

## Birth Verification Status

Affiliates are responsible to determine the date of birth (DOB) of each of their players.

Players who are “**birth verified**” in the FYSA database system have submitted an acceptable form of birth documentation with the affiliate to which the player is registered and to FYSA. FYSA does **NOT** validate the authenticity of such documentation.

For players that are participating in events that require birth verification, it is recommended that the registering affiliate demand to view **only original birth documents, not copies**. A copy may then be made and furnished to FYSA for initial birth verification. For players that are already birth verified by FYSA, the affiliate does not need to submit the documents to FYSA again. The practice of accepting a player’s birth verification status that has been previously registered with FYSA by a different affiliate is discouraged. The current registering affiliate will be held responsible if the player is found to have previously submitted an altered birth document, even if submitted years ago.

Should an affiliate discover that a player’s DOB is incorrect in the FYSA database, the affiliate is responsible for submitting to FYSA any documents and/or additional information as may be requested as it relates to the player’s status.

Allowing a player to continue playing with an incorrect DOB may result in charges being filed against the affiliate and or sanctions against the team and team personnel. A plea of ignorance will not be a defense.