

## **Senior Club Classification 2023/24**

### **(NLS Step 6 and above)**

The classification of a Club is based on the Division of the League in which its first team competes unless they have been included in the special list of registrations.

<b>League</b>	<b>Competition</b>
<b>Hellenic</b>	Challenge Trophy #
<b>Western</b>	Challenge Trophy #
<b>Southern</b>	Senior Challenge Cup
<b>Conference</b>	Senior Challenge Cup
<b>Football League</b>	Senior Professional *

# Clubs wishing to enter a team into the GFA Challenge Trophy are reminded of the qualifying pitch and facility requirements:-

- Maximum length: 110 metres. Minimum Length: 100 metres
- Maximum width: 75 metres Minimum width: 64 metres
- Dressing and washing accommodation must be separate for each team and Match Officials. They must have heating and hot water and be cleaned and maintained to a satisfactory standard.
- The playing area must be enclosed by a permanent fixed barrier on all four sides and may be in-filled with advertisement hoardings or other barriers.

\* As there is no County Cup competition at this level, Senior Professional Clubs are invited to enter a Development, Reserve, U23 or U21 team in the Senior Challenge Cup competition.

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## Club Classification (North) 2023/24

### (Step 7 and below)

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League / Division	Premier	1	2	3	4	5	6
Cheltenham (Saturday)	Junior	Inter	Primary				
	Inter	Minor					
Cotswold Churches		Minor					
		Primary					
Gloucestershire County		Senior Amateur					
Gloucestershire Northern Senior		Senior Amateur	Senior Amateur				
Hellenic			Senior Amateur				
North Gloucestershire	Junior	Inter.	Minor	Primary			
Stroud & District		Junior	Junior	Inter.	Minor	Minor	Primary
			Inter.			Primary	
SW Regional Women's		Women's Trophy					
Women's County		Women's Trophy	Women's Cup	Women's Cup			

### Cup Entry Guidance

The GFA Sunday Premier Cup and GFA Sunday Minor Cup are not running this season.

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The only exception to this is that County Cup competition winners automatically move to the next higher competition in the following season. This rule does not apply to the winners of the Senior Challenge Cup and Women's Challenge Trophy.

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## Club Classification (South) 2023/24

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Division / League	Premier	Senior	1	2	3	4	5
Bristol Churches			Inter.	Primary			
			Minor				
Bristol & District		Junior	Junior	Inter.	Minor	Primary	
Bristol Downs			Snr. Am.	Inter.	Minor	Primary	
			Junior				
Bristol Premier Combination	Senior Amateur		Senior Amateur				
Bristol & Suburban	Senior Amateur	Senior Amateur	Junior	Inter.	Minor	Primary	
Gloucestershire County			Senior Amateur				
SW Women's Regional			Women's Trophy				
Women's County			Women's Trophy	Women's Cup	Women's Cup		

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