

CLUB COMMUNICATIONS 2024-25 SEASON

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Dear all

Many thanks for confirming your team entries for the coming season. Please find attached and below the next steps.

CLUB AFFILIATION FORMS

The annual Club Affiliation form is now live and, for 2024-25, is now in a single format for all levels of clubs. The link to complete the form is <https://forms.office.com/e/MdnEUVSSr1>

As in previous years, completing this form is a requirement for your club to be eligible to take part in VI competitions, so please spare the 10 minutes to complete this form before **Friday 13th September**.

PLAYER LICENCES

Player Licences for the 2024-25 season are now live on JustGo. Please note that players playing for teams in Premier, Division 1 and Division 2 require a National League licence, and players in Division 3 and below only need the non-league licence.

PLAYER TRANSFERS

Now that team entries are now confirmed, so the player transfer form is now live, and a copy is attached.

The player transfer process hasn't changed from last season, but if a player is coming to your club, please remind the player that we require the completed transfer form and copy of release from their former club. Simply changing clubs on JustGo does not constitute a transfer.

VI PLAYER NUMBERS

As explained previously, the player registration process has one additional step this year, in that club admins on JustGo will need to allocate players to their teams, all of which are labelled NL0, NL1, NL2 or NL3.

As the player numbers are related to their playing division, we will be unable to issue same until the player is allocated to those teams.

FIXTURES – PREMIER / D1 / D2

A draft fixture list for the 2024-25 season is attached. Please now begin to make arrangements for your home matches, and feedback confirmed details to us by **Saturday 14th September**. A prompt response allows us to progress to the final stage of fixture checking promptly.

As we state every year, the combination of trying to ensure multi-team clubs have all matches at home on the same weekends, as well as the distribution of clubs across the multiple divisions makes the planning process harder every year, and this time we have got close but not close enough in our endeavours.

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The NLMC asks that if you spot a problem, please let them know asap, along with your proposed solution.

FIXTURES – D3

Also attached is a fixture plan for this season's new Division 3. The document explains the competition formats, and the dates on which fixtures can be planned but, for these competitions, it is for clubs to confirm fixtures between them, and then confirm back to the office details for each match. There is also a list of contacts from other clubs to help you make arrangements. The deadline for confirming D3 fixtures is **Sunday 29th September**.

Please note that no matches can be scheduled after the stated cut-off date.

COMPETITION RULES

We are anticipating these being finalised by the end of this week, but the one major change from last season is that e-scoring is now mandatory in Premier, Division 1, Division 2 and the Association Cup & Shield competitions.

I am in the process of finalising a training session for those clubs who have asked for help and will advise those clubs once a date has been finalised.

Any queries, as always the inbox is open.

Attachments:

[Player Transfer Request Form 2024-25.docx](#)

Excel Copies of Fixtures for Premier Division and Divisions 1, 2 and 3