

Qualifying Round Draw 12th UEFA European Under-19 Championship 2012/13

DRAW PROCEDURE

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Please find below details of the coefficient calculation and draw procedure.

COMPETITION SYSTEM

Fifty-two member associations will take part in the competition. Forty-eight teams will enter the competition in the qualifying round and three teams - Spain, Serbia and Turkey - will join in the elite round. The final round host association

LITHUANIA

qualify automatically for the final round.

COEFFICIENT RANKING LIST

A coefficient ranking list has been established for the 2012/13 qualifying round draws according to the following principles:

- Seasons taken into account: 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11.
 - All qualifying round matches (qualifying and elite 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 any of the three aforementioned seasons, the coefficient of the 2007/08 season has been taken into account.

- 2008/09: Ukraine

2009/10: France

2010/11: Romania

- The following bonus points have been awarded (maximum 9 bonus points):
 - automatic qualification for the elite round = 3 points
 - qualification from the qualifying round to the elite round = 3 points
 - qualification from the elite round to the final round = 3 points
 - competition winner = 3 points

o 2008/09: Ukraine

o 2009/10: France

o 2010/11: Spain

competition runners-up = 2 points (NEW)

o 2008/09: England

o 2009/10: Spain

o 2010/11: Czech Republic

- competition semi-finalists = 1 point (NEW)
 - o 2008/09: France and Serbia
 - o 2009/10: England and Croatia
 - 2010/11: Serbia and Republic of Ireland

- The coefficient calculation for each season consists in adding the number of points obtained (including bonus points) and dividing the total by the number of matches.
- The three annual coefficient calculations 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.

DRAW PROCEDURE FOR THE QUALIFYING ROUND

The associations ranked 1 to 3 qualify directly for the elite round. These are: Spain, Serbia and Turkey.

The remaining 48 associations ranked in positions 4 to 51 have been split into 2 pots, as follows:

Pot A (blue balls)

Associations ranked from 4 to 27 (24 teams)

Pot B (green balls)

Associations ranked from 28 to 51 (24 teams)

The 48 associations will be drawn into 12 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 put in the *first* position in 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 put in the *third* position in the group and the team drawn second into *fourth* position.
- Once Group 1 is completed the same procedure will be followed to form Groups 2 to 12.

The 12 group winners and the 12 group runners-up as well as the best third-ranked team of all 12 groups will qualify for the elite round.

SPECIAL CASE

Based on previous decisions of the UEFA Executive Committee, Russia and Georgia cannot play each other in their respective countries. Consequently, if Russia and Georgia are drawn into the same group, neither will host the mini-tournament. The same case applies if Armenia and Azerbaijan are drawn into the same group.

ELITE ROUND

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

The seven group winners will qualify for the final round.