



Thread: Second Nationalities & Foreigner Restrictions

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Dermotron
Sir Mergements
Director
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Join Date: 15-12-11
Location: Your Mother
Posts: 29,995

Second Nationalities & Foreigner Restrictions

Originally post by quadvod

A while back info0 posted a thread on second nationalities. So, with the help of Tapani's x200 game speed option, I had a tour of the globe to see how quickly Johnnie El Foreigno gets his citizenship papers.

Code:

Country:	Season:	Month:	Player Restrictions:
=====	=====	=====	=====
Argentina	Never	-	4 Foreigners
Australia	Never	-	6 Foreigners*
Belgium	6	April	No Restrictions
Brazil	Never	-	2 Foreigners
Croatia	6**	April	4 Foreigners
Denmark	6	April	3 Non-EU
England	5***	January	3 Non-EU
Finland	11	April	No Restrictions
France	6	April	3 Non-EU (2 Non-EU in Second Div
Germany	6	April	18 Non-EU*****
Greece	6	April	5 Non-EU (4 Non-EU in Second Div
Holland	6	April	No Restrictions
Italy	Never	-	No Restrictions
Japan	Never	-	3 Foreigners (5 Foreigners in sc
N. Ireland	5***	January	No Restrictions
Norway	6	April	3 Non-EU
Poland	6**	April	18 Foreigners
Portugal	3	April	4 Non-EU (3 Non-EU in Second Div
Rep. Of Ireland	5***	January	No Restrictions
Russia	11	April	No Restrictions (3 Foreigners in
Scotland	5**	January	No Restrictions
South Korea	Never	-	3 Foreigners
Spain	3*****	April	3 Non-EU (2 Non-EU in Second Div
Sweden	6	April	3 Non-EU
Turkey	6**	April	6 Foreigners (2 Foreigners in 2
USA	Never	-	18 Foreigners
Wales	5***	January	No Restrictions

*Players from New Zealand do not count as foreigners.
**Foreigners from EU countries will not gain a dual Croatian/Polish/Turkish na
***Players can transfer between these countries and still gain dual nationalit
****3 Non-EU in National.
*****German teams consider some non-EU countries as being in the EU (Turkey, I
*****Players from Central and South American countries may take a year less.

The above is all pretty much self-explanatory, bar perhaps the reason for inserting the month in which a player gets their second nationality. If a new signing is made before the month in question, then that season can count as one towards him gaining a second nationality. For example, Arsenal sign Titov in November and then Chivu in March. Titov will get an English second nationality in January of his 5th season as usual, while Chivu will have to wait until his 6th season as he missed the January 'nationality deadline'. I'm not sure exactly which dates players receive their nationalities, but it's around the very start of January for the UK & ROI, and around the 10th-15th of April for others.

Regarding Spain, I'm a bit confused. I seem to remember Central and South American players getting their second nationalities a year ahead of other foreign players, but in the game they took until the third season like the rest. Perhaps this was due to me playing with the Tapani patch (I'm pretty certain that all the rest of these values are the same for ODB & .68 though).

Because Wales is unplayable with Tapani's patch, the values are assumed to be the same as

the other UK countries. Also, any countries that never grant dual nationalities have been tested for at least 15 seasons.

It's important to note that these values are best used with new signings. Values will differ with players already in your squad (at the very start of the game) as you can't tell exactly when they joined the club and whether they missed the January/April nationality deadline.

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#2

Baz ◊
Coach

Join Date: 02-03-12
Location: Torfaen
Posts: 3,084

From memory Wales is the same as England, but given only a couple of us probably ever play in Wales these days it doesn't really matter anyway 🌐 Also with the South Americans i've always found the same, but I put this down to them already being fluent in said language before hand 😊

04-03-12, 09:50 PM

#3

Aula ◊
Squad Rotation Player

Join Date: 03-03-12
Location: Estonia, Pärnu
Posts: 1,717

Years To obtain Second Nationality

Originally Posted by **info0**

For all of the European Countries.

Albania-N/A*
Andorra-5 Years
Armenia-N/A
Austria-5 Years
Azerbaijan-N/A
Belarus-N/A
Belgium-3 Years
Bosnia-3 Years
Bulgaria-N/A
Croatia-5 Years
Cyprus-5 Years
Czech R-5 Years
Denmark-7 Years
England-5 Years
Estonia-5 Years
Faroe Islands-N/A
Finland-N/A
France-5 Years
Macedonia-3 Years
Georgia-N/A
Germany-5 Years
Greece-10 Years!
Holland-5 Years
Hungary-N/A
Iceland-N/A
Ireland-5 Years
Israel-5 Years
Italy-N/A
Kazakhstan-N/A
Latvia-5 Years
Liechtenstein-N/A
Lithuania-5 Years
Luxembourg-5 Years
Malta-5 Years
Moldova-N/A
Montenegro-3 Years
N.Ireland-N/A
Norway-7 Years
Poland-5 Years
Portugal-5 Years
Romania-N/A (5 years)(not sure)
Russia-12 Years!!!
San Marino-N/A
Scotland-N/A
Serbia-3 Years
Slovakia-N/A
Slovenia-10 Years!
Spain-4 Years***
Sweden-N/A

Switzerland-5 Years
Turkey- 5 Years
Ukraine-5 Years
Wales-N/A

People from the following countries will gain a Spanish nationality in 2 years (if the list's correct of course)

Argentina
Bolivia
Chile
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cuba
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
El Salvador
Honduras
Guatemala
Mexico
Nicaragua
Panama
Paraguay
Peru
Puerto Rico (US)
Uruguay
Venezuela
Philippines
Equatorial Guinea
Andorra
Portugal

You can search the list by using Ctrl+F.

*N/A means that a player cant get that nationality. OR the years it takes are random.

Courtesy of The Dogout

Valuable information 🙏

08-03-12, 03:35 AM

#4

Rivaldo ◊
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 08-03-12
Posts: 18

NICE WORK

16-08-12, 01:48 AM

#5

slivie ◊
Hot Prospect for the Future

Join Date: 09-03-12
Posts: 216

Gaining 2nd Nationality

I remember playing a cm 01/02 save game years ago and an Italian player who had been at the club I was managing in England after many years/appearance got dual nationality Italian/English. Does anyone know how many appearances/years a foreign player needs to get dual nationality or was it removed by one of Tapani's or Zozoa's patches?

16-08-12, 03:55 AM

#6

Fods ◊
Not Needed at the Club

Join Date: 16-12-11
Location: Australia
Posts: 11,493

That search function top right is 'nearly' as good as google

<http://www.champman0102.co.uk/showth...ht=nationality>

23-08-12, 08:44 AM

#7

BlazeRavenwolf ◊
First Team Player

Join Date: 02-03-12
Posts: 2,500

If my memory serves me right, in some countries young players can gain 2nd nationality in 1 or 2 years, but I am not sure which countries they are (I am sure Belgium is one of them though)

23-08-12, 12:16 PM

#8

Pacino ◦
Decent Young Player

Join Date: 02-03-12
Location: Zagreb, Hrvatska
Posts: 68

Originally Posted by **topaztiger1983** ◻

If my memory serves me right, in some countries young players can gain 2nd nationality in 1 or 2 years, but I am not sure which countries they are (I am sure Belgium is one of them though)

It is probably Portugal, i know one non/EU player gain Portuguese dual nationality before even end of first season and he was loaned too.. end yes he was under 21 age

28-12-12, 10:04 PM

#9

phil_jackson ◦
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 27-12-12
Posts: 41

I've played several times in the MLS, and the restrictions there are drastic : only 4 foreigners are allowed in the squad. However, I've seen sometimes squads with 5 foreigners, but when I took over, it's always been maximum 4, so I had to sell 2 before buying 1.

Also, in France it's 5 non-EU players in the line-up in D1, and 3 in the lower divisions.

And if I remember well, I think it's in Portugal, you have a restriction for the number of non-EU in the line-up, but also for non-EU in the squad (must be 18 or 20, something like that).

Last edited by phil_jackson; 30-12-12 at 12:32 PM.

16-01-13, 04:03 AM

#10

phokaia
Unattached

Thanks for this useful information

31-01-13, 12:46 PM

#11

martinho ◦
Hot Prospect for the Future

Join Date: 08-03-12
Posts: 232

An answer from someone who knows it, is better than both Google and the forums' search function.

31-01-13, 01:02 PM

#12

Dermotron ◦
Sir Mergements
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Captain

Join Date: 15-12-11
Location: Your Mother
Posts: 29,995

Kinda pissing all over the work someone bothered to go and do though ain't it?

Tidying up repeat threads is a nuisance too. Given the answer will usually be a link to an existing thread.

The 'Questions & Comments that Dont Warrant a Thread' is actually quiet good for getting a response and keeping the place tidy.

That said, could probably do with a library of similar threads to this one or for the data they contain.

Cam F ◊
VIP

Join Date: 03-03-12
Posts: 2,949

Surprisingly noob question from me 🤔

As I don't cheat & use CM Scout/ CM Explorer...etc, if a player gains a 2nd nationality during his playing career, when he retires does the regen have both or just his original nation?

I've noticed dual nationality players already come back as both but just wondered about this.



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Having a guess I think the player loses the second nationality gained.

that said, I have seen players comeback with 2nd nationality, that was gained during the game, as new 1st nationality due to the player being capped by his new nation. The player will only have one nationality though.

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Cam F ◊
VIP

Join Date: 03-03-12
Posts: 2,949

I am patiently waiting for my Brazilian at Gers I signed on £40k per week gaining his Scottish 2nd Nationality. 4 seasons in & waiting so patiently 🤔

Not getting a sniff of a Brazilian cap but would be my main man for Scotland 😊



Pacino ◊
Decent Young Player

Join Date: 02-03-12
Location: Zagreb, Hrvatska
Posts: 68

It depent, for example i was so so lucky and get Ibra regen at my school 🤔

And he got Sweden as Bosnian nationality too..



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01-04-13, 01:34 PM

#17

jarssonn ◦
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 18-03-12
Location: Worcester (UK)
Posts: 20

Hi! is there any way of changing these rules by changing the game code?

01-04-13, 07:36 PM

#18

ilovesanmarino ◦
Squad Rotation Player

Join Date: 28-02-13
Location: UK
Posts: 1,146

here are the real world rules in case anyone not 100% familiar with them (case (d) being the one really relevant)

Any Player who ... [assumes] a new nationality and who has not played international football [in a match ... in an official competition of any category or any type of football for one Association] shall be eligible to play for the new representative team only if he fulfills one of the following conditions:

- (a) He was born on the territory of the relevant Association;
- (b) His biological mother or biological father was born on the territory of the relevant Association;
- (c) His grandmother or grandfather was born on the territory of the relevant Association;
- (d) He has lived continuously for at least five years after reaching the age of 18 on the territory of the relevant Association.** (when this rule was first written it was two years)

the home nations ignore rule (d) and replace it with the following

- (d) He has engaged in a minimum of five years education under the age of 18 within the territory of the relevant association

06-04-13, 07:50 AM

#19

Sam ◦
Reserve Team Player

Join Date: 05-03-12
Location: Barakaldo, Spain
Posts: 360

(c) His grandmother or grandfather was born on the territory of the relevant Association

That means I could play for England, Malaysia or Ireland. I reckon even now I could get into the Malaysia side if I got fit 🇹🇲

09-04-13, 12:42 PM

#20

Kingsley ◦
The Mascot

Join Date: 05-03-12
Location: Ribbles Valley
Posts: 5,734

Originally Posted by **Sam** ◦

That means I could play for England, Malaysia or Ireland. I reckon even now I could get into the Malaysia side if I got fit 🇹🇲

I don't think I'd even need to get fit to improve the current Scotland side 😞

Bern ◊
Hot Prospect for the Future

Join Date: 03-09-12
Posts: 103

Originally Posted by **ilovesanmarino** »

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Just to be clear, these are the rules for playing for a National Team.

The rules for becoming a citizen depend on each individual nation. You can be eligible much quicker in certain situations. Which benefits the players club situation.

09-04-13, 10:44 PM

#22

ilovesanmarino ◊
Squad Rotation Player

Join Date: 28-02-13
Location: UK
Posts: 1,146

Indeed, but the game only has one type of Nationality. I am sure there was a young footballer who fell foul of this in real life. He arrived in the UK as a child asylum seeker and represented England at a Junior level, however when reaching 18 he was threatened with deportation to his "home" country, despite having no family there and it being very dangerous. I may be confusing two cases though as the only footballer I can find is http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alhassan_Bangura and I may be confusing it with this <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/7059170.stm>

10-04-13, 01:40 PM

#23

Sam ◊
Reserve Team Player

Join Date: 05-03-12
Location: Barakaldo, Spain
Posts: 360

Originally Posted by **ilovesanmarino** »

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An interesting case, but perhaps most interesting was that he was intended to be a male prostitute in England.

06-06-13, 06:13 PM

#24

phil_jackson ◊
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 27-12-12
Posts: 41

Something strange happened in a game I'm playing. I'm managing a portuguese D1 club and I've had a few players on loan from south-american clubs. The loans were agreed in January/February 2037. In April of the same year, 3 players out 4 get a second nationality (portuguese) : 2 players from Brazil and 1 player from Argentina. While the 4th player, also a Brazilian and loaned by the same club as the 2 others (Sao Paulo), doesn't get the portuguese passport... And none of those players had left their continent before joining my club... 🤔

06-06-13, 06:59 PM

#25

Sam ◊
Reserve Team Player

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Location: Barakaldo, Spain
Posts: 360

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never seen that. The only possible semi-logical explanation I could give is that the ones who got 2nd nationality were regens of players who had Portuguese 2nd nationality before, or were only a year away from attaining it. Just a wild stab in the dark though.

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#26

phil_jackson
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 27-12-12
Posts: 41

Originally Posted by **Sam**

regens of players who had Portuguese 2nd nationality before, or were only a year away from attaining it

That could be...

28-08-14, 05:49 PM

#27

stutel
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 28-02-14
Posts: 17

Naturalised players

Does anyone know the number of seasons it takes for players to gain second nationality in various countries?

I know it's five in England, and it seems to be three in Portugal. How long in France??

Is there a complete list somewhere?

28-08-14, 06:06 PM

#28

Erkifino
First Team Player

Join Date: 02-03-12
Posts: 4,536

<http://www.champman0102.co.uk/showth...+nationalities>

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#29

stutel
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 28-02-14
Posts: 17

Nice one. Thanks!

03-05-15, 09:48 PM

#30

magnet
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 03-05-15
Posts: 8

Originally Posted by **info0**

For all of the European Countries.

Croatia-5 Years

Actually this is not true, it is 2 years, since allways!! there are many cases when south american, bosnian and some african players got citizenship after only 2-3 years playing in Croatia!

For example:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eduardo_da_Silva

He came into Croatia in 1999, and as you can read "Eduardo took up Croatian citizenship in 2002".

And it's not true that players with EU citizenship are not able to get Croatian one.

13-10-15, 04:34 PM

#31

colml
Squad Rotation Player

Join Date: 20-06-12
Location: Ireland
Posts: 1,232

Does anyone know if EU players can get a second nationality in another EU country, or do they have to be non-EU? I'm playing in Spain btw, a few non-EU players have gained Spanish but a some other europeans haven't.

14-10-15, 11:30 AM

#32

BobMem
First Team Player

Join Date: 04-03-12
Posts: 4,250

There's a load of stuff about this scattered around the forum, detailing number of years different nationalities take to get second nationality status. There is something particular about South Americans playing in either Spain or Portugal, in that the time taken is much shorter.

03-11-15, 10:20 AM

#33

MrIver93
Youth Team Player

Join Date: 23-08-15
Posts: 5

I don't remember exactly, but Russian takes less time to gain second nationality (about 6-8 years).

02-11-16, 12:53 PM

#34

Whyme
Hot Prospect for the Future

Join Date: 16-06-14
Posts: 158

Does anyone know what the go is with Portugese clubs only being allowed a certain number of non EEC players in the squad?

I had 11 non EEC players in my Sporting Lisbon squad and when I tried to buy a Brazilian player the deal fell through as we weren't allowed any more non EEC players in our squad. So I got rid of a South Korean to make way for the Brazilian, but the deal fell through again. So then I got rid of a Brazilian and another South Korean to make the total number of non EEC players in our squad 8, yet I still can't buy the Brazilian that I want. Any ideas?

02-11-16, 01:10 PM

#35

Fods
Not Needed at the Club

Join Date: 16-12-11
Location: Australia
Posts: 11,493

Second Nationalities & Foreigner Restrictions

Were all those players already in the squad? I.e.: added by the update team?

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#36

AMC ◦
CML Mod
Official Challenges Team

Join Date: 02-03-12
Posts: 8,399

Are the people you're getting rid of not 2nd Nationality Portuguese? They won't count as one of your non EEC players if they are.

02-11-16, 11:07 PM

#37

Whyme ◦
Hot Prospect for the Future

Join Date: 16-06-14
Posts: 158

Originally Posted by **Fods** ◻

Were all those players already in the squad? I.e.: added by the update team?

Nah I raided South Korea, Japan and Brazil for some cheap foreigners.

Originally Posted by **AMC** ◻

Are the people you're getting rid of not 2nd Nationality Portuguese? They won't count as one of your non EEC players if they are.

None of them have a second nationality.

It's strange as the squad only had about 3 non EEC players in it originally and then I was able to build it up to 11, but when I've reduced the non EEC intake they've still stopped me from bringing more in. Maybe there's a limit on how many non EEC players you can purchase per season?

02-11-16, 11:16 PM

#38

Dermotron ◦
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Might be a useful thread to read - <http://champman0102.co.uk/showthread.php?t=6208>

This patch has the correct foreign players restrictions <http://champman0102.co.uk/showthread.php?t=9049>

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Cheers Dermotron, but I've already read that thread and it didn't address the problem I've got and the patch won't help me with my current game.

However I think I've found a work around. Not sure if it's a bug or not but it's worked for now. If I relegate one of the non EEC players to the Sporting 'B' team, then I'm allowed to sign another non EEC player. So maybe if I hide the non EEC players in my B team then I can sign as many non EEC players as I like!

The three non EEC players that I sold to make way for Romarion were all in the 'B' team when I sold them so it seems I sold them all for no reason 🙄

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