Annual Leave FAQ

The annual leave for North Lanarkshire Council for employees on Schedule A runs from 1st January to 31st December each year.

The following frequently asked questions (FAQ) document details some common queries regarding annual leave balances and some useful guidance on how to understand your annual leave balances detailed on iTrent. There is also information on how to get in touch to query this.

How do I know what my annual leave balance should be?

Your annual leave is calculated based on your contractual hours and years of service. Please see below a table detailing annual leave entitlements based on 35 hours and 37 hours per week FTE.

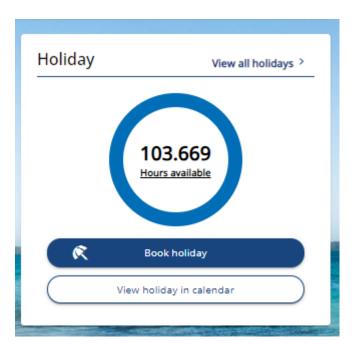
Please note the annual leave is based on your continuous service as at 01/01 in the given year. E.g. if you started employment with NLC in February 2019, you would have an annual leave entitlement of 33 days in 2025. In 2024, your continuous service would have been 4 years 11 months at 01/01/2024. Your leave entitlement would be 27 days.

Continuous Service	Annual Leave	Annual Leave in	Annual leave in
	Entitlement	Hours (35 hours per	Hours (37 hours per
		week)	week)
<5 years	27	189	199.8
5<7	33	231	244.2
7<10	34	238	251.6
10<12	35	245	259
12<15	36	252	266.4
15+	37	259	273.8

Your annual leave balance on iTrent will also contain your public holiday entitlement which is 6 days per year, pro rata for part time. Public Holidays are automatically deducted from your balance on 1st of January each year.

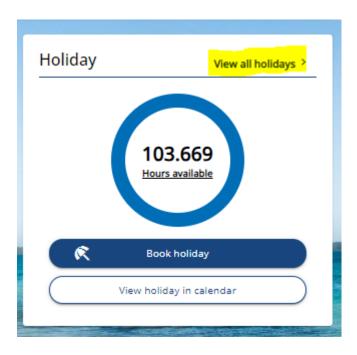
How do I view my annual leave balance on mySelf?

Once you have logged into your mySelf the holiday widget will appear on the home screen.

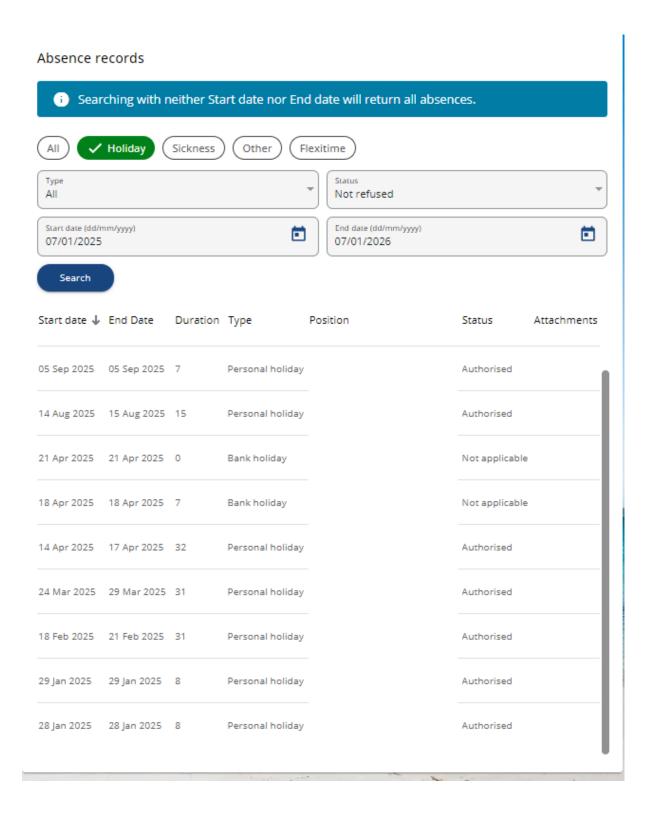


The widget will show your current holiday balance in the circle. If you have more than one position with NLC you can press the arrows to navigate through your entitlements.

View all holidays



This will load up a list of all holidays and public holidays recorded for the next year. You can adjust the start and end date to view specific periods if you wish. This will show all holidays that are authorised or awaiting authorisation.



Can I see a breakdown of my annual leave entitlement on mySelf?

You can see via the holiday widget by clicking on *Hours available*. This will load last year, current year and next year's annual leave balances.



This details a break of your balance as follows: Entitlement, Taken, Scheduled and Balance.

Entitlement: This is your entitlement for the year, if you are viewing this after February in any given year this will include any buy, banked or unpaid leave you have had authorised. If you start after the 1st of January in the year your annual leave will be pro-rata'd for the year. This will be highlighted under the holiday period. This figure will include your public holiday allowance.

Taken: This is annual leave and public holidays taken at the date you are checking your entitlement.

Scheduled: This is annual leave and public holidays scheduled for the remainder of the year.

Balance: This is annual leave entitlement you have remaining at the current date.

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Holiday balances



The balance takes account of all recorded holidays including any awaiting authorisation. Please select a card to view the Holiday Entitlement Summary



Scheme name Holiday period

A/L NLC - Schedule A (Hours) 01 Jan 2024 - 31 Dec 2024

Entitlement Taken

268.084 hours 267.4155 hours

Scheduled Balance 0 hours 0.6685 hours

Scheme name Holiday period

A/L NLC - Schedule A (Hours) 01 Jan 2025 - 31 Dec 2025

Entitlement Taken
273.6685 hours 16 hours
Scheduled Balance

154 hours 103.6685 hours

Scheme name Holiday period

A/L NLC - Schedule A (Hours) 01 Jan 2026 - 31 Dec 2026

Entitlement Taken
231 hours 0 hours

Scheduled Balance
0 hours 231 hours

You can click on any of the cards to view the annual leave breakdown for the year.

Position

Holiday period dates 01 Jan 2025 - 31 Dec 2025

Entitlement for period

Scheme name

A/L NLC - Schedule A (Hours)

273.6685 hours (273 hours Pro Rata) (0.6685 brought forward)

Start date	End date	Duration	Remaining entitlement
01 Jan 2025	01 Jan 2025	8	265.6685
02 Jan 2025	02 Jan 2025	8	257.6685
28 Jan 2025	28 Jan 2025	8	249.6685

Under *Entitlement for period*, you will see any annual leave brought forward, please note this is the first hours that are taken from your balance when annual leave is applied for. If you do not use this and have not applied to bank this leave it will drop off your balance on 31st of January. If you have banked leave and it meets the conditions of the buy, bank and unpaid leave scheme it will added back to your balance after 1st February.

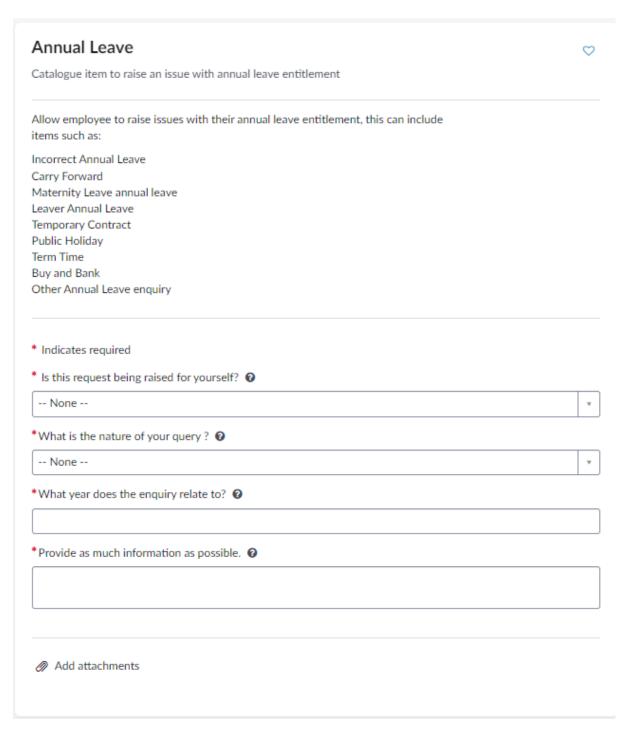
Why would my Entitlement for period have (adjustment) after the balance?

Entitlement for period 268.084 hours (Adjustment)

This can appear for several reasons for example an annual leave abatement due to sickness absence, leave being added to your balance from buy, bank and unpaid leave scheme, leave carry forward being added after maternity leave or shared parental leave, leave carry forward authorised by a Chief Officer.

I don't understand my annual leave balance and would like to query this, who do I contact?

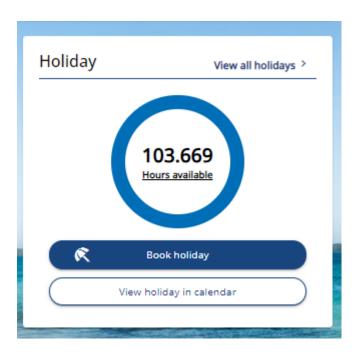
You can log an Annual Leave enquiry via myNL Portal using the <u>Annual Leave Enquiry Form</u>. See below



If you do not have access to myNL Portal, please email esc-helpdeskteam@northlan.gov.uk

I am term time and have bought leave, where will I see this?

This will appear on your holiday balance after 1st February.



What if I leave NLC during the leave year?

Your annual leave balance will be pro-rata'd accordingly based on the time of year you leave. Once your leaving date has been entered on the system you will see how much annual leave you have left to use before you leave.

What if I change my working hours or move to part time during the leave year?

Your annual leave balance will update if your work pattern changes to deduct the correct number of hours per day. If you increase or decrease your working hours, your annual leave will be adjusted accordingly.

Can I buy more leave during the annual leave year?

No, you can only purchase additional leave during the buy and bank window in November/December the previous year.

I have checked my annual leave breakdown and there is a date a booked and I worked this day, how do I get the hours back?

Your line manager will need to contact the People Helpdesk team via myNL portal using the Annual Leave Enquiry to have the hours returned.

How do I book annual leave?

You can request annual leave via mySelf. Infographic - booking annual leave.

Your line manager will review the request and authorise/decline as appropriate.

I am in a temporary position, but I have the right to revert to a permanent position within NLC. My annual leave balance is not showing my full entitlement for the year. Why is this?

Your annual leave balance will only display the entitlement up to the end date of your temporary position and if this is during the current leave year your annual leave balance will appear pro rata. Please note any public holidays for the current year will have been deducted from your balance.

You can see your entitlement for the year when you click on *Hours available* and then click in to the annual leave balance card and view your entitlement breakdown.

Holiday entitlement summary

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Position Holiday period dates

01 Jan 2025 - 31 Dec 2025

Entitlement for period

30.092 hours (231 hours Pro Rata) (-0.008

brought forward)

Scheme name A/L NLC - Schedule A (Hours)