

# EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS - 2021/22 SEASON MATCH PRESS KITS



**Switzerland**

**Stade de Genève - Geneva**

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Group C - Matchday 7



**Northern Ireland**

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## EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS OFFICIAL SPONSORS



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## Previous meetings

### Head to Head

#### FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
08/09/2021	QR (GS)	Northern Ireland - Switzerland	0-0	Belfast	

#### FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
12/11/2017	PO	<b>Switzerland</b> - Northern Ireland	0-0 agg: 1-0	Basel	
09/11/2017	PO	Northern Ireland - <b>Switzerland</b>	0-1	Belfast	Rodríguez 58 (P)

#### FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
14/11/1964	QR (GS)	<b>Switzerland</b> - Northern Ireland	2-1	Lausanne	Quentin 29, Kuhn 37; Best 12
14/10/1964	QR (GS)	<b>Northern Ireland</b> - Switzerland	1-0	Belfast	Crossan 46 (P)

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
<b>Total</b>																		
Switzerland	2	1	1	0	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	7	2	3	2	3	3
Northern Ireland	3	1	1	1	2	0	1	1	-	-	-	-	7	2	3	2	3	3

# Squad list

## Switzerland

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
-	Yann <b>Sommer</b>	17/12/1988	32	Mönchengladbach	-	4	0	0	0	68	-
-	David <b>von Ballmoos</b>	30/12/1994	26	Young Boys	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Jonas <b>Omlin</b>	10/01/1994	27	Montpellier	-	0	0	0	0	2	-
<b>Defenders</b>											
-	Ricardo <b>Rodríguez</b>	25/08/1992	29	Torino	-	4	0	0	0	89	9
-	Silvan <b>Widmer</b>	05/03/1993	28	Mainz	-	3	0	0	0	23	1
-	Kevin <b>Mbabu</b>	19/04/1995	26	Wolfsburg	-	1	0	0	0	17	-
-	Fabian <b>Schär</b>	20/12/1991	29	Newcastle	-	0	0	0	0	65	8
-	Nico <b>Elvedi</b>	30/09/1996	25	Mönchengladbach	*	4	0	0	0	33	1
-	Ulisses <b>Garcia</b>	11/01/1996	25	Young Boys	-	1	0	0	0	2	-
-	Eray <b>Cömert</b>	04/02/1998	23	Basel	-	0	0	0	0	7	-
-	Manuel <b>Akanji</b>	19/07/1995	26	Dortmund	*	4	0	0	0	36	-
<b>Midfielders</b>											
-	Xherdan <b>Shaqiri</b>	10/10/1991	29	Lyon	-	2	1	0	0	96	26
-	Steven <b>Zuber</b>	17/08/1991	30	AEK	-	4	1	0	0	44	8
-	Remo <b>Freuler</b>	15/04/1992	29	Atalanta	-	3	0	0	0	36	3
-	Renato <b>Steffen</b>	03/11/1991	29	Wolfsburg	-	2	0	0	0	16	-
-	Djibril <b>Sow</b>	06/02/1997	24	Frankfurt	*	2	0	0	0	20	-
-	Denis <b>Zakaria</b>	20/11/1996	24	Mönchengladbach	*	4	0	0	0	37	3
-	Michel <b>Aebischer</b>	06/01/1997	24	Young Boys	*	2	0	0	0	6	-
-	Christian <b>Fassnacht</b>	11/11/1993	27	Young Boys	-	2	0	0	0	13	3
<b>Forwards</b>											
-	Mario <b>Gavranović</b>	24/11/1989	31	Kayserispor	-	2	0	0	0	35	15
-	Albian <b>Ajeti</b>	26/02/1997	24	Celtic	-	0	0	0	0	11	1
-	Cédric <b>Itten</b>	27/12/1996	24	Fürth	-	0	0	0	0	4	3
-	Breel <b>Embolo</b>	14/02/1997	24	Mönchengladbach	-	2	1	0	0	48	6
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Murat Yakin	15/09/1974	47		-	2	0	0	0	3	-

## Northern Ireland

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
-	Conor Hazard	05/03/1998	23	Celtic	-	0	0	0	0	3	-
-	Liam Hughes	19/08/2001	20	Liverpool	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Bailey Peacock-Farrell	29/10/1996	24	Sheff. Wednesday	-	4	0	0	0	25	-
<b>Defenders</b>											
-	Craig Cathcart	06/02/1989	32	Watford	-	4	0	0	0	63	2
-	Paddy McNair	27/04/1995	26	Middlesbrough	-	3	1	0	0	49	5
-	Jamal Lewis	25/01/1998	23	Newcastle	*	3	0	0	0	23	-
-	Tom Flanagan	21/10/1991	29	Sunderland	-	1	0	0	0	10	-
-	Daniel Ballard	22/09/1999	22	Millwall	-	3	1	0	0	10	1
-	Ciaran Brown	14/01/1998	23	Cardiff	*	1	0	0	0	6	-
<b>Midfielders</b>											
-	Steven Davis	01/01/1985	36	Rangers	-	4	0	0	0	128	12
-	Josh Magennis	15/08/1990	31	Hull	-	2	0	0	0	61	8
-	Stuart Dallas	19/04/1991	30	Leeds	-	2	0	0	0	56	3
-	Shane Ferguson	12/07/1991	30	Rotherham	-	0	0	0	0	50	2
-	Carl Winchester	12/04/1993	28	Sunderland	-	0	0	0	0	1	-
-	George Saville	01/06/1993	28	Millwall	-	3	0	0	0	32	-
-	Jordan Thompson	03/01/1997	24	Stoke	*	3	0	0	0	18	-
-	Dion Charles	07/10/1995	26	Accrington	-	1	0	0	0	5	-
-	Alfie McCalmont	25/03/2000	21	Morecambe	-	1	0	0	0	4	-
-	Conor Bradley	09/07/2003	18	Liverpool	-	1	0	0	0	3	-
<b>Forwards</b>											
-	Niall McGinn	20/07/1987	34	Aberdeen	-	1	0	0	0	67	6
-	Paul Smyth	10/09/1997	24	Leyton Orient	-	0	0	0	0	3	1
-	Conor Washington	18/05/1992	29	Charlton	*	2	1	0	0	31	5
-	Jordan Jones	24/10/1994	26	Wigan	-	2	0	0	0	15	1
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Ian Baraclough	04/12/1970	50		-	4	0	0	0	4	-

## Match officials

<b>Referee</b>	Slavko Vinčić (SVN)
<b>Assistant referees</b>	Tomaž Klančnik (SVN) , Andraž Kovačič (SVN)
<b>Video Assistant Referee</b>	Matej Jug (SVN)
<b>Fourth official</b>	David Smajc (SVN)
<b>Assistant Video Assistant Referee</b>	Nejc Kajtazovic (SVN)
<b>UEFA Delegate</b>	José Guilherme Aguiar (POR)
<b>UEFA Referee observer</b>	Boško Jovanetić (SRB)

## Referee

Name	Date of birth		UEFA matches
Slavko Vinčić	25/11/1979	5	84

## FIFA World Cup matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

No such matches refereed

## Other matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
02/10/2014	UEL	GS	FC Zürich	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach	1-1	Zurich
01/10/2015	UEL	GS	Liverpool FC	FC Sion	1-1	Liverpool
20/06/2021	EURO	GS-FT	Switzerland	Turkey	3-1	Baku

## Match-by-match lineups

### Switzerland

#### FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

##### Group C

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Italy	6	4	2	0	12	1	14
<b>Switzerland</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>
Bulgaria	5	1	2	2	3	6	5
Lithuania	5	0	0	5	1	13	0

##### Matchday 1 (25/03/2021)

###### Bulgaria 1-3 Switzerland

Goals: 0-1 Embolo 7, 0-2 Seferović 10, 0-3 Zuber 13, 1-3 Despodov 46

**Switzerland:** Sommer, Mbabu, Elvedi, Akanji, Embolo (90 Mehmedi), Freuler (86 Sow), Seferović (86 Gavranović), Xhaka, Rodríguez, Zuber (75 Zakaria), Shaqiri (75 Vargas)

##### Matchday 2 (28/03/2021)

###### Switzerland 1-0 Lithuania

Goals: 1-0 Shaqiri 2

**Switzerland:** Sommer, Widmer (65 Fernandes), Elvedi, Akanji, Embolo (65 Gavranović), Freuler (66 Zakaria), Seferović, Xhaka, Vargas (79 Zuber), Rodríguez, Shaqiri (80 Mehmedi)

##### Matchday 5 (05/09/2021)

###### Switzerland 0-0 Italy

**Switzerland:** Sommer, Widmer, Elvedi, Akanji, Seferović (85 Zeqiri), F. Frei, Steffen (71 Fassnacht), Rodríguez (63 Garcia), Zuber (63 Vargas), Sow (63 Zakaria), Aebischer

##### Matchday 6 (08/09/2021)

###### Northern Ireland 0-0 Switzerland

**Switzerland:** Sommer, Widmer (86 Lotomba), Elvedi, Akanji, Zakaria (86 Aebischer), Freuler, Seferović (77 Zeqiri), F. Frei (60 Steffen), Rodríguez, Fassnacht (60 Zuber), Vargas

##### Matchday 7 (09/10/2021)

Switzerland-Northern Ireland

##### Matchday 8 (12/10/2021)

Lithuania-Switzerland

##### Matchday 9 (12/11/2021)

Italy-Switzerland

##### Matchday 10 (15/11/2021)

Switzerland-Bulgaria

### Northern Ireland

#### FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

##### Matchday 1 (25/03/2021)

###### Italy 2-0 Northern Ireland

Goals: 1-0 Berardi 14, 2-0 Immobile 38

**Northern Ireland:** Peacock-Farrell, J. Evans, S. Davis, C. Evans (46 Saville), Dallas, McCann (78 Thompson), McNair, Whyte (63 Lavery), Smith, Cathcart, Magennis (78 Lafferty)

##### Matchday 3 (31/03/2021)

###### Northern Ireland 0-0 Bulgaria

**Northern Ireland:** Peacock-Farrell, Lewis, Ballard (74 Smith), J. Evans, Saville (74 Kennedy), S. Davis, Dallas, McNair, Whyte (64 McGinn), Cathcart, Magennis (82 Lafferty)

**Matchday 4 (02/09/2021)**

**Lithuania 1-4 Northern Ireland**

**Goals:** 0-1 Ballard 20, 0-2 Washington 52 (P) , 1-2 Baravykas 55, 1-3 Lavery 67, 1-4 McNair 82 (P)

**Northern Ireland:** Peacock-Farrell, Lewis, Ballard, S. Davis, Washington (82 Jones), Lavery (82 Lafferty), Thompson (82 McCalmont), McCann, McNair, Smith (89 Flanagan), Cathcart

**Matchday 6 (08/09/2021)**

**Northern Ireland 0-0 Switzerland**

**Northern Ireland:** Peacock-Farrell, Lewis, Ballard, S. Davis, Washington (68 Charles), Thompson (74 Saville), McCann, Lavery (86 Jones), Smith (68 Bradley), Cathcart, Brown

**Matchday 7 (09/10/2021)**

Switzerland-Northern Ireland

**Matchday 8 (12/10/2021)**

Bulgaria-Northern Ireland

**Matchday 9 (12/11/2021)**

Northern Ireland-Lithuania

**Matchday 10 (15/11/2021)**

Northern Ireland-Italy

# Legend

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## Competitions

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### Club competitions

**UCL:** UEFA Champions League  
**ECCC:** European Champion Clubs' Cup  
**UEL:** UEFA Europa League  
**UCUP:** UEFA Cup  
**UCWC:** UEFA Cup Winners' Cup  
**SCUP:** UEFA Super Cup  
**UIC:** UEFA Intertoto Cup  
**ICF:** Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

### National team competitions

**EURO:** UEFA European Football Championship  
**WC:** FIFA World Cup  
**CONFCUP:** FIFA Confederations Cup  
**FRIE:** Friendly internationals  
**U21FRIE:** Under-21 friendly internationals  
**U21:** UEFA European Under-21 Championship  
**U17:** UEFA Under-17 Championship  
**U16:** UEFA European Under-16 Championship  
**U19:** UEFA Under-19 Championship  
**U18:** UEFA European Under-18 Championship  
**WWC:** FIFA Women's World Cup  
**WEURO:** UEFA European Women's Championship

## Other abbreviations

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**(aet):** After extra time  
**No.:** Number  
**ag:** Match decided on away goals  
**agg:** Aggregate  
**AP:** Appearances  
**Comp.:** Competition  
**D:** Drawn  
**DoB:** Date of birth  
**ET:** Extra Time  
**GA:** Goals against  
**GF:** Goals for  
**gg:** Match decided by golden goal  
**L:** Lost  
**Nat.:** Nationality

**pens:** Penalties  
**og:** Own goal  
**P:** Penalty  
**Pld:** Matches played  
**Pos.:** Position  
**Pts:** Points  
**R:** Sent off (straight red card)  
**Res.:** Result  
**sg:** Match decided by silver goal  
**t:** Match decided by toss of a coin  
**W:** Won  
**Y:** Booked  
**Y/R:** Sent off (two yellow cards)  
**N/A:** Not applicable

## Statistics

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**-:** Denotes player substituted  
**\***: Denotes player sent off

**+**: Denotes player introduced  
**+/-:** Denotes player introduced and substituted

## Squad list

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**D:** Disciplinary  
**\***: Misses next match if booked  
**S:** Suspended

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