



## 2025-26 USA Hockey Junior Classification Request for Non-Import Classification Waiver

USA Hockey Junior Rules & Regulations limit the number of Non-US Citizens rostered per team.

However, it is understood that there are circumstances, where Non-US Citizens who have been registered members of USA Hockey, participating in youth category programs, while residing in the USA for three or more seasons, prior to their request for participation as a member of a USA Hockey registered junior hockey team.

With that understanding, upon receiving the request for non-US Citizen Import Classification, a request for waiver will be reviewed for players seeking non-import status.

**A Non-US Citizen must be a member of USA Hockey for three (3) consecutive seasons or more and residing in the USA prior to requesting participation as a member of a USA Hockey junior team. If the player has played junior hockey outside of USA Hockey, the player would not be eligible for non-import status. Any player granted a waiver for non-import status is still subject to IIHF and/or USA Hockey/Hockey Canada transfer agreement protocols. All decisions on waivers are final and cannot be appealed to USA Hockey.**

To request a waiver for non-import status, please provide the following:

Player Name:

DOB:

Address:

1. Played a minimum of three (3) seasons at youth level prior to juniors (list years of membership & program/club name)
2. Resided in the USA during same period prior to juniors (list residence)
3. A brief description why player is here in the USA and how long they have resided in the USA
4. Any additional information on your behalf that would favorably support your waiver request
5. Name of team player is seeking to join
6. Coaches name and contact information (phone & email)

**Note:** Please feel free to insert a response on this document or attach as a separate document.

Non-Import Classification Waivers for the upcoming season will be processed starting June 15.  
Waiver requests should be sent via email to [transfers@usahockey.org](mailto:transfers@usahockey.org)