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SEATTLE REIGN FC SIGNS FORWARD MIA FISHEL TO MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT

U.S. Women's National Team forward joins the club from Chelsea through the 2029 NWSL season; 24-year-old began professional career with Tigres UANL of Mexico, winning Liga MX Femenil Golden Boot and Apertura league title in 2022

Fishel, General Manager Lesle Gallimore and Head Coach Laura Harvey are being made available to media today at 1:30 p.m. PT at the Providence Swedish Performance Center & Clubhouse

RENTON, WASH. (July 10, 2025) – Seattle Reign FC today announced the signing of U.S. Women's National Team forward **Mia Fishel** to a multi-year contract through the 2029 season. The deal includes a transfer fee paid to Chelsea FC, where the 24-year-old spent the last two seasons. A two-time All-American at UCLA, the San Diego native began her professional career with Mexican side Tigres UANL, capturing the league's Golden Boot and leading her squad to a championship in 2022. Fishel joins Reign FC immediately and becomes the longest-contracted player on Seattle's roster.

"We're pleased to bring Mia Fishel to Seattle Reign FC," said Seattle Reign FC General Manager **Lesle Gallimore**. "Mia is a player with tremendous upside – a goal-scorer with presence, creativity and a drive to keep growing. This move represents an important step in her return to top form, and we're committed to giving her the environment and support to thrive. We believe in her ability to make a real impact in the NWSL and are looking forward to what she'll bring to the club and our fans."

Nicknamed "Big Fish," Fishel arrives in Seattle after two seasons with Chelsea, where the club won back-to-back Women's Super League titles. She was also with Chelsea during the club's run to its sixth FA Women's Cup title (2024-25) and third FA Women's League Cup title (2024-25). Fishel scored in her debut for the Blues in 2023, but missed the better part of both seasons after suffering a torn ACL while training with the USWNT in February of 2024. In all, Fishel tallied two goals in 14 appearances for Chelsea.

Prior to her time with Chelsea, Fishel was selected fifth overall in the 2022 NWSL Draft by the Orlando Pride, but instead opted to launch her professional career with Tigres UANL in Liga MX Femenil. She made an immediate impact, scoring 17 goals in 17 matches to claim the 2022 Liga MX Femenil Golden Boot – the first foreign player to do so – and later helped lead Tigres to a league title.



"We're absolutely thrilled to bring Mia into our squad," said Seattle Reign FC Head Coach **Laura Harvey**. "She's a forward with world-class potential who's already accomplished so much in her young career. Mia's ability to disrupt defenses, finish in different ways makes her a dangerous addition to our group. We're excited to help her take the next step and can't wait to see her on the field soon."

A standout at UCLA from 2019 to 2021, Fishel scored 32 goals and added 14 assists in 59 appearances for the Bruins. She was a two-time United Soccer Coaches All-American and earned First Team All-Pac-12 honors in back-to-back seasons. As a freshman, she led the team with 14 goals, ranking third among all NCAA freshmen nationwide.

"I'm incredibly excited to sign a long-term contract in the NWSL and take this next step in my career with Seattle Reign FC," said **Fishel**. "This league is one of the best in the world, and I'm looking forward to the opportunity. I can't wait to get started and contribute to the team's success."

On the international stage, Fishel earned her first senior call-up to the U.S. Women's National Team in 2020 and debuted in 2023. She has three caps to date, scoring her first international goal in her hometown of San Diego against Colombia. Fishel has also represented the United States at the U-15, U-17 and U-20 levels, winning three Concacaf championships across those age groups. In 2020, Fishel was a finalist alongside Naomi Girma and Trinity Rodman for U.S. Soccer Young Female Player of the Year.

Fishel was recognized by the International Federation of Football, History and Statistics as the world's top scorer in 2022. She also holds the national record for most goals by any U.S. Youth National Team player across all age groups, with 13 goals.

Seattle Reign FC will next participate in two July friendlies, beginning with an international fixture against Japan's Urawa Red Diamonds at Lumen Field on July 20, followed by a matchup at Providence Park against Portland Thorns FC on July 26. The club returns to NWSL action on August 1 (7:30 p.m. PT / FOX 13+, NWSL+, Paramount+) at home against Angel City FC for its annual Pride Match. Tickets are available now at ReignFC.com/Tickets.

ABOUT SEATTLE REIGN FC

Seattle Reign FC was established in 2012 as a founding member of the National Women's Soccer League. The fourteen-team NWSL is widely considered to be the most competitive women's professional soccer league in the world. Over its first 11 seasons, the club captured the NWSL Shield three times, while making three appearances in the NWSL Championship and seven appearances in the NWSL postseason. Reign FC plays its home matches at Lumen Field in Seattle, Washington and trains at Starfire Sports Complex in Tukwila, Washington. The club can be found on the web at www.reignfc.com and on social platforms @ReignFC.

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