

# **2024 Concacaf Champions Cup**

## Monterrey (MEX) vs. Comunicaciones (GUA)

Thursday, February 15, 2024 Estadio BBVA, Monterrey, MEX

CF Monterrey and Comunicaciones FC will face each other for the fourth time in history in the Concacaf Champions Cup CCC, of which Rayados have two wins and one loss with 7 goals scored and 3 conceded.

In the last match of the series, CF Monterrey won 4-1 at the Doroteo Guamuch Flores Stadium on February 6, 2024, with goals from Germán Berterame, Alfonso González, Jesús Gallardo, and Rodrigo Aguirre, and Carlos Mejía scored for Comunicaciones FC.

#### **Series Results:**

Comunicaciones 1-0 Monterrey (Carlos Ramírez), Group D (Match Day 3), La Pedrera Stadium, Guatemala City (September 14, 2011).

Monterrey 3-1 Comunicaciones (Sergio Santana, Luis Pérez, Humberto Suazo; Carlos Mejía), Group D (Match Day 4), Tecnológico Stadium, Monterrey (September 20, 2011).

Comunicaciones 1-4 Monterrey (Carlos Mejía; Germán Berterame, Alfonso González, Jesús Gallardo, and Rodrigo Aguirre), First Round (First Leg), Doroteo Guamuch Flores Stadium, Guatemala City (February 6, 2024).

Comunicaciones FC (GUA) conceded 4 goals at home for the first time in their history in the competition.

With the defeat, Comunicaciones FC ended their third-best streak of consecutive home matches without losing in the CCC with 8 games (5W-3D).

- 13 games (7W-6D) with 1 game in 1973, 3 games in 1978, 2 games in 1980, 3 games in 1982, 1 game in 1983, 2 games in 1984.
- 10 games (6W-4D) with 1 game in 1996, 2 games in 1997, 6 games in 1998, 1 game in 2002.
- 8 games (5W-3D) with 1 game in 2013-2014, 2 games in 2014-2015, 2 games in 2015-2016, 1 game in 2020, 2 games in 2022.
- 8 games (5W-3D) with 3 games in 1969 and 5 games in 1971.

Comunicaciones FC recorded their 43rd defeat in the CCC, remaining the Guatemalan club with the most defeats in the history of the competition.

- 43 defeats Comunicaciones FC
- 30 defeats CDS Municipal
- 21 defeats Aurora FC

CF Monterrey (MEX) achieved 5 consecutive victories in the CCC, the second-best winning streak for Rayados.

CF Monterrey (MEX) achieved 3 consecutive victories in Guatemalan territory.

- 0-1 vs CDS Municipal in 2012-2013
- 1-3 vs Xelajú in 2012-2013
- 1-4 vs Comunicaciones FC in 2024

CF Monterrey scored 4 goals in the first leg of a knockout round for the first time in the history of the CCC. They had previously scored 4 goals, but in second-leg matches.

Germán Berterame (ARG), Alfonso González (MEX), and Rodrigo Aguirre (URU) scored their first goal in the CCC.

Jesús Gallardo (MEX) scored his 6th goal in the CCC, marking the first time he scored as an away player, with 2 goals for Pumas UNAM and 4 for CF Monterrey.

CF Monterrey has never been eliminated in a two-legged tie after scoring 4 goals in the first leg.

The victory in Guatemala was the second time that CF Monterrey (MEX) scored 4 goals playing as visitors in the history of the CCC. They had previously achieved it against Cruz Azul (MEX) in the second leg of the semifinal in the 2021 edition, with goals scored by Maxi Meza 7', Duván Vergara 17', and Rogelio Funes Mori 24',52'.



### **CF Monterrey (MEX)**

**Participations in the Concacaf Champions Cup CCC (including all formats): 12** (1975, 1987, 1994, 2004, 2005, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2016/17, 2019, 2021, 2024).

Best Result: Champion (5) 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2019, 2021.

Record in the CCC (including all formats): GP-74 W-46 D-18 L-10 (GF-144 GA-60).

**Record since the 2008/09 edition:** GP-54 W-39 D-9 L-6 (GF-116 GA-36).

Top scorers: Humberto Suazo (CHI) 16, Aldo De Nigris (MEX) 16, Abraham Carreño (MEX) 9.

Players with the most appearances in the CCC: Aldo de Nigris (MEX) 30, Walter Ayoví (ECU) 30, Neri Cardozo (ARG) 28, Jonathan Orozco (MEX) 27, Jesús Zavala (MEX) 27.

**Since 2008/09:** CF Monterrey has been able to score goals in 49 matches and only in 5 of those 49 games did they not score, they have kept 28 clean sheets, conceded goals in 26 matches, and have only drawn twice with a score of 0-0.

Record in second-leg matches in the KO phase: GP-16 W-10 D-4 L-2

**Victory with the most goals (since 2008/09):** Universitario 0-6 Monterrey (Abraham Carreño, Humberto Suazo x2, Jesús Corona, Neri Cardozo, Luis Madrigal), Group stage 2012/13.

**Hat-tricks:** Abraham Carreño (vs. Herediano - Group stage 2011/12), Ángel Reyna (vs. Universitario - Group stage 2012/13).

Participations in the Round of 16: 2019 (vs. Alianza FC), 2021 (vs. Atlético Pantoja).

Assists in the CCC 2024: Germán Berterame (ARG) 1, Stefan Medina (COL) 1, Jesús Gallardo (MEX) 1, Jordi Cortizo (MEX) 1.

**Saves in the CCC 2024: 6. Goalkeepers:** Esteban Andrada ARG (6). (1 goal conceded - no clean sheets).

Situations to score goals (15). Shots on target (6).

### Players to Watch:

**Jesús Gallardo (MEX).** He was decisive in the victory in Guatemala, scoring a goal and providing an assist, in addition to three shots on target and completing 91% of passes (90 correct). He has scored goals in all 3 editions he has played (2016/17 - with Pumas UNAM -, 2019, 2021, and 2024 with Rayados).

**Germán Berterame (ARG).** He scored a goal and provided an assist in the victory against Comunicaciones, in addition to having made three shots in the first match.

**Jordi Cortizo (MEX).** Provided the assist for Jesús Gallardo's goal. He was the second player with the most total passes (77) against Comunicaciones FC in Guatemala.



### **Comunicaciones (GUA)**

**Appearances in the Concacaf Champions Cup CCC (including all formats): 28** (1962, 1969, 1971, 1973, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2002, 2003, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2020, 2022, 2024).

Best Result: \*Champion (1) 1978 (\*shared the title with Universidad de Guadalajara MEX and Defence Force TRI). Runner-up 1962, 1969.

Record in the CCC (including all formats): GP-134 W-61 D-29 L-44 (GF-224 GA-189).

Record since the 2008/09 edition: GP-33 W-12 D-6 L-15 (GF-42 GA-53).

**Top scorers:** Rolando Fonseca (CRC) 5, Rolando Blackburn (PAN) 5, Tránsito Montepeque (GUA) 3, Rodolfo Suárez (URU) 3.

Players with the most appearances in the CCC: Carlos Castrillo (GUA) 18, Jean Márquez (GUA) 17, Rigoberto Gómez (GUA) 16, Jairo Arreola (GUA) 16.

**Since 2008/09:** Comunicaciones FC managed to score goals in 26 matches, in 7 games they couldn't score, and they have 9 clean sheets, conceded goals in 24 matches, and has never drawn with a score of 0-0.

Record in second-leg matches in the KO phase: GP-4 W-1 D-1 L-2

**Biggest victory (since 2008/09):** Comunicaciones 5-0 Bayamón (Rolando Blackburn x3, Agustín Herrera, Nelson Miranda), Group stage 2014/15.

**Penalty shootouts (since 2008/09):** 2 (won one and lost one). 2-2 (3-5) vs. Club América (Round of 16 2020); 1-1 (3-4) vs. Colorado Rapids (Round of 16 2022).

**Hat-tricks:** Paolo Suárez (vs. Morvant Caledonia - Group stage 2013/14), Rolando Blackburn (vs. Bayamón FC - Group stage 2014/15).

**Participations in the Round of 16:** 2002 (vs. DC United), 2003 (vs. Monarcas), 2020 (vs. Club América), 2022 (vs. Colorado Rapids).

Assists in the CCC 2024: Stheven Robles (GUA) 1.

Saves in the CCC 2024: 4. Goalkeepers: Fredy Pérez GUA (4). (4 goals conceded).

Situations to score goals (13). Shots on target (7).

#### Players to Watch:

**Carlos Mejía (GUA).** Scored a goal in the defeat against Monterrey. Mejía has played in 14 matches in the CCC and has scored three goals.

**Juan Anangonó (ECU).** The top scorer and Most Valuable Player in the Scotiabank Concacaf League 2020 had (3) shots against Monterrey. Anangonó has scored 7 goals in 23 matches in Concacaf club tournaments (including the Scotiabank Concacaf League and the Central American Cup).

**Erik González (GUA).** Was the player with the most accurate passes (22) in the first match against Monterrey. Alongside Jorge Aparicio, he was one of the players with the most passes (26) in the Guatemalan team.