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FC Twente



FC Sheriff

De Grolsch Veste, Enschede

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Group H - Matchday 4

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Match background

Previous meetings

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
22/10/09	GS	FC Sheriff - FC Twente	2-0	Tiraspol	Balima 41, França 90+4

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
FC Twente	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
FC Sheriff	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0

FC Twente - record versus clubs from opponents' country

None

FC Sheriff - record versus clubs from opponents' country

None

After losing 2-0 in Moldova on Matchday 3, FC Twente will be determined to put three points between themselves and FC Sheriff as they compete for one of the two qualifying places in UEFA Europa League Group H.

Previous meetings

- Sheriff and Twente met for the first time on Matchday 3 in what was the Moldovan champions' first game against a Dutch outfit and Twente's maiden encounter with a club from the former Soviet republic.

Match background

- The 2-0 win against Twente on Matchday 3 was Sheriff's first victory in the UEFA Cup or UEFA Europa League.
- Twente have lost only one of their last seven European home games, going down 1-0 to Olympique de Marseille in last season's UEFA Cup Round of 32. Sheriff, by contrast, have just a sole victory from their last seven away matches, a 1-0 triumph at FC International Turku in this season's UEFA Champions League second qualifying round.

Team facts

- Twente coach Steve McClaren was a UEFA Cup runner-up as Middlesbrough FC manager in 2005/06. Once Sir Alex Ferguson's assistant at Manchester United FC, his reputation was undermined by a disappointing spell as England manager when his team missed out on UEFA EURO 2008™. However, he demonstrated his coaching acumen when Twente finished second in the Eredivisie last season, his first in the Netherlands.
- McClaren signed an extension to his contract on 27 October, committing to the Enschede club until the end of the 2010/11 season.
- Sheriff are coached by Belarussian trainer Leonid Kuchuk, who has led the club to the last six of their run of nine straight Moldovan titles since stepping up from his position as youth-team boss in January 2004. That is the longest current winning streak in European football. "The secret of our success is simple," Kuchuk has said. "Every draw for us is like a defeat and every defeat is like a natural disaster."
- The coach's son, Aleksei, is an important figure in the Sheriff attack.
- Sheriff's Vladimir Branković and Twente's Slobodan Rajković were team-mates at Serbian club OFK Beograd in the 2004/05 season.
- Moldova and the Netherlands' Under-21 sides met in qualifying for the 2004 UEFA European U21 Championship, drawing 2-2 in Chisinau and 0-0 in Helmond. Sheriff's Andrei Corneencov featured in both games.
- Twente striker Blaise Nkufo scored Switzerland's first goal in a 2-0 FIFA World Cup qualifying win over Moldova in Geneva on 1 April 2009. Sheriff's Stanislav Namaşco was in goal for the visitors. Both players were also involved as the Swiss won by the same margin in the earlier fixture in Chisinau on 28 March 2009.
- Twente host Fenerbahçe SK on Matchday 5, with Sheriff at home to FC Steaua Bucureşti on the same day, 2 December.

Team facts

FC Twente

Formed: 1965

Nickname: Tukkers (slang for people from the Enschede region)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Cup: (1975)

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

Dutch Cup: 2 (2001)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Cup unless indicated otherwise)

2008/09: round of 32

2007/08: first round

2006/07: second qualifying round (transferred from UEFA Intertoto Cup)

2005/06: did not compete in UEFA club competition

2004/05: did not compete in UEFA club competition

2003/04: did not compete in UEFA club competition

2002/03: did not compete in UEFA club competition

2001/02: second round

2000/01: did not compete in UEFA club competition

1999/00: did not compete in UEFA club competition

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

7-0: Twente v Panahaiki FC

07/11/73, UEFA Cup second round second leg

- Biggest away win

0-5: BK Frem v Twente

25/10/72, UEFA Cup second round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

1-5: Twente v VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach

21/05/75, UEFA Cup final second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: Three times, most recently v Paris Saint-Germain FC

18/12/08, UEFA Cup group stage

UEFA Cup/Europa League

- Biggest home win

7-0: Twente v Panahaiki FC (see above)

- Biggest away win

0-5: BK Frem v Twente (see above)

- Heaviest home defeat

1-5: Twente v VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach (see above)

- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: Paris Saint-Germain FC v Twente (see above)

FC Sheriff

Formed: 1997

Nickname: Zhelto-Chernie (Yellow and Blacks)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

• None

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 9 (2009)

Moldovan Cup: 6 (2009)

Ten-year record (UEFA Cup unless indicated otherwise)

2008/09: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2007/08: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2006/07: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2005/06: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2004/05: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2003/04: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2002/03: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2001/02: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2000/01: qualifying round

1999/00: qualifying round

Records

UEFA club competition

• Biggest home win

4-0: Sheriff v FK Aktobe

22/07/08, UEFA Champions League first qualifying round second leg

• Biggest away win

1-4: Sliema Wanderers FC v Sheriff

12/07/05, UEFA Champions League first qualifying round first leg

0-3: Rànger's FC v Sheriff

24/07/07, UEFA Champions League first qualifying round second leg

• Heaviest home defeat

1-4: Sheriff v Grazer AK

31/07/02, UEFA Champions League second qualifying round first leg

0-3: Sheriff v Beşiktaş JK

08/08/07, UEFA Champions League second qualifying round second leg

• Heaviest away defeat

4-0: RSC Anderlecht v Sheriff

25/07/01, UEFA Champions League second qualifying round first leg

UEFA Cup/Europa League

• Biggest home win

2-0: Sheriff v FC Twente

22/10/09, UEFA Europa League group stage

• Biggest away win

None

• Heaviest home defeat

0-1: Sheriff v Fenerbahçe SK

01/10/09, group stage

• Heaviest away defeat

3-0: NK Olimpija Ljubljana v Sheriff

24/08/00, qualifying round second leg

Squad list

FC Twente

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UELQ		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Sander Boschker	NED	20/10/70	39	-	2	-	3	-	12	-	26	-	38	-
13	Nikolay Mihaylov	BUL	28/06/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-
16	Cees Paauwe	NED	03/11/77	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
44	Nick Hengelman	NED	25/11/89	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	Nick Marsman	NED	01/10/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
2	David Carney	AUS	30/11/83	25	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	1	-
3	Nicky Kuiper	NED	07/06/89	20	-	1	-	2	-	7	2	2	-	3	-
4	Peter Wisgerhof	NED	19/11/79	29	-	2	-	3	-	12	-	13	-	19	-
5	Slobodan Rajković	SRB	03/02/89	20	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	6	-	13	-
8	Ronnie Stam	NED	18/06/84	25	-	2	-	3	-	12	-	11	-	17	-
12	Jeroen Heubach	NED	24/09/74	35	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	13	1
18	Cheick Tioté	CIV	21/06/86	23	-	2	-	3	-	9	-	10	-	17	-
19	Douglas	BRA	12/01/88	21	*	2	1	3	-	11	2	10	-	16	2
35	Sebastian Sumelka	GER	20/04/89	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
46	Sander van Aken	NED	03/03/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
47	Thijs Bouma	NED	02/04/92	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
48	Nils Röseler	GER	10/02/92	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
6	Wout Brama	NED	21/08/86	23	-	2	-	3	-	12	-	12	-	22	-
10	Kenneth Perez	DEN	29/08/74	35	-	2	-	3	-	11	1	32	5	47	8
14	Bernard Parker	RSA	16/03/86	23	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	2	-	2	-
23	Nashat Akram	IRQ	12/09/84	25	-	1	-	1	-	5	-	1	-	2	-
24	Theo Janssen	NED	27/07/81	28	-	2	-	3	-	12	1	22	-	28	-
27	Dario Vujičević	BIH	01/04/90	19	-	2	-	2	-	7	-	2	-	5	-
29	Perparim Hetemaj	FIN	12/12/86	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
33	Alexander Bannink	NED	26/02/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
34	Thilo Leugers	GER	09/01/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	Theodor Vogelsang	NED	23/02/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards															
9	Blaise Nkufo	SUI	25/05/75	34	-	2	-	3	2	12	7	13	3	27	7
11	Nikita Rukavytsya	AUS	22/06/87	22	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-
15	Miroslav Stoch	SVK	19/10/89	20	-	2	-	3	-	11	4	3	-	7	-
20	Luuk de Jong	NED	27/08/90	19	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
22	Bryan Ruiz	CRC	18/05/85	24	-	2	2	3	-	12	8	3	-	7	2
25	Andrej Rendla	SVK	13/10/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	Ransford Osei	GHA	05/12/90	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	Lesley Nahrwold	NED	10/01/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	Mitch Stockentree	NED	22/01/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coach															
-	Steve McClaren	ENG	03/05/61	48	-	2	-	3	-	-	-	36	-	42	-

Key: Squad list is ordered by position and then numerically

D Disciplinary: * Misses next match if booked, **S** Suspended, **#** Suspended for at least one match

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UEFA⁴: All-time total appearances in UEFA club competitions including all qualifying round matches

FC Sheriff

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						UELQ		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Stanislav Namaşco	MDA	10/11/86	22	-	-	-	3	-	4	-	3	-	19	-
12	Dmitri Stajila	MDA	02/08/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	Alexandru Melenciuc	MDA	20/03/79	30	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	6	-
Defenders															
2	Sergio Da Costa	BRA	17/09/85	24	-	-	-	1	-	8	1	1	-	6	-
5	Vazha Tarkhnishvili	GEO	25/08/71	38	-	-	-	3	-	12	-	3	-	43	2
6	Alexandru Scripcenco	MDA	13/01/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
15	Igor Karpovich	BLR	02/08/88	21	-	-	-	1	-	8	-	1	-	8	-
18	Constantin Arbănaş	ROU	28/07/83	26	-	-	-	2	-	7	-	2	-	21	-
20	Rustam Tsynya	UKR	17/06/91	18	-	-	-	2	-	7	-	2	-	3	-
24	Abdul Mamah	TGO	24/08/85	24	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	1	-	11	-
28	José Nadson	BRA	18/10/84	25	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	1	-	8	1
30	Vladimir Branković	SRB	22/09/85	24	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	5	-
Midfielders															
4	Andrei Verbetchi	MDA	21/07/89	20	-	-	-	1	-	11	-	1	-	7	-
7	Andrei Corneencov	MDA	01/04/82	27	-	-	-	2	-	7	1	2	-	24	2
10	Aleksandr Erokhin	RUS	13/10/89	20	*	-	-	3	-	11	8	3	-	9	1
11	Alexandru Suvorov	MDA	02/02/87	22	-	-	-	2	-	9	1	2	-	19	3
14	Benjamin Balima	BFA	20/03/85	24	-	-	-	3	1	12	3	3	1	18	2
17	Florent Rouamba	BFA	31/12/86	22	-	-	-	3	-	8	1	3	-	16	-
19	Victor Truhanov	MDA	30/01/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	-
22	Luis Antonio Rodriguez	ARG	04/03/85	24	-	-	-	3	-	11	-	3	-	11	-
23	Vadim Costandachi	MDA	22/09/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
26	Serghei Gheorghiev	MDA	20/10/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
27	Vitalie Bulat	MDA	14/09/87	22	-	-	-	1	-	10	2	1	-	8	1
Forwards															
3	Vladimir Volkov	SRB	06/06/86	23	-	-	-	3	-	10	3	3	-	7	-
8	Constantin Mandricenco	MDA	19/02/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	-
9	Jymmy França	BRA	15/04/84	25	-	-	-	1	1	4	3	1	1	3	1
21	Amath Diedhiou	SEN	19/11/89	19	-	-	-	3	-	10	4	3	-	9	-
88	Aleksei Kuchuk	BLR	09/09/86	23	-	-	-	3	-	10	7	3	-	20	3
Coach															
-	Leonid Kuchuk	BLR	27/08/59	50	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	26	-

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Fixtures and results

FC Twente

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
01/08/09	League	Sparta Rotterdam (A)	W 2-0	Nkufo 18, Ruiz 57
09/08/09	League	PSV Eindhoven (H)	D 1-1	Douglas 19
15/08/09	League	ADO Den Haag (A)	W 1-0	Nkufo 64
23/08/09	League	RKC Waalwijk (H)	W 2-1	Ruiz 18, Nkufo 27
30/08/09	League	Feyenoord (A)	D 1-1	Kuiper 74
12/09/09	League	FC Utrecht (H)	W 3-2	Nkufo 41, Kuiper 53, Ruiz 90+1
20/09/09	League	SC Heerenveen (A)	W 2-0	Stoch 22, 72
23/09/09	Cup	SC Joure (A)	W 8-0	Parker 8, 42, Akram 11, 66, Vujičević 22, Rukavytsya 68, de Sousa 80, 88
26/09/09	League	VVV Venlo (H)	W 2-1	Ruiz 15, Douglas 26
04/10/09	League	Heracles Almelo (A)	W 3-1	Ruiz 31, Nkufo 54, Janssen 55
17/10/09	League	AZ Alkmaar (H)	W 3-2	Perez 36, Ruiz 61, Nkufo 90+2
25/10/09	League	FC Groningen (H)	W 4-0	Stoch 5, Tiendalli 21, Nkufo 62 (p), Ruiz 80
28/10/09	Cup	VV Capelle (H)	W 3-0	De Jong 28, 87, Rukavytsya 90
31/10/09	League	Roda JC (A)	W 2-1	Ruiz 34, Stoch 40
08/11/09	League	AFC Ajax (H)		
21/11/09	League	BV Vitesse (H)		
28/11/09	League	Willem II (A)		
06/12/09	League	NEC Nijmegen (A)		
12/12/09	League	NAC Breda (H)		
20/12/09	League	FC Utrecht (A)		
24/01/10	League	FC Groningen (A)		
31/01/10	League	Roda JC (H)		
03/02/10	League	Heracles Almelo (H)		
07/02/10	League	AFC Ajax (A)		
13/02/10	League	BV Vitesse (A)		
19/02/10	League	Willem II (H)		
28/02/10	League	NEC Nijmegen (H)		
07/03/10	League	RKC Waalwijk (A)		
12/03/10	League	ADO Den Haag (H)		
20/03/10	League	PSV Eindhoven (A)		
27/03/10	League	Sparta Rotterdam (H)		
03/04/10	League	VVV Venlo (A)		
10/04/10	League	SC Heerenveen (H)		
13/04/10	League	AZ Alkmaar (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Twente	12	10	2	0	26	10	32
2	PSV Eindhoven	12	9	3	0	28	10	30
3	AFC Ajax	12	9	2	1	40	10	29
4	Feyenoord	12	7	2	3	20	13	23
5	FC Utrecht	12	6	4	2	14	10	22
6	Heracles Almelo	12	6	2	4	14	12	20
7	AZ Alkmaar	12	6	0	6	21	15	18
8	NAC Breda	12	5	2	5	13	17	17
9	Sparta Rotterdam	12	5	2	5	11	15	17
10	Willem II	12	4	1	7	16	20	13
11	ADO Den Haag	12	3	3	6	14	19	12
12	VVV Venlo	12	1	8	3	15	20	11
13	NEC Nijmegen	12	2	5	5	11	18	11
14	BV Vitesse	12	3	2	7	13	21	11
15	SC Heerenveen	12	3	2	7	9	17	11
16	FC Groningen	12	2	4	6	8	17	10
17	Roda JC	12	2	4	6	13	23	10
18	RKC Waalwijk	12	1	0	11	7	26	3

FC Sheriff

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
10/07/09	League	CSCA-Rapid Chişinău (A)	W 6-0	Bulat 3, Erokhin 45, 53, 57, Mandricenco 63, Balima 89
25/07/09	League	FC Sfintul Gheorghe Suruceni (H)	W 2-0	Truhanov 8, Volkov 87 (p)
10/08/09	League	FC Iskra-Stali (H)	W 5-0	Corneencov 13, Rouamba 30, França 32, 40, Balima 47
22/08/09	League	FC Dacia Chişinău (H)	D 0-0	
30/08/09	League	FC Tiraspol (A)	L 0-1	
07/09/09	League	FC Dinamo Bender (H)	W 5-0	Kuchuk 7, 88, 90, Volkov 42, Diedhiou 66
13/09/09	League	FC Viitorul Orhei (H)	W 3-0	Erokhin 18, Volkov 39, Da Costa 53
22/09/09	League	FC Nistru Otaci (A)	W 1-0	Erokhin 25
26/09/09	League	FC Zimbru Chişinău (A)	L 0-1	
06/10/09	League	CSCA-Rapid Chişinău (H)	W 1-0	Erokhin 59
11/10/09	League	FC Sfintul Gheorghe Suruceni (A)	W 5-2	Kuchuk 20, 52, Diedhiou 41, 53, Bulat 68
18/10/09	League	FC Dinamo Bender (A)	W 5-0	Erokhin 43, Diedhiou 44, Kuchuk 54 (p), 60, França 75
28/10/09	League	FC Olimpia Balti (H)	W 2-0	Balima 81, Suvorov 88 (p)
01/11/09	League	FC Iskra-Stali (A)	W 1-0	Erokhin 48
10/11/09	League	FC Academia UTM Chişinău (H)		
14/11/09	League	FC Olimpia Balti (A)		
18/11/09	League	FC Dacia Chişinău (A)		
26/11/09	League	FC Academia UTM Chişinău (A)		
07/12/09	League	FC Zimbru Chişinău (H)		
07/03/10	League	FC Tiraspol (H)		
13/03/10	League	FC Viitorul Orhei (A)		
17/03/10	League	FC Nistru Otaci (H)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Dacia Chişinău	17	12	3	2	35	11	39
2	FC Iskra-Stali	16	11	2	3	25	13	35
3	FC Sheriff	14	11	1	2	36	4	34
4	FC Olimpia Balti	16	8	3	5	24	12	27
5	CSCA-Rapid Chişinău	17	7	3	7	19	27	24
6	FC Tiraspol	17	5	5	7	13	16	20
7	FC Zimbru Chişinău	15	5	5	5	18	18	20
8	FC Viitorul Orhei	16	5	4	7	13	21	19
9	FC Academia UTM Chişinău	16	4	5	7	16	25	17
10	FC Sfintul Gheorghe Suruceni	16	4	2	10	16	26	14
11	FC Dinamo Bender	17	4	1	12	20	40	13
12	FC Nistru Otaci	17	2	4	11	9	31	10

Match-by-match lineups

FC Twente

Play-Offs

(20/08/09)

FC Twente 3-1 FK Qarabağ

Goals: 0-1 Nadyrov 8, 1-1 Ruiz 38, 2-1 Ruiz 66, 3-1 Douglas 81

FC Twente: Boschker, Wisgerhof, Brama, Stam, Nkufo, Perez (Vujičević 73), Heubach, Stoch (Tioté 87), Douglas, Ruiz, Janssen

(27/08/09)

FK Qarabağ 0-0 FC Twente (agg: 1-3)

FC Twente: Boschker, Kuiper, Wisgerhof, Brama, Stam, Nkufo, Stoch (Vujičević 62), Tioté, Douglas, Ruiz (Akram 90+2), Janssen (Perez 46)

Group H

Standings

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Fenerbahçe SK	3	2	0	1	3	2	6
FC Sheriff	3	1	1	1	2	1	4
FC Twente	3	1	1	1	2	3	4
FC Steaua București	3	0	2	1	0	1	2

Matchday 1 (17/09/09)

FC Steaua București 0-0 FC Sheriff

FC Sheriff: Namașco, Da Costa, Volkov (Diedhiou 64), Verbetchi (Bulat 81), Tarkhnishvili, Erokhin, Balima, Rouamba, Tsynya, Rodríguez, Kuchuk

Fenerbahçe SK 1-2 FC Twente

Goals: 1-0 Mehmet Topuz 71, 1-1 Nkufo 75, 1-2 Nkufo 80

FC Twente: Boschker, Kuiper, Wisgerhof, Brama, Stam, Nkufo, Perez (Akram 90+1), Stoch (Vujičević 70), Tioté (Janssen 40), Douglas, Ruiz

Matchday 2 (01/10/09)

FC Twente 0-0 FC Steaua București

FC Twente: Boschker, Kuiper, Wisgerhof, Brama, Stam, Nkufo, Perez (Parker 62), Stoch (Vujičević 85), Tioté (Janssen 62), Douglas, Ruiz

FC Sheriff 0-1 Fenerbahçe SK

Goals: 0-1 Alex 53

FC Sheriff: Namașco, Tarkhnishvili, Erokhin, Suvorov (Volkov 78), Balima, Karpovich, Rouamba, Arbănaș (Corneencov 65), Tsynya (Diedhiou 70), Rodríguez, Kuchuk

Matchday 3 (22/10/09)

FC Sheriff 2-0 FC Twente

Goals: 1-0 Balima 41, 2-0 França 90+4

FC Sheriff: Namașco, Tarkhnishvili, Corneencov, Erokhin (Arbănaș 90+3), Balima, Rouamba, Diedhiou (Volkov 66), Rodríguez, Mamah, Nadson, Kuchuk (França 78)

FC Twente: Boschker, Carney, Wisgerhof, Brama (Tioté 58), Stam, Nkufo, Perez (Parker 57), Stoch (De Jong 78), Douglas, Ruiz, Janssen

Matchday 4 (05/11/09)

FC Twente v FC Sheriff

Matchday 5 (02/12/09)

FC Sheriff v FC Steaua București

FC Twente v Fenerbahçe SK

Matchday 6 (17/12/09)

FC Steaua București v FC Twente

Fenerbahçe SK v FC Sheriff

Match officials

Referee	Aleksei Kulbakov (BLR)
Assistant referees	Viachaslau Bykov (BLR), Stanislau Savitski (BLR)
Additional assistant referee	Valery Vialichka (BLR)
Additional assistant referee	Vital Sevastyanik (BLR)
Fourth official	Sergey Tsinkevich (BLR)
UEFA Delegate	Jean-Louis Piette (FRA)
UEFA Referee observer	Rolf Haugen (NOR)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEL matches *	UEFA matches
Aleksei Kulbakov	27/12/1979	2	28

UEFA Europa League matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

No matches found

Other matches - Matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

No matches found

* Group stage to final only

Competition information

The UEFA Cup evolved from the Inter-Cities Fairs Cup, and was first contested as the UEFA Cup in 1971/72. This season the UEFA Cup has been reborn as the UEFA Europa League. The new name heralds major changes to the competition, which has a new 48-team group stage with centralised marketing of broadcast rights, a presenting sponsor - Spanish car manufacturer SEAT - and an official matchball in addition to centralised sponsorship from the knockout stage and a new logo and visual identity.

• **Disciplinary information:** As a rule, a player who is sent off is suspended for the next match in a UEFA club competition. The Control and Disciplinary Body is entitled to augment this punishment. In the case of repeated cautions, from the group stage a player is suspended for one match after three cautions in three different matches, as well as following any subsequent odd-numbered caution (fifth, seventh, ninth, etc). Single yellow cards and pending suspensions are always carried forward either to the next stage of the competition or to another club competition in the current season.

• **Locally-trained players rule:** In February 2005, UEFA announced the 'A' list that teams submit for UEFA club competitions will continue to be limited to 25 players, and from the 2008/09 season at least eight places are reserved for players trained by the club's own football academy of which half can be players trained by other clubs from within the same association of the said club. The 'B' list also continues to exist – involving an unlimited number of Under-21 players who have been at the club for any uninterrupted period of two years since their 15th birthday.

A club-trained player is defined as a player who has been registered for a minimum of three seasons with the club between the age of 15 and 21, whereas an association-trained player is one who has been registered for at least three seasons by the club or by other clubs affiliated to the same association between the age of 15 and 21.

• **Away goals rule:** For matches played under the cup (knockout) system, the team which scores the greater aggregate of goals in the two matches qualifies for the next round. If the two teams involved in a tie score the same number of goals over the two legs, the team which scores more away goals qualifies for the next stage. If this procedure does not produce a result, i.e. if the two teams score the same number of goals at home and away, extra time of two periods of 15 minutes shall be played at the end of the second leg. If during extra time, both teams score the same number of goals, away goals count double (i.e. the visiting club qualifies). If no goals are scored during extra time, penalty kicks determine which team qualifies.

• **Player registration:** UEFA regulations state that for all UEFA Europa League matches from the start of the Round of 32, a club may register a maximum of three new eligible players within their squad of 25 for the remaining matches in the current competition. One player from the above quota of three who has played UEFA club competition matches for another competing club in the current season may exceptionally be registered, provided that the player has not been fielded by another club in the UEFA Europa League this season or by a club that has transferred from the UEFA Champions League to the UEFA Europa League following the group stage.

• **Assistant referees experiment:** The 144 UEFA Europa League group-stage games will be overseen by six match officials, in an experiment endorsed by the International Football Association Board (IFAB), with two additional assistant referees taking up positions alongside each goal. The additional assistant referees will provide two extra pairs of eyes to monitor the game, informing the referee of incidents that he may otherwise have missed.

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• **UEFA Europa League Statistics Handbook:** This informative guide to the new competition and the teams involved in the group stage can be downloaded as four pdf files at <http://www.uefa.com/uefa/mediaservices/publications/index.html>.

Legend

:: Competitions

Club competitions

ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League

UCUP: UEFA Cup • **UCWC:** UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

SCUP: UEFA Super Cup • **UIC:** UEFA Intertoto Cup

ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship

WC: FIFA World Cup • **CONFCUP:** Confederation Cup

FRIE: Friendly internationals • **U21FRIE:** Under-21 friendly internationals

U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship

U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship • **U16:** UEFA European Under-16 Championship

U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship • **U18:** UEFA European Under-18 Championship

WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup • **WCHAMP:** UEFA European Women's Championship

:: Competition stages

F: Final

GS: Group stage

GS1: First group stage

GS2: Second group stage

KO1: First knockout round

PR: Preliminary round

QF: Quarter-finals

QR: Qualifying round

QR1: First qualifying round

QR2: Second qualifying round

FT: Final tournament

ELITE: Elite round

P-O 3rd: Third place play-off

GS - FT: Group stage - Final tournament

QR3: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

R16: Second knockout round

R32: Round of 32

1st: first leg

2nd: second leg

P-O: Play-off

(R): Replay

PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament

Prom/Rel P-O: Promotion/Relegation play-off

:: Other Abbreviations

aet: Match decided after extra time **No.:** Number

aetps: Match decided after extra time **o.g.:** Own goal and penalty shoot-out

ag: Match decided on away goals

agg: Aggregate

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

N/a: Not Applicable

(p): Penalty

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (red card)

Res.: Result

t: Match decided by toss of coin

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

:: Statistics

(-): Denotes player substituted

(*): Denotes player dismissed/sent off

(+): Denotes player introduced

(+/-): Denotes player introduced and substituted

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