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**UNDER-19**  
CHAMPIONSHIP

# 2025/26 UEFA European Under-19 Championship Qualifying round draw

5 December 2024, Nyon, Switzerland

## DRAW PROCEDURE

### 2025/26 UEFA European Under-19 Championship – Qualifying round

Please find below details of the competition entry and system, coefficient ranking system, draw procedure, mini-tournament host selection and match dates.

## COMPETITION ENTRY AND SYSTEM

Fifty-four member associations will take part in in the competition. Fifty-two teams will enter the competition in the qualifying round and one, Spain, will join in the elite round. The final tournament host association, Wales, qualifies automatically for the final tournament. Therefore, fifty-two teams will be drawn into 13 groups of 4 teams.

## COEFFICIENT RANKING SYSTEM

### Reference period

The qualifying round coefficient rankings are established for the qualifying round draw on the basis of the associations' results in the four most recently completed seasons. For the 2025/26 competitions, the qualifying round coefficient rankings are based on the associations' results in the 2018/19, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 seasons as the 2019/20 season was not completed and the 2020/21 season was cancelled.

### Match points

Points are awarded for each match played in the qualifying rounds, elite rounds and final tournament group stages.

Match points are awarded in accordance with the final scores as ratified by UEFA. Penalty shoot-outs and final tournament knockout matches are not taken into consideration.

Points are awarded as follows: 3 points for a win; 1 point for a draw, 0 points for a defeat.

### Qualifying competition - bonus points

The following bonus points are awarded:

- Automatic qualification for the elite round: 1 point
- Qualification from the qualifying round to the elite round: 1 point
- Qualification from the elite round to the final tournament: 2 points

### Qualifying competition - bonus points for final tournament hosts

An association that has hosted a final tournament in any of the four seasons taken into account for the coefficients will have no points from the corresponding qualifying competition. By way of compensation, the host association receives 3 bonus points. These associations are:

- Armenia, Slovakia, Malta and Northern Ireland

## Final tournament - bonus points

Results obtained during the final tournaments, as indicated in the table below:

Final tournaments	2018/19	Pts	2021/22	Pts	2022/23	Pts	2023/24	Pts
<b>Winners</b>	Spain	3	England	3	Italy	3	Spain	3
<b>Runners-up</b>	Portugal	2	Israel	2	Portugal	2	France	2
<b>Semi-finalists</b>	Rep. of Ireland, France	1	France, Italy	1	Norway, Spain	1	Italy, Ukraine	1

## Coefficient calculation

Each association's qualifying round coefficient is calculated by:

- adding up the match points obtained in a given season;
- dividing the total by the number of qualifying competition and final tournament group matches played;
- adding the bonus points to produce the coefficient for that season;
- adding together the four-season coefficients to produce the overall qualifying round coefficient.

If two or more associations have an equal qualifying round coefficient, the following criteria are applied, in the order given, to determine their final rankings:

- higher number of matches played;
- higher coefficient from the most recent season, i.e. 2023/24;
- higher coefficient from the next three most recent seasons, taking each season individually, i.e. first 2022/23, then 2021/22 and finally 2018/19;
- superior goal difference from the most recent season, i.e. 2023/24;
- superior goal difference from the next three most recent seasons, taking each season individually, i.e. first 2022/23, then 2021/22 and finally 2018/19;

## DRAW CONDITIONS

On the basis of decisions taken by the UEFA Executive Committee and the UEFA Emergency Panel, valid at the time of the draw, the following countries cannot be drawn into the same group: Armenia and Azerbaijan, Belarus and Ukraine, Kosovo and Serbia and Kosovo and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The other prohibited team pairing, Spain and Gibraltar cannot happen as Spain is seeded for the elite round.

## DRAW PROCEDURE

### Pot allocation

The 52 associations will be split into 4 pots of 13 teams, as follows:

#### Pot A

- Associations ranked 2 to 14

*Pot B*

- Associations ranked 15 to 27

*Pot C*

- Associations ranked 28 to 40

*Pot D*

- Associations ranked 41 to 53

## Procedure

The teams will be allocated to groups in ascending order. If clashes arise, the team drawn will be moved to the next available group. The draw continues by first filling the slot left vacant. If clashes arise in the last three or four groups, the teams will be allocated to groups appropriately.

The draw will start with Pot A and end with Pot D. Each pot will be emptied before moving to the next pot.

*First draw phase*

- The teams in Pot A will be drawn one after another and placed in the **first** position in Groups 1 to 13.

*Second draw phase*

- The teams in Pot B will be drawn one after another and placed in the **second** position in Groups 1 to 13.

*Third draw phase*

- The teams in Pot C will be drawn one after another and each one placed in the **third** position in one of the 13 groups.

*Fourth draw phase*

- The teams in Pot D will be drawn one after another and each one placed in the **fourth** position in one of the 13 groups.

## MINI-TOURNAMENT HOST SELECTION

To determine the mini-tournament hosts and dates, meetings will take place immediately after each draw. One representative from each national association (NA), who must be fluent in English and competent to make final decisions on organising the mini-tournaments, must attend these meetings.

Once the teams within a group have reached an agreement about who will host their group matches, they must complete and sign the 'Agreement of mini-tournament hosts and dates' form.

If the teams cannot agree on a host, the UEFA administration will decide according to the following principles:

- a) If one association would like to host the mini-tournament, the UEFA administration appoints that association as host.



- b) If more than one association would like to host the mini-tournament, the following criteria apply:
- opinion of the majority of the teams;
  - priority given to associations that are not hosting a mini-tournament of the UEFA European Under-17 Championship during the same period of time;
  - draw \*
- c) If no association expresses an interest in hosting the mini-tournament, the UEFA administration conducts a draw to determine the host. Associations already hosting a tournament of the UEFA European Under-17 Championship during the same period of time are not included in the draw.
- \* Due to the current situation, Ukraine, Israël and Belarus cannot host tournaments on their territory and would therefore be excluded from such a draw.

## MATCH DATES

Following the draws, the teams in each group have to agree on match dates. Associations which are not represented at the meetings after the draws automatically accept the decisions taken by the other associations in their group.

Unless all teams in a group agree to play on other dates, qualifying round matches must be played on one of the following FIFA International Match Calendar dates:

- 1-9 September 2025, or
- 6-14 October 2025, or
- 10-18 November 2025

In any case, the qualifying round must be completed by 18 November 2025.

If the teams of a group cannot all agree on the match dates, the host association decides.

## QUALIFICATION FOR ELITE ROUND

The team that qualifies for the elite round directly, Spain, the 13 group winners, the 13 runners-up and the best third-placed team in the qualifying round, participate in the elite round.

These 28 associations are ranked based on their results in the qualifying round and drawn into seven groups of four teams each. As applied in previous draws, winners and runners-up who have played each other in the qualifying group shall not meet again in the elite round.

The UEFA administration establishes the draw procedure for the elite round and communicates it prior to the draw scheduled to take place in December 2025.

## QUALIFICATION TO THE FINAL TOURNAMENT

The seven group winners will qualify for the final tournament and join the host association Wales.



## REGULATIONS

The regulations of the 2025/26 UEFA European Under-19 Championship will be published in June and come into force on 1 July 2025.

## UEFA UNDER-19 NATIONAL TEAM COEFFICIENTS

No.	Team	2018/19				2021/22				2022/23				2023/24				Combined		GD 23/24	
		Pts	M	B	Coeff.	Pts	M	B	Coeff.	Pts	M	B	Coeff.	Pts	M	B	Coeff.	Coeff.	M		
1	Spain	23	9	6	8.556	9	5	1	2.800	18	8	4	6.250	21	9	6	8.333	25.939	31		seeded
2	Italy	19	9	3	5.111	22	9	4	6.444	15	9	6	7.667	19	9	4	6.111	25.333	36		
3	France	23	9	4	6.556	24	9	4	6.667	15	6	1	3.500	19	9	5	7.111	23.833	33		
4	Portugal	16	6	5	7.667	6	3	1	3.000	18	6	5	8.000	6	3	1	3.000	21.667	18		
5	Norway	15	9	3	4.667	7	6	1	2.167	20	9	4	6.222	20	9	3	5.222	18.278	33		
6	England	10	6	1	2.667	25	9	6	8.778	15	6	1	3.500	3	3	0	1.000	15.944	24		
7	Israel	13	6	1	3.167	17	9	5	6.889	11	6	1	2.833	10	6	1	2.667	15.556	27		
8	Ukraine	10	6	1	2.667	14	6	1	3.333	9	6	1	2.500	20	9	4	6.222	14.722	27		
9	Czechia	14	9	3	4.556	13	6	1	3.167	13	6	1	3.167	13	6	1	3.167	14.056	27		
10	Republic of Ireland	22	9	4	6.444	10	6	1	2.667	12	6	1	3.000	4	3	0	1.333	13.444	24		
11	Denmark	6	6	1	2.000	8	5	1	2.600	13	6	1	3.167	17	9	3	4.889	12.656	26		
12	Türkiye	7	6	1	2.167	12	6	1	3.000	7	6	1	2.167	17	9	3	4.889	12.222	27		
13	Romania	8	6	1	2.333	12	9	3	4.333	8	6	1	2.333	11	6	1	2.833	11.833	27		
14	Serbia	8	6	1	2.333	12	9	3	4.333	13	6	1	3.167	5	6	1	1.833	11.667	27		
15	Belgium	9	6	1	2.500	11	6	1	2.833	7	5	1	2.400	13	6	1	3.167	10.900	23		
16	Germany	6	3	1	3.000	6	6	1	2.000	13	6	1	3.167	10	6	1	2.667	10.833	21		
17	Netherlands	12	6	1	3.000	10	6	1	2.667	5	3	0	1.667	12	6	1	3.000	10.333	21		
18	Greece	13	6	1	3.167	2	3	0	0.667	15	9	3	4.667	4	6	1	1.667	10.167	24		
19	Slovakia	6	3	0	2.000	3	3	3	4.000	11	6	1	2.833	4	3	0	1.333	10.167	15		
20	Iceland	4	3	0	1.333	10	6	1	2.667	15	9	3	4.667	4	3	0	1.333	10.000	21		
21	Croatia	8	6	1	2.333	10	6	1	2.667	7	6	1	2.167	10	6	1	2.667	9.833	24		
22	Poland	6	6	1	2.000	4	3	0	1.333	15	9	3	4.667	4	3	0	1.333	9.333	21		
23	Austria	2	3	0	0.667	12	8	3	4.500	4	3	0	1.333	8	6	1	2.333	8.833	20		
24	Scotland	13	6	1	3.167	7	6	1	2.167	3	3	0	1.000	7	6	1	2.167	8.500	21		
25	Hungary	8	6	1	2.333	11	6	1	2.833	5	6	1	1.833	4	3	0	1.333	8.333	21		
26	Switzerland	7	6	1	2.167	4	3	0	1.333	3	3	0	1.000	15	6	1	3.500	8.000	18		
27	Northern Ireland	4	3	0	1.333	3	3	0	1.000	5	6	1	1.833	1	3	3	3.333	7.500	15		
28	Slovenia	8	6	1	2.333	1	3	0	0.333	7	6	1	2.167	9	6	1	2.500	7.333	21		
29	Georgia	4	3	0	1.333	11	6	1	2.833	0	3	0	0.000	9	6	1	2.500	6.667	18		
30	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3	3	0	1.000	13	6	1	3.167	0	3	0	0.000	8	6	1	2.333	6.500	18		
31	Finland	2	3	0	0.667	9	6	1	2.500	6	3	0	2.000	4	3	0	1.333	6.500	15		
32	Latvia	4	3	0	1.333	3	3	0	1.000	6	6	1	2.000	5	6	1	1.833	6.167	18		
33	Sweden	4	3	0	1.333	6	6	1	2.000	5	6	1	1.833	2	3	0	0.667	5.833	18		
34	Armenia	0	3	3	3.000	6	6	1	2.000	1	3	0	0.333	0	3	0	0.000	5.333	15		
35	Malta	4	3	0	1.333	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	3	3.000	1	3	0	0.333	4.667	12		
36	Montenegro	1	3	0	0.333	3	3	0	1.000	3	3	0	1.000	7	6	1	2.167	4.500	15		
37	North Macedonia	4	3	0	1.333	0	3	0	0.000	3	3	0	1.000	5	6	1	1.833	4.167	15		
38	Belarus	3	3	0	1.000	4	3	0	1.333	2	3	0	0.667	3	3	0	1.000	4.000	12		
39	Cyprus	5	6	1	1.833	1	3	0	0.333	2	3	0	0.667	3	3	0	1.000	3.833	15		
40	Bulgaria	4	3	0	1.333	0	3	0	0.000	5	3	0	1.667	2	3	0	0.667	3.667	12		
41	Azerbaijan	7	6	1	2.167	3	3	0	1.000	0	3	0	0.000	1	3	0	0.333	3.500	15		
42	Kosovo	2	3	0	0.667	0	3	0	0.000	1	3	0	0.333	8	6	1	2.333	3.333	15		
43	Luxembourg	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	8	6	1	2.333	3	3	0	1.000	3.333	15		
44	Lithuania	0	3	0	0.000	1	3	0	0.333	1	3	0	0.333	6	6	1	2.000	2.667	15		
45	Estonia	1	3	0	0.333	0	3	0	0.000	6	6	1	2.000	0	3	0	0.000	2.333	15		
46	Faroe Islands	0	3	0	0.000	1	3	0	0.333	0	3	0	0.000	3	3	0	1.000	1.333	12		
47	Albania	0	3	0	0.000	4	3	0	1.333	0	2	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	1.333	11		
48	Andorra	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	3	3	0	1.000	1.000	12		
49	Kazakhstan	1	3	0	0.333	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	1	3	0	0.333	0.667	12		
50	Moldova	1	3	0	0.333	1	3	0	0.333	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0.667	12		
51	Liechtenstein	0	3	0	0.000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	0	0.333	0.333	6		
52	San Marino	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0.000	12		-19
53	Gibraltar	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0	3	0	0.000	0.000	12		-24
	Wales *	6	6	1	2.000	4	3	0	1.333	4	3	0	1.333	2	3	0	0.667	5.333	15		

Final tournament host

\* Directly qualified as final tournament host

Legend: Pts = Points; M = Matches; B = Bonus; Coeff. = Coefficient; GD = Goal difference

In red: including bonus points for winner, runners-up and semi-finalists

## QUALIFYING ROUND DRAW RESULTS

### 2025/26 UEFA European Under-19 Championship

<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 1</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 2</p>
<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 3</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 4</p>
<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 5</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 6</p>
<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 7</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 8</p>
<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 9</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 10</p>
<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 10</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 11</p>
<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 12</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Group 13</p>





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