



2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa™

AFRICAN PRELIMINARY COMPETITION

3rd STAGE FORMAT AND DRAW

Date: 22 October 2008

Location: Home of FIFA, Auditorium, 12.00 hours

- 20 teams
- 5 groups of 4 teams
- Teams seeded as per FIFA Coca Cola ranking of October 2008

DRAW PROCEDURE

The qualified teams are seeded in the order of the FIFA Coca Cola ranking of October 2008. Each of the teams in Pots 1, 2, 3 and 4 shall be placed inside a blue ball.

Pot 1 – top seeds

Cameroon
Egypt
Ghana
Nigeria
Côte d'Ivoire

Pot 2

Guinea
Morocco
Tunisia
Mali
Algeria

Pot 3

Burkina Faso
Gabon
Zambia
Kenya
Benin

Pot 4

Rwanda
Togo
Mozambique
Sudan
Malawi



The Pots (with red balls) to determine the position in each group will be as follows:

Pot A:	1, 2, 3, 4
Pot B:	1, 2, 3, 4
Pot C:	1, 2, 3, 4
Pot D:	1, 2, 3, 4
Pot E:	1, 2, 3, 4

Each of the numbers in Pots A, B, C, D and E shall be placed inside a red ball.

Draw Procedure

The draw follows this procedure:

- One blue ball is drawn from Pot 1 and this team is allocated to Group A;
- One red ball is drawn in Pot A, which will give the final position in this group;

- A second blue ball is drawn from Pot 1 and this team is allocated to Group B;
- One red ball is drawn in Pot B, which will give the final position in this group;

- A third blue ball is drawn from Pot 1 and this team is allocated to Group C;
- One red ball is drawn in Pot C, which will give the final position in this group;

- A fourth blue ball is drawn from Pot 1 and this team is allocated to Group D;
- One red ball is drawn in Pot D, which will give the final position in this group;

- The fifth and last blue ball is drawn from Pot 1 and this team is allocated to Group E;
- The last red ball is drawn in Pot E, which will give the final position in this group;

This completes the draw for Pot 1.

This exactly same procedure is repeated with Pots 2, 3 and 4.



Match calendar

Please note that the following sequence of matches has been confirmed for this round of matches in each group:

28-29 March 2009, matchday 1:	1 vs. 2	3 vs. 4
6-7 June 2009, matchday 2:	2 vs. 3	4 vs. 1
*20-21 June 2009, matchday 3:	4 vs. 2	3 vs. 1
5-6 September 2009, matchday 4:	2 vs. 4	1 vs. 3
10-11 October 2009, matchday 5:	2 vs. 1	4 vs. 3
14-15 November 2009, matchday 6:	3 vs. 2	1 vs. 4

* The fixture with Egypt will be played on a new date in July 2009 due to the FIFA Confederations Cup South Africa 2009.