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The Draw for the FIFA Club World Cup 2025™ will be held in Miami, USA, on Thursday, 5 December 2024 to determine how the 32 qualified teams will be divided into eight groups of four teams each for the final competition.

The following draw principles have been established to ensure competitive balance and geographical diversity – both in the group stage and, depending on sporting results, into the knockout stage – while retaining, insofar as possible, the random element inherent in tournament draws. The information below sets out the procedures for the draw.

#### 1. Slot allocation

The final slot allocation per confederation is as follows:

CONFEDERATION	NUMBER OF TEAMS	QUALIFIED TEAM(S)	
AFC	4	1. Al Hilal (KSA)	
		2. Ulsan HD (KOR)	
		3. Urawa Red Diamonds (JPN)	
		4. Al Ain FC (UAE)	
CAF	4	1. Al Ahly FC (EGY)	
		2. Wydad AC (MAR)	
		3. Espérance Sportive de Tunisie (TUN)	
		4. Mamelodi Sundowns FC (RSA)	
Concacaf	4	1. CF Monterrey (MEX)	
		2. Club León (MEX)	
		3. CF Pachuca (MEX)	
		4. Seattle Sounders FC (USA)	
CONMEBOL	6	1. CR Flamengo (BRA)	
		2. SE Palmeiras (BRA)	
		3. CA River Plate (ARG)	
		4. Fluminense FC (BRA)	
		5. CA Boca Juniors (ARG)	
		6. Botafogo (BRA)	
OFC	1	1. Auckland City FC (NZL)	
UEFA	12	1. Manchester City (ENG)	
		2. Real Madrid C. F. (ESP)	
		3. FC Bayern München (GER)	
		4. Paris Saint-Germain (FRA)	
		5. Chelsea FC (ENG)	
		6. Borussia Dortmund (GER)	
		7. FC Internazionale Milano (ITA)	
		8. FC Porto (POR)	
		9. Atlético de Madrid (ESP)	
		10. SL Benfica (POR)	
		11. Juventus FC (ITA)	
		12. FC Salzburg (AUT)	
Host country	1	1. Inter Miami CF (USA)	



## 2. Seeding and pot allocation

The 32 qualified teams have been allocated to four pots of eight teams each. The respective confederation rankings for the FIFA Club World Cup 2025 were used to determine the ranking of each team within their confederation and to allocate them to a pot accordingly.

#### Team pot 1

- The four highest-ranked teams from UEFA (UEFA 1-4)
- The four highest-ranked teams from CONMEBOL (CONMEBOL 1-4)

#### Team pot 2

The remaining eight teams from UEFA (UEFA 5-12)

#### Team pot 3

- The two highest-ranked teams from the AFC (AFC 1-2)
- The two highest-ranked teams from CAF (CAF 1-2)
- The two highest-ranked teams from Concacaf (Concacaf 1-2)
- The remaining two teams from CONMEBOL (CONMEBOL 5-6)

#### Team pot 4

- The remaining two teams from the AFC (AFC 3-4)
- The remaining two teams from CAF (CAF 3-4)
- The remaining two teams from Concacaf (Concacaf 3-4)
- The team from the OFC (OFC 1)
- The team from the host country (Host 1)

Pot 1	Pot 2	Pot 3	Pot 4
Manchester City	Chelsea FC	Al Hilal	Urawa Red Diamonds
(ENG)	(ENG)	(KSA)	(JPN)
Real Madrid C. F.	Borussia Dortmund	Ulsan HD	Al Ain FC
(ESP)	(GER)	(KOR)	(UAE)
FC Bayern München	FC Internazionale	Al Abby FC	Espérance Sportive de
(GER)	Milano	Al Ahly FC (EGY)	Tunisie
(GLK)	(ITA)	(EGT)	(TUN)
Paris Saint-Germain	FC Porto	Wydad AC	Mamelodi Sundowns FC
(FRA)	(POR)	(MAR)	(RSA)
CR Flamengo	Atlético de Madrid	CF Monterrey	CF Pachuca
(BRA)	(ESP)	(MEX)	(MEX)
SE Palmeiras	SL Benfica	Club León	Seattle Sounders FC
(BRA)	(POR)	(MEX)	(USA)
CA River Plate	Juventus FC	CA Boca Juniors	Auckland City FC
(ARG)	(ITA)	(ARG)	(NZL)
Fluminense FC	FC Salzburg	Botafogo	Inter Miami CF
(BRA)	(AUT)	(BRA)	(USA)



#### 3. Draw constraints

- 1. FIFA's general principle is to ensure, whenever possible, that no group has more than one team from the same confederation drawn into it. This applies to all confederations except UEFA, which is represented by 12 teams. Each group must have at least one but no more than two UEFA teams drawn into it. Thus, four out of the eight groups will consist of two UEFA teams.
- 2. Teams from the same member association cannot be drawn into the same group.
- 3. In the interest of ensuring competitive balance, two separate pathways of four groups each have been established. Pathway 1 consists of the winners of groups A, C, E and G paired with the runners-up of groups B, D, F and H. Pathway 2 consists of the winners of groups B, D, F and H paired with the runners-up of groups A, C, E and G. UEFA teams 1-2 and CONMBEBOL teams 1-2 will be allocated to groups in separate pathways and will only meet in the semi-finals if they win their groups. The same principle will also apply to UEFA teams 3-4 and CONMEBOL teams 3-4.
- 4. UEFA teams 1-4 will be drawn into groups that will prevent them from meeting each other before the semi-finals in the event that they all win their respective groups. The same principle will also apply to CONMEBOL teams 1-4.
- 5. All teams drawn from team pot 1 will be automatically allocated to position 1 of the group they are drawn into.
- 6. Teams from team pot 2 will be drawn as follows: UEFA teams 5-8 will be drawn into groups with CONMEBOL teams 1-4, while UEFA teams 9-12 will be drawn into groups with UEFA teams 1-4.
- 7. As the teams from the host country and for scheduling purposes, Inter Miami CF will be automatically allocated to position 4 in Group A, while Seattle Sounders FC will be automatically allocated to position 4 in Group B when they are drawn from team pot 4.
- 8. Consequently, teams drawn into Group A or Group B will automatically take the position corresponding to the team pot from which they are drawn. Therefore, the team from team pot 2 will be allocated to position 2 and the team from team pot 3 will be allocated to position 3. This will apply only to Group A and Group B.



### 4. Draw procedures

- 1. The four pots containing the teams are labelled 1 to 4. In each team pot there are eight balls, with each ball containing the name of a qualified team.
- 2. The draw starts by drawing all of the teams from team pot 1, in line with the draw constraints outlined above. After all of the teams from team pot 1 have been drawn into their respective groups, the draw will continue by drawing all of the teams from team pots 2, 3 and 4, with each team pot being emptied before moving onto the next one; a ball will first be drawn from the team pot followed by a ball from the first available group pot to determine the team's position within the group, in accordance with the draw constraints outlined above. The drawing of a position within a group applies only to groups C to H, as per the draw constraints above.
- 3. The draw will conclude once all teams from team pot 4 have been drawn.