

THIRD ROUND QUALIFYING
SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER 2026
WINNERS RECEIVE £5,625
LOSERS RECEIVE £1,875

1	Macclesfield	v	Scarborough Athletic
2	Marine	v	Warrington Town
3	Trafford	v	Atherton Collieries
4	Guiseley	v	Bradford (Park Avenue)
5	Leamington or Gainsborough Trinity	v	Anstey Nomads
6	Morecambe	v	Darlington
7	Buxton	v	South Shields
8	Bury	v	Bromsgrove Sporting
9	Barton Town	v	Chorley
10	AFC Telford United or Worksop Town	v	FC United of Manchester
11	Stafford Rangers	v	Halesowen Town
12	Spennymoor Town	v	Chester
13	Mulbarton Wanderers	v	Gloucester City
14	Bury Town	v	Spalding United
15	Harborough Town	v	St Albans City
16	Bedford Town	v	Hemel Hempstead Town or Wingate & Finchley
17	Kettering Town	v	Worcester City
18	Cambridge City	v	Alvechurch
19	Brackley Town	v	Chelmsford City
20	Chesham United	v	Real Bedford
21	Oxford City	v	Enfield Town
22	Brentwood Town	v	Waltham Abbey or Dagenham & Redbridge
23	Leiston	v	Coventry United
24	Redditch United	v	Berkhamsted
25	AFC Rushden & Diamonds	v	Needham Market or Braintree Town
26	Southall or Dorking Wanderers	v	Chatham Town
27	Merthyr Town or Truro City	v	Cirencester Town or Farnham Town
28	Tonbridge Angels	v	Torquay United
29	Weymouth	v	SE Dons
30	Sheppey United	v	Chertsey Town
31	Cray Wanderers or Maidstone United	v	Yate Town or Chippenham Town
32	Hampton & Richmond Borough or Crowborough Athletic	v	Weston Super Mare or Wimborne Town
33	Plymouth Parkway	v	Horsham
34	Uxbridge or Farnborough	v	Hungerford Town
35	Ebbsfleet United	v	Sholing
36	Salisbury	v	Dulwich Hamlet
37	Thame United or Exmouth Town	v	Eastbourne Borough
38	Hanwell Town	v	Dover Athletic
39	Tadley Calleva	v	Dartford
40	Leatherhead	v	Hanworth Villa

MATCH DATES

The default date for matches in the Third Round Qualifying is Saturday 3 October 2026, kick off 3.00pm. Replays are mandatory if a first match is drawn after 90 minutes. Replays must be scheduled on or before Thursday 8 October 2026, kick off 7.45pm.

If a first match is postponed, this must be rescheduled and played on or before Thursday 8 October 2026. If a replay is postponed or delayed due to the postponement of a first match, this must then be scheduled and played on or before Thursday 15 October 2026.

MATCH ARRANGEMENT FORM

Match Arrangement Forms will be available on MOAS in due course. Clubs will be notified once these are available for completion.

PLAYER REGISTRATION DEADLINE

The Player Registration Deadline is **12 noon on Friday 2 October 2026** irrespective of the date the match is played.

GROUND SHARING

Clubs with ground sharing agreements must arrange for ties to be played on Friday, Saturday or Sunday. If a clash of fixtures occurs with the sharing Club or other sport, if for any reason a match is unable to be played on the ground of the first drawn Club on the default date, it must be played on either the day before, i.e. on Friday, or the day after, i.e. on Sunday on the ground of the first drawn Club. If Clubs are unable to agree on the date, the match would then default to the Sunday, unless decided otherwise by the Professional Game Board.

Guidance

If two Clubs party to the same ground sharing agreement are scheduled to play a Competition Match at home on the same date, the Club playing at the higher level of the National League System will be deemed to have priority of fixture, unless the ground share agreement states otherwise or The Association directs otherwise.

DATES OF ROUNDS

Fourth Round Qualifying	Saturday 17 October 2026
First Round Proper	Saturday 7 November 2026
Second Round Proper	Saturday 5 December 2026
Third Round Proper	Saturday 9 January 2027
Fourth Round Proper	Saturday 13 February 2027
Fifth Round Proper	Saturday 6 March 2027
Quarter Final	Saturday 3 April 2027
Semi Final	Saturday 24 April 2027
Final	Saturday 22 May 2027

PRIZE FUND PAYMENT

	WINNING CLUB	LOSING CLUB
Extra Preliminary Round	£1,125	£375
Preliminary Round	£1,444	£481
First Round Qualifying	£2,250	£750
Second Round Qualifying	£3,375	£1,125
Third Round Qualifying	£5,625	£1,875
Fourth Round Qualifying	£9,375	£3,125
First Round Proper	£47,750	£15,800
Second Round Proper	£79,500	£21,200
Third Round Proper	£121,500	£26,500
Fourth Round Proper	£127,000	N/A
Fifth Round Proper	£238,500	N/A
Quarter Final	£477,000	N/A
Semi Final	£1,060,000	£530,000
Final	£2,120,000	£1,060,000