

Help Button on Profile Tab

About APPL Free Agents

APPL Free Agents helps APPL players find teammates for league play.

With APPL Free Agents you can:

- Browse available Free Agents in the Marketplace.
- Save prospective teammates to your private Connections list.
- Chat privately without sharing your phone number.
- Build your next APPL team.

Creating your profile

The more complete and informative your profile is, the more likely you are to find teammates who are a great fit.

Name - For your privacy, we recommend using only your first name and, if needed, the first 1–3 letters of your last name to distinguish yourself from other players with the same first name.

Photo- Use a clear photo of yourself. Avoid group photos, pets, paddles, logos, or scenery. A good photo helps other players recognize you and feel more comfortable reaching out.

About Me – This section is one of the best ways to introduce yourself. You have up to 300 characters, so use them. Consider including things like:

- Whether you already have a partner.
- Whether you've played in APPL before.
- How often you like to practice.
- Your favorite or strongest shots.
- What you're looking for in teammates.

A thoughtful About Me helps other players decide whether you'd be a good fit for them and their team.

Saving and editing your profile

Other players will not see your edits until you tap Save Profile. If the Save Profile button is Orange, it means you have unsaved changes.

I'm Not Available

Select *I'm Not Available* when you are Not currently looking for teammates.

When unavailable:

- Your player card is hidden from the Marketplace.
- Other players cannot contact you through APPL Free Agents.
- Marketplace, Connections, and Chat are temporarily unavailable.

Nothing is deleted. When you're ready to look again, select *I'm Available* and tap Save Profile. Your Profile, Connections, and Chats will all return.

Browsing the Marketplace

The Marketplace automatically starts with filters based on your profile, including your region, APPL Index or rating, team type, team age bracket, and availability.

You can change these filters at any time or clear them to browse more players.

Marketplace Player Card buttons

Each player card has three action buttons:

- Star – indicates the player is a strong fit and moves that player to Connections.
- Thumbs Up – indicated the player is a possible fit and moves that player to Connections.
- Chat - opens a conversation and moves that player to Connections.

Important: You are not claiming a player

Moving a player to Connections changes only your own app. It does not reserve, claim, or remove that player for anyone else. The player will never see any of your tags or badges – these are for you to help organize potential teammates.

Connections

Connections is your private list of prospective teammates you've either saved or contacted.

ONLY YOU can see the Star, Thumbs Up, and Thumbs Down badges. They are never visible to the other player. Use the filters at the top of the Connections screen to quickly find players you've marked.

Returning a Player to the Marketplace

Use the Back arrow button on the player card whenever you no longer want that player in your Connections list. This removes the player from YOUR Connections. Removing someone from your Connections does not remove them from the Marketplace or affect what that player or others see in their app.

Chat

Chat lets you privately message other APPL players without sharing your phone number. After you've chatted with a player, a *check mark* appears beside the Chat button when you see that player again in the Marketplace. This makes it easy to recognize players you've already contacted.

- **Done** - Closes the current conversation while keeping it available.
- **Archive** - Removes the conversation from your main Chat list without deleting it.

Starting another Chat with that player automatically restores the archived conversation.

Delete My Account

This is different from selecting *I'm Not Available*, which temporarily hides your player card without deleting anything. This permanently deletes your Profile, Connections, photos, and all Chat history. This cannot be undone.

Reporting a problem

If another profile contains inappropriate content or someone behaves inappropriately, please contact APPL through the Contact Us page on the APPL website.