
- If the player challenges a disputed transfer, Competition Managers will receive notification and will be expected to explore a resolution by contacting relevant parties and following usual processes.



Joining a Secondary Club

Available following the same process as above. When initiating the 'Request To Join New Club' there is a checkbox to leave unticked to state that a player is not leaving their current club.

- If a player wants to remove themselves from a secondary club, this can be done by emailing GMS Support at gms.support@englishockey.co.uk
- Please be aware of Regulation 7.4.1 of the [Area Adult League Regulations 2024-25](#) regarding Dual registration.

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Junior/U18 Transfer

If an U18 player requires a transfer:

- Parent/Guardian is responsible for obtaining a 'release confirmation' from their current club
- Release confirmation to be emailed to GMS Support at gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk
- From here GMS Support will initiate the transfer
- The transfer request appears on the clubs' Player Transfers page (via Club Admin GMS home page)
- Club Admin to approve or reject the transfer
- On approval, the player is immediately available for selection at the new club
- If transfer is rejected, Competition Managers pick up the process to resolve.

Changing a Junior/U18 GMS account to an Adult GMS account

A junior player account can be separated from the parent/guardian account when the player turns 18.

- Once 18, the player should create their own GMS account by **registering for their current club**
 - Register for England Hockey GMS here: <https://gms.englandhockey.co.uk/>
- GMS Support **must be informed** as soon as the new account is created, so the old U18 GMS account and the new Adult GMS account can be merged.
 - Email GMS Support at gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk

The above process must be completed before any further transfer process can begin.

Player Transferring to University Club

When a player attends university and wishes to join the University Hockey Club, check the points below.

- In some instances Dual Registration is permitted – please see Regulation 7.4.1 of the [Area Adult League Regulations 2024-25](#) and/or discuss with Club Admin for details (see the 'Joining a Secondary Club' transfer guidance on page 1).

If player has an Adult GMS account:

- Player can request to join the new club via the usual transfer process on page 1.

If player does not have an Adult GMS account:

- **Before** beginning a transfer, the player **must** follow the steps above under 'Changing a Junior/U18 GMS account to an Adult GMS account'
- Once GMS Support has successfully merged the U18 and Adult GMS accounts the player can request to join the new club via the usual transfer process on page 1.