

THE 'BURY BALLER LEAGUE

2027 ROSTER + ELIGIBILITY | SALISBURY, MARYLAND

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The 'Bury Baller League is designed to keep rosters small, players involved and competition fair. Teams submit one complete roster, verify player eligibility and identify a primary Baller unit for each player.

9 STANDARD MAXIMUM Players per team roster.	5v5 MATCH FORMAT Four field players + GK.	DEC 28 INITIAL DEADLINE Complete team roster due.	72 HRS UPDATE WINDOW Before team's first match.
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TEAM ROSTERS

Teams should ordinarily roster a maximum of nine (9) players. The roster cap is intentional: 5v5 football should create meaningful playing time, clear rotations and appropriately sized Baller entries. Catena FC may approve roster exceptions where appropriate.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Players must meet the age requirements of the competition band in which their team is placed. Players may play up into an older competition band. Playing down requires prior approval from Catena FC.

ROSTER SUBMISSION

One complete roster must be submitted by the team's designated contact. Team registration does not constitute roster submission. Initial team rosters are due December 28, 2026.

ROSTER INFORMATION & VERIFICATION

Each roster submission must include the player's name, date of birth and jersey number, together with appropriate proof of age. A current 2026-27 player card or pass is the preferred form of verification. Alternative official documentation may be accepted when necessary or requested by Catena FC.

ROSTER CHANGES

Roster updates may be submitted until 72 hours before the team's first scheduled match. After that deadline, additions, replacements or other roster changes require approval from Catena FC.

SMALL ROSTERS. MEANINGFUL MINUTES.

The roster structure is built to keep players involved while giving teams enough flexibility to manage a seven-week competition.

PLAY. DEVELOP. COMPETE FAIRLY.

Year 1 is intentionally flexible. Player movement may be approved when it supports roster availability, goalkeeper coverage or meaningful player participation - but not when it is used to manipulate competition.

PRIMARY ROSTER	APPROVED MOVEMENT	FAIR PLAY	COMPETE
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PRIMARY ROSTER

Players should ordinarily compete with their assigned Baller unit. Each submitted roster establishes the player's primary Baller unit for the competition.

PLAYER MOVEMENT

Catena FC may permit a player to participate with another Baller unit when appropriate to support roster availability, goalkeeper coverage or meaningful player participation. Player movement is not automatic and remains subject to competition approval.

FAIR PLAY

Player movement may not be used to materially strengthen a roster for competitive advantage, manipulate standings or influence Championship Table positioning. Catena FC reserves the right to approve, restrict or reverse player movement in the interest of fair competition.

WHEN SHARED TEAMS MEET

A player may not represent both Baller units in the same match. If two Baller units sharing an approved player are scheduled against one another, the player will compete with their primary Baller unit unless otherwise approved by Catena FC.

ELIGIBILITY & COMPLIANCE

Teams are responsible for ensuring that all participating players are properly rostered and eligible. Use of an ineligible or unapproved player may result in forfeiture, adjustment of Championship Points or other competition action at the discretion of Catena FC.

ROSTER ADMINISTRATION

Submission instructions and any required roster-management procedures will be provided through the league's official registration and communication channels. Catena FC retains final authority over roster eligibility, verification and approved exceptions.

ONE TEAM. TWO BALLER UNITS. ONE GOAL.

Where an outdoor roster is divided into two Baller units, both contribute to the same parent-team championship total. The structure is intended to encourage equitable roster splits, meaningful roles and competitive balance across the full player group.