

**Draw Procedure finalized, Pots revealed**

The CAF Executive Committee at its meeting on Thursday, 11 April 2019, in Cairo, Egypt approved the draw procedure for the final tournament of the Total Africa Cup of Nations Egypt 2019. The procedure was proposed by the Organising Committee for the Africa Cup of Nations at its meeting 24-hours earlier.

The pots and seedings of the 24 qualified teams were decided based on the latest FIFA World rankings (released 4 April 2019), which is globally accepted and portrays a true reflection of the state of the qualified teams.

**Below is the latest official FIFA ranking published on 4 April 2019:**

Ranking	FIFA ranking	Countries
<b>7</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>Cameroon (Level 1 – Holder of the Trophy)</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>Egypt (Level 1 – Host Country )</b>
1	23	Senegal
2	28	Tunisia
3	42	Nigeria
4	45	Morocco
5	46	DR Congo
6	49	Ghana
9	65	Mali
10	65	Côte d’Ivoire
11	68	Guinea
12	70	Algeria
13	73	South Africa
14	79	Uganda
15	91	Benin
16	103	Mauritania
17	107	Madagascar
18	108	Kenya
19	110	Zimbabwe
20	113	Namibia
21	118	Guinea Bissau
22	122	Angola
23	131	Tanzania
24	136	Burundi

Based on the rankings, the established pots are as follows

<b>POT 1</b>	EGYPT	CAMEROON	SENEGAL	TUNISIA	NIGERIA	MOROCCO
<b>POT 2</b>	DR CONGO	GHANA	MALI	COTE D’IVOIRE	GUINEA	ALGERIA
<b>POT 3</b>	SOUTH AFRICA	UGANDA	BENIN	MAURITANIA	MADAGASCAR	KENYA
<b>POT 4</b>	ZIMBABWE	NAMIBIA	GUINEE BISSAU	ANGOLA	TANZANIA	BURUNDI

According to the Article 73.1 of the regulations of the competition;

- **The organizing country (Egypt) shall be the head of group A.**
- **The holder of the trophy (Cameroon) will be the head of one of the five other groups in addition to 4 other head of groups determined in accordance to the ranking.**

**Procedures of the draw:**

The following 4 pots will be on stage:

Pot 4: Containing the 6 teams of level IV

Pot 3: Containing the 6 teams of level III

Pot 2: Containing the 6 teams of level II

Pot 1: Containing the 5 teams of level I (Host country is in position A1)

**Step 1:**

Pot 4: The 6 less seeded teams of level IV will be in pot 4

- The first ball drawn will go directly to group A; in position A4.
- The second ball drawn will go directly to group B; in position B4
- The third ball drawn will go directly to group C; in position C4
- The fourth ball drawn will go directly to group D; in position D4
- The fifth ball drawn will go directly to group E; in position E4
- The sixth ball drawn will go directly to group F; in position F4

**Step 2:**

Pot 3: The 6 teams of level III will be in pot 3

- The first ball drawn will go directly to group A; in position A3.
- The second ball drawn will go directly to group B; in position B3
- The third ball drawn will go directly to group C; in position C3
- The fourth ball drawn will go directly to group D; in position D3
- The fifth ball drawn will go directly to group E; in position E3
- The sixth ball drawn will go directly to group F; in position F3

Step 3:

Pot 2: The 6 teams of level II will be in pot 2

- The first ball drawn will go directly to group A; in position A2.
- The second ball drawn will go directly to group B; in position B2
- The third ball drawn will go directly to group C; in position C2
- The fourth ball drawn will go directly to group D; in position D2
- The fifth ball drawn will go directly to group E; in position E2
- The sixth ball drawn will go directly to group F; in position F2

Step 4:

Pot 1: The Host team is already in position A1; the holder of the title and the other 4 teams of level I will be in pot 1

- The first ball drawn will go directly to group B; in position B1.
- The second ball drawn will go directly to group C; in position C1
- The third ball drawn will go directly to group D; in position D1
- The fourth ball drawn will go directly to group E; in position E1
- The fifth ball drawn will go directly to group F; in position F1