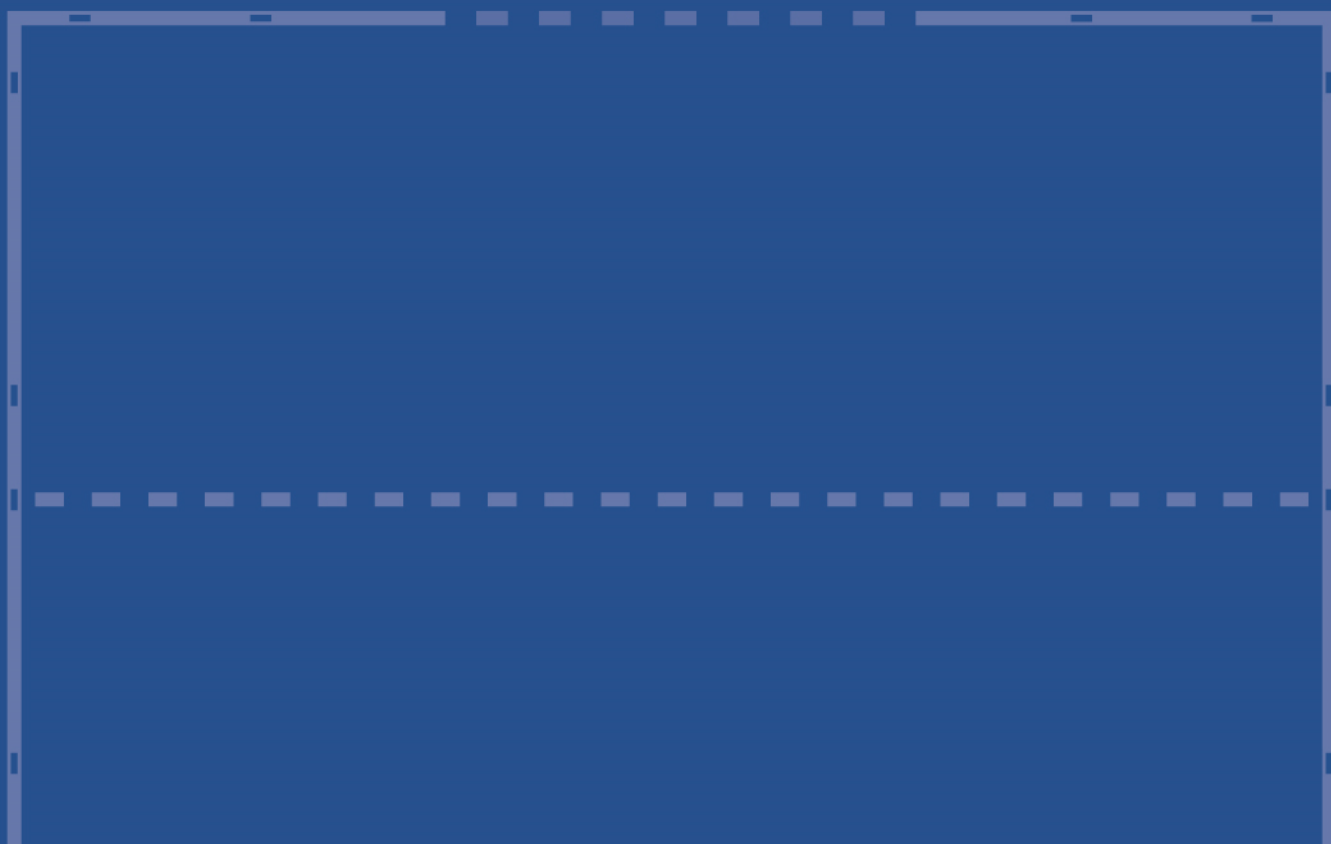


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Draw Procedures

FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup UAE 2024™



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The Draw for the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup UAE 2024™ will determine how 16 qualified teams will be divided into four groups of four for the final competition.

The information below sets out the procedures of the draw.

1. SLOT ALLOCATION

The final slot allocation per qualification zone has been approved by the FIFA Council as follows:

CONFEDERATION	NUMBER OF TEAMS	QUALIFIED TEAMS
AFC	3	IR Iran, Japan, Oman
CAF	2	Egypt, Senegal
Concacaf	2	Mexico, USA
CONMEBOL	3	Argentina, Brazil, Colombia
OFC	1	Tahiti
UEFA	4	Belarus, Italy, Portugal, Spain
Host	1	United Arab Emirates

2. SEEDING AND POT ALLOCATION

The 16 qualified teams are allocated to four pots of four teams each, based on a ranking system created according to past sporting performance.

The ranking is based on the total points obtained in the last five editions of the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup™ (three points for a win, two points for a win after extra time, one point for a win after a penalty shoot-out and zero points for a defeat). The ranking used to form the pots is thus based on the points obtained at the 2021, 2019, 2017, 2015 and 2013 editions of the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup™.

To enable the ranking to accurately reflect current form, utmost importance is given to results from the most recent FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup. To a lesser degree, attention is also paid to results from previous years. The system uses five cycles, and the points earned in a FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup tournament decline linearly over the past five cycles:

1. 2021: 100% value of total points
2. 2019: 80% value of total points
3. 2017: 60% value of total points
4. 2015: 40% value of total points
5. 2013: 20% value of total points

In addition, five bonus points are added to each of the confederation's current champions that won their qualifying tournament for this cycle.

Based on the above ranking, the three top teams and the hosts will be allocated to pot 1, the next four teams to pot 2 and so on.

In accordance with the above, the following pot allocation has been made for the draw:

POT 1	POT 2	POT 3	POT 4
UAE	Italy	Spain	Argentina
Brazil	Senegal	Oman	Mexico
Tahiti	Portugal	USA	Colombia
Japan	IR Iran	Belarus	Egypt

3. DRAW PROCEDURES

1. The four pots representing the teams are labelled 1 to 4. In each pot, there will be four balls with the country name for each respective qualified team.
2. The four pots representing the groups are labelled groups A to D. In each pot, there will be four balls with the group position numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4 for each respective group.
3. The draw will start by drawing a team from pot 1 and will end by drawing the last team from pot 4. Each team pot will be completely emptied before moving on to the next pot.
4. A ball from a team pot will be drawn, followed by a ball from one of the groups, thus determining the position to which the respective team is allocated within the group.

4. DRAW CONSTRAINTS

1. In pot 1, the United Arab Emirates will be identified with a different coloured ball and be preassigned to position A1 as hosts. In order to increase attendances on matchdays, the highest-ranked team (Brazil), based on the above ranking, will have a different coloured ball and be preassigned to position D1.
2. FIFA's general principle is to ensure, where possible, that no group has more than one team from the same qualification zone/confederation drawn into it.