



FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE 2024-25

PRIZE MONEY 2024-25
OVERALL WINNER £300!
2ND £150, 3RD £75,
BOTTOM £150

MANAGER OF THE MONTH
1ST £25, 2ND £10,
3RD £5, BOTTOM £10

WELCOME to the second season of Fantasy Football League. I am really pleased to announce that moving into this second season the competition has been adopted by *The Football League Paper*. It will cost you only £5 to enter and that is for the whole of the 2024/25 season. The FFL 2024/25 entry deadline will be Noon on Saturday, August 31, 2024. Fantasy Football League is based on the very successful Fantasy Non-League competition that I have run in *The Non-League Paper* for over 20 years.

You will be able to view your teams' progress throughout the season in *The Football League Paper* and on my website with weekly updates on either Saturday evening or Sunday morning. My website can be found at <https://iwfantasyfootball.yolasite.com/>

This season I am introducing the EARLY ENTRY BONUS into the game. Those of you who play the Fantasy Non-League competition will be very familiar with this concept.

So, how does the Early Entry Bonus work? Well, if you are brave enough to enter the competition before NOON on Saturday, August 10, 2024 you will receive an EARLY ENTRY BONUS of 500 points. The game starts on that Saturday and all players start accumulating points from that Saturday, August 10 2024 whether they have entered before the start of the season or just before the deadline on August 31, 2024. Hence the 500pts if you enter before a ball is kicked.

I still get emails and calls from Fantasy Non-League players commenting

on the fact that we allow people to enter the competition nearly four weeks into the season. The reason for this is that *The FLP* does not appear until Sunday August 11, 2024. Ideally, it would be better to start the competition before the season starts but if we did, we would miss a lot of possible players. My normal answer to everyone that asks this question is everyone can either put their entry in before the season starts or before the deadline at the end of August 2024.

In fact, I know that many players in Fantasy Non-League enter at least two teams – one before the season starts and one before the August 31 deadline when they have had a chance to study the form of the first three weeks or so of the season.

There will be Manager of the Month awards through the season. The top three teams and the bottom team each month will receive a cash prize. In total, there will be eight Manager of the Month awards with the last one being April 2025. The first Manager of the Month will be September 2024.

At the End of the Season there will be cash prizes for the top three places and a prize which is personally my favourite, and prize for finishing in bottom spot, so why not enter two teams – one to win it and one to lose it. I have discovered in Fantasy Non-League that it is in fact harder to finish bottom than it is to finish in first place.

THE RULES FOR FFL 2024/25
(Please read these very carefully).
 You will need to choose four teams from each of the six leagues, which will give you a total of 24 teams. You must also pick 5 FFL JOKER TEAMS from the 24 teams you have already picked. Those five teams will receive double points throughout the season. That will include all bonuses awarded during the season. It will also include the End of Season bonuses (this only applies if you keep your FFL Joker teams for the whole of the season). The way to show your 5 jokers on the entry form is to place a "J" instead of a tick Remember the FFL Joker teams must be teams you have already picked.

Also, if you wish you can pick five substitute teams, but these five teams must be on your FFL 2024/25 Entry Form. (More on the substitutes later in this season's rules).

POINTS ALLOCATION, IN ALL THE SIX LEAGUES LEAGUE & CUP GAMES

Home win = 10pts + goals
 Away win = 20pts + goals
 Home Draw = 2pt + goals
 Away Draw = 4pts + goals
 Home Defeat = -10pts
 Away defeats = -5pts
 Every goal scored = 1pt (This counts if your team wins, draws or loses).
 Every goal conceded (Win & Defeat only) -1pt.

Goal Bonus Points = 5pts (This is awarded if your teams score 4 or more goals).

Clean Sheet Bonus = 5pts (This is awarded for both wins and 0-0 draws).
 Concede 4 goals = -5pts (This does not apply to drawn games).

(Two-legged ties count as two separate games. Cup replays that go to penalties. The penalties are only used to decide the winner. No points are awarded for the penalties scored).

BONUS POINTS FOR REACHING VARIOUS ROUNDS IN EACH CUP COMPETITION

For reaching the FA Cup 1st round proper and each round beyond = 25pts. (This only applies for the National League, National North & South).

For reaching the FA Cup 3rd round proper and each round beyond = 25pts. (This applies to all the leagues expect the Championship)

For reaching the Quarter-finals and each round beyond in all the cups that are involved in the competition which are listed below = 25pts. (This applies to all six leagues in the FFL 2024/25 Season).

LEAGUE LEADERS & BOTTOM CLUB BONUS

At the end of each month up to and including April 2025, the top three teams leading each of the six leagues will be awarded 30pts, 15pts & 7pts respectively. The bottom three teams of

the six leagues will be awarded -30pts, -15pts & -7pts respectively. (Please remember, and this is important, these bonus points will only count towards the main FFL season total and not the Manager of the Month points).

MANAGER OF THE MONTH BONUS POINTS

Each month the top three best performing teams for each individual month in each of the six leagues will be awarded 30pts, 15pts & 7pts respectively. The bottom worst performing three teams each month will receive -30pts, -15pts & -7pts respectively (These bonus points only count in the Manager of the Month calculations).

PLAY-OFF GAMES
 The actual Play-Off games themselves will be awarded points as if they were league games. The Play-Off Final winners will be awarded 50pts for gaining promotion. (These points will be awarded at the end of the season).

END OF SEASON BONUS POINTS
 (These points will be awarded at the end of the FFL Season in May 2025).

All League Champions will receive 250pts for winning their respective leagues. Second place will get 125pts and third place will receive 60pts.

The bottom team in each league at the end of the season's FFL will be awarded -250pts. Second from bottom -125pts and third from bottom -60pts.

Cup Winners will receive 250pts for the FA Cup & League Cup and 150pts for the other Cups.

Play-Off Winners will receive 50pts.

Remember, if your FFL Joker team get these bonuses they will be doubled. For example, a league winner picked in August 2024 at the start of the FFL Season will win you 500pts.

Substituted teams will be awarded half the End of Season bonus points & the full Play-Off Winners bonus.

The following Leagues and Cup competitions will be involved in this season's Fantasy Football League

THE CHAMPIONSHIP
 FA Cup & EFL Cup

LEAGUE ONE
 FA Cup, EFL Cup & EFL Trophy

LEAGUE TWO
 FA Cup, EFL Cup & EFL Trophy

NATIONAL LEAGUE
 FA Cup and FA Trophy

NATIONAL NORTH
 FA Cup and FA Trophy

NATIONAL SOUTH
 FA Cup and FA Trophy

USE OF SUBSTITUTIONS

As stated above, you can select five substitutes on your FFL 2024/25 Entry Form and out of those five substitutes you can use all five substitutes. There will be only one substitution window and that will be during the month of December 2024 with your selected changes taking effect from January 1, 2025. Details on how to use your substitutions will be released nearer the time during the month of November 2024. Please also note you can change your FFL Joker Teams on January 1, 2025 if you so wish, but this will count as one of your Substitutions.

MY FANTASY WEBSITE - FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE 2024/25
iwfantasyfootball.yolasite.com

2024/25 FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE ENTRY FORM

THE WAY TO SHOW YOUR 5 JOKERS ON THE ENTRY FORM IS TO PLACE A "J" INSTEAD OF A TICK

THE CHAMPIONSHIP			LEAGUE ONE			LEAGUE TWO			NATIONAL PREMIER			NATIONAL NORTH			NATIONAL SOUTH		
Pick Four Teams	Code	Tick	Pick Four Teams	Code	Tick	Pick Four Teams	Code	Tick	Pick Four Teams	Code	Tick	Pick Four Teams	Code	Tick	Pick Four Teams	Code	Tick
BLACKBURN R	1		BARNESLEY	25		ACCRINGTON STANLEY	49		AFC FYLDE	73		ALFRETON TOWN	97		AVELEY	121	
BRISTOL CITY	2		BIRMINGHAM CITY	26		AFC WIMBLEDON	50		ALDERSHOT TOWN	74		BRACKLEY TOWN	98		BATH CITY	122	
BURNLEY FC	3		BLACKPOOL	27		BARROW	51		ALTRINCHAM	75		BUXTON FC	99		BOREHAM WOOD	123	
CARDIFF CITY	4		BOLTON WANDERERS	28		BRADFORD CITY	52		BARNET FC	76		CHESTER FC	100		CHELMSFORD CITY	124	
COVENTRY CITY	5		BRISTOL ROVERS	29		BROMLEY FC	53		BOSTON UTD	77		CHORLEY	101		CHESHAM UTD	125	
DERBY COUNTY	6		BURTON ALBION	30		CARLISLE UTD	54		BRAINTREE TOWN	78		CURZON ASHTON	102		CHIPPENHAM TOWN	126	
HULL CITY	7		CAMBRIDGE UTD	31		CHELLENHAM TOWN	55		DAGENHAM & RED	79		DARLINGTON FC 1883	103		DORKING WANDERERS	127	
LEEDS UTD	8		CHARLTON ATH	32		CHESTERFIELD	56		EASTLEIGH	80		FARSLEY CELTIC	104		EASTBOURNE BOR	128	
LUTON TOWN	9		CRAWLEY TOWN	33		COLCHESTER UTD	57		EBBSFLEET UTD	81		HEREFORD FC	105		ENFIELD TOWN	129	
MIDDLESBOROUGH	10		EXETER CITY	34		CREWE ALEXANDRA	58		FC HALIFAX TOWN	82		KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS	106		FARNBOROUGH	130	
MILLWALL	11		HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	35		DONCASTER ROVERS	59		FOREST GREEN ROVERS	83		KING'S LYNN TOWN	107		HAMPTON & RICH	131	
NORWICH CITY	12		LEYTON ORIENT	36		FLEETWOOD TOWN	60		GATESHEAD FC	84		LEAMINGTON	108		HEMEL HEMPSTEAD T	132	
OXFORD UTD	13		LINCOLN CITY	37		GILLINGHAM	61		HARTLEPOOL UTD	85		MARINE	109		HORNCHURCH	133	
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	14		MANSFIELD TOWN	38		GRIMSBY TOWN	62		MAIDENHEAD UTD	86		NEEDHAM MARKET	110		MAIDSTONE UTD	134	
PORTSMOUTH	15		NORTHAMPTON TOWN	39		HARROGATE T	63		OLDHAM ATHLETIC	87		OXFORD CITY	111		SALISBURY FC	135	
PRESTON N.E.	16		PETERBOROUGH UTD	40		MK DONS	64		ROCHDALE	88		PETERBOROUGH SPORTS	112		SLOUGH TOWN	136	
Q.P.R.	17		READING	41		MORECAMBE	65		SOLI HULL MOORS	89		RADCLIFFE FC	113		ST ALBANS CITY	137	
SHEFFIELD UTD	18		ROTHERHAM UTD	42		NEWPORT COUNTY	66		SOUTHEND UNITED	90		RUSHALL OLYMPIC	114		TONBRIDGE ANGELS	138	
SHEFFIELD WED	19		SHREWSBURY TOWN	43		NOTTS COUNTY	67		SUTTON UTD	91		SCARBOROUGH ATHLETIC	115		TORQUAY UTD	139	
STOKE CITY	20		STEVENAGE	44		PORT VALE	68		TAMWORTH	92		SCUNTHORPE UTD	116		TRURO CITY	140	
SUNDERLAND	21		STOCKPORT COUNTY	45		SALFORD CITY	69		WEALDSTONE	93		SOUTH SHIELDS	117		WELLING UTD	141	
SWANSEA CITY	22		WIGAN ATHLETIC	46		SWINDON TOWN	70		WOKING	94		SOUTHPORT	118		WESTON-SUPER-MARE	142	
WATFORD	23		WREXHAM FC	47		TRANMERE R	71		YEOVIL TOWN	95		SPENNYMOOR TOWN	119		WEYMOUTH	143	
WEST BROMWICH	24		WYCOMBE WANDERERS	48		WALSALL	72		YORK CITY	96		WARRINGTON TOWN	120		WORTHING	144	

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2024/25 FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE ENTRY FORM

Name:
 Address:
 Postcode:
 Telephone:
 Email Address:
 Team Name (max 15 letters)

ONLY £5 PER ENTRY
 Payment by Cheques payable to *The League Paper Ltd* or by Postal Order
 Please tick here if you do not want to be contacted by The NLP

My five substitute clubs are:
 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

Deadline for entry is Saturday, August 31, 2024. The game starts on Saturday, August 10, 2024. Entries before the season starts get 500 bonus points.

Please send form to: Fantasy Football League, The Football League Paper, Tuition House, St George's Road, Wimbledon SW19 4EU

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