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THE CONCEPT

A TBC is the headquarters of a participating team during the competition period of the FIFA World Cup. It combines a dedicated Team Base Camp Training Site (TBCTS) with a suitable hotel or other form of accommodation (TBCH). There will be three types of training site in use during the tournament: local clubs, cluster training facilities and stadium training sites. Many have been built from scratch or renovated, representing an important part of the tournament's legacy for grassroots football in Qatar.

The TBCHs range from four- and five-star hotels to villas, resorts and non-hotel accommodation, including sports academy residences and school/university housing. Besides facilities such as treatment rooms, they feature dedicated common areas to safeguard teams' privacy, and also comply with the relevant security protocols.

A total of 162 inspection visits were organised for the teams that participated in the FIFA World Cup 2022 qualifiers, starting in October 2019.

WORKERS' WELFARE AT TBCHs

FIFA and the Host Country take their responsibility with respect to workers' rights very seriously. As part of these efforts, FIFA and Qatar are implementing an unprecedented due diligence process to protect the rights and well-being of workers at a total of 159 hotels, including all of those that will host participating teams. This work is being carried out in close partnership with the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy, and involves collaboration with trade unions and other independent monitors, as well as the International Labour Organization. Over recent months, FIFA has also supported member associations in their own interactions with hotels concerning workers' rights and is encouraged by the constructive relationships built around this important topic." Source: FIFA

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