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England earn UEFA Cup place via Fair Play ranking

Seven associations in running for two further UEFA Cup places

UEFA has today announced the final results of the UEFA Fair Play competition for the 2007/08 season, which began on 1 May 2007 and finished on 30 April 2008. The winning association is granted a place in the next season's UEFA Cup, while all associations with a coefficient equal or higher than 8.0 will go into a draw for a further two places in the first qualifying round of the competition. Only associations having played a minimum of 34 matches have been taken into account. This cut-off is defined as the total number of UEFA matches divided by the number of national associations.

The Fair Play competition is based on the Fair Play assessments made by official UEFA delegates at all UEFA competition matches (club and national teams). The coefficient is based on criteria such as positive play, respect of the opponent, respect of the referee, behaviour of the crowd and of the team officials, as well as cautions and dismissals.

The **English Football Association** has earned the right to enter one club in the first qualifying round of the 2008/09 UEFA Cup, after they finished in the first place in the UEFA Fair Play competition for the 2007/08 campaign. There were a further seven associations who achieved an average of 8.0 points or more in this season's Fair Play ranking. They are:

Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Spain and France.

These seven associations will now go into a draw which will be conducted on 13 May 2008 in between the two UEFA Cup finalists' press conferences at the City of Manchester Stadium in Manchester, England, at approximately 14:30 local time.

The three associations, which are allocated an additional UEFA Cup place, will be entitled to enter the club, which has won the domestic top division Fair Play competition. If this club has already qualified for the UEFA Champions League or UEFA Cup, the domestic Fair Play competition will continue to apply, and the second-placed team may be entered. If the second-placed team has qualified for the UEFA Champions League or UEFA Cup, the third-placed team in the domestic Fair Play competition may be considered, and so forth.

Even a team, which has been relegated to the second highest domestic division, could qualify for the UEFA Cup as a result of its exemplary Fair Play conduct during the domestic championship. In any case, only clubs which have received the UEFA Licence will be able to participate into UEFA Cup.

The final UEFA Fair Play ranking is attached.

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UEFA Final Fair Play Ranking 2007/08

includes matches from : 01/05/2007		to : 30/04/2008	
Position	Association Country Code	Total Points	Matches played
1	ENG	8.143	162
2	NOR	8.141	82
3	DEN	8.103	84
4	SWE	8.078	91
5	FIN	8.07	65
6	GER	8.068	139
7	ESP	8.044	145
8	FRA	8.013	111
9	EST	7.997	45
10	IRL	7.995	58
11	FRO	7.984	37
12	CZE	7.979	91
13	WAL	7.976	45
14	ITA	7.975	131
15	NED	7.956	88
16	ARM	7.938	46
17	UKR	7.933	84
18	SCO	7.925	83
19	HUN	7.922	58
20	RUS	7.92	110
20	SUI	7.92	73
22	POR	7.916	115
23	ISR	7.911	72
24	BEL	7.895	90
25	BLR	7.819	64
25	ISL	7.819	62
27	SVK	7.814	65
28	NIR	7.803	50
29	CRO	7.795	68
29	MDA	7.795	50
31	LVA	7.786	44
32	ROU	7.785	85
33	POL	7.782	69
34	SRB	7.773	80
35	KAZ	7.765	52
36	LTU	7.739	50
37	AUT	7.738	68
38	CYP	7.726	45
39	MNE	7.717	35
40	SVN	7.715	57
41	GRE	7.672	95
42	BUL	7.657	63
43	TUR	7.65	67
44	AZE	7.62	46
45	ALB	7.576	37
46	MLT	7.568	36
47	GEO	7.555	42
48	BIH	7.554	58
49	MKD	7.426	44
50	LUX	7.801	29
51	LIE	7.791	23
52	SMR	7.478	23
53	AND	7.144	24
Total Matches: 1818			

Group 1: 34 or more matches played, Group 2: less than 34 matches played