



IGLFA TRANSGENDER POLICY

The **International Gay and Lesbian Football Association (IGLFA)** opens its membership to all football/soccer players, coaches, managers, trainers and referees **“without discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, sex, physical or mental ability, marital status, race, color, nationality, religion or age”**.

For the purposes of registration on gender-based teams, a player may register with the gender team with which the player identifies. The IGLFA must received sufficient confirmation and be satisfied by documentation or evidence that shows the stated gender is sincerely held, and is part of a person’s core identity.

Documentation satisfying the herein stated standard includes, but is not limited to:

- 1) Government-issued identification with photo. Examples of this documentation are a driver’s license, national ID or passport.
- 2) Documentation prepared by a health care provider, counselor, or other qualified professional not related to the player that states that he or she has been undergoing uninterrupted hormone treatment for at least one year prior to the beginning of a competition unless there is a medical reason that may have resulted in short breaks from that treatment. Any breaks in treatment should be outlined in the medical practitioner’s letter.

Considering the challenges that may be involved in obtaining such documents in some countries, the IGLFA will exercise discretion when evaluating the adequacy of the type of documentation provided for proof of an individual’s gender. All cases will be handled with the greatest of discretion. The final decision about the participant’s gender status will be within the sole discretion of the IGLFA.