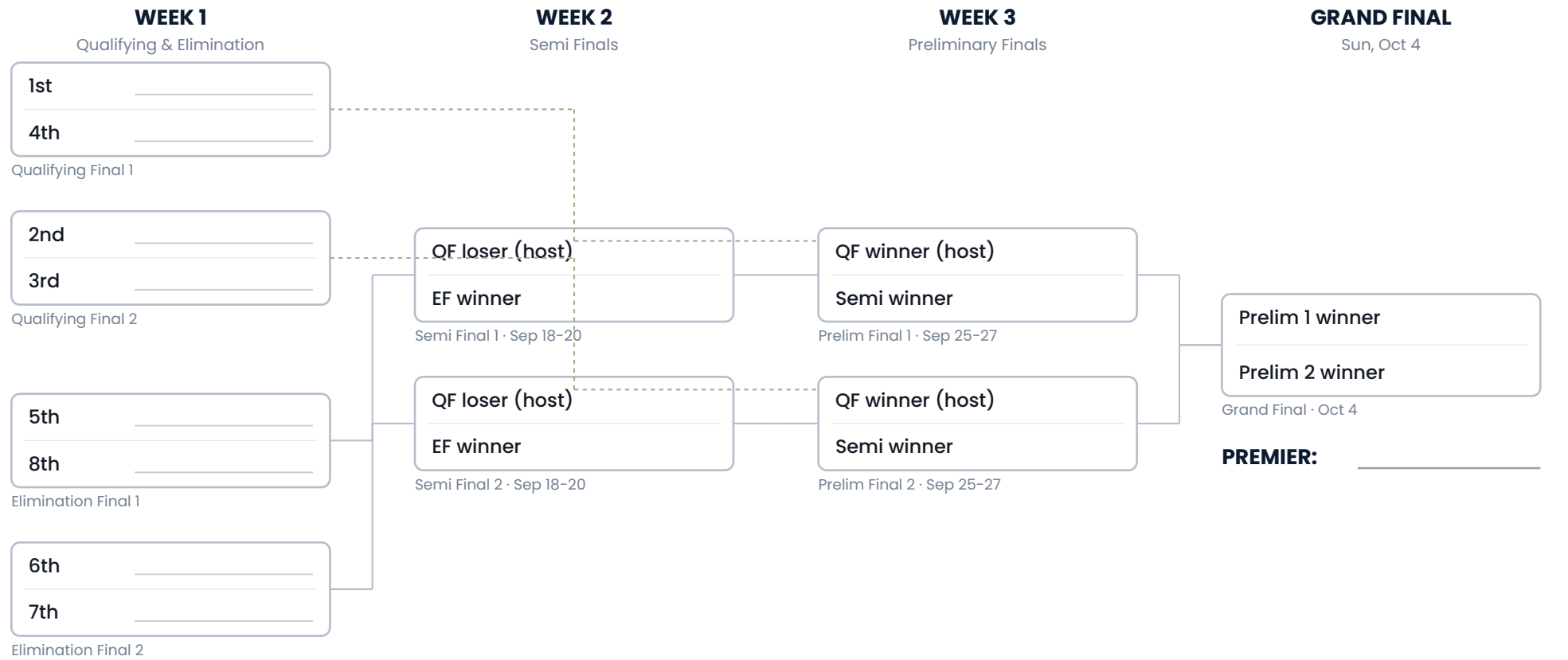


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HOW THE TOP-8 PATH WORKS

Week 1: Qualifying Finals are 1v4 and 2v3; Elimination Finals are 5v8 and 6v7. QF winners advance straight to a home Preliminary Final (dashed line) — the double chance. QF losers drop to a Semi Final; EF winners advance to a Semi Final; EF losers are eliminated. Week 2 Semi Final = QF loser (host) v EF winner. Week 3 Preliminary Final = QF winner (host) v Semi winner. Grand Final = the two Preliminary Final winners, at Accor Stadium on Sunday, October 4.