

Guam National Olympic Committee



Residency Guidelines

Determining Residency

Gaining Residency Eligibility:

In order to be considered an athlete representing Guam under the umbrella of the Guam National Olympic Committee, the following requirements must be met by all athletes.

The Athlete petitioning to be a part of Team Guam must:

- I. have a United States of America, Department of State issued passport (must provide the GNOC with a copy of such passport),
- II. reside in Guam for five (5) years prior to the Opening of the Olympic Games or in continental or regional games or in the world or area championships
 - **if born in Guam**, must have five (5) cumulative years of residing in Guam prior to the Opening of the Games/Event.
 - **if NOT born in Guam**, the athlete must have resided in Guam **five (5) consecutive years prior** to the Opening of the Games/Event (proof must be provided)
- III. proof of residency must be provided in the form(s) of (**one or more of the following may be required in order to determine residency status**):
 - a copy of five (5) consecutive years Guam Income Tax Filings
 - a certified letter or statement from the Government of Guam Department of Revenue and Taxation certifying the athlete (if under age, the athlete's parent) has filed five (5) consecutive years prior to the Opening of Games/Event
 - owning real property in Guam (a copy of the property taxes paid to the Government of Guam Department of Revenue and Taxation or a statement from the Department stating the athlete has paid five (5) consecutive years of property tax)

- Operating a business in Guam (must provide certification of ownership of a business or business license and copies of the business' tax income filing or gross receipts tax or a statement from the Government of Guam Department of Revenue and Taxation certifying the business and business owner had filed five (5) consecutive years of GRT or Income taxes
- if an athlete leaves Guam for education purposes, the athlete is then required to provide a copy of school transcripts proving full-time enrollment or a letter from the school certifying they were enrolled in classes at a full-time status for the number of years the athlete needs to meet the five (5) year requirement.

NOTE: If an athlete has represented another Country at the Olympic Games or at an international, continental or regional games or at a world, continental or regional championship recognized by the International Federation, then the athlete is NOT eligible to represent Guam, unless the athlete has been released by the country in which they previously represented (an official letter from the President/Secretary General of the National Olympic Committee of the Country or the Governing body of sport must be provided by the athlete .

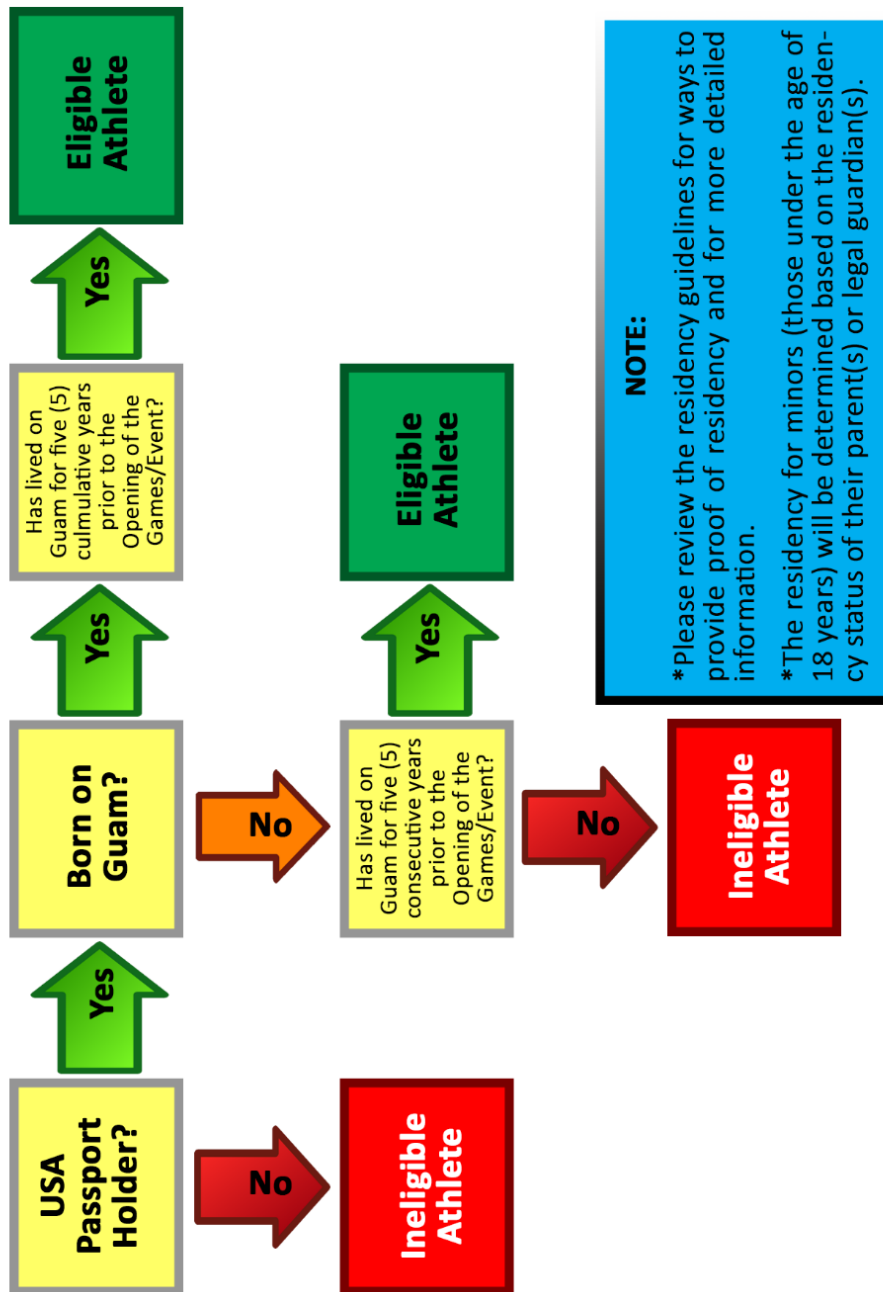
Losing Residency-Eligible Status:

Once an athlete is recognized by the GNOC as a resident-eligible athlete, based on the residency requirements, does not mean they are eligible for life. Other factors may affect their eligibility, such as an athlete's behavior at previous games, criminal record, insubordination, or has been in violation of Team Guam Athlete/Official Handbook or has been banned by the NF or IF for previous actions, etc.

Also, If an athlete leaves Guam, for purposes other than: Military duty, education or illness, for ninety (90) days or more, the athlete loses their recognized residency status and must reestablish their residency based on the guidelines listed above (which is different for athletes Born and NOT Born on Guam). **NOTE: An athlete must first establish their five (5) year residency-eligibility status before leaving Guam for Military duty.**



GUAM NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FLOW CHART FOR ELIGIBILITY





INFORMATION SHEET ON RESIDENCY MATTERS

The following information is provided to the GUAM NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE for the purpose of determining my residency for sporting events sanctioned by the GNOC.

Please answer all the questions below:

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Where are you presently residing in? (Give actual location, not P.O. Box):

2. How long have you been living there?

3. Were you born on Guam? [] Yes [] No
If no, when did you arrive on Guam? Month _____ Year _____

4. Why or what were the reasons for your move to Guam?

5. Where are you presently employed?

6. Have you ever been away from Guam for more than three (3) months? [] Yes [] No
 - a. When were you away?
 - b. How long were you away?
 - c. What was your reason for leaving?
 - d. When did you return to reestablish your residency?

7. If you are attending school outside of Guam, did you declare your residency for that state to obtain lower tuition?

8. Marital status?

9. Is your spouse a Guam resident? Yes No
If not, then give the state of his/her residency.
5. Are you, or your spouse, in the military full time? Yes No
6. Where did you file taxes for the last five (5) years prior to the date of this information sheet?
7. If you have not filed your taxes for this year, will you file on Guam for this year? Yes No
8. Do you own a home on Guam? Yes No
9. Do you own any property on Guam? Yes No
10. Do you have or own any interest in a business on Guam? Yes No
11. What is your source of income or source of support?
12. Are you a registered voter on Guam? Yes No
13. Where did you vote in the last five (5) years prior to the date of this information sheet?
14. Have you signed any other statement or declaration concerning your residency on Guam or for another state? Yes No
15. Give any other facts and circumstances to justify your residency on Guam.

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct. I understand that if any of the above information stated is false, it may affect my residency status to participate in all sporting events sanctioned by the GUAM NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE.

Signature of Athlete

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian *(If athlete is under 18 years of age)*

Date



STATEMENT OF RESIDENCY

THIS STATEMENT is dated _____, and is by _____, whose mailing address is _____, hereinafter referred to either "I" or "me", "my", "mine" or words of similar meaning.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, I desire to participate in certain sporting events sanctioned by the Guam National Olympic Committee (GNOC);

WHEREAS, I understand that the GNOC requires a five (5) year domiciliary (hereinafter called "residency") on Guam, depending on the particular sporting event;

WHEREAS, my residency may be in question later on and I desire to make my intentions and residency known immediately to minimize future problems;

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby certify, state and declare the following:

1. I have been living on Guam since _____ and I have been a resident of Guam since _____.
2. I intend to try out for the following sporting event(s):
(Please check applicable boxes):

<input type="checkbox"/> Olympic Games	<input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Games
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Olympic Games	<input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Mini Games
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian Games	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games
<input type="checkbox"/> Micronesia Games	<input type="checkbox"/> East Asian Youth Games
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
3. I am not a contract worker, and I am not working on Guam on a temporary basis.
4. I am not receiving any compensation from any off-island employer.

5. I understand that I must have a five (5) year continuous and uninterrupted residency prior to participating in certain sporting events sanctioned by the GNOC.
6. I understand that if I sign any statement or application that I am a resident of another state during the five (5) year period prior to the sporting event sanctioned by the GNOC, then such shall stop or interrupt the running of the residency requirement. Example: the signing of an application for college stating that I am a resident of that particular state to enable me to obtain a lower tuition.
7. I understand that this Statement is not conclusive and that the GNOC shall have the right to continue to investigate my circumstances concerning my residency, and the GNOC shall have the right to request for further information and evidence from me to establish my residency. I shall provide the GNOC with all information and copies of any documents or other matters requested, and if such is not provided, then failure to provide can be just cause for the GNOC to deny me as a resident for sporting events sanctioned by the GNOC.
8. I have completed the information sheet attached hereto as Exhibit A. All information thereon is true and correct. If any of the information is found to be false, then such shall be grounds for the GNOC to deny my residency for sporting events sanctioned by the GNOC.
9. I have received a copy of GNOC's RESIDENCY GUIDELINES reference dated October 2015. I shall be responsible for reading and understanding the contents thereof.

This Statement is true and correct and has been made by me on the date first stated above.

Signature of Athlete

Parent/Guardian Signature
(if athlete is under 18 years of age)