



# UEFA NATIONS LEAGUE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION MANUAL 2024/25

## Facilities Requirements Overview





# 1 FACILITY REQUIREMENTS

## 1.1 Overview of required facilities

The stadiums must meet the structural criteria of a category 4 stadium under the *UEFA Stadium Infrastructure Regulations* as well as the additional requirements indicated below which provides a summary of the facilities required for UNL matches and the different league phase match profiles A and B (see Match profiles). Further details and explanations are set out in the corresponding sections of this manual.

### General stadium facilities

Area	For all matches
Stadium	In principle, stadiums must be no more than a 90-minute bus drive from the nearest international airport with daily commercial flights from/to other European cities.
Power and utilities	<p>Existing power (including back-up power), lighting, water and general utilities must be provided free of charge by the host association within the stadium areas used.</p> <p>A local 16A 240V (always on) power connection must be provided to the UEFA Electronic Performance and Tracking System (EPTS) supplier at distribution points within the stadium, powered from a technical supply.</p> <p>A local 16A 240V power connection must be provided to the UEFA Medical Video Review System (MVRS) supplier at the central distribution point (usually between benches, behind 4th official position)</p> <p>A local (uninterrupted) 16A 240V power connection must be provided to the Referee Review Area (RRA) position.</p> <p>Host association must provide the specified power levels for all broadcast facilities including: indoor studios, pitch-view studios, tribune presentation positions, flash interview positions, pitchside presentation positions and commentary positions.</p> <p>Host association must provide power and sockets free of charge for all media areas; in particular for the media working area, the media tribune and the photographers' match positions.</p>
Floodlights	<p>Average horizontal illuminance (Eh ave) &gt;1,400 lux and average vertical illuminance (Ev ave) &gt;1,000 lux.</p> <p>Back-up floodlight power must be available with an average illuminance of at least 900 lux (Eh) no more than 15 minutes after the power failure.</p>
Directional signage and ground rules	Host associations must provide signage to guide visiting supporters in a recognisable, understandable format, as well as ground rules including prohibited items, ideally in the form of internationally recognised pictograms.
Access control system	Modern electronic access controls and mechanical counting systems must be installed and used, delivering real-time analysis of data on crowd flows and spectator attendance.
Closed-circuit television system	Stadiums must be equipped with permanent closed-circuit television surveillance systems, covering all stadium approaches and entrances, and all public areas within the stadium.
Public address (PA) system	Stadiums must be equipped (both inside and outside) with a fully operational PA system that is not affected by any failure of the main power supply.
Scoreboards, giant screens and internal stadium TV channel	Host associations must ensure that any scoreboards, giant screens and the internal stadium TV channel are fully available to display the necessary match information.

Area	For all matches
Internet	<p>High-speed internet connections must be available in the UEFA offices, the delegate's room, the doping control station and cabled to the commentary position for the UEFA venue data coordinator.</p> <p>High-speed, wired, internet connections (min. 20-50 Mbit/sec for VAR and 100 Mbit/sec for EPTS) must be available for the football technologies supplier(s).</p> <p>Host associations must provide dedicated Wi-Fi, free of charge, in all broadcast areas, including pitchside presentation positions, flash positions, the broadcast compound, studios, commentary positions, observer seats and the mixed zone .</p> <p>Cabled or wireless internet connections must be available in certain media areas such as <b>the media working area, media seating (media tribune), photographers' working area and</b> pitchside positions.</p> <p>Host association must make available and bear the rental cost of up to four dedicated <b>high-speed internet lines in the broadcast compound for use by UEFA's technical</b> suppliers (e.g. VAR system and transmission distribution supplier) as of MD-1.</p> <p>Internet connectivity (Wi-Fi) should be made available in the team and referee dressing rooms as well as at the substitutes' benches and fourth official position.</p> <p>The host association must provide the UNL broadcast partner with dedicated Wi-Fi, free of charge, at broadcast areas (pitchside presentation positions, flash, broadcast compound, studios, commentary positions, observer seats, mixed zone, press conference room, etc). They must also make their best efforts to ensure telecom suppliers can install internet lines to pitchside presentation positions and flash positions.</p>
Telephone	Host associations are required to provide international telephone lines for UEFA offices and the delegate's room. The host association bears the installation costs and the users pay the call charges.
UEFA offices and meeting rooms	Minimum of 30 m2 of functional office space for UEFA offices with one fast colour copy machines (including technical assistance) must be provided. Room(s) for , TV and team organisational meetings must also be made available.
Parking	<p>For the use of UEFA and UNL partners, in prime positions and provided free of charge :</p> <p>70 spaces</p>

## Sporting Facilities

Area	For all matches
Stadium pitch	The pitch must measure 105m x 68m; and be in the best possible condition. A pitch heating system and/or a pitch cover may be required depending on the location and climatic conditions. Two warm-up areas (each ideally measuring 4m x 20m or 3m x 25m) must be determined, one for each team, on the same side as their team bench.
EPTS Technology	Positions for 14 to 36 EPTS cameras (depending on venue infrastructure)
VAR technology	Referee review area for VAR system

Area	For all matches
Facilities for teams and officials	<p>Provide the following facilities for teams and officials :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ First-class dressing rooms for teams and referees</li> <li>◆ Medical room for players and referees close to the dressing rooms</li> <li>◆ Doping control station located near the team dressing rooms providing an appropriate layout for the collection of both urine and blood samples. In terms of size a minimum of 30m<sup>2</sup> should be guaranteed, and ideally 40m<sup>2</sup>.</li> <li>◆ Room for the UEFA delegate located near the team and referee dressing rooms</li> <li>◆ High-quality team benches to accommodate up to 23 people each. If the team bench provides fewer than 23 seats (20 seats being the minimum recommended, 14 seats being the minimum accepted), the remaining number of seats must be accommodated behind or to the side of each team bench, with access to the dressing rooms. The setup must be the same for both teams.</li> <li>◆ Fourth official/home match manager position</li> </ul>

## Ticketing

Area	For all matches
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### UEFA and UNL Partners

UEFA Match Officers and Officials	Tickets required as appointed
VIP Tickets	<p>40</p> <p>VIP tickets must be for the best available seats in the stadium and must include access to the host association's highest VIP hospitality area. The total number of VIP tickets provided by a national association should not exceed 10% of the total VIP seating area. Where this would be the case, additional category 1 tickets should be provided to make up the shortfall.</p>
Category 1 Complimentary Tickets (without hospitality)	<p>30</p> <p>Category 1 complimentary tickets must be for seats in the highest category in the stadium and located in a single section between the 16m lines and as close to the halfway line as possible.</p>
Category 1 Purchase Tickets	<p>30</p> <p>Same requirements as for Category 1 complimentary tickets.</p>

### Visiting team (unless otherwise in writing by the national associations in question)

Additional seats for accredited team delegation staff	11 seats in the stand with easy access to the competition area
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Area	For all matches
VIP Tickets	The host association must reserve <b>20 complimentary VIP seats</b> for the visiting team's representatives and the same number of invitations to the VIP hospitality area.
Top-category Tickets (complimentary)	As a rule, Category 1 tickets are for seats between the 16m lines. The associations must agree on the number of complimentary (free) Category 1 tickets to be allocated to the visiting association. As a guide, the total number of free tickets available to the visiting association should not be lower than 100, composed of VIP tickets (minimum of 20 with hospitality as mentioned above) and Category 1 tickets (with or without hospitality).
Top-category Tickets (purchase)	200 These tickets are to be located in the next highest category of seats after those providing <b>access to the home team's VIP area. They must be located in a single block, between the 16m lines</b> and as close to the centre line as possible, with appropriate stewarding and segregation. They must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Located on the same side of the stadium as the visiting team's VIP seats</li> <li>◆ Located between the two 16m lines</li> <li>◆ Located approximately midway up the stands</li> </ul>
Visiting team's supporters	At least 5% of the total capacity available to spectators (i.e. the spectator capacity) must be made available exclusively to visiting team's supporters, in an area of the stadium that can be segregated The spectator capacity includes all existing seats and allocated standing places; excluding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ any seating/tribunes not in line with the stadium infrastructure regulations</li> <li>◆ any permanently installed seats dedicated to media &amp; broadcast</li> <li>◆ any seats lost due to segregation measures and/or competition specific commercial requirements</li> </ul>

### Hospitality facilities

Area	For all matches
VIP hospitality	Access to host association's VIP hospitality for VIP ticket holders

### Broadcaster facilities

Area	Profile A requirements	Profile B requirements
Camera positions	Main cameras, pitchside halfway camera, 16m cameras, low behind-goal cameras, beauty camera, bench cameras, high behind-goal cameras, reverse-angle cameras, mini-cameras, tunnel camera, crane cameras, 6m cameras, rail cameras, Steadicams, hot-head cameras, 20m cameras, corner cameras, aerial cameras, goal-line cameras and ENG cameras	
Commentary positions	15	10
Filming and video analysis position (e.g. commentary position) for home and visiting team	2 (one for each team)	

Area	Profile A requirements	Profile B requirements
Pitch reporter positions	2 positions with a clear view of the teams' benches and additional positions behind goals	
Indoor studios	At least 1	
Pitch-view studios	At least 2 with an unobstructed view of the pitch	
Flash interview positions	At least 6	At least 4
Super-flash interview positions	At least 2	
Pitchside presentation areas	2 areas of 15m x 3m (on either side of the teams' benches)	
Broadcast compound	At least 1,000m <sup>2</sup> of usable space	
	Including a minimum of 6 uplinks in any separate uplink area	
Cabling	Necessary cabling infrastructure (e.g. cable bridges and trenches) to enable broadcasters to install all cables safely and securely Access to any existing pre-cabled systems in the stadium must be provided free of charge to rights-holding broadcasters on request.	
Observer seats	20	10

### Media facilities

Area	Profile A requirements	Profile B requirements
Media working area	50 seats	30 seats
Media seating	At least 100 (at least 70 with desk)	At least 60 (at least 30 with desk)
Press conference room	At least 80 seats Platform at least 8m x 1.5m	At least 50 seats Platform at least 6m x 1.5m
	At least 24 audio split box outputs Podium with a table Lighting for TV broadcast, microphones and loudspeakers	
Mixed zone	To accommodate at least 50 journalists, including UNL broadcasters, non-rights-holding broadcasters, audio reporters and written press	
Photographers' working area and match positions	Working area for at least 25 photographers with tables, chairs, power sockets and internet connection	Working area for at least 20 photographers with tables, chairs, power sockets and internet connection
	Seating and internet connection (preferably cabled) must be provided at all match positions.	
Camera storage for broadcasters	Secure location operated by the host association	

### Signage and LED facilities

Area	For all matches
Storage room	Secure and lockable room for storing UNL materials