



# GAME NOTES

## MATCH INFORMATION



TACOMA DEFIANCE

VS.



VENTURA COUNTY FC

**Kickoff:** March 22, 2026 | 7:00 p.m. PT

**Location:** Starfire Stadium

**Broadcast:** One Football / MLSNEXTPro.com

**Talent:** James Hadnot

## MATCH NOTES

- Tacoma Defiance takes on Ventura County FC on Sunday, March 29 at Starfire Stadium (8:00 p.m. PT / One Football, MLS NEXTPro.com).
- Defiance fell 1-0 last weekend at home to Austin FC 2 on March 22.
- Tacoma Defiance defender Antino Lopez was signed to the First Team last week after appearing in two matches this year for Seattle via Short-Term Agreement.
- This is the first matchup of the year between Tacoma and Ventura County FC, with the California side winning all three matchups in 2025.
- Saturday's contest is the final of a three-match homestand for Tacoma.
- Following Sunday's fixture, Defiance has a week off before traveling to Whitecaps FC 2 on Sunday, April 12 at Swangard Stadium (4:00 p.m. PT / One Football, MLSNEXTPro.com).

## 2026 DEFIANCE SCHEDULE

MLS NEXT PRO REGULAR SEASON RECORD: 0-2-2  
(HOME: 0-1-2, AWAY: 0-1-0, GD: -4)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (PT) / RESULT
3/1	LAFC 2	D, 2(1)-2(4)
3/8	at Houston Dynamo 2	L, 0-4
3/14	SJ Earthquakes II	D, 0(4)-0(1)
3/22	Austin FC II	L, 0-1
3/29	Ventura County FC	8:00 p.m.
4/12	at Whitecaps FC 2	4:00 p.m.
4/17	St. Louis CITY2	7:00 p.m.
4/26	LAFC 2	8:00 p.m.
5/3	at SKC II	5:00 p.m.
5/10	at Austin FC II	5:30 p.m.
5/17	at Whitecaps FC 2	4:00 p.m.
5/22	Ventura County FC	7:00 p.m.
5/31	at Timbers2	1:00 p.m.
6/17	Houston Dynamo 2	7:00 p.m.
6/21	Real Monarchs	7:00 p.m.
6/27	at MNUFC2	5:00 p.m.
7/5	Timbers2	7:00 p.m.
7/12	at SJ Earthquakes II	TBD
7/19	at Real Monarchs	2:30 p.m.
7/26	Colorado Rapids 2	7:00 p.m.
8/1	Whitecaps FC 2	7:00 p.m.
8/8	at North Texas SC	5:45 p.m.
8/16	at LAFC 2	7:00 p.m.
8/23	Sporting KC II	7:00 p.m.
8/30	at Real Monarchs	2:30 p.m.
9/5	at SJ Earthquakes II	TBD
9/13	at Ventura County FC	4:00 p.m.
9/20	Timbers2	2:00 p.m.

**2026 TACOMA DEFIANCE ROSTER**

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Birthdate	Hometown	Previous Club
30	Edson Carli	M	5-8	160	08/23/07	Lake Forest Park, WA	
32	Xavi Gnaulati	M	5-9	146	01/22/05	San Diego, CA	Monterrey Bay FC (USL)
33	Cody Baker#	D	5-10	155	01/04/04	Issaquah, WA	Sounders FC Academy
34	Danny Robles	M	5-6	158	01/04/02	Burien, WA	Northern Colorado Hailstorm (USL)
35	Antino Lopez#	D	6-0	170	05/21/02	Las Vegas, NV	Duke (NCAA)
36	Yu Tsukanome#	F	5-9	165	12/21/00	Saitama, Japan	Dakota Fusion FC (NPSL)
37	Snyder Brunell#	M	5-10	151	03/23/07	Kirkland, WA	Sounders FC Academy
38	Kevin Bonilla	D	5-6	152	09/20/04	Dallas, TX	Real Salt Lake
39	Stuart Hawkins#	D	6-1	158	09/18/06	Fox Island, WA	Sounders FC Academy
40	Mark O'Neill	D	6-4	185	03/08/02	Louisville, CO	Vancouver Whitecaps FC
41	Mohammed Shour	GK	6-2	196	09/12/07	Seattle, WA	Sounders FC Academy
42	Rafael Jauregui	M	5-8	161	12/20/04	Sacramento, CA	Charlotte Independence (USL)
43	Omar Hassan	M	5-5	125	03/24/09	Seattle, WA	Sounders FC Academy
45	Peter Kingston	M	5-11	155	07/14/01	Tukwila, WA	Washington (NCAA)
46	Joe Dale	M	5-10	155	04/17/04	Seattle, WA	Washington (NCAA)
47	Demian Alvarez	D	6-3	180	03/26/02	Chico, CA	Seattle University (NCAA)
48	Codey Phoenix	D	5-9	141	02/03/05	Auckland, New Zealand	Auckland FC (New Zealand)
49	Cris Batiz	F	5-8	120	03/28/11	San Pedro Sula, Honduras	Sounders FC Academy
50	Max Anchor#	GK	6-3	190	07/21/04	Surrey, BC, Canada	Vancouver Whitecaps FC
51	Etienne Veillard^	D/M	5-7	140	05/03/07	Les Cayes, Haiti	
53	Gallatin Sandnes^	D	6-0	156	06/03/08	Seattle, WA	
54	Shaun Brun^	D	6-0	173	08/27/07	Seattle, WA	
56	Noah Newman^	GK	6-4	177	10/23/07	Seattle, WA	
58	Jasper Winslow	D	6-2	175	04/10/02	Los Angeles, CA	Cal Poly Pomona (NCAA)
62	Mitchell Emert^	D	5-8	149	05/12/08	Seattle, WA	
65	Brayden Smith^	M	5-9	173	02/07/08	Seattle, WA	
67	Taiki Sugita^	D	5-7	167	07/23/09	Renton, WA	
70	Kelvin Luis-Brito^	M	5-4	148	05/02/08	Kirkland, WA	
73	Samuel Harvey^	GK	6-2	210	10/15/09	Providenciales, Turks/Caicos Islands	
79	Leo Flores^	F	5-7	142	04/15/08	Anaheim, CA	
80	Drew Brown	D	6-2	178	08/28/02	Waukee, IA	UCLA (NCAA)
81	Mark Bronnik	F	6-0	156	11/08/06	Brooklyn, NY	Union Omaha (USL)
82	Bridger Sandnes^	D	6-1	165	07/19/10	Seattle, WA	
84	Charlie Gaffney	M	5-9	156	07/29/01	Seattle, WA	Penn (NCAA)
85	Kalani Kossa-Rienzi#	D/M	5-7	167	06/27/02	Berkeley, CA	Washington (NCAA)
90	Sebastian Gomez#	M	5-9	150	05/21/06	Seattle, WA	Sounders FC Academy
95	Osaze De Rosario#	F	6-2	189	07/19/01	San Jose, CA	York United FC (CPL)
97	Saku Kitafuji	F	5-8	143	07/20/05	Osaka, Japan	Kwansei Gakuin University (Japan)
99	Landon Lucero^	F	6-2	177	02/25/10	Shoreline, WA	

#Sounders FC First Team Player

^Sounders FC Academy Player

**2026 TACOMA DEFIANCE TECHNICAL STAFF**

<b>General Manager &amp; Chief Soccer Officer</b>	Craig Waibel
<b>Technical Director</b>	Henry Brauner
<b>Director of Development</b>	Wade Webber
<b>Defiance Head Coach</b>	Paulo Nagamura
<b>Defiance Assistant Coach</b>	João Paulo
<b>Defiance Athletic Trainer</b>	Emma Strom
<b>Director of Player Personnel</b>	Corey Sinser
<b>Team Services Director</b>	Vince Johnson
<b>Team Services Coordinator</b>	Josh Gehrke
<b>MLS NEXT Pro Equipment Manager</b>	Jojo Comstock



**TACOMA DEFIANCE vs. VENTURA COUNTY FC | MARCH 29, 2026 - 8:00 P.M. PT**

**30 M EDSON CARLI**

**Height:** 5-8  
**Weight:** 160  
**Born:** August 23, 2007  
**Hometown:** Lake Forest Park, WA



**32 M XAVI GNAULATI**

**Height:** 5-9  
**Weight:** 146  
**Born:** January 22, 2005  
**Hometown:** San Diego, CA  
**Pronunciation:** SHAW-vee NYOW-law-tee



**34 M DANNY ROBLES**

**Height:** 5-6  
**Weight:** 158  
**Born:** January 1, 2002  
**Hometown:** Burien, WA



**38 D KEVIN BONILLA**

**Height:** 5-6  
**Weight:** 152  
**Born:** September 20, 2004  
**Hometown:** Dallas, TX



**40 D MARK O'NEILL**

**Height:** 6-4  
**Weight:** 185  
**Born:** March 8, 2002  
**Hometown:** Louisville, CO



**41 GK MOHAMMED SHOUR**

**Height:** 6-2  
**Weight:** 180  
**Born:** September 12, 2007  
**Hometown:** Seattle, WA  
**Pronunciation:** Shore



**42 M RAFAEL JAUREGUI**

**Height:** 5-8  
**Weight:** 161  
**Born:** December 20, 2004  
**Hometown:** Sacramento, CA



**43 M OMAR HASSAN**

**Height:** 5-6  
**Weight:** 130  
**Born:** March 24, 2009  
**Hometown:** Seattle, WA



**45 M PETER KINGSTON**

**Height:** 5-8  
**Weight:** 153  
**Born:** July 14, 2001  
**Hometown:** Tukwila, WA



**46 D JOE DALE**

**Height:** 5-10  
**Weight:** 155  
**Born:** April 17, 2004  
**Hometown:** Seattle, WA



**47 D DEMIAN ALVAREZ**

**Height:** 6-3  
**Weight:** 178  
**Born:** March 26, 2002  
**Hometown:** Chico, CA  
**Pronunciation:**  
Day-me-un Al-vuh-rez



**48 D CODEY PHOENIX**

**Height:** 5-9  
**Weight:** 141  
**Born:** February 3, 2005  
**Hometown:** Auckland, New Zealand





**49 F CRIS BATIZ**

**Height:** 5-7  
**Weight:** 120  
**Born:** March 28, 2011  
**Hometown:** San Pedro Sula, Honduras



**58 D JASPER WINSLOW**

**Height:** 6-2  
**Weight:** 175  
**Born:** April 10, 2005  
**Hometown:** Los Angeles, CA



**80 D DREW BROWN**

**Height:** 6-2  
**Weight:** 178  
**Born:** August 28, 2002  
**Hometown:** Waukee, IA



**81 F MARK BRONNIK**

**Height:** 6-0  
**Weight:** 156  
**Born:** November 8, 2006  
**Hometown:** Brooklyn, NY



**84 M CHARLIE GAFFNEY**

**Height:** 5-9  
**Weight:** 150  
**Born:** July 29, 2003  
**Hometown:** Seattle, WA



**97 F SAKU KITAFUJI**

**Height:** 5-8  
**Weight:** 143  
**Born:** July 20, 2005  
**Hometown:** Osaka, Japan

