



Fury FC Announce Nicki Paterson as the Club's First Signing

Dos Santos Confident in Ability and Attitude that Paterson Brings to Fury FC

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Wednesday, November 6, 2013 (Ottawa, ON) – Ottawa Fury FC and head coach Marc Dos Santos today announced Nicki Paterson as the North American Soccer League club's first signing pending international transfer. Paterson has signed a two-year contract and joins Fury FC from USL PRO club Charleston Battery where he has spent the last three seasons highlighted by winning the USL PRO Championship in 2012.

“Nicki is a player that we have been following for a while and we're thrilled to have a player of his ability join us for our inaugural season,” said Fury FC Head Coach Marc Dos Santos. “We believe that he has the exact profile and attitude this Club needs and we're certain that he'll be a fan favourite and leader in our community.”

Paterson, 28, is a 5'11" central midfielder and is coming off a standout season in Charleston finishing the season with 10 goals and 4 assists bringing his three-year career total with the Battery to 30 goals and 10 assists – the most points of any midfielder in the league during that period. Paterson was instrumental in Charleston's USL PRO championship in 2012 – a season that also saw the midfielder named to the USL PRO First Team. He has twice been named the Battery's Most Valuable Player and Offensive MVP. Paterson holds the longest active scoring streak in the history of the US Open Cup, scoring in each of the last 5 years of the competition.

“I feel very honoured to be the first signing in the club's history and am extremely excited to join Ottawa Fury FC,” said Paterson. “From my first conversation with head coach Marc Dos Santos I knew this was going to be a special club. The club and staff have massive ambitions that mirror my own and I fully expect us to be challenging for trophies right away – I can't wait to be part of it!”

A native of Motherwell, Scotland, Paterson began his youth career for his home team – the storied Scottish football club – Motherwell FC. At age 17, Paterson turned pro in Scotland before moving to the United States on a scholarship at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. Paterson has since played in the Scottish Second Division, PDL, USL Second Division and USL PRO.





Paterson will arrive in Ottawa in February for the opening of Fury FC training camp. A complete bio on Nicki Patterson will be available at OttawaFuryFC.com.

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About Ottawa Fury FC

On June 20, 2011 the North American Soccer League (NASL) announced that Ottawa, ON had been awarded an expansion franchise. The new team, owned by the Ottawa Sports & Entertainment Group (OSEG), will commence League play in the 2014 NASL season. On February 26, 2013 OSEG announced that Ottawa's NASL franchise would be named Ottawa Fury FC. For more information about Ottawa Fury FC, visit www.OttawaFuryFC.com. Follow Ottawa Fury FC on Twitter [@OttawaFuryFC](https://twitter.com/OttawaFuryFC) and Facebook at <http://www.Facebook.com/OttawaFuryFC>

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