

DRAW PROCEDURES: FIFA CONFEDERATIONS CUP SOUTH AFRICA 2009

- South Africa host
- Italy winner of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™
- Iraq winner of the AFC Asian Cup 2007
- Egypt winner of the CAF Africa Cup of Nations 2008
- USA winner of the CONCACAF Gold Cup 2007
- Brazil winner of the Copa América 2007
- Spain winner of the UEFA EURO 2008
- New Zealand winner of the 2008 OFC Nations Cup

Regulations

According to the competition regulations (cf. Art. 2, par. 3a), the Organising Committee for the FIFA Confederations Cup South Africa 2009 shall decide the procedures for the Official Draw as well as the formation of groups.

Principles of the Official Draw:

1. The eight teams shall be divided evenly and placed into two Team pots.
2. South Africa shall be placed in 'Team pot 1' along with the three most highly ranked teams in the competition – Spain, Italy and Brazil – according to the FIFA/Coca-Cola World Ranking (October 2008).
3. South Africa, as the host association, shall be seeded as A1. They shall be the only seeded team in the tournament.
4. Egypt, Iraq, New Zealand and USA shall comprise 'Team pot 2'.
5. As two African teams shall not be drawn into the same group, Egypt, the winner of the Africa Cup of Nations 2008, shall be drawn into Group B.
6. The two European teams shall not be drawn into the same group. Therefore, once either Spain or Italy are drawn, the other will be drawn to the opposite group.

Group A
South Africa
A2
A3
A4

Group B
B1
B2
B3
B4

(includes Egypt)

Allocation of Pots

TEAM pot 1
Brazil
Italy
South Africa
Spain

TEAM pot 2
Egypt
Iraq
New Zealand
USA

POSITION pot A
A1
A2
A3
A4

POSITION pot B
B1
B2
B3
B4

Draw Procedure

1. In principle, teams will be drawn to groups in alternating fashion throughout the Official Draw (i.e. Group A then Group B, repeating).
2. 'Team pot 1' will be drawn first, beginning with South Africa who automatically get placed into position A1.
3. The following principles will then apply to the remaining teams from 'Team pot 1' when a ball with the country's name is pulled:
 - Brazil, Italy, Spain
 - the first team selected gets drawn into Group B, and its position determined by drawing a ball from 'Position pot B'
 - if one of the European teams is selected first, then:
 - the other European team will need to be drawn into Group A, and its position will be determined by drawing a ball from 'Position pot A'
4. 'Team pot 2' will be drawn next, and the following principles will apply when a ball with the country's name is pulled:
 - Egypt, Iraq, New Zealand, USA
 - with the exception of Egypt, the first team selected gets drawn into Group A, and its position determined by drawing a ball from 'Position pot A'
 - Egypt will need to be drawn into Group B regardless of when they are selected, and their position will be determined by drawing a ball from 'Position pot B'.

Accordingly:

- if Egypt are drawn first, the remaining teams will be drawn to groups in the following order:
 - Group A – Group A – Group B
- if Egypt are drawn second, no special circumstances apply
- if Egypt are drawn third, the remaining team will be drawn and assigned to the final open position in Group A