

DRAW MECHANISM
FOR
PRELIMINARY STAGE
(GROUP & ROUND OF 16)

Draw Mechanism

Preliminary Stage & R16 for AFC CUP 2011

Preliminary Stage - Group Matches

1. Entries

Region	Country	Club 1	Club 2	Club 3
	Iraq	Duhok	Al Talaba	Arbil
	Kuwait	Qadsia SC	Kuwait SC	Al Nasr
	Jordan	Al Faisaly	Al Wehdat	
	Lebanon	Al Ahed	Al Ansar	
WEST	Oman	Al Suwaiq	Fanja or Al Arouba	
	Syria	Al Karamah	Al Jaish	
	Uzbekistan	Nasaf	Shurtan	
	Yemen	Al Saqr	Al Tilal	
	Play-off	WPOC 1	WPOC 2	
	Hong Kong	South China	TSW Pegasus	
	Maldives	V.B	Victory Sports	
	Vietnam	Hanoi T&T	Song Lam Nghe An	
EAST	Singapore	Tampines Rovers		
	Thailand	Chonburi FC		
	India	East Bengal		
	Indonesia	Persipura Jayapura		
	Play-off	EPOC 1	EPOC 2	

Match Schedule (2011)

AFC CUP 2011 Match Schedule (Play-Off & Preliminary Stages)					
1/2 March 2011	Match Day 1				
15/16 March 2011	Match Day 2				
12/13 April 2011	Match Day 3				
26/27 April 2011	Match Day 4				
3/4 May 2011	Match Day 5				
10/11 May 2011	Match Day 6				
24/25 May 2011	Round of 16				

Position	MD 1	MD 2	MD 3	MD 4	MD 5	MD 6
/Match Day	(1/2 Mar)	(15/16 Mar)	(12/13 Apr)	(26/27 Apr)	(3/4 May)	(10/11 May)
Position 1	Н	Α	Н	Α	Α	Н
Position 2	Α	Н	Α	Н	Н	Α
Position 3	Н	Α	Α	Н	Α	Н
Position 4	Α	Н	Н	Α	Н	А

2. Draw Principles

a) Group Format

West: Group A, B, C, D, E (4 teams each Group)

- East: Group F, G, H (4 teams each Group)

b) Clubs from the same country will NOT be drawn into the same Group and Clubs from the same country shall take the different position in each Group with the *Double Match Date System* in order for one club to play one home match on Tuesday and the other on Wednesday to secure maximum access to the match for spectators and TV for Preliminary Stage matches.

c) Clubs which share the stadium will NOT play its home matches on the same day with the other.

Lebanon

• Al Ahed & Al Ansar share Sports City Stadium in Beirut

Oman

• Al Suwaig & Fanja/Al Arouba share **Seeb Sports Stadium** in Muscat

Maldives

• V.B and Victory Sports share *National Stadium* in Male

If one of these teams from the same country sharing the same stadium is drawn as position 1, the other team will be automatically position 2. On the other hand, if one of these teams sharing the same stadium is drawn as position 3, the other will be automatically position 4.

First Example:

- If the 1st team drawn from Lebanon is Al Ahed, they will be put in Position 1. If the 2nd team drawn is Al Ansar, Al Ansar will be positioned 2 in order to fulfill condition c) above.

Second example:

- If the 1st team drawn from Oman, Al Suwaiq is placed in position 3, the next drawn club from Oman, Fanja/Al Arouba will be put into position 4 to fulfill condition c).
- d) In case a Member Association (MA) has more than one team in the Competition, the teams from the same country shall take the different position in each Group in order for a MA to have maximum one or two home matches on the same day.

3. Double Match Date

- AFC will implement 'Double Match Date System' to play the group matches of AFC CUP on Tuesday and Wednesday to secure maximum coverage to the matches for spectators and TV.
- Each Group will play 3 matches on Tuesday and another 3 matches on Wednesday.

Implementation

Match	Date	Group
Matab Day 1	1 Mar 2011 (Tue)	A, B, E, F
Match Day 1	2 Mar 2011 (Wed)	C, D, G, H
Matab Day 2	15 Mar 2011 (Tue)	A, B, E, F
Match Day 2	16 Mar 2011 (Wed)	C, D, G, H
Match Day 3	12 Apr 2011 (Tue)	A, C, E, G
ivialcii Day 3	13 Apr 2011 (Wed)	B, D, F, H
Match Day 4	26 Apr 2011 (Tue)	B, D, F, H
Water Day 4	27 Apr 2011 (Wed)	A, C, E, G
Match Day 5	3 May 2011 (Tue)	C, D, G, H
Water Day 5	4 May 2011 (Wed)	A, B, E, F
Match Day 6	10 May 2011 (Tue)	C, D, G, H
Match Day 6	11 May 2011 (Wed)	A, B, E, F

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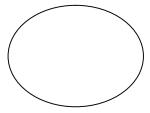
4) Draw Simulation for West

- a) Pots to be ready
 - i) Country Pot (the countries with 3 teams, country with two teams and country with one team)
 - ii) Club Pot (including ACL play-off losing team)

b) Procedure

	Iraq	Duhok	Al Talaba	Arbil
	Kuwait	Qadsia SC	Kuwait SC	Al Nasr
	Jordan	Al Faisaly	Al Wehdat	
	Lebanon	Al Ahed	Al Ansar	
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Country Pot



Kuwait & Iraq (3 teams each)

Jordan, Oman, Lebanon, Syria, Yemen & Uzbekistan

Uzbekistan (2 teams each)

West Play-Off Club (2 teams)

Club pot (refer next page)

Club Pot

Loser ACL Play-Off 1 (West)

Loser ACL Play-Off 2 (West)

Kuwait: Qadsia SC, Kuwait SC & Al Nasr

Iraq: Duhok, Al Talaba & Arbil Jordan: Al Faisaly & Al Wehdat Lebanon: Al Ahed & Al Ansar

Oman: Al Suwaiq & Fanja / Al Arouba

Syria: Al Jaish & Al Karamah Yemen: Al Saqr & Al Tilal Uzbekistan: Nasaf & Shurtan

c) Order of Draw

 i) Loser ACL Play-off 1 & 2 will be drawn respectively in A1 and B2 (3 clubs out of 4 countries, Al Ain – UAE, Al Saad – QAT, Al Ittihad – SYR & Dempo-IND)

	А	В	С	D	E
1	1				
2		2			
3					
4					

ii) Clubs from 1st drawn country with 3 teams (KUW/IRQ) will go to C3-D4-B1

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5			
2		2			
3			3		
4				4	

iii) Clubs from 2nd drawn country with 3 teams (KUW/IRQ) will go to C2-D3-E4

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5			
2		2	6		
3			3	7	
4				4	8

iv) Clubs from Syria with 2 teams will go to E3- C4 (to avoid same clubs from Syria to be drawn in Group A or B nor same position)

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5			
2		2	6		
3			3	7	9
4			10	4	8

v) Clubs from 1st drawn country with 2 teams (LIB/OMA/JOR/YEM/UZB) will go to C1-D2

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5	11		
2		2	6	12	
3			3	7	9
4			10	4	8

 $\mathrm{vi})$ Clubs from 2^{nd} drawn country with 2 teams (LIB/OMA/JOR/YEM/UZB) will go to A3-B4

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5	11		
2		2	6	12	
3	13		3	7	9
4		14	10	4	8

vii) Clubs from 3rd drawn country with 2 teams (LIB/OMA/JOR/YEM/UZB) will go to D1-E2

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5	11	15	
2		2	6	12	16
3	13		3	7	9
4		14	10	4	8

viii) Clubs from 4 $^{\text{th}}$ drawn country with 2 teams (LIB/OMA/JOR/YEM/UZB) will go to E1-A2

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5	11	15	17
2	18	2	6	12	16
3	13		3	7	9
4		14	10	4	8

ix) Clubs from 5^{th} drawn country with 2 teams (LIB/OMA/JOR/YEM/UZB) will go to B3-A4

	Α	В	С	D	E
1	1	5	11	15	17
2	18	2	6	12	16
3	13	19	3	7	9
4	20	14	10	4	8

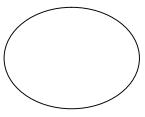
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Country Pot



Hong Kong, Maldives & Vietnam (2teams each) Singapore, Thailand, India & Indonesia (1team) East Play-off Club (2 teams)

Loser ACL Play-Off 1 (East) Loser ACL Play-Off 2 (East)

Club Pot

Hong Kong: South China and TSW Pegasus

Maldives: V.B and Victory Sports

Vietnam: Hanoi T&T and Song Lam Nghe An

Singapore: Tampines Rovers Indonesia: Persipura Jayapura

India: East Bengal Thailand: Chonburi FC

c) Order of Draw

i) Loser ACL Play-off 1 & 2 will be drawn respectively in F1 and G1
 (2 teams for East – THA/INA or 1 team from West UAE/QAT/SYR/IND)

	F	G	Н
1	1	2	
2			
3			
4			

ii) Clubs from 1st drawn country with 2 teams (MDV/HKG/VIE) will go to H1-F2

	F	G	Н
1	1	2	3
2	4		
3			
4			

iii) Clubs from 2nd drawn country with 2 teams (MDV/HKG/VIE) will go to F3-G4

	F	G	Н
1	1	2	3
2	4		
3	5		
4		6	

iv) Clubs from 3rd drawn country with 2 teams (MDV/HKG/VIE) will go to G3-F4

	F	G	Н
1	1	2	3
2	4		
3	5	7	
4	8	6	

v) Club from 1st drawn country with 1 team will go to H2 (to avoid same clubs from THA/IND/INA to be drawn in same group)

	F	G	Н
1	1	2	3
2	4		9
3	5	7	
4	8	6	

vi) Clubs from 2nd drawn country with 1 team will go to H3 (to avoid same clubs from THA/IND/INA to be drawn in same group)

	F	G	Н
1	1	2	3
2	4		9
3	5	7	10
4	8	6	

vii) Clubs from 3rd drawn country with 1 team will go to H4 (to avoid same clubs from THA/IND/INA to be drawn in same group)

	F	G	Н
1	1		3
2	4	12	9
3	5	7	10
4	8	6	11

 $vii)\mbox{Club}$ from Singapore with 1 team will go to G2

	F	G	Н
1	1	2	3
2	4	12	9
3	5	7	10
4	8	6	11

Preliminary Stage - Round of 16 Matches

Principles

- 1. The winner of each group will play with the runner-up from other Group at home.
- 2. One single match will be played to decide the winner for Quarter-Finals.
- 3. The winner and Runner-up from the same Group will not play each other in Round of 16.
- 4. If Clubs sharing the same stadium are the winners of the Group, AFC Competitions Committee will make a final decision at the later stage with regards to the date for the matches.

Order of Draw

1. Based on the Draw results from the Group Stage, the match schedule for the Preliminary Stage for Round of 16 will be decided as below:

Preliminary Stage - Round of 16							
	Region	Date	Day		Match		
		24/05/2011	Tue	Group A Winner	VS	Group C Runner-up	
16	WEST	24/05/2011	Tue	Group C Winner	VS	Group A Runner-up	
0F 1		25/05/2011	Wed	Group B Winner	VS	Group D Runner-up	
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ROUND	VALECT /E A CT	24/05/2011	Tue	Group E Winner	VS	Group G Runner-up	
RO	WEST/EAST	24/05/2011	Tue	Group G Winner	VS	Group E Runner-up	
	EAST	25/05/2011	Wed	Group F Winner	VS	Group H Runner-up	
		25/05/2011	Wed	Group H Winner	vs	Group F Runner-up	

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