

CONCACAF QUALIFIERS

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 3 ROUNDS (FIRST ROUND, SECOND ROUND AND FINAL ROUND)
- 32 TEAMS (NOT INCLUDING HOSTS CANADA, MEXICO, AND USA WHO ARE AUTOMATICALLY QUALIFIED)
- 3 TEAMS WILL QUALIFY FOR THE FIFA WORLD CUP 2026
- 2 TEAMS WILL QUALIFY FOR THE FIFA WORLD CUP 2026 INTERCONTINENTAL PLAYOFF
- UP TO 8 CONCACAF TEAMS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIFA WORLD CUP 2026

FIFA MATCH WINDOWS

2024



2025



SECOND ROUND

JUNE 2024 AND JUNE 2025

- 30 TEAMS SPLIT INTO SIX GROUPS
- FIRST ROUND WINNERS AND TOP RANKED 28 NATIONAL TEAMS (NOT INCLUDING FIFA WORLD CUP HOSTS)
- EACH TEAM WILL PLAY THE OTHER TEAMS IN THEIR GROUP FOR A TOTAL OF 4 MATCHES PER TEAM (2 HOME AND 2 AWAY)
- GROUP WINNERS AND RUNNERS-UP ADVANCE TO FINAL ROUND



FINAL ROUND

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

- 12 TEAMS SPLIT INTO THREE GROUPS OF FOUR
- ROUND TWO GROUP WINNERS AND RUNNERS-UP
- HOME AND AWAY FORMAT
- 6 MATCHES PER TEAM (3 HOME AND 3 AWAY)
- GROUP WINNERS QUALIFY FOR FIFA WORLD CUP 2026
- ** TWO BEST SECOND PLACE FINISHERS ADVANCE TO FIFA INTERCONTINENTAL PLAYOFF

