

THE 12TH MAN

SAN MARINO v NORTHERN IRELAND

FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2017

SAN MARINO STADIUM, SERRAVALLE

KICK-OFF 20.45 (LOCAL TIME)



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Northern Ireland National Team



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WELCOME FROM MICHAEL O'NEILL

Following a great result before the summer in Azerbaijan we're looking forward to the autumn matches and the final Group C fixtures. We have a few changes in the line-up for these two games but we have players coming in who along with their capabilities bring a freshness and something different to the squad.

We're not in a position where we can take San Marino lightly. We have to win the game, simple as that. We'll pick a team that we think can win the game and look at the Czech Republic challenge after that.

Confidence of the players is high and we are looking forward to the San Marino match before the quick turnaround ahead of the home fixture.

Thanks to all who are making the journey for your continued support – we look forward to hearing you at the match!

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Michael O'Neill
National Team Manager

WELCOME FROM GARY McALLISTER

We're coming towards what some might call the 'business end' of the World Cup campaign and more two thousand fans are expected to travel to Italy and onward to Serravalle for the match against San Marino.

A lot of work has been put into gathering information for this guide, and the Amalgamation of Official Northern Ireland Supporters' Clubs will also be using our social media platforms (www.facebook.com/TheAmalgamation or @AoNISC_Travel on Twitter) to help share that.

Most of you will be aware of the shortfall in tickets, which doesn't often happen, however at the time of writing I would remain hopeful that those fans without tickets will be able to get into the game.

You may also be aware of the special shuttle bus operation which will operate between Rimini and San Marino on match day and I would encourage groups to register their interest via www.sanmarinotransfers.com to help the organisers to plan for the number of people who will want to make use of this service.

We can look hope for good weather and a good result, but above all let's have a great time. Have a safe and enjoyable trip.

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Gary McAllister
Chairman, AONISC

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Getting there

TRAVEL ADVICE FOR THOSE ATTENDING SAN MARINO v NORTHERN IRELAND IN SAN MARINO, 1ST September at 20:45

Introduction

The following advice is intended to help all those planning to visit San Marino for the San Marino v Northern Ireland football match to be held on Friday 1st September. Kick-off is 20:45hrs local time.

As well as this advice, check out our travel advice [Italy](#)

Passports and visas

You do not need a visa to travel to Italy but you must hold a valid passport. For stays of up to three months your passport must be valid for the proposed duration of your stay; you do not need any additional period of validity on your passport beyond this. However, it is always sensible to have a short period of extra validity on your passport in case of unforeseen delays to your departure.

Remember your European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) though please be aware that this is not valid in San Marino so please ensure you take out good travel insurance - it could save you a lot of money if you get into difficulties.

In San Marino and in Italy it is obligatory to carry ID with you at all times – you will also need your ID to enter the stadium.

Travel Arrangements

The nearest airport to San Marino for commercial flights is Bologna. From there it is a 90 minute car journey. Alternative airports are Milan and Venice.

Stadium – how to get there

The stadium is located [here](#). There will be a shuttle bus service between Rimini (Piazza Alberto Marvelli) and San Marino – both to the stadium and to the old town, on match day. The service will start at 09:15 and continue until 19:15. The transport will remain at the stadium to facilitate the return of supporters post-match with a departure back to Rimini at 22:45 from the stadium. Tickets will cost €15, valid for all shuttles taken.

Fans will find information on transfers to the stadium on <http://www.sanmarinotransfers.com/>

The number of buses which will operate the service depends on how many reservations they will receive, so fans are encouraged to reserve a seat ahead of Friday.

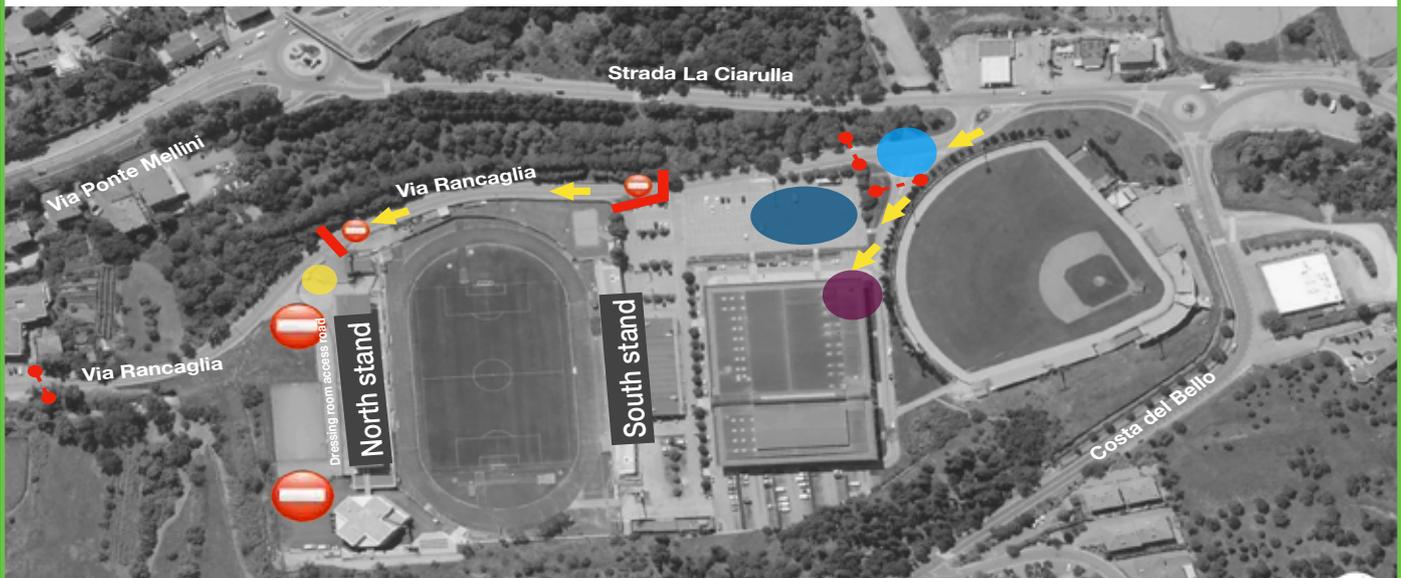
Alternatively there are regular buses that travel from Rimini to San Marino or taxis. The journey time by bus is around 45 minutes.

Visiting fans will be seated in the South Stand (exclusive to Northern Ireland supporters). Fans will enter through an initial cordon with a visual ticket check 50 metres from the stadium. Here police will examine all tickets and direct you to the relevant entrance gate. Supporters will enter the South Stand through one of four points, where a pat-down search and bag search will take place by stewards and a further ticket check by police. To avoid a last minute bottleneck you should get to the stadium early. Remember to bring your passport and your supporters members' card.

Getting there

The Ticketing Office will open at 3pm and will close either when the ticket allocation is sold out or 5 minutes after the beginning of the second half of the match (21.35 approx.)

- Sector C2 entrance
- Shuttle buses (pick up - *only at the end of the match*)
- Ticketing Office for Sector C2
- Shuttle buses (drop off)
- Pedestrian access
- Prohibited area



Road closed, onto Via Rancaglia ONLY ticket for Sector C2 owners can pass.

Once supporters will have collect tickets for Sector C2, they will be able to pass trough the road closed in Via Rancaglia for reaching the entrance.

Stadium Security

Entry tickets to the Stadium are holder specific, and cannot be passed to other parties. The ticket holder is required to produce an identity document (passport) to enter the stadium and the name on the ticket must match that on the passport. Spectators are not permitted to take the following items into the Stadium: alcohol, weapons, (or any item that could be used as a weapon), drums, megaphones, fireworks, plastic bottles with tops, glass bottles and cans containing liquid, belts with large buckles, large umbrellas, large flags.

San Marino FA advise that if you wish to display large banners this will be facilitated from 5pm – 5.30pm.

Personal Security

As in any other city beware of pickpockets and bag snatchers at airports, railway stations, around the town centre and when using public transport. Only carry what you need, leave spare cash and valuables in hotel safety deposits. Carry a photocopy of the personal details pages of your passport and keep it in a safe place separate from your passport.

Keep in mind that most of the seats in the San Marino stadium are not under cover, so dress appropriately.

Getting there

Stolen passports

If your passport is stolen report the loss to the local police as soon as possible and obtain a copy of the police report. Please be aware that you cannot travel back to the UK without a valid travel document. You will need to apply to the Consular Section of the British Embassy, Rome during opening hours for an Emergency Travel Document (4 hours by train) or to the British Consulate, Milan (3 hours by train). This will mean applying for an Emergency Travel Document at the British Embassy or the British Consulate on the Monday after the game.

The Emergency Travel Document is a temporary one-way travel document which will allow you to return to the UK or back to your country of residence. You will need to produce the following:

- a copy of the police report reporting the passport stolen;
- an acceptable form of identification, if possible (e.g. driving licence and/or photocopy of your lost passport);
- one passport-size photograph. We are able to provide a photo at the Embassy for a cost of € paid only in cash;
- a fee of €117 and £100 (payable in cash or by credit card except American Express)
- any details you may have of your return travel arrangements
- authorisation from both parents if you are under 16

Lost wallets

If you lose your wallet please try to cancel your credit cards as soon as possible. British consular officials cannot give you money to help you return home. You can transfer money from relatives or friends in the UK using many of the reputable commercial money transfer agencies in Rome including Western Union and Moneygram and Consular staff can assist you in this. You can also use most major credit cards (and debit cards carrying the Maestro and EC logos) to obtain money from Italian cash machines if you have your PIN. Consular staff can provide you with telephone and internet facilities during opening hours.

If you are arrested

British consular officials can visit you in prison (if you request it) and can put you in touch with local lawyers if you need one. But they cannot get you out of prison, represent you in court or pay your bills. If you wish to see a consular official please make this request clear to the local police authorities.

Consular Assistance

The Consular Section of the British Embassy in Rome is open to the public from 09:00 – 12.00 and 14.00-15.00 Monday-Fridays. Milan Consular Section is open from 09.30 – 12.30 and 14.00 – 16.00 Monday-Fridays.

The contact number for those requiring consular assistance including emergencies during your visit to San Marino is **0039 06 4220 0001**.

Getting there

The address for the British Embassy Rome is Via XX Settembre 80/a, 00187 Rome, Italy.

The address for the British Consulate in Milan is Via S. Paolo, 7 20121 Milan, Italy.

Local Emergency Services:

(+39) 118 Medical Services

(+39) 113 Police

(+39) 112 Carabinieri

(+39) 115 Fire services

We hope you enjoy the game and your visit to San Marino!

British Embassy Rome, Via XX Settembre 80/a, 00187 Rome, Italy

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NORTHERN IRELAND SQUAD

Goalkeepers:

Michael McGovern (Norwich)

Alan Mannus (St Johnstone)

Roy Carroll (Linfield)

Bailey Peacock-Farrell (Leeds Utd)

Defenders:

Aaron Hughes (Hearts)

Adam Thompson (Bury)

Jonny Evans (West Brom)

Chris Brunt (West Brom)

Michael Smith (Hearts)

Conor McLaughlin (Millwall)

Lee Hodson (Rangers)

Ryan McLaughlin (Unattached)

Tom Flanagan (Burton Albion)

Daniel Lafferty (Sheffield Utd)

Midfielders:

Steven Davis (Southampton)

Niall McGinn (Gwangju FC)

Oliver Norwood (Fulham)

Corry Evans (Blackburn Rovers)

Shane Ferguson (Millwall)

Stuart Dallas (Leeds Utd)

Paul Paton (St Johnstone)

Matthew Lund (Burton Albion)

Forwards:

Kyle Lafferty (Hearts)

Josh Magennis (Charlton)

Shay McCartan (Bradford City)

Conor Washington (QPR)



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