

# Eligibility Procedure

CHESS SCOTLAND

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## 1. Context and Overview

- Policy Prepared by: Douglas Bryson, Grading Officer
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## 2. Policy Aims

- 2.1 Chess Scotland Eligibility Rules set out the eligibility of players to compete for National Individual Scottish Championship titles and to represent Scotland in international play either as a member of a team or as an individual. These rules indicate which players are eligible to be registered with the Scotland federation by FIDE, the world chess federation.

## 3. Eligibility

- 3.1 These rules apply to:
- a. Eligibility for National Individual Championship Titles
  - b. International representation in official FIDE and ECU competitions in a Scotland national team or as a Scotland player in an international individual event.
- 3.2 There are three eligibility considerations as follows:
- a. Was the player born in Scotland?
  - b. Was either of the player's parents born in Scotland?
  - c. Has the player been resident in Scotland for at least two years\* immediately prior to the date of receipt of an application to Chess Scotland for an initial FIDE registration or a transfer to Scotland? (\*This period is one year for a junior under the age of 18 at the time of receipt of the application.)
- 3.3 A positive response to any one of the above three questions would mean that the player is eligible subject to the following provision.
- a. National Individual Championship Titles and International Representation. Players must be SCO registered with FIDE to be eligible for National Individual Championship titles or to represent Scotland in international competition. To be SCO registered a player must satisfy one of the three eligibility criteria as in 3.2 above.



## 4. Other Related Documents

- 4.1 The following documents provide detailed operating procedures relating to eligibility and rights to selection, eligibility and national championships and the procedure by which a player applies for FIDE registration:

[Selection Procedure](#)

[Scottish Championship](#)

[How to get a FIDE ID \(application form download\)](#)