



WFFA Pulse Series and World Freestyle Football Championship 2025 Fair Allocation of Slots per Region

Barcelona - February 11, 2025 - 16 spots for the World Championship are to be distributed among five continents (Europe, South America, North America, Africa, and Asia-Pacific).

The allocation is based on two key criteria:

- **Weighted World Ranking Representation (WR):** Reflects the current strength of each continent based on player positions in the top 100.
- **World Freestyle Football Championship Performance (WC):** Reflects historical performance in the last three World Championships.

The maximum number of spots any continent can receive is capped at $\frac{1}{3}$ of the total ($16/3 \approx 5$), and the minimum is 1.

Female Competition

Step 1: Weighted World Ranking Representation (WR)

Players in the top 100 are assigned weights based on their rankings:

Rank 1-10: 10 points
Rank 11-20: 8 points
Rank 21-30: 6 points
Rank 31-40: 4 points
Rank 41-50: 3 points
Rank 51-60: 2 points
Rank 61-100: 1 point

Calculations:

Europe:

Rank 1-10: 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 → 7 players × 10 = 70
Rank 11-20: 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 → 6 players × 8 = 48
Rank 21-30: 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 30 → 6 players × 6 = 36
Rank 31-40: 33, 34, 39 → 3 players × 4 = 12
Rank 41-50: 43, 45, 47, 48 → 4 players × 3 = 12
Rank 51-60: 51, 53, 54, 57, 58 → 5 players × 2 = 10
Rank 61-100: 65, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 76, 77, 81, 87, 88, 90, 92, 93 → 15 players × 1 = 15



Total WR Score: $70 + 48 + 36 + 12 + 12 + 10 + 15 = 203$

South America:

Rank 1-10: 4, 10 → 2 players × 10 = 20

Rank 11-20: 15 → 1 player × 8 = 8

Rank 21-30: 28 → 1 player × 6 = 6

Rank 31-40: 31, 32, 35, 37 → 4 players × 4 = 16

Rank 41-50: 40, 41, 42, 46, 49 → 5 players × 3 = 15

Rank 51-60: 52, 59 → 2 players × 2 = 4

Rank 61-100: 85, 86, 91, 94, 95 → 5 players × 1 = 5

Total WR Score: $20 + 8 + 6 + 16 + 15 + 4 + 5 = 74$

North America:

Rank 1-10: 3 → 1 player × 10 = 10

Rank 11-20: 14 → 1 player × 8 = 8

Rank 21-30: 21 → 1 player × 6 = 6

Rank 31-40: None → 0

Rank 41-50: None → 0

Rank 51-60: 60 → 1 player × 2 = 2

Rank 61-100: 64, 69, 75, 79, 84 → 5 players × 1 = 5

Total WR Score: $10 + 8 + 6 + 0 + 0 + 2 + 5 = 31$

Africa:

Rank 1-10: None → 0

Rank 11-20: None → 0

Rank 21-30: None → 0

Rank 31-40: 38 → 1 player × 4 = 4

Rank 41-50: 44 → 1 player × 3 = 3

Rank 51-60: None → 0

Rank 61-100: 63, 83 → 2 players × 1 = 2

Total WR Score: $0 + 0 + 0 + 4 + 3 + 0 + 2 = 9$

Asia & Pacific:

Rank 1-10: None → 0

Rank 11-20: 12, 13 → 2 players × 8 = 16

Rank 21-30: 25, 29 → 2 players × 6 = 12

Rank 31-40: 36 → 1 player × 4 = 4

Rank 41-50: 50 → 1 player × 3 = 3

Rank 51-60: 55, 56 → 2 players × 2 = 4

Rank 61-100: 61, 62, 73, 74, 78, 80, 82, 89 → 8 players × 1 = 8

Total WR Score: $0 + 16 + 12 + 4 + 3 + 4 + 8 = 47$



Step 2: World Championship Performance (WC)

Points are assigned based on placings in the last three World Championships:

- **1st place:** 10 points
- **2nd place:** 8 points
- **3rd place:** 6 points
- **4th place:** 4 points
- **Quarterfinalist:** 2 points

Calculations:

Europe:

2022: 2nd (8), 3rd (6) → Total: 14

2023: 1st (10), 2nd (8), 4th (4), Quarterfinal x 2 (4) → Total: 26

2024: 1st (10), 2nd (8), 3rd (6), Quarterfinal x 3 (6) → Total: 30

Total WC Points: $14 + 26 + 30 = 70$

South America:

2022: None → 0

2023: 3rd (6) → Total: 6

2024: Quarterfinal x 1 (2) → Total: 2

Total WC Points: $0 + 6 + 2 = 8$

North America:

2022: 1st (10) → Total: 10

2023: Quarterfinal x 2 (4) → Total: 4

2024: 4th (4) → Total: 4

Total WC Points: $10 + 4 + 4 = 18$

Africa:

No placings in any year → Total WC Points: 0

Asia & Pacific:

2022: 4th (4) → Total: 4

2023: None → 0

2024: None → 0

Total WC Points: $4 + 0 + 0 = 4$

Normalised WC Scores:

- Europe: $(70/70 \times 100 = 100\%)$
- South America: $(8/70 \times 100 = 11.43\%)$
- North America: $(18/70 \times 100 = 25.71\%)$
- Africa: $(0/70 \times 100 = 0\%)$
- Asia & Pacific: $(4/70 \times 100 = 5.71\%)$

Step 3: Combine Scores

Combine WR and WC scores using adjusted weights (40% WR, 60% WC):

- Europe: $(0.4 \times 203) + (0.6 \times 100) = 81.2 + 60 = \mathbf{141.2}$
- South America: $(0.4 \times 74) + (0.6 \times 11.43) = 29.6 + 6.86 = \mathbf{36.46}$
- North America: $(0.4 \times 31) + (0.6 \times 25.71) = 12.4 + 15.43 = \mathbf{27.83}$
- Africa: $(0.4 \times 9) + (0.6 \times 0) = 3.6 + 0 = \mathbf{3.6}$
- Asia & Pacific: $(0.4 \times 47) + (0.6 \times 5.71) = 18.8 + 3.43 = \mathbf{22.23}$

Step 4: Allocate Spots

Calculate each continent's share of the 16 spots based on their combined scores:

Total Combined Scores: $(141.2 + 36.46 + 27.83 + 3.6 + 22.23 = 231.32)$

- Europe: $141.2/231.32 \times 16 = 9.77 \approx 10$ (capped at **5**)
- South America: $36.46/231.32 \times 16 = 2.52 \approx \mathbf{3}$
- North America: $27.83/231.32 \times 16 = 1.93 \approx \mathbf{2}$
- Africa: $3.6/231.32 \times 16 = 0.25 \approx 1$ (minimum spots = **1**)
- Asia & Pacific: $22.23/231.32 \times 16 = 1.54 \approx \mathbf{2}$

Step 5: Adjust for Constraints

- Total spots allocated: $(5 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 2 = 13)$ (less than 16).
- Distribute the remaining 3 spots to the continents with the highest combined scores: Europe (already capped at 5), South America ($3 \rightarrow 4$), North America ($2 \rightarrow 3$), Asia & Pacific ($2 \rightarrow 3$).

Final Allocation

- Europe:** 5 spots (capped)
- South America:** 4 spots
- North America:** 3 spots



- **Africa:** 1 spot
- **Asia & Pacific:** 3 spots

Further notes

- Europe's corrected WR score is higher, but its spots are still capped at 5.
- South America and North America gain additional spots due to their historical performance.
- Asia & Pacific also gains an additional spot due to its representation in the World Rankings and the redistribution of remaining spots.
- With no slots allocated to Pulse Online, an extra spot is therefore added to the general pool.

Male Competition

Step 1: Weighted World Ranking Representation (WR)

Players in the top 100 are assigned weights based on their rankings:

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Rank 11-20: 8 points
Rank 21-30: 6 points
Rank 31-40: 4 points
Rank 41-50: 3 points
Rank 51-60: 2 points
Rank 61-100: 1 point

Calculations:

Europe:

Rank 1-10: 1, 2 → 2 players × 10 = 20
Rank 11-20: 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20 → 8 players × 8 = 64
Rank 21-30: 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29 → 7 players × 6 = 42
Rank 31-40: 31, 32, 36, 38, 39 → 5 players × 4 = 20
Rank 41-50: 41, 48, 49 → 3 players × 3 = 9
Rank 51-60: 54, 55, 59 → 3 players × 2 = 6
Rank 61-100: 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 76, 79, 82, 83, 84, 86, 88, 91, 93, 97, 100 → 20 players × 1 = 20
Total WR Score: 20 + 64 + 42 + 20 + 9 + 6 + 20 = 181



South America:

Rank 1-10: 3, 5 → 2 players × 10 = 20

Rank 11-20: 16 → 1 player × 8 = 8

Rank 21-30: 26, 30 → 2 players × 6 = 12

Rank 31-40: 37 → 1 player × 4 = 4

Rank 41-50: 44, 46, 47 → 3 players × 3 = 9

Rank 51-60: 57, 58 → 2 players × 2 = 4

Rank 61-100: 75, 95 → 2 players × 1 = 2

Total WR Score: 20 + 8 + 12 + 4 + 9 + 4 + 2 = 59

North America:

Rank 1-10: 4, 7, 10 → 3 players × 10 = 30

Rank 11-20: None → 0

Rank 21-30: None → 0

Rank 31-40: 42 → 1 player × 4 = 4

Rank 41-50: None → 0

Rank 51-60: 51, 53 → 2 players × 2 = 4

Rank 61-100: 70, 72, 80, 89, 96 → 5 players × 1 = 5

Total WR Score: 30 + 0 + 0 + 4 + 0 + 4 + 5 = 43

Africa:

Rank 1-10: None → 0

Rank 11-20: None → 0

Rank 21-30: None → 0

Rank 31-40: None → 0

Rank 41-50: 45 → 1 player × 3 = 3

Rank 51-60: None → 0

Rank 61-100: 77, 87, 92, 94, 98 → 5 players × 1 = 5

Total WR Score: 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 3 + 0 + 5 = 8

Asia & Pacific:

Rank 1-10: 6, 8, 9 → 3 players × 10 = 30

Rank 11-20: 14 → 1 player × 8 = 8

Rank 21-30: 27 → 1 player × 6 = 6

Rank 31-40: 33, 34, 35, 40 → 4 players × 4 = 16

Rank 41-50: 43, 50 → 2 players × 3 = 6

Rank 51-60: 52, 56, 60 → 3 players × 2 = 6

Rank 61-100: 66, 68, 74, 81, 85, 90, 99 → 7 players × 1 = 7

Total WR Score: 30 + 8 + 6 + 16 + 6 + 6 + 7 = 79

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Calculations:

Europe:

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2023: 1st (10), 2nd (8), 3rd (6), 4th (4) → Total: 28

2024: 1st (10), 2nd (8), Quarterfinal x 2 (4) → Total: 22

Total WC Points: $22 + 28 + 22 = 72$

South America:

2022: 3rd (6) → Total: 6

2023: Quarterfinal x 2 (4) → Total: 4

2024: 3rd (6), Quarterfinal x 1 (2) → Total: 8

Total WC Points: $6 + 4 + 8 = 18$

North America:

2022: 4th (4), Quarterfinal x 1 (2) → Total: 6

2023: Quarterfinal x 1 (2) → Total: 2

2024: 4th (4), Quarterfinal x 1 (2) → Total: 6

Total WC Points: $6 + 2 + 6 = 14$

Africa:

No placings in any year → Total WC Points: 0

Asia & Pacific:

2022: Quarterfinal x 1 (2) → Total: 2

2023: Quarterfinal x 1 (2) → Total: 2

2024: None → 0

Total WC Points: $2 + 2 + 0 = 4$

Normalised WC Scores:

Europe: $72/72 \times 100 = 100\%$

South America: $18/72 \times 100 = 25\%$

North America: $14/72 \times 100 = 19.44\%$

Africa: $0/72 \times 100 = 0\%$

Asia & Pacific: $4/72 \times 100 = 5.56\%$

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Combine WR and WC scores using adjusted weights (40% WR, 60% WC):

- Europe: $(0.4 \times 181) + (0.6 \times 100) = 72.4 + 60 = \mathbf{132.4}$
- South America: $(0.4 \times 59) + (0.6 \times 25) = 23.6 + 15 = \mathbf{38.6}$
- North America: $(0.4 \times 43) + (0.6 \times 19.44) = 17.2 + 11.66 = \mathbf{28.86}$
- Africa: $(0.4 \times 8) + (0.6 \times 0) = 3.2 + 0 = \mathbf{3.2}$
- Asia & Pacific: $(0.4 \times 79) + (0.6 \times 5.56) = 31.6 + 3.34 = \mathbf{34.94}$

Step 4: Allocate Spots

Calculate each continent's share of the 16 spots based on their combined scores:

Total Combined Scores: $132.4 + 38.6 + 28.86 + 3.2 + 34.94 = \mathbf{238}$

- Europe: $132.4/238 \times 16 = 8.91 \approx 9$ (capped at **5**)
- South America: $38.6/238 \times 16 = 2.59 \approx \mathbf{3}$
- North America: $28.86/238 \times 16 = 1.94 \approx \mathbf{2}$
- Africa: $3.2/238 \times 16 = 0.21 \approx 1$ (minimum spots = **1**)
- Asia & Pacific: $34.94/238 \times 16 = 2.35 \approx \mathbf{2}$

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