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Eligibility of Participants Verification Form

(to be completed by a non-border state, Canadian or International school when they are playing a single game hosted by a CIF-SF school)

Name of School Hosting Event _____

Name of Event _____ Date(s) of Event _____

Sport _____ Boys or Girls _____ Level _____

Schools* requesting permission to attend or participate with schools from the CIF San Francisco Section must sign this form and verify the following:

- a. All participants in the event represent only their respective schools of enrollment
- b. All participants in the event meet the provisions of the following State CIF Bylaws:
 - 1. Bylaw 203 – Age Requirement (see back of this form)
 - 2. Bylaw 204 – Eight Semesters (see back of this form)
 - 3. Bylaw 212 – Amateur Standing (see back of this form)
 - 4. Bylaw 600 – Outside Teams (see back of this form)
- c. All participants in the event meet the eligibility standards of their respective state and national associations, including, but not limited to, maintaining minimum progress toward meeting the high school graduation requirements as prescribed by their respective governing boards.

Participating School Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Country (if applicable) _____

Phone () _____

I (we) verify that all participants from the above named participating school meet all the requirements in items a., b., and c. above.

Signature of Principal or Headmaster of School

Principal's or Headmaster's Name Printed

Signature of Athletic Director or Coach of School

Athletic Director's or Coach's Name Printed

*This form must be completed for all border or non-border state schools of California that are not members of their State association, all Canadian schools, all Mexican schools and all International schools.
After completion of this form, it must be submitted with the appropriate sanction form.

2013-2014 Bylaws

203. **AGE REQUIREMENT**

No student, whose 19th birthday is attained prior to June 15, shall participate or practice on any team in the following school year. A student, whose 19th birthday is on or before June 14, is ineligible. Each Section may waive this provision so long as criteria for such a waiver shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- A. Such a waiver would not grant more than four years (eight semesters) of eligibility; AND
- B. Such a waiver would not grant more than four years' participation in any sport; AND
- C. That a hardship exists which, in the judgment of the Section, requires a waiver. "Hardship" is defined in Bylaw 213; AND
- D. A decision to deny such a waiver by the Section Commissioner may be appealed only to the Section and in accordance with the provisions set forth in State CIF Bylaw 1101.

204. **Eight Consecutive Semester Rule**

A student, who first enters the 9th grade of any school following the student's completion of the 8th grade in any school may be eligible for athletic competition during a maximum period of time that is not to exceed eight consecutive semesters following the initial enrollment in the 9th grade of any school and/or in any classes taken subsequent to the completion of the 8th grade, whether or not the student is enrolled in school, whether or not the student is academically or otherwise eligible and whether or not the student avails themselves of the opportunity to participate in interscholastic sports during this time. Eligibility is only available during the student's first eight consecutive semesters of enrollment in high school.

212. **AMATEUR STATUS**

A. CIF SPONSORED COMPETITION

A student is governed by CIF amateur rules when the student participates in CIF competition. A student who violates CIF amateur or award rules shall be ineligible for CIF competition in that sport until appeal and reinstatement as an amateur by the CIF Federated Council. A student may apply to the CIF Federated Council for reinstatement when the student can again qualify as an amateur in that sport.

B. REINSTATEMENT OF AMATEUR STATUS

A student will become ineligible for CIF competition in a given sport if the student is determined to be a professional by the national sports governing body (NSGB) for the sport in question. A student may apply for reinstatement of his/her amateur status through the CIF section in which the student competes. Any request for reinstatement must include a statement from the NSGB for the sport in question that the student's amateur status has been reinstated by the appropriate NSGB. (Approved May 2003 Federated Council)

600. **COMPETITION ON AN OUTSIDE TEAM**

A student on a high school team becomes ineligible if the student competes in a contest on an "outside" team, in the same sport, during the student's high school season of sport. (Refer to bylaw 511) The exceptions to this Bylaw are set out in the CIF State Bylaws. You may contact the CIF San Francisco Section with any questions.