

The Distribution Amount (USD 209 million gross) is divided by the total number of days (around 24,500), which results in an amount per player per day of around USD 8,530 (subject to any taxes and deductions).

The amount of around USD 8,530 is multiplied by the number of days each player is at the final competition of the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia, starting two weeks before the opening match until the day following the last match of his representative team ("Total per Player"). It is not relevant whether or not the player actually played in any given match.

The Total per Player is distributed to the club(s) with which the player was registered during the two years before the final competition of the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia.

In the event of doubt or ambiguity regarding the above calculation, delays in filings and any unusual, specific or special cases, FIFA decides on the payment and allocation on a case-by-case basis and its decision is final.

### **Distribution of amounts**

In order to establish a scheme that does not favour a particular continental transfer period, FIFA drew up the following blocks to compile a list of the clubs with which the representative teams' players were registered throughout the given two-year period:

July until September 2016 October until December 2016 January until March 2017 April until June 2017	$\frac{1}{3}$ of Total per Player
July until September 2017 October until December 2017 January until March 2018 April until May 2018	$\frac{1}{3}$ of total per Player
June until July 2018	$\frac{1}{3}$ of total per Player

### **Indicative example:**

Player X is selected to play for representative team A in the final competition of the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia.

Player X is registered with club Y at the time of the final competition of the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia.

Player X was transferred from club Z to club Y on 1 July 2017.

Representative team A is eliminated in the quarter-finals of the final competition, which results in a Total per Player for player X of approximately USD 332,670 (39 days x USD 8,530).

The amount of USD 332,670 is shared between clubs Y and Z, based on the time player X was registered with the two clubs Y and Z in the previous two years. In this indicative example, club Y would receive  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the amount and club Z  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

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## **FIFA WORLD CUP CLUB BENEFITS PROGRAMME**

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## Background

The FIFA World Cup Club Benefits Programme (“the Programme”) was designed to recognise the contribution which football clubs make to the success of staging the FIFA World Cup™. Under the Programme, a share of the benefits from the successful hosting of a FIFA World Cup is distributed via the national associations to the clubs of the players who participate in the FIFA World Cup. The basis upon which each club’s share is calculated is discussed further below.

The Programme was established for the 2010 FIFA World Cup™ in South Africa and provision made in the institutional agreement signed between FIFA and the European Club Association (“ECA”) who act on behalf of all clubs globally in relation to the programme.

The share of the benefits of the 2014 FIFA World Cup™ set aside for the Programme was USD 70 million, which increased from USD 40 million for the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

This amount has risen once again for the 2018 FIFA World Cup™, to USD 209 million, and is managed by the FIFA Professional Football Department.

## General principles

To participate, a club completes the Club Application Form (“the Form”), which serves as the basis of its participation in the Programme. Upon completion of the Form, the club confirms its wish to receive payments

for its contribution to the successful staging of the FIFA World Cup in accordance with various terms set out in the form. The club acknowledges and agrees that any payments that it is entitled to receive under the Programme, subject to the valid signature of the Form and subject to possible taxes, will be distributed via the member association to which the club is affiliated after the successful staging of the FIFA World Cup.

Receipt of the funds under the Programme is without prejudice to any compensation from the FIFA Club Protection Programme, or any other matter (compensation of any kind) arising from the release or participation of players for representative teams in general and in particular for a FIFA World Cup.

The calculations to determine the distribution of funds are based on a model that takes into consideration the number of players per club and the number of days each player is at the final tournament. As an example of how the calculations are determined, the formula for the calculations for the 2018 FIFA World Cup is outlined below.

## The payments will be made on the following basis:

For the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia, the total gross amount available for payment to clubs (“Distribution Amount”) will be USD 209 million.

A club’s share of this Distribution Amount is calculated based on the number of players

from the club who are selected for a representative team squad for the final competition of the FIFA World Cup and the number of days each player is at the 2018 FIFA World Cup, starting two weeks before the opening match of the final competition until the day after his representative team is eliminated.

A share is then passed on to the club(s) with which the player selected for the representative team squad for the final competition of a FIFA World Cup™ was registered in the two years prior to one day after the elimination of his representative team from the final tournament.

Payments are distributed via the member associations.

## Calculation of payments and allocations

As an example, the payments for the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia™ are calculated as follows: The total number of players selected for all representative teams participating in the final competition of the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia is 736 (i.e. 32 [representative teams] x 23 [players each]). On a cumulative basis, the players will participate in the final competition of the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia for a total of approximately 24,500 days (i.e. starting two weeks before the opening match until the day following the last match of the representative team in question).