



## **First Qualifying Round Draw 12<sup>th</sup> UEFA European Women's Under-19 Championship 2012/13**

### **DRAW PROCEDURE**

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An overview of the competition structure and draw procedure for the first qualifying round of the 2012/13 UEFA European Women's Under-19 Championship is given below.

#### ***COMPETITION SYSTEM***

Forty-four member associations will take part in the competition. Forty teams will start in the first qualifying round and the three top-seeded teams, Germany, France and England, will join in the second qualifying round. The host association of the final tournament – Wales – qualifies automatically for the final round.

#### ***COEFFICIENT RANKING LIST***

A coefficient ranking list has been established for the first qualifying round draw according to the following principles:

- Seasons taken into account: 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11.
  - All qualifying round matches (first and second qualifying rounds) have been taken into consideration to calculate the coefficients.
- Win = 3 points; draw = 1 point; defeat = 0 points.
- For those associations which hosted a final round in the 2008/09 (Belarus), 2009/10 (FYR Macedonia) and 2010/11 (Italy) seasons and, consequently, qualified directly for the final round in question, the coefficient from the qualifying rounds for the 2007/08 season has been taken into account.
- The following bonus points have been awarded: (maximum 9 bonus points)
  - automatic qualification for the second qualifying round = 3 points
  - qualification from the first to the second qualifying round = 3 points
  - qualification from the second qualifying round to the final round = 3 points
  - competition winner = 3 points
    - 2008/09 = England
    - 2009/10 = France
    - 2010/11 = Germany

- competition runners-up = 2 points
    - o 2008/09 = Sweden
    - o 2009/10 = England
    - o 2010/11 = Norway
  - competition semi-finalists = 1 point
    - o 2008/09 = France and Switzerland
    - o 2009/10 = Germany and Netherlands
    - o 2010/11 = Italy and Switzerland
  - For those associations which hosted a final round bonus points for reaching the last phase of the final round (see above: semi-finalists, runners-up, winners) will be awarded in the season they hosted and added to the points earned in the qualifying rounds of the season 2007/08.
- The coefficient for each season has been calculated by taking the number of points obtained (including bonus points) and dividing it by the number of matches.
  - The three annual coefficients have then been added together to produce the overall coefficient used for the ranking list.
  - Associations with the same overall coefficient have been separated according to the following criteria:
    - 1) Higher number of matches.
    - 2) Higher coefficient from the most recent season, i.e. 2010/11 season.
    - 3) Higher coefficient from the next most recent seasons, i.e. 2009/10 and 2008/09 seasons.
    - 4) Superior goal difference from the most recent season, i.e. 2010/11 season.

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The 40 associations will be split into 2 pots, as follows:

#### ***Pot A (blue balls)***

Associations ranked from 4 to 23 (20 teams)

#### ***Pot B (green balls)***

Associations ranked from 24 to 43 (20 teams)

The 40 associations will be drawn into 10 groups of 4 teams according to the following procedure:

- Two balls will be drawn from Pot A into Group 1. The team drawn first will be placed into the **first** position of the group and the team drawn second into **second** position.
- Two balls will then be drawn from Pot B into Group 1. The team drawn first will be placed into the **third** position of the group and the team drawn second into **fourth** position.
- Once Group 1 is completed, the same procedure will apply to form Groups 2 to 10.

Twenty-one teams will qualify from the first to the second qualifying round, i.e. the ten group winners, the ten group runners-up and the best third-ranked team.

**GROUP FORMATION FOR THE SECOND QUALIFYING ROUND**

A draw will take place to form the six groups of four teams. The definitive draw procedure will be communicated to the associations concerned on completion of the first qualifying round.

The six group winners and the best runner-up of the second qualifying round will qualify for the final round.

**DATES**

The first qualifying round will take place from 20<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

The second qualifying round will take place from 4<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

The final round will be staged in Wales, from 19<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013.