

# Game of the Week - 2023-24 Season

## General

- Game of the Week (GotW) will be held at the Sport Ireland Campus on Wednesday evenings.
- Games will start at 7.45pm with court access from 7.15pm.
- Each GotW will be broadcast live on YouTube.

### **Match Selection**

- Premier and D1 teams can request a home game to be played as GotW. This will be done through the standard fixture request form (<u>Click here</u>).
- For GotW matches specifically, the fixture request form should be submitted at least 4 weeks before the GotW fixture slots (available dates below.
- The NLMC GotW selection committee will review each request and allocate GotW slots to NL fixtures.

#### **Costs and Fees**

- Home and away clubs will incur usual costs for referees and scorekeepers.
- For hall hire costs, a home team's first GotW hall hire fee will be €50. The rate for each subsequent match for that team will be charged at €100. These charges will be invoiced to the club by Volleyball Ireland.

#### **Slots**

• GotW will begin on Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup> with slots available every Wednesday up to and including 13<sup>th</sup> December. Slots from January onwards will be confirmed in due course.

## **Benefits**

- Increased quality of live stream and production.
- Increased number of viewers.
- Increased availability of referees for NL matches.
- Potentially alleviates pressure on existing home venues.
- Provides greater flexibility around player availability.

# Other points

- Home clubs will appoint referees and scorekeepers as for a regular home fixture.
- The court and equipment will be set up and provided by Volleyball Ireland.
- Clubs should bring match balls and warm up balls as normal.
- Any scheduled National League fixture can be played on any GotW slot e.g. a game scheduled for GW9 can be played during GW7.
- When applying for a GotW slot, each team agrees to make 1 person (coach or player) available for interview before and/or after the match