APPLICATION TO JOIN A DISPUTE FORM

National Sports Tribunal

The National Sports Tribunal (NST) provides a cost-effective, efficient, transparent and independent forum to resolve sporting disputes within Australia.

When to use this form

Use this form if you want to join an existing dispute that is being resolved by the NST. This will need to be returned by the date provided by the NST when you receive this form.

Where to get help with this form

NST Registry staff & resources

NST Registry staff can give you information about:

- NST processes
- how to make an application to the NST
- how to fill out forms
- where to find useful documents, including legislation
- · other organisations that may be able to assist you

You can contact the NST Registry:

- by phone on (02) 6289 3877
- by email at enquiries@nationalsportstribunal.gov.au

The NST's website www.nationalsportstribunal.gov.au also contains a range of information that may assist.

NST Registry staff cannot provide legal advice.

Lodging your application to join the dispute

- 1. Complete this form (marking all relevant boxes with a cross or tick, or writing text).
- 2. **Submit** your application to join the dispute by emailing your completed form to submissions@nationalsportstribunal.gov.au.



Sharing this information

The information you include in this form may be provided to other Parties to manage this dispute in accordance with the legislative framework of the NST. Please contact the NST if you have any queries.

What happens next

- 1. We will **review your application** to join and the Case Manager assigned to the case may contact you to discuss your application (if required).
- 2. If we determine that you are able to join the dispute, the Case Manager will **contact you regarding** payment of the **joining fee**.
- 3. We will **continue with the proceedings**, which may then require you to provide submissions and prepare for an arbitration hearing or mediation/conciliation session.

Paying the Joining Fee

If we determine that you can join the dispute based on the information that you provide, you will need to pay a fee of **\$250** to complete your application to join. We will notify you when this is required.

Financial hardship

If you or your organisation are experiencing financial hardship, you can apply for your joining fee to be waived.

More information about fees

To find out more about the costs involved in dispute resolution and how to apply to waive the fee, visit: https://www.nationalsportstribunal.gov.au/dispute-resolution-services/cost-using-nst-services.

Privacy

The NST collects the information (including personal information) on this form for our records.

In general, personal information we collect and hold relating to a particular dispute will be disclosed to all Parties and their representatives.

For more information, see the full privacy policy here: https://www.nationalsportstribunal.gov.au/using-our-website/privacy-policy

Glossary of common terms

Applicant – This is the person and/or sporting body that is making an application for the dispute to be resolved by the NST.

Dispute – A disagreement or argument between two or more Parties.

Lawyer – This is a person who is admitted to the legal profession by a Supreme Court of a State or Territory.

National Sporting Organisation (NSO) – an organisation recognized by Sport Australia (the Australian Sports Commission). More details available at https://www.sportaus.gov.au/australian sports directory

Sporting Body – an NSO (see above) for a particular sport, or recognised by an international sports federation, or another organisation that has been specified in the NST Sporting Body Policy (https://www.nationalsportstribunal.gov.au/resources/sporting-body-policy)

1. Your details
An athlete A member of a sporting association (eg. a coach, club official) Representing a sporting body (eg. CEO, President) Other: (please provide details)
Name:
Contact Email:
Contact Phone:
Sport:
Sporting body:
Club/Association (if relevant):
Are you represented by a lawyer or by another person? Yes (please provide details) No Not yet decided
If you are represented, please provide contact details for your representative.
Name:
Contact Email:
Contact Phone:

Are you under the age of 18?

Yes (please provide details)
No

If you are under the age of 18, please provide contact details for your legal or other representative (you must be represented to access NST services)

Name:

Contact Email:

Contact Phone:

Do you have a medical condition, illness, injury or disability which may mean you require additional support to participate in dispute resolution processes?

☐ Yes

i No

Prefer not to disclose

If yes, please provide a brief description of the nature of your support requirements:

Would you like to discuss your support needs with someone from the NST?

☐ Yes

⊟ No

2. Briefly describe your interest in the dispute

Please provide a brief description of your interest in this dispute and the outcome you are seeking from joining the dispute. This may include responses to the information provided by the Applicant in the Application Form. You can also provide documents if this assists in explaining the situation.

NOTE: Only brief responses are required at this stage, so that we have a basic understanding of the dispute. You will have other opportunities to provide more detailed submissions, documents and other evidence at a later date.

NOTE: This information helps understand the dispute better, but will not limit or guarantee any outcomes from the Tribunal.

3. Declaration

I hereby declare that the information I have provided on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and that I agree to the dispute being heard by the National Sports Tribunal.

I understand that if I provide information that I know to be incorrect which I later seek to rely on, the outcome of my application may be affected.

I accept that the information provided may be used by the NST for the purposes outlined in the National Sports Tribunal Privacy Policy.

Name:

Signed:

Date:

Collection Notice

What do we do with the information you give to us?

We collect personal information to process applications and resolve disputes under the National Sports Tribunal Act 2019 (NST Act). If you do not provide all requested information, we may be unable to progress the application.

We may collect information about you from another Party to the dispute, or as required by or under the NST Act or another Australian law. We may give a copy of this form or any other information you provide as part of the dispute to another Party or person or body permitted to participate in the dispute.

Proceedings before the NST will generally be held in private. Confidentiality and non-publication orders can also be sought.

Details about your dispute may be published in a daily list of matters on our website. After an arbitration, the NST will publish a case summary. Where feasible, a case summary will not contain information that would identify the Parties, or that could reasonable identify the Parties.

Only some decisions will be published:

- o Anti-doping matters: if it finds that an anti-doping rule violation has been committed.
- Non-Anti-doping matters: with the Parties' consent or where the determination has significant precedential value.

We will only send your personal information overseas if a Party (including an international sporting federation), representative or witness is located outside Australia.

Your data may be used to improve NST services. This includes use for continuous improvement purposes, and conduct of formal service evaluation. To fulfil this purpose, we may disclose data about you, the services you receive from the NST, and the matter, dispute or case you are involved in to third party organisations who are contracted to support our improvement and evaluation activities. Data disclosed in this way will be used only for the purpose of continuous improvement or evaluation and for no other purpose.

You can opt out of contribution to the evaluation by emailing enquiries@nationalsportstribunal.gov.au. Choosing not to contribute your data will not have any impact on the services you receive from the NST.

Further details about the way we handle your information, including how you can access the information we hold about you or make a complaint, is available in our Privacy Policy, available on our website www.nationalsportstribunal.gov.au.