

1st Quadrennial HWCi FIFA Club World Cup Soccer Tournament Pool

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2025 HWCi CLUB WORLD CUP POOL (Follow @HWCi_Pools)

Welcome to the 1st HWCi Club World Cup pool based on our successful HWCi NCAA pools. The Cup will take place in the United States from June 14 [however, pool starts June 19] to July 13. You will choose the winners of the 48 round-robin games [32 for CWC], the 16 teams who will advance to the Round of 16 and the winners of each match after that- 79 [83 for CWC] choices plus total goals tiebreaker in all and all before the first match is played!

A Cup schedule with dates and Round of 16 bracket can be found on FIFA's official website at <https://www.fifa.com/en/tournaments/mens/club-world-cup>. Rules on how to enter are on the next page. A list of everyone's picks and updated standings will soon be found on our website at www.HWCi.com/worldcup.

Here is a quick look at the pool:

- WHAT:** 1st HWCi CLUB WORLD CUP SOCCER POOL (16TH OVERALL SOCCER POOL, 46TH OVERALL POOL)
- FEE:** \$10.00 per entry (max 3 entries per person)
- DEADLINE:** 9:00 a.m. PDT on Thursday, June 19, 2025 ([Web Entry](#) | Mail Postmarked Wednesday)
- WHO:** Anyone with ten bucks! Invite friends! No more than three entries per person.
- REFERRAL:** If you participated last time, refer five new people to enter and get a free entry with one paid
- SOC STAT:** Manchester City is current champion in old 7-team format (2023)
- INFO:** HWCi World Cup Pool: [1998](#) | [2002](#) | [2006](#) | [2010](#) | [2014](#) | [2018](#) | [2022](#)
HWCi EURO Pool: [2012](#) | [2016](#) | [2021](#) | [2024](#)
HWCi Women's World Cup Pool: [2015](#) | [2019](#) | [2023](#) HWCi Special Pool: MLS is Back [2020](#)
- PRIZES:** All money from fees will go into pot for 1st through 4th place prizes and maybe a Bonus Prize. Winners will be determined by points, not correct number of games (see *Points* section).
- POINTS:**
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| 48 Round Robin matches= | 1 point each | [Just 32 for CWC 2025] |
| 16 Round of 16 picks= | 3 points each | |
| 8 Quarterfinal picks= | 5 points each | |
| 4 Semifinal picks= | 7 points each | |
| 2 Final picks= | 9 points each | |
| 1 Cup champ pick= | 14 points | |
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| Total possible points= | 196 (same as our NCAA pool) | [Just 180 for CWC 2025] |
- PAYMENT:** If by eCheck or PayPal funds (must choose personal reason, such as "gift"), **PayPal** (send \$10.00 to "hwci@hotmail.com")
If by **Venmo**, choose *Friend or Family* (\$10) to @smt0222 (last 4 digits of cell 3771)
If by credit card, **PayPal** (send \$10.87 (\$10 plus 87¢ PayPal fees) to "smt0222@yahoo.com") [preferred]
Mail a \$10 check to: Scott Tamashiro, P.O. Box 121, Artesia, CA 90702-0121
Pay the person who referred you
Payment due June 22nd unless prearranged earlier
- ENTER:** Via Web (www.HWCi.com/worldcup) [preferred]
Via Email, photo/scan (see instructions below) to worldcup@hwci.com
Via Mail (Scott Tamashiro, P.O. Box 121, Artesia, CA 90702-0121)
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HOW TO ENTER

You will make 80 [64 in CWC] choices in this pool- all before the first match is played! You will pick the 48 [32 in CWC] results of the round robin matches (you can choose ties), the 16 teams who will advance to the Round of 16, the 8 teams who will make it to the Quarterfinals, the 4 teams who will make it to the Semifinals, the 2 teams in the Final Match, the Champion, and a tiebreaker total goals prediction. Here is what we will need from you:

NAME: Your full name
EMAIL/PHONE #: Your email address (preferred) or your phone number... if you win we need a way to contact you! Also, there will be a periodic email update every other day or so.
NICKNAME: Something short, something sweet.... be forewarned- if you don't choose a nickname we will choose one for you!

(Now to your picks...)

GROUP A (6): List the six winners (or ties) in order of group play (see next page) (if you want to be safe, list the game number then winner; e.g., "17-Palmeiras, 18-Miami, 35-Porto, 36-Tie)" instead of "PAL, MIA, POR, TIE" which is fine to do, if you have got them in the right order)

GROUP B (6): Same as above

GROUP C (6): Same as above

GROUP D (6): Same as above

GROUP E (6): Same as above

GROUP F (6): Same as above

GROUP G (6): Same as above

GROUP H (6): Same as above

Round of 16 (16): List the 16 teams advancing into the Round of 16 (top 2 teams in each Group)
(NOTE: Does **not** matter how you picked round-robin matches)

Quarterfinalists (8): List the 8 teams who will reach the Quarterfinals (based on your R16 matchups)

Semifinalists (4): List the 4 teams who will reach the Semifinals (based on your R16 matchups)

Finalists (2): List the 2 teams who will play for the Final

Champion (1): List the 1 team who will win it all

Tiebreaker

Total Goals: In case of a tie, predict the total number of goals scored in regulation or extra time in the two (2) Semifinal and Final matches (3 matches combined) (i.e., NOT including penalty kick tiebreaker goals). You can pick in ½ goal increments (i.e., 4.5 goals). The tiebreaker is just "closest to", so if one person guesses 3.5 goals and another 4.5 goals and the *actual* total is 4 goals, then there is a tie.

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The Schedule and Bracket (\$10 Entry Fee)

ONLINE: <http://www.hwci.com/worldcup>
 EMAIL: WORLD CUP@HWCI.COM, OR MAIL TO
 SCOTT TAMASHIRO, PO Box 121, ARTESIA, CA 90702-0121

NAME: _____
 E-MAIL: _____
 NICKNAME: _____
 REFERRED BY: _____

You can circle the winners here if you have a hardcopy of this sheet; otherwise, email the winners for each group in the order shown. Circle the teams in the round-robin matches and then fill in the bracket below (top 2 teams in each Group) - don't forget the tiebreaker: total combined goals in the two Semifinal and Final matches (3 matches total). Use this as your worksheet to enter your picks online at <http://www.HWCI.com/worldcup>. [#]-tips.gg World Ranking (June 2025)

GROUP A [24] Palmeiras (PAL) [47] FC Porto (POR) [55] Al Ahly FC (AHL) [538] Inter Miami CF (MIA) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 17- PAL – AHL – TIE 18- MIA – POR – TIE 35- MIA – PAL – TIE 36- POR – AHL – TIE	GROUP B [1] Paris Saint-Germain (PSG) [10] Atlético de Madrid (ATM) [58] Botafogo (BOT) [423] Seattle Sounders FC (SEA) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 19- SEA – ATM – TIE 20- PSG – BOT – TIE 33- SEA – PSG – TIE 34- ATM – BOT – TIE	GROUP C [2] FC Bayern München (BAY) [163] Auckland City FC (AKL) [95] CA Boca Juniors (BOC) [17] SL Benfica (SLB) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 21- SLB – AKL – TIE 24- BAY – BOC – TIE 37- AKL – BOC – TIE 38- SLB – BAY – TIE	GROUP D [27] CR Flamengo (FLA) [101] Espérance de Tunisie (EST) [12] Chelsea FC (CHE) [356] Los Angeles Football Club (LAF) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 22- FLA – CHE – TIE 23- LAF – EST – TIE 39- LAF – FLA – TIE 40- EST – CHE – TIE
GROUP E [51] CA River Plate (RIV) [373] Urawa Red Diamonds (URD) [125] CF Monterrey (CFM) [6] FC Internazionale Milano (INT) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 26- INT – URD – TIE 28- RIV – CFM – TIE 43- INT – RIV – TIE 44- URD – CFM – TIE	GROUP F [71] Fluminense FC (FLU) [9] Borussia Dortmund (BVB) [276] Ulsan HD (UHD) [97] Mamelodi Sundowns FC (MSU) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 25- MSU – BVB – TIE 27- FLU – UHD – TIE 41- BVB – UHD – TIE 42- MSU – FLU – TIE	GROUP G [8] Manchester City (MCI) [235] Wydad AC (WAC) [402] Al Ain FC (AIN) [22] Juventus FC (JUV) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 29- JUV – WAC – TIE 32- MCI – AIN – TIE 45- JUV – MCI – TIE 46- WAC – AIN – TIE	GROUP H [7] Real Madrid C.F. (RMA) [67] Al Hilal (HIL) [144] CF Pachuca (PAC) [143] FC Salzburg (SAL) <u>Round Robin Games</u> 30- RMA – PAC – TIE 31- SAL – HIL – TIE 47- HIL – PAC – TIE 48- SAL – RMA – TIE

