2026-2027 CRAA Collegiate Player Eligibility Form

It is the policy of USA Rugby and the College Rugby Association of America (CRAA), that each college conference and collegiate club conform to the minimum standards of collegiate eligibility rules as set forth. To ensure verification of the eligibility of collegiate rugby players for conference and postseason contests, as defined by CRAA, we ask your assistance in completing the attached form. Please contact your conference administrator if you have any questions. Should you have any questions about the process, please contact CRAA Eligibility directly at eligibility@craa.rugby, however, please do not submit any completed forms via email.

When presented to the college/university registrar by the club, this form should contain only the following:

a. Player names in alphabetical order

b. Player signatures authorizing the release of their enrollment information and status

c. Player student ID Numbers

d. Player USA Rugby Member ID #.

Illegible forms will not be accepted. The club is required to provide this information regardless of the university's ability or willingness to complete this form, and the club may need assistance in finding additional avenues for obtaining the information requested herein.

THE REGISTRAR SHOULD MARK OUT ANY REMAINING BLANK ROWS ON THE FORM.

A Note to Club Administrators and Coaches:

This form should be kept in the club administrator's match-day notebook at all times. **Properly completed forms may exonerate a player in the event of an eligibility challenge.** Clubs that select student-athletes to match or event rosters without first verifying their eligibility risk vacation of victories, forfeiture of playoff seed, and sanction.

1. This form should be submitted to and completed by the registrar and submitted to CRAA:
    a. **Prior to the start of league/conference competition**, AND
    b. Three weeks after the beginning of a new semester or quarter during competition, AND
    c. In advance or anticipation of playoff competition
2. Clubs are expected to be aware of any mid-season changes to player eligibility, including but not limited to changes in enrollment, full-time status, and standing with the institution.
3. If the institution is unwilling or unable to complete this form or provide the information confirmed by its contents, the club is expected to have documentation containing such information at all times. Such documentation may include:
    a. Student Enrollment Verification forms, or (if unavailable)
    b. Official transcripts (university and/or high school, if applicable)
4. Upon receipt of eligibility information (i.e. this form), the club should make copies for itself and submit this form to its league or conference administrator.
5. It is the recommendation of CRAA that a student maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher to be considered in good academic standing. Please know that this is only our recommendation as good academic standing is left to each school individually.

At the time of competition, any collegiate *PLAYER* may be required to:

1. Present a current student or military ID card and a photo ID (if student or military ID is not a photo ID).
2. Present verification of CIPP enrollment (i.e. USA Rugby certified team roster).
3. Present a signed USA Rugby Waiver and Release Form.

A Note to the Registrar

CRAA and your institution's rugby program seek your assistance in verification of student athlete eligibility. We ask for your support in the interest of fairness and competition integrity. It is common for definitions, practices and privacy policies to vary between institutions. Please complete this form to the best of your ability with respect to appropriate regulations. On behalf of the College Rugby Association of America, thank you for your time and patience.

The Collegiate Player Eligibility Form explained by column:

Column 1: Student Name

Column 2: Student signature

Column 3: Student ID#

Column 4: USA Rugby CIPP (or Member ID) number

Column 5: Date of Birth

Column 6: High School Graduation Date

Column 7: Is student enrolled full-time?" – Is this student carrying a full course load as defined by your school? **Any exception requires a confirmation letter from registrar**

Column 8: Is student an undergraduate? – To be eligible the student must be an undergraduate pursuing his/her first undergraduate degree. **Any exception requires a confirmation letter from registrar**

Column 9: Is student in good standing? – Is this student in good standing as defined by the registrar's office? The registrar's definition will take priority over any other definition maintained by the University. **NOTE: Students not in good standing with the college/university should be struck through (ex: ~~struck through~~) with a permanent marker.** This is only CRAA's recommendation, and actual standing is determined by each school individually.

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