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FINN SURMAN SELECTED TO NEW ZEALAND MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM FOR UPCOMING INTERNATIONAL WINDOW

New Zealand set to play two friendlies, two Kirin Cup matches

PORTLAND, Ore. – Portland Timbers defender Finn Surman has been selected to the New Zealand Men's National Team for the upcoming international window in September and October, the New Zealand Football Federation announced today. The All Whites are set to play two friendly matches and two Kirin Cup 2026 matches during the break.

New Zealand will kick off the window with two friendly matches in Chongqing, China, against Palestine (Sept. 24) and China (Sept. 27). Surman and the All Whites will then compete in the Kirin Cup, a four-team competition in Japan, where they will face Panama (Oct. 1) and either Japan or Ecuador on October 5.

Since making his senior international debut in November of 2023, the six-foot-three defender has earned 22 caps (20 starts), registering three goals. Most recently, Surman competed in FIFA World Cup 26™ with the All Whites, playing every minute of all three group-stage matches while scoring against Egypt on June 21. For the Timbers, Surman has logged 25 appearances (all starts) this season, recording one goal and one assist.

WHAT	WHEN	WHO	WHERE
New Zealand vs. Palestine (International Friendly)	Sept. 24, 2:30 a.m. (Pacific)	Finn Surman (New Zealand)	Chongqing, China – Tongliang Long Stadium
New Zealand vs. China (International Friendly)	Sept. 27, 4:35 a.m. (Pacific)	Finn Surman (New Zealand)	Chongqing, China – Longxing Football Stadium
New Zealand vs. Panama (2026 Kirin Cup)	Oct. 1, TBD Time	Finn Surman (New Zealand)	Tokyo, Japan – Yokohama International Stadium
New Zealand vs. Ecuador or Japan (2026 Kirin Cup)	Oct. 5, TBD Time	Finn Surman (New Zealand)	Tokyo, Japan – Tokyo National Stadium

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