

Referee categories

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note: development of tendencies are indicated by +, o and - .

MAJOR ELITE GROUP (A+)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Belgium	Frank DE BLEECKERE	01/07/1966	o
2	England	Howard WEBB	14/07/1971	o
3	Germany	Felix BRYCH	03/08/1975	o
4	Germany	Wolfgang STARK	20/11/1969	+
5	Hungary	Viktor KASSAI	10/09/1975	-
6	Italy	Nicola RIZZOLI	05/10/1971	+
7	Netherlands	Björn KUIPERS	28/03/1973	o
8	Portugal	Pedro PROENCA OLIVEIRA ALVES GARCIA	03/11/1970	o
9	Slovenia	Damir SKOMINA	05/08/1976	o
10	Spain	Carlos VELASCO CARBALLO	16/03/1971	o

ELITE GROUP (A)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	England	Mark CLATTENBURG	13/03/1975	+
2	England	Martin ATKINSON	31/03/1971	+
3	France	Stéphane LANNOY	18/09/1969	o
4	Germany	Florian MEYER	21/11/1968	-
5	Hungary	István VAD	30/05/1979	o
6	Italy	Gianluca ROCCHI	25/08/1973	+
7	Italy	Paolo TAGLIAVENTO	19/09/1972	o
8	Norway	Svein Oddvar MOEN	22/01/1979	+
9	Portugal	Olegário BENQUERENCA	18/10/1969	demoted
10	Russia	Aleksei NIKOLAEV	01/08/1971	-
11	Scotland	Craig THOMSON	20/06/1972	+
12	Scotland	William COLLUM	18/01/1979	o
13	Spain	Alberto UNDIANO MALLENCO	08/10/1973	o
14	Sweden	Jonas ERIKSSON	28/03/1974	+
15	Turkey	Cuneyt CAKIR	23/11/1976	+

ANTERIOR SUCCESSOR GROUP (B+)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Austria	Robert SCHÖRGENHOFER	21/02/1973	+
2	Belgium	Serge GUMIENNY	14/04/1972	-
3	Croatia	Marijo STRAHONJA	21/08/1975	+
4	Czech Rep.	Pavel KRALOVEC	16/08/1977	+
5	France	Tony CHAPRON	23/04/1972	-
6	Germany	Manuel GRÄFE	21/09/1973	+
7	Ireland	Alan KELLY	09/04/1975	o
8	Netherlands	Bas NIJHUIS	12/01/1977	o
9	Portugal	Manuel DE SOUSA	18/06/1975	+
10	Romania	Ovidiu Alin HATEGAN	14/07/1980	o
11	Serbia	Milorad MAZIC	23/03/1973	promoted
12	Sweden	Markus STRÖMBERGSSON	26/04/1975	o

SUCCESSOR GROUP (B)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Austria	Thomas EINWALLER	25/04/1977	o
2	Bulgaria	Stanislav TODOROV	07/09/1976	o
3	Cyprus	Leontios TRATTOU	11/02/1973	o
4	Czech Rep.	Libor KOVARIK	23/02/1976	o
5	England	Andre MARRINER	01/01/1971	o
6	Estonia	Hannes KAASIK	11/08/1978	o
7	FYROM	Aleksandar STAVREV	30/03/1977	+
8	Greece	Michael KOUKOULAKIS	25/06/1975	+
9	Lithuania	Gediminas MAZEIKA	24/03/1978	o
10	Russia	Vladislav BEZBORODOV	15/01/1973	-
11	Spain	David FERNÁNDEZ BORBALÁN	30/05/1973	+
12	Switzerland	Stephan STUDER	09/10/1975	o
13	Turkey	Bülent YILDIRIM	01/03/1972	o
14	Turkey	Husseyin GOCEK	30/11/1976	o

DOWNGRADED SUCCESSOR GROUP (B-)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Netherlands	Kevin BLOM	21/02/1974	demoted
2	Slovenia	Matej JUG	25/09/1980	demoted

REGULAR OPTION GROUP (C+)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Denmark	Peter RASMUSSEN	15/10/1975	+
2	France	Antony GAUTIER	19/11/1977	o
3	France	Clément TURPIN	16/05/1982	promoted
4	Germany	Thorsten KINHÖFER	27/06/1968	o
5	Greece	Anastasios KAKKOS	15/08/1970	o
6	Israel	Menashe MASIAH	02/11/1973	o
7	Italy	Luca BANTI	27/03/1974	+
8	Poland	Marcin BORSKI	13/04/1973	o
9	Portugal	Bruno PAIXAO	18/05/1974	-
10	Portugal	Duarte GOMES	16/01/1973	o
11	Romania	Pavel Cristian BALAJ	17/08/1971	o
12	Russia	Sergey KARASEV	12/06/1979	promoted
13	Scotland	Euan NORRIS	29/10/1977	o
14	Sweden	Stefan JOHANNESSEN	22/11/1971	o
15	Switzerland	Sascha KEVER	24/04/1975	o

REGULAR GROUP (C)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Albania	Lorenc JEMINI	18/04/1974	o
2	Armenia	Arman AMIRKHANYAN	11/07/1979	o
3	Austria	Oliver DRACHTA	15/05/1977	o
4	Belarus	Aleksei KULBAKOV	27/12/1979	demoted
5	Belgium	Jérome EFONG NZOLO	21/09/1974	o
6	Bulgaria	Anton GENOV	10/10/1966	o
7	Bulgaria	Nikolay YORDANOV	13/01/1975	o
8	Czech Rep.	Radek MATEJEK	05/02/1973	o
9	Czech Rep.	Radek PRIHODA	25/03/1974	o
10	Denmark	Lars CHRISTOFFERSEN	14/10/1972	o
11	Denmark	Anders HERMANSEN	06/11/1973	o
12	England	Michael DEAN	02/07/1968	o
13	England	Lee PROBERT	13/08/1972	+
14	Finland	Mattias GESTRANIUS	07/06/1978	o
15	Finland	Petteri KARI	05/04/1971	o
16	Finland	Tony ASUMAA	15/09/1968	o
17	France	Laurent DUHAMEL	10/10/1968	+
18	France	Olivier THUAL	24/07/1976	o

19	France	Said ENNJIMI	13/06/1973	o
20	France	Fredy FAUTREL	31/10/1971	-
21	Germany	Knut KIRCHER	02/02/1969	o
22	Germany	Michael WEINER	21/03/1969	o
23	Germany	Babak RAFATI	28/05/1970	-
24	Greece	Vassilios PAMPORIDIS	23/12/1973	o
25	Hungary	Zsolt SZABO	01/01/1972	-
26	Hungary	Sandor ANDO-SZABO	17/08/1979	o
27	Hungary	Tamás BOGNAR	18/11/1978	o
28	Iceland	Kristinn JAKOBSSON	11/06/1969	o
29	Ireland	David MCKOEN	03/02/1972	o
30	Israel	Alon YEFET	01/09/1972	+
31	Italy	Antonio DAMATO	15/08/1972	o
32	Italy	Daniele ORSATO	23/11/1975	+
33	Italy	Mauro BERGONZI	30/12/1971	o
34	Italy	Andrea DE MARCO	21/05/1973	o
35	Italy	Paolo MAZZOLENI	12/06/1974	o
36	Latvia	Andrejs SIPAILO	07/01/1971	o
37	Luxembourg	Abby TOUSSAINT	10/08/1976	o
38	Makedonia	Dimitar MECKAROVSKI	04/03/1975	o
39	Malta	Marco BORG	16/09/1971	o
40	Netherlands	Eric BRAAMHAAR	13/10/1966	+
41	Netherlands	Pol VAN BOEKEL	19/09/1975	-
42	Netherlands	Richard LIESVELD	10/05/1973	o
43	Northern Ireland	Mark COURTNEY	26/04/1972	o
44	Northern Ireland	Alan BLACK	18/01/1975	o
45	Norway	Tommy SKJERVEN	25/07/1967	o
46	Norway	Espen BERNTSEN	12/05/1967	o
47	Norway	Ken Henry JOHNSEN	28/07/1975	o
48	Poland	Robert MALEK	15/03/1971	o
49	Poland	Hubert SIEJEWICZ	20/12/1974	o
50	Portugal	Carlos TABORDA XISTRA	02/01/1974	o
51	Romania	Alexandru DEACONU	03/03/1972	o
52	Romania	Alexandru TUDOR	13/09/1971	o
53	Romania	Augustus CONSTANTIN	07/07/1974	o
54	Russia	Maksim LAYUSHKIN	22/08/1972	o
55	Russia	Stanislav SUKHINA	16/08/1968	o
56	Serbia	Bosko JOVANETIC	30/08/1973	o
57	Serbia	Dragomir STANKOVIC	16/02/1972	o
58	Slovakia	Richard TRUTZ	02/08/1971	o

59	Slovakia	Jan VALASEK	09/03/1977	o
60	Slovenia	Darko CEFERIN	11/07/1968	o
61	Spain	Carlos CLOS GOMEZ	30/06/1972	o
62	Spain	César MUNIZ FERNANDEZ	18/05/1970	o
63	Spain	Fernando TEIXEIRA VITIENES	28/07/1971	+
64	Sweden	Martin HANSSON	06/04/1971	-
65	Sweden	Daniel STALHAMMAR	20/10/1974	o
66	Sweden	Michael LERJEUS	18/06/1973	o
67	Switzerland	Cyril ZIMMERMANN	16/01/1976	o
68	Ukraine	Viktor SHVETSOV	22/06/1969	0
69	Wales	Simon Lee EVANS	13/10/1975	+
70	Wales	Huw JONES	22/07/1973	0
71	Wales	Mark WHITBY	12/08/1973	0

DOWNGRADED REGULAR GROUP (C-)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Croatia	Ivan BEBEK	30/05/1977	demoted
2	Spain	Eduardo ITTURALDE GONZALEZ	20/02/1967	demoted
3	Turkey	Firat AYDINUS	25/10/1973	demoted

TALENT DEVELOPMENT GROUP (TD)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Austria	Harald LECHNER	30/07/1982	
2	Azerbaijan	Anar SALMANOV	04/10/1980	
3	Belgium	Christof DIERICK	03/01/1979	
4	Bosnia	Emir ALECKOVIC	14/08/1979	
5	Bulgaria	Aleksandar KOSTADINOV	09/10/1979	
6	Croatia	Ante VUCEMILOVIC-SIMUNOVIC JR.	13/06/1977	
7	Cyprus	Marios PANAYI	04/06/1980	
8	Czech Rep.	Miroslav ZELINKA	23/02/1981	
9	England	Stuart ATTWELL	06/10/1982	
10	Finland	Antti MUNUKKA	03/03/1982	
11	France	Ruddy BUQUET	29/01/1977	
12	Germany	Deniz AYTEKIN	21/07/1978	
13	Hungary	Mihaly FABIAN	05/03/1980	
14	Israel	Liran LIANY	24/05/1977	
15	Italy	Paolo VALERI	16/05/1978	
16	Kazakhstan	Artyom KUCHIN	15/12/1977	
17	Malta	Alan SANT	16/08/1980	
18	Montenegro	Pavle RADOVANOVIC	21/08/1975	
19	Netherlands	Danny MAKKELIE	28/01/1983	
20	Poland	Szymon MARCINIAK	07/01/1981	
21	Poland	Pawel GIL	28/06/1976	
22	Portugal	Artur SOARES DIAS	14/07/1979	
23	Romania	Ionut Marius AVRAM	09/08/1979	
24	Scotland	Steven MCLEAN	01/04/1981	
25	Slovakia	Ivan KRUZLIAK	24/03/1984	
26	Spain	Antonio MATEU LAHOZ	12/03/1977	
27	Switzerland	Alain BIERI	13/03/1979	
28	Turkey	Halis OZKAHYA	30/05/1980	
29	Ukraine	Sergii BOIKO	11/10/1978	

POSTERIOR GROUP (D)

#	Origin	Referee	born	notes
1	Albania	Jorgji ENEA	15/08/1984	
2	Albania	Bardhyl PASHAJ	01/02/1978	
3	Andorra	Ignasi VILLAMAYOR	29/07/1972	
4	Armenia	Suren BALIYAN	26/05/1980	
5	Armenia	Vahan MINASYAN	07/03/1977	
6	Austria	Bernhard BRUGGER	25/12/1966	
7	Austria	Rene EISNER	02/09/1975	
8	Austria	Gerhard GROBELNIK	10/07/1975	
9	Azerbaijan	Vusal ALIYEV	14/09/1970	
10	Azerbaijan	Fariz YUSIFOV	28/01/1972	
11	Belarus	Vital SEVASTSYANIK	01/08/1980	
13	Belarus	Siarhei TSYNKEVICH	19/09/1976	
14	Belarus	Valery VIALICHKA	12/09/1966	
15	Belgium	Sébastien DELFERIERE	02/07/1981	
16	Belgium	Luc WOUTERS	14/11/1969	
17	Bosnia	Elmir PILAV	23/10/1980	
18	Bosnia	Ongjen VALJIC	20/09/1981	
19	Bulgaria	Angel ANGELOV	10/02/1981	
20	Bulgaria	Georgi YORDANOV	15/12/1973	
21	Croatia	Damir BATINIC	29/10/1975	
22	Croatia	Igor PRISTOVNIK	23/08/1975	
23	Croatia	Domagoj VUCKOV	10/02/1976	
24	Cypria	Ioannis ANASTASIOU	17/06/1980	
25	Cypria	Marios STAMATIS	10/05/1974	
26	Cypria	Stelios TRIFONOS	15/09/1967	
27	Czech Rep.	Roman HRUBES	09/09/1973	
29	Denmark	Kenn HANSEN	29/05/1980	
30	Denmark	Jakob KEHLET	05/09/1980	
31	Denmark	Michael SVENDSEN	31/05/1967	
32	Estonia	Eiko SAAR	21/05/1981	
33	Estonia	Kristo TOHVER	11/06/1981	
34	Faroer Islands	Petur REINERT	28/02/1978	
35	Finland	Tero NIEMINEN	20/05/1973	
36	Georgia	Davit KHARITONASHVILI	18/02/1981	
37	Georgia	Levan KVARATSKHELIA	18/05/1979	
38	Georgia	Lasha SILAGAVA	27/07/1976	
39	Georgia	George VADACHKORIA	08/06/1977	
40	Germany	Peter SIPPEL	06/10/1969	
41	Greece	Dimitrios KALOPOULOS	15/04/1970	

42	Greece	Anastasios SIDIROPOULOS	09/08/1979	
43	Greece	Ilias SPATHAS	18/02/1980	
44	Greece	Stavros TRITSONIS	30/11/1977	
45	Iceland	Thorvaldur ARNASON	03/03/1982	
46	Iceland	Thoroddur HJALTALIN	04/08/1977	
47	Iceland	Magnus THORISSON	04/06/1970	
48	Ireland	Neil DOYLE	29/04/1978	
49	Ireland	Padraigh SUTTON	24/08/1977	
50	Israel	Eli HACMON	22/04/1976	
51	Israel	Meir LEVI	27/10/1968	
52	Kazakhstan	Aleksandar GAUZER	22/02/1975	
53	Kazakhstan	Pavel SALIY	06/12/1967	
54	Kazakhstan	Anatoliy VISHINICHENKO	20/04/1975	
55	Latvia	Vadims DIREKTORENKO	31/01/1981	
56	Latvia	Andris TREIMANIS	16/03/1985	
57	Lithuania	Nerijus DUNAUSKAS	26/06/1978	
58	Lithuania	Sergejus SLYVA	01/10/1980	
59	Luxembourg	Sven BINDELS	18/05/1979	
60	Luxembourg	Luc WILMES	21/09/1968	
61	Makedonia	Goran SPIRKOSKI	16/05/1971	
62	Malta	Christopher LAUTIER	23/11/1972	
63	Malta	Clayton PISANI	31/07/1978	
	Moldova	Veaceslav BANARI	01/02/1975	demoted
64	Moldova	Igor SATCHI	14/01/1972	
65	Moldova	Ghennadi SIDENCO	07/03/1973	
67	Montenegro	Nikola DABANOVIC	18/12/1981	
68	Montenegro	Jovan KALUDJEROVIC	17/01/1977	
70	Northern Ireland	Arnold HUNTER	15/03/1979	
71	Norway	Dag Vidar HAFSAS	26/06/1973	
72	Nothern Ireland	Raymond CRANGLE	03/07/1973	
74	Poland	Dawid PIASECKI	22/02/1976	
75	Poland	Marcin SZULC	12/06/1975	
76	Portugal	Joao FERREIRA	25/09/1967	
77	Portugal	Joao CAPELA	07/08/1974	
78	Romania	Istvan KOVACS	16/09/1984	
79	Russia	Igor EGOROV	04/11/1968	
80	Russia	Aleksey ESKOV	07/09/1978	
81	Russia	Vladimir KAZMENKO	27/09/1975	
82	San Marino	Stefano PODESCHI	31/08/1967	
83	San Marino	Gabriele ROSSI	26/03/1966	

84	Scotland	Robert "Bobby" MADDEN	25/10/1978	
85	Scotland	Alan MUIR	10/05/1975	
86	Serbia	Vlado GLODOVIC	08/11/1976	
87	Serbia	Milenko VUKADINOVIC	28/02/1971	
89	Slovakia	Mario VLK	21/09/1974	
90	Slovakia	Vladimir VNUK	23/11/1978	
92	Slovenia	Slavko VINVIC	25/11/1979	
93	Spain	Antonio RUBINOS PEREZ	11/06/1969	
94	Sweden	Martin STRÖMBERGSSON	01/04/1977	
95	Switzerland	Nikolaj HÄNNI	02/03/1976	
96	Switzerland	Jérôme LAPPERIERE	23/10/1969	
97	Turkey	Tolga ÖZKALFA	22/02/1977	
98	Turkey	Yunus YILDIRIM	23/02/1970	
100	Ukraine	Ievgenii ARANOVSKYI	13/10/1976	
101	Ukraine	Sergiy DANKOVSKYY	11/10/1978	
102	Ukraine	Oleksandr DERDO	03/02/1979	
103	Ukraine	Yuriy MOZHAROVSKYY	02/10/1976	
104	Ukraine	Andriy SHANDOR	05/01/1966	

REMARK:

The next update will follow on December, 22th.

Promotions are as possible as relegations/demotions.

Referees who are now in the TD may be promoted into B.

Referees who are now in C+ may be promoted into B.

Referees who are now in A may be relegated into C.

Referees who are now in D may only be promoted into C or C+.