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## ***Sweden currently top of UEFA Respect Fair Play ranking***

### **Three UEFA Europa League places available**

UEFA's Respect Fair Play ranking, based on all UEFA competition matches played, at both club and national team level, from 1 May 2009 to 30 April 2010, is currently headed by Sweden.

Taking into account matches up to and including 31 December 2009, leader Sweden, second-placed Denmark and third-placed England are leading the race for the three additional slots to the first qualifying round of the 2010/11 UEFA Europa League.

For the current intermediary ranking, only associations having played a minimum of 26 matches are taken into account. This cut-off point is calculated by dividing the total number of UEFA matches by the number of national associations.

As defined in the club competition regulations, the three places in the UEFA Europa League will automatically go to the three best-placed national associations in the Respect Fair Play ranking, provided they attained an average of 8.0 points or more. The Respect fair play assessments are made by the official UEFA delegates, based on criteria such as positive play, respect of the opponent, respect of the referee, behaviour of the crowd and the team officials, as well as cautions and dismissals.

Each of the three associations allocated an additional place in the first qualifying round of the 2010/11 UEFA Europa League will be entitled to enter the club that has won their domestic top-division fair play competition. If this club has already qualified for a UEFA club competition, the second-placed team in the domestic fair play competition may be entered, and, should they also have already qualified, the third-placed team would be considered and so forth. It is even possible for a team that has been relegated to the second highest division to qualify for the UEFA Europa League, as a result of its exemplary fair play conduct during the domestic championship.

Attached: UEFA Respect Fair Play intermediary ranking

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## UEFA Respect Fair Play Intermediary Ranking 2009/10

(cut-off 26 matches)			
includes matches from 01/05/2009 to 31/12/2009			
Position	Association	Total Points	Matches played
1	Sweden	8.263	65
2	Denmark	8.169	64
3	England	8.168	108
4	Finland	8.159	53
5	Republic of Ireland	8.158	47
6	Norway	8.117	62
7	Scotland	8.112	54
8	Germany	8.107	106
9	Spain	8.074	101
10	Poland	8.073	42
11	Lithuania	8.057	39
12	Iceland	8.054	44
13	Wales	8.04	31
14	Russia	8.038	68
15	France	8.034	92
16	Moldova	8.002	47
17	Netherlands	7.975	89
18	Switzerland	7.974	67
19	Estonia	7.972	41
20	Northern Ireland	7.961	27
21	Czech Republic	7.96	65
22	Italy	7.948	100
23	Hungary	7.941	48
24	Ukraine	7.937	68
25	Serbia	7.929	59
26	Portugal	7.921	67
27	Croatia	7.913	56
28	Austria	7.899	77
29	Belgium	7.888	68
30	Cyprus	7.859	46
31	Faroe Islands	7.855	31
32	Belarus	7.853	55
33	Kazakhstan	7.798	38
34	Azerbaijan	7.79	39
35	Latvia	7.785	51
36	Slovakia	7.766	48
37	Turkey	7.759	68
38	Slovenia	7.758	50
39	Bulgaria	7.734	54
40	Romania	7.701	82
41	Israel	7.69	59
42	Georgia	7.676	44
43	Malta	7.639	29
44	Greece	7.61	66
45	Armenia	7.588	37
46	Montenegro	7.505	28
47	Bosnia-Herzegovina	7.484	44
48	FYR Macedonia	7.449	32
49	Albania	7.589	24
50	San Marino	7.535	15
51	Liechtenstein	7.374	12
52	Luxembourg	7.34	19
53	Andorra	7.337	20

**Total Matches: 1423**

Group 1: 26 or more matches played, Group 2: less than 26 matches played