



SP-UEFA CUP REGULATIONS

By SP-UEFA Organisers

Preamble

The SP-UEFA Cup is a SoccerProject club competition mentally supported by SoccerProject Developers, organized by SP-FIFA administration and sponsored by SoccerProject Lithuanian Community.

The present regulations describe the organization of the SP-UEFA Cup.

Participants

Only clubs from D and lower divisions may participate in SP-UEFA Cup (club must be in D or lower division by SP-UEFA Cup starting day).

Every SP member nation (with 30 and more teams) can participate in SP-UEFA Cup.

Participating nation must nominate a National Coordinator (application form could be found at www.spfifa.opateam.com/spuefa website), who is responsible for National qualification for SP-UEFA Cup and represents nation in SP-UEFA Cup organization process.

List of participating clubs must be sent by National Coordinator to the SP-UEFA Cup administration 10 days before Starting Day.

Starting Day

Starting Day of every new season is 4th Monday of 12, 14, 16 etc. seasons of SoccerProject.

Competition Format

SP-UEFA Cup is organized as SP friendly cups (group and knock-out) without home advantage.

SP-UEFA Cup consists of two stages:

- (1) Preliminary Round – 4 zones with 16 (32) clubs or 8 zones with 32 clubs (table 1, page 3 of this document);
- (2) Final Round – 1 zone with 4 (or 8) clubs (table 1, page 3 of this document).

Distribution of places

Number of clubs depends on number of participating nations. 64, 128 or 256 clubs may participate in SP-UEFA Cup (table 1, page 3 of this document).

Minimum quota for every nation is 3 clubs (if 25 and more nations participate – 4 clubs).

Extra places (table 1) in SP-UEFA Cup are distributed by results to those nations, who have participated in previous season.

Every club can earn points for his nation: 3 points for a win and 1 point for a tie plus additional points for reaching next level of tournament (every level adds 1 point; 1st place in the final standing – adds 5, 2nd – adds 3; 3rd – adds 2 and 4th – adds 1). Extra places are distributed according to the share of points per team (all nation points are divided by number of participating clubs).

Club Rankings and Distribution to Zones

SP-UEFA Cup Administration seeds clubs for the Preliminary Round in accordance with the club rankings established at the beginning of the season.

Rankings will be calculated using the following formula* based on Division, Position, and Manager Ranking Points: $RT = (14 * (7 - X)) + (16 - Y) + Z / 30$

RT – rating

X – team division (C=3; D=4; E=5; F=6; G=7)

Y – team position in division

Z – SP manager ranking points

*Participants from every nation will be distributed to the zones **proportionally**.*

[For example: if nation X has 3 teams, then all teams will be in different zones; if nation Y has 11 teams, then teams will be distributed so – 3, 3, 3, 2.].

All teams will be distributed to the zones according to the distribution matrix (table 2).

If some nation in the process of distribution reaches maximum number of teams in one zone, then next team in the same row will be sent to that zone. Previous team will go to the next zone.

National qualification

Every nation is free to determine format of National qualification. SP-UEFA Cup Administration highly recommends only one qualification for two competitions - SP-UEFA and SPCL.

Winner

SP-UEFA winner gets 18 weeks SPFA membership.

! Please pay attention at the attached tables presented in page 3

* Detailed description of Rating formula is represented in: <http://soccerproject.opateam.com/dokumentai/SPLB%20-%20Remis%20Formula.pdf>
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Table 1. Competition format and number of participants.

Number of Nations	Number of teams	Minimum quota per nation	Total number of "quota" teams	Extra places	Qualification format	Final format
7	64	3	21	43	4 zones with 16 teams each: group and knock-out	4 teams: group and knock-out
8	64	3	24	40		
9	64	3	27	37		
10	64	3	30	34		
11	64	3	33	31		
12	64	3	36	28		
13	64	3	39	25		
14	64	3	42	22		
15	64	3	45	19		
16	128	3	48	80		
17	128	3	51	77		
18	128	3	54	74		
19	128	3	57	71		
20	128	3	60	68		
21	128	3	63	65		
22	128	3	66	62		
23	128	3	69	59		
24	128	3	72	56		
25	256	4	100	156	8 zones with 32 teams each: group and knock-out	8 teams: group and knock-out
26	256	4	104	152		
27	256	4	108	148		
28	256	4	112	144		
29	256	4	116	140		
30	256	4	120	136		
31	256	4	124	132		
32	256	4	128	128		
33	256	4	132	124		

Table 2. Distribution matrix.

Row	A	B	C	D
1.	1	2	3	4
2.	8	7	6	5
3.	64	63	62	61
4.	57	58	59	60
5.	9	10	11	12
6.	16	15	14	13
7.	56	55	54	53
8.	49	50	51	52
9.	17	18	19	20
10.	24	23	22	21
11.	48	47	46	45
12.	41	42	43	44
13.	25	26	27	28
14.	32	31	30	29
15.	40	39	38	37
16.	33	34	35	36