



## **“Guest Players” Trial NCNA Summer League 2022**

Following feedback from Clubs Meeting, we are trialling “guest players” (also known as “pool players”) in this year’s Notts Summer League. The success of this trial will be reviewed and shared at the end of the League.

“Guest players” is a great way to encourage participation, socialisation and development of individual players. It will help to reduce the number of teams struggling or cancelling games all together.

This trial temporarily replaces the current “starred players” mentioned in section 3.2.6 of the [league rules](#).

*3.2.6 No more than two players from any one team may play for another team within that club within the same league competition. (This means the same two players for all or any match. Not two players one week and a different two players the next). Known as “starred players”. Any one player may not play for two different teams within a club against the same opposition.*

### **How does it work?**

Any player who is registered and has paid membership to England Netball (EN) and Nottinghamshire Netball for 2021-22 season can be a guest player, even if they have already registered to play with a team in the league. When a team is short of players, they can request help from another team within their own club or different club entirely\*, but only a **maximum of 2 guest players per team per fixture**.

**\*Players who are over 18 can be a guest player for any team within the league except for regional league players who can only guest for the highest two divisions (i.e., summer league division 1 and division 2) as per league rule 3.2.4. Under 18s can only be a guest player for their own club.**

It will be the responsibility of the team to locate a player. There will not be a central list of guest players for this trial.

As summer league games are played on multiple days, guest players can only play **twice a week**:

- 1 game on Tuesday and 1 game on Wednesday  
or
- 2 games on Tuesday or 2 games Wednesday.

Playing kit can be different. Guest players should avoid wearing own club dress and preferably wear neutral / white T shirt over their dress or borrow kit from the team they are a guest for. Either way, the entire team needs to wear patch bibs or overhead bibs. There shall not be any mixing of bib types or colours.

Guest players **must** be added to the scorecard and marked with a “Guest” by their name. The EN membership number must be provided, and the scorecard completed in full as expected.

**This is a trial for Summer League 2022 only. Anyone not using the guest players correctly, may be penalised by deduction of points or removal from using guest players.** The League Secretary’s decision is final.

### What do you need to do?

- Teams must inform the Guest Players Administrator Michelle Holliday that they will be using a guest player (by text, WhatsApp or email) at least 2 hours before the game commences.
- [michelle-holliday@sky.com](mailto:michelle-holliday@sky.com) or 07812 217734
- Teams must confirm to the administrator:
  - Requesting team
  - The opposition
  - The division
  - Date, time of match
  - Name and EN membership number
- The Guest Players Administrator will check membership numbers against submitted team sheets. Anyone not registered to a club/team, will need to be checked within Engage or proof of membership sent to the administrator.
- All personal data that has been obtained by the administrator will be destroyed by 31/08/2022.