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Spain top UEFA access list for 2002/03 club competitions

England gain fourth UEFA Champions League place

With the European club competitions now in a short but well-deserved winter break before resuming in February, UEFA has today published the final access list for the 2002/03 UEFA club competitions.

The access list for all member associations for the coming season 2002/2003, is based on the results from the previous five seasons, i.e. from 1996/97 to 2000/01. As usual, the coefficient calculations are based on the results obtained by all clubs of an association over the past five seasons in European competitions (2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a defeat; and half of these points for qualifying-round matches). The associations' ranking resulting from these coefficients determines the allocation of places per association for both the UEFA Champions League and the UEFA Cup.

The attached access list indicates the number of clubs each association will be allowed to enter for next year's club competitions, as well as the entry stage at which the individual clubs will have to start their campaign. Some switches may become necessary at the end of the season, should one club win one of the two European trophies and at the same time also qualify for one of the two competitions via their domestic league.

Commenting on the list, Gerhard Aigner, UEFA CEO, said:

"I offer my congratulations to Spanish football for once again coming top of our club ranking list.

"This system guarantees transparency in our qualifying system for European competitions and ensures that qualification combines the twin measures of international and domestic success.

"I wish every club that dreams of European competition good luck for the New Year and the second half of the season."

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Access List for the 2002/2003 UEFA Club Competitions

UEFA Champions League							UEFA Cup									
Group	Q 3				Q 2	Q 1	Rank.	Association	First Round				Qual. Round			
TH	RU	N3	N4					TH	UIC	UIC	UIC		FP	FP	FP	
CH	RU		N3	N4			1	Spain	CW			N5	N6			
CH	RU		N3	N4			2	Italy	CW			N5	N6			
CH	RU		N3	N4			3	England	CW			N5	N6			
CH	RU		N3				4	Germany	CW		N4	N5				
CH	RU		N3				5	France	CW		N4	N5				
CH	RU		N3				6	Netherlands	CW		N4	N5				
CH		RU					7	Turkey	CW	N3	N4	N5				
CH		RU					8	Greece	CW	N3	N4	N5				
CH		RU					9	Russia	CW							N3
	CH				RU		10	Portugal	CW							N3
	CH				RU		11	Czech Republic	CW							N3
	CH				RU		12	Belgium	CW							N3
	CH				RU		13	Ukraine	CW							N3
	CH				RU		14	Austria	CW							N3
	CH				RU		15	Norway	CW							N3
					CH		16	Scotland	CW						RU	N3
					CH		17	Switzerland						CW	RU	N3
					CH		18	Croatia						CW	RU	N3
					CH		19	Sweden						CW	RU	N3
					CH		20	Poland						CW	RU	N3
					CH		21	Denmark						CW	RU	N3
					CH		22	Romania						CW	RU	
					CH		23	Yugoslavia						CW	RU	
					CH		24	Hungary						CW	RU	
					CH		25	Slovakia						CW	RU	
					CH		26	Israel						CW	RU	
					CH		27	Slovenia						CW	RU	
					CH		28	Bulgaria						CW	RU	
					CH		29	Cyprus						CW	RU	
					CH		30	Georgia						CW	RU	
					CH		31	Finland						CW	RU	
					CH		32	Latvia						CW	RU	
					CH		33	Iceland						CW	RU	
					CH		34	Belarus						CW	RU	
					CH		35	Moldova						CW	RU	
					CH		36	Lithuania						CW	RU	
					CH		37	FYR Macedonia						CW	RU	
					CH		38	Republic of Ireland						CW	RU	
					CH		39	Estonia						CW	RU	
					CH		40	Armenia						CW	RU	
					CH		41	Wales						CW	RU	
					CH		42	Azerbaijan						CW	RU	
					CH		43	Malta						CW	RU	
							44	Liechtenstein						CW		
					CH		45	Northern Ireland						CW	RU	
					CH		46	Bosnia-Herzegovina						CW	RU	
					CH		47	Luxembourg						CW	RU	
					CH		48	Faroe Islands						CW	RU	
					CH		49	Albania						CW	RU	
							50	Andorra						CH		
							51	San Marino						CH		

TH Title holder
 CH Domestic champions
 RU Domestic league runners-up
 N3 Domestic league third-placed club
 N4 Domestic league fourth-placed club
 N5 Domestic league fifth-placed club
 N6 Domestic league sixth-placed club
 CW Domestic cup winners
 UIC Club qualified via the 2002 UEFA Intertoto Cup
 FP Club qualified via the UEFA Fair Play ranking
 Q Qualifying rounds

Associations' Coefficient Ranking for 2002/2003 UEFA Club Competitions

Association	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/2000	2000/01	Total
1. Spain	11.600	8.428	10.000	18.571	16.611	65.210
2. Italy	10.142	12.285	12.000	12.000	9.812	56.239
3. England	7.400	7.785	7.437	14.500	14.166	51.288
4. Germany	9.142	11.000	6.357	11.071	11.062	48.632
5. France	7.125	6.800	8.642	10.285	9.500	42.352
6. Netherlands	6.250	6.833	4.833	6.250	6.083	30.249
7. Turkey	6.875	4.400	3.200	7.750	7.750	29.975
8. Greece	3.500	6.500	6.200	5.416	6.750	28.366
9. Russia	2.750	9.875	7.000	4.250	3.833	27.708
10. Portugal	7.400	3.416	3.500	5.833	6.125	26.274
11. Czech Republic	3.666	4.875	2.250	8.000	6.000	24.791
12. Belgium	4.500	3.900	5.500	3.250	7.000	24.150
13. Ukraine	1.500	5.625	7.333	5.375	4.000	23.833
14. Austria	3.875	3.875	4.375	3.875	7.750	23.750
15. Norway	5.375	4.600	3.800	5.200	4.625	23.600
16. Scotland	3.125	3.125	5.625	5.125	5.625	22.625
17. Switzerland	5.375	2.250	5.750	4.125	4.375	21.875
18. Croatia	3.333	5.166	4.875	2.250	4.375	19.999
19. Sweden	4.800	1.900	2.375	4.333	4.800	18.208
20. Poland	7.125	2.500	4.000	3.250	3.625	17.500
21. Denmark	4.300	3.250	4.125	1.750	3.750	17.175
22. Romania	4.500	3.125	2.500	4.833	0.833	15.791
23. Yugoslavia	2.250	1.333	4.166	3.166	4.500	15.415
24. Hungary	2.833	4.125	2.333	3.125	2.666	15.082
25. Slovakia	2.500	2.666	3.333	2.500	3.666	14.665
26. Israel	1.125	3.166	5.000	3.000	1.833	14.124
27. Slovenia	1.666	3.166	2.333	3.000	1.833	11.998
28. Bulgaria	1.333	0.666	2.833	3.833	3.000	11.665
29. Cyprus	2.833	2.333	2.500	2.166	1.000	10.832
30. Georgia	4.000	2.666	1.000	1.500	0.500	9.666
31. Finland	1.875	1.166	3.000	1.000	1.500	8.541
32. Latvia	1.333	1.666	1.500	2.500	0.833	7.832
33. Iceland	1.333	1.500	0.666	1.000	0.833	5.332
34. Belarus	1.500	1.833	0.500	0.000	1.000	4.833
35. Moldova	0.500	0.333	0.500	2.000	1.166	4.499
36. Lithuania	1.000	0.666	0.666	1.333	0.833	4.498
37. FYR Macedonia	1.166	0.666	0.333	0.666	0.666	3.497
38. Republic of Ireland	0.333	0.166	0.500	0.333	1.666	2.998
39. Estonia	1.333	0.166	0.333	0.000	0.666	2.498
40. Armenia	0.833	0.333	0.000	0.333	0.666	2.165
41. Wales	1.333	0.000	0.166	0.500	0.166	2.165
42. Azerbaijan	0.666	0.000	0.000	0.333	0.666	1.665
43. Malta	0.333	0.333	0.000	0.666	0.333	1.665
44. Liechtenstein	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.500	1.500
45. Northern Ireland	0.333	0.166	0.333	0.166	0.333	1.331
46. Bosnia-Herzegovina			0.500		0.500	1.000
47. Luxembourg	0.166	0.000	0.000	0.166	0.333	0.665
48. Faroe Islands	0.000	0.166	0.333	0.166	0.000	0.665
49. Albania			0.333	0.166	0.000	0.499
50. Andorra		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
51. San Marino					0.000	0.000