



GAME NOTES

MATCH INFORMATION



TACOMA DEFIANCE

vs.

TIMBERS2



Kickoff: September 20, 2026 | 2:00 p.m. PT

Location: Starfire Stadium

Broadcast: One Football / MLSNEXTPro.com

Talent: Josh Lill

MATCH NOTES

- Tacoma Defiance hosts Timbers2 on Sunday, September 20 at Starfire Stadium (7:00 p.m. PT / One Football, MLSNEXTPro.com).
- In its most recent contest, Defiance fell to Ventura County FC 0-3 on Sunday, September 13.
- Tacoma Defiance clinches a spot in the 2026 MLS NEXT Pro Cup playoffs with a win or San Jose loss, as well as a shootout win coupled with either North Texas getting one or fewer points or San Jose getting two or fewer points. Defiance can also clinch a playoff spot with a shootout loss and North Texas loss or San Jose getting one or fewer points.
- Bronnik leads Defiance with 13 goals this season, including eight goals in his last eight matches. Bronnik also has three assists during that span.
- Charlie Gaffney leads the team with eight assists this season, the most single-season assists ever in Defiance/S2 history.
- Should Defiance clinch a playoff berth, the club would await to see if they are playing in the Play-In Round slated for October 9-11 or the Conference Quarterfinals slated for October 16-18.

2026 DEFIANCE SCHEDULE

MLS NEXT PRO REGULAR SEASON RECORD: 11-12-4
(HOME: 7-4-2, AWAY: 4-8-2, 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	L, 0-1
4/12	at Whitecaps FC 2	L, 1-2
4/17	St. Louis CITY2	L, 1-2
4/26	LAFC 2	W, 4-1
5/3	at SKC II	D, 2(4)-2(2)
5/10	at Austin FC II	L, 0-3
5/17	at Whitecaps FC 2	W, 2-0
5/22	Ventura County FC	W, 1-0
5/31	at Timbers2	L, 0-1
6/17	Houston Dynamo 2	W, 2-1
6/21	Real Monarchs	W, 1-0
6/27	at MNUFC2	D, 2(4)-2(1)
7/5	Timbers2	L, 0-2
7/12	at SJ Earthquakes II	W, 1-0
7/19	at Real Monarchs	W, 4-2
7/26	Colorado Rapids 2	W, 2-1
8/1	Whitecaps FC 2	W, 4-2
8/8	at North Texas SC	L, 1-3
8/16	at LAFC 2	L, 3-4
8/24	Sporting KC II	W, 4-0
8/30	at Real Monarchs	L, 0-3
9/5	at SJ Earthquakes II	W, 2-1
9/13	at Ventura County FC	L, 0-3
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	
55	Jared Ríos	M	5-10	159	06/24/05	Liberia, Costa Rica	AD Municipal Liberia (CRC)
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)
59	Matthew Bell	M	5-10	160	08/27/02	Kingston, Jamaica	Portmore United (JAM)
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	Waukegan, 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**General Manager & Chief Soccer Officer****Technical Director****Director of Development****Defiance Head Coach****Defiance Assistant Coach****Defiance Athletic Trainer****Director of Player Personnel****Team Services Director****Team Services Coordinator****MLS NEXT Pro Equipment Manager**

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**TACOMA DEFIANCE vs. TIMBERS2 | SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 - 2:00 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
Pronunciation: Ra-fey-el Jar-ee-gee

**43 M OMAR HASSAN**

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





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53 D GALLATIN SANDNES

Height: 6-0
Weight: 156
Born: June 3, 2008
Hometown: Seattle, WA
Pronunciation: Gal-uh-tin Sand-ness



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: Waukegan, 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
Pronunciation: Sah-koo Kit-a-foo-gee

