

2026 Week 5 Waiver Wire

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12-team redraft, half-PPR, one starting quarterback. Bids use the original season FAAB budget. Game points equal official standard points plus 0.5 per reception; they are historical results, not projections. Missing weekly rows are not labeled zero. Kicker and defense scoring depends on league rules.

Week 5 starts the bye schedule: Kansas City and Carolina are idle. Prioritize an actual lineup gap, with conditional running-back opportunity bids and alternatives at every position. Statistics cover all 64 games through Week 4. Order and bid ranges are original MFT editorial judgments.

FAAB ranges use your original season budget: 10% is \$10 from an original \$100 budget. Cap bids at your remaining balance and follow league minimums and increments.

Check these players first

Will Shipley / Emanuel Wilson / Keon Coleman / Mike Gesicki / T.J. Hockenson

Running backs

1. Will Shipley | PHI

Conditional add | Suggested FAAB: 10-20%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 1 targets, 0 catches and 23 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 1.70, W2 3.90, W3 1.60, W4 2.30.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status. Philadelphia backfield opportunity depends on teammate availability; confirm Barkley and Bigsby practice/game reports before committing a large bid.

Report-week opponent: at JAX

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 1% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

2. Emanuel Wilson | SEA

Conditional add | Suggested FAAB: 8-18%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 4 targets, 3 catches and 81 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 0.30, W2 9.20, W3 1.40, W4 25.50.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status. Seattle workload depends on current backfield availability; do not assume a full starting workload.

Report-week opponent: vs SF

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 49% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

3. Jaylen Wright | MIA

Depth add | Suggested FAAB: 4-9%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 0 targets, 0 catches and 7 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 -0.10, W2 1.10, W3 no recorded row, W4 0.70.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: vs CIN

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 32% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

4. Tyler Allgeier | ARI

Depth add | Suggested FAAB: 3-7%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 2 targets, 2 catches and 42 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 8.00, W2 2.90, W3 2.90, W4 11.90.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: vs DET

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 36% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

Wide receivers

1. Keon Coleman | BUF

Depth add | Suggested FAAB: 4-9%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 7 targets, 6 catches and 0 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 0.60, W2 9.30, W3 4.20, W4 20.60.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: at LA

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 4% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

2. Tre Harris | LAC

Depth add | Suggested FAAB: 3-7%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 5 targets, 3 catches and 0 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 3.50, W2 5.80, W3 10.60, W4 7.50.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: vs DEN

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 9% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

3. Dohntey Meyers | CIN

Depth add | Suggested FAAB: 1-4%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 9 targets, 7 catches and 0 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 3.30, W2 0.00, W3 4.40, W4 11.70.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: at MIA

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 0% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

4. Malik Washington | MIA

Depth add | Suggested FAAB: 1-4%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 5 targets, 5 catches and 3 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 4.80, W2 6.70, W3 8.60, W4 9.50.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: vs CIN

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 31% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

Quarterbacks

1. Kirk Cousins | LV

Position replacement | Suggested FAAB: 1-3%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Half-PPR game points: W1 13.80, W2 20.22, W3 22.22, W4 22.60.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: at NE

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 22% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

2. Jacoby Brissett | ARI

Position replacement | Suggested FAAB: 0-2%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Half-PPR game points: W1 16.48, W2 6.50, W3 25.60, W4 10.44.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: vs DET

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 16% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

Tight ends

1. Mike Gesicki | CIN

Position replacement | Suggested FAAB: 3-7%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 5 targets, 3 catches and 0 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 16.30, W2 no recorded row, W3 11.20, W4 11.50.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: at MIA

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 7% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

2. T.J. Hockenson | MIN

Position replacement | Suggested FAAB: 2-5%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Week 4 recorded 13 targets, 13 catches and 0 rushing yards. Half-PPR game points: W1 11.60, W2 4.40, W3 2.10, W4 18.40.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: at NO

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 29% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

Kickers

1. Cairo Santos | CHI

Kicker stream | Suggested FAAB: 0-1%

Compare this available option with the weakest player at the same position on your roster. Use a minimal bid for a one-week replacement; scoring depends on your league rules.

Main risk: Four games offer limited evidence. Bid near the low end for a bench spot; check current availability and workload before starting.

Injury condition: No matched CBS listing in the October 6 snapshot; this does not establish that the player is healthy. Confirm current practice and game status.

Report-week opponent: at GB

Yahoo (via FantasyPros): 35% rostered; checked on 2026-10-06. Check your league.

Team defenses

1. Chicago Bears | CHI

Defense stream | Suggested FAAB: 0-1%

A current NFL.com streaming candidate. Compare the Week 5 matchup and your league defensive scoring before replacing your existing defense.

Main risk: Turnovers and defensive scores vary sharply; cap a one-week bid and avoid treating this as a season-long guarantee.

Report-week opponent: at GB

Check your league; availability unknown.

2. Cincinnati Bengals | CIN

Defense stream | Suggested FAAB: 0-1%

A current NFL.com streaming candidate. Compare the Week 5 matchup and your league defensive scoring before replacing your existing defense.

Main risk: Turnovers and defensive scores vary sharply; cap a one-week bid and avoid treating this as a season-long guarantee.

Report-week opponent: at MIA

Check your league; availability unknown.

Deep leagues and stashes

Consider inexpensive receiver depth before chasing a touchdown. Missing game rows remain unavailable, distinct from zero. Free-agent or non-active candidates were excluded from this reviewed edition.

Superflex adjustment

Prioritize available starting quarterbacks more highly when two can start. These one-QB bids are not superflex valuations; compare the expected lineup improvement with your remaining budget.

Claim strategy

Submit ordered alternatives for the same drop slot. Scale the high end of a bid to an actual starting need; a bench stash belongs near the low end. Preserve budget for later weeks. Check deadline, minimum bid and tie-breaking rules. Recheck all injury-dependent claims before waivers process.

What changed

Fresh October 6 roster, stats, schedule, injuries and dated Yahoo observations. Previous editions remain unchanged. Opponents follow the maintained schedule; source article matchup labels were not imported.

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Source notes

Knowledge cutoff: 2026-10-06T16:08:07Z

nflverse - 2026 Weeks 1-4 official player statistics

nflverse - Current roster captured October 6

FantasyPros - Week 5 candidate and Yahoo availability observations

CBS Sports - Complete October 6 injury listing

FantasyPros - Week 5 candidate and Yahoo availability observations

NFL.com - Week 5 streaming defense shortlist

Yahoo availability observations were checked October 6 from FantasyPros. Unknown availability remains unknown. Recheck practice reports and your league before bidding.