

# Norfolk County FA

## County Cup Player Eligibility

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### *Qualification of Players*

A player shall be eligible to play in Norfolk County Cup matches provided he/she meets the following criteria:

- He/she is a bona fide playing member of the club during the current season, and so remains.

However, a player shall be ineligible to play in Norfolk County Cup matches under the following circumstances:

- No player shall be registered unless they are a bona fide member of their club for the current season. A bona fide player is one who is a registered player for that club in one of the leagues in which the club participates on the same match day as the relevant County Cup competition.
- A player, having already played in a County Cup competition, is not eligible to play for another club in a County Cup competition of the same match day if the competition is of a lower or equal status or lower age group in that same season.

No player shall play for a team in the Semi-Finals or final of any County Cup competition unless:

- He/she has played in at least two league, league cup or County Cup matches for team prior to the Semi-Finals
- Or was a registered bona fide player for the said team on 1st October of the current season

except with the permission of this Association. **Such permission will only be given in exceptional circumstances.**

If requested by Norfolk County Football Association, birth certificates or other suitable evidence must be produced to establish the validity of a player to play in a County Cup Competition.

### *Temporary (Loan) Players*

Ineligible to compete in any County Cup competition unless permission is given:

- By the lending Club in writing
- A copy is received by Norfolk County Football Association at least 48 hours prior kick off
- Any permissions must clearly state that the player has approval to play in the appropriate County Cup competition.

### *Contract Players*

Contract players are not eligible to play in any County Cup competition apart from the Norfolk Invitation and Norfolk Senior Cup.