

Draw Procedures

FIFA U-17 World Cup Indonesia 2023™





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The Draw for the FIFA U-17 World Cup Indonesia 2023[™], scheduled to be held in Zurich on 15 September 2023, will determine how the 24 qualified teams will be divided into six groups of four for the final competition.

The information below sets out the procedures for 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	4	Japan, Korea Republic, IR Iran, Uzbekistan	
CAF	4	Burkina Faso, Senegal, Mali, Morocco	
Concacaf	4	Canada, Mexico, Panama, USA	
CONMEBOL	4	Argentina, Brazil, Ecuador, Venezuela	
OFC	2	New Caledonia, New Zealand	
UEFA	5	England, France, Germany, Poland, Spain	
Hosts	1	Indonesia	

2. SEEDING AND POT ALLOCATION

The 24 qualified teams will be allocated to four pots of six teams each, based on a ranking system created according to past sporting performance.

The ranking will be based on the total number of points obtained in the last five editions of the FIFA U-17 World Cup™ (three points for a win, one point for a draw and zero points for a defeat).



The ranking used to form the pots will thus be based on the points obtained at the 2019, 2017, 2015, 2013 and 2011 editions of the FIFA U-17 World Cup.

To enable the ranking to accurately reflect current form, utmost importance will be given to results from the most recent FIFA U-17 World Cup.

To a lesser degree, attention will also be paid to results from previous years. The system uses five cycles, and the points earned in a FIFA U-17 World Cup decline linearly over the past five cycles:

- Year 2019: 100% value of total points
- Year 2017: 80% value of total points
- Year 2015: 60% value of total points
- Year 2013: 40% value of total points
- Year 2011: 20% value of total points

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

Based on the above ranking, the five top teams and the hosts will be allocated to pot 1, the next six 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
Indonesia	Germany	New Zealand	Canada
Brazil	Mali	IR Iran	New Caledonia
Mexico	England	Senegal	Panama
France	Korea Republic	USA	Venezuela
Spain	Argentina	Uzbekistan	Poland
Japan	Ecuador	Morocco	Burkina Faso

3. DRAW PROCEDURES

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



4. DRAW CONSTRAINTS

- In pot 1, as the host country, Indonesia will be represented by a different coloured ball and preassigned to position A1 as the hosts.
- The remaining five top-seeded teams in pot 1 will automatically be drawn into position 1 of each remaining group (in order, from group B to F); the position 1 balls will be a different colour to those in the pot.
- FIFA's general principle is to ensure that no group has more than one team from the same confederation drawn into it.