

WFC new style system

Qualification for WFC 'new style' system 2010 and 2011

IFF CB has decided that the WFC 'new style' will be implemented 2010 (men) and 2011 (women) and will consist of continental qualification tournaments and a final round with 16 teams. Of these 16 teams, 8 are automatically qualified based on WFC 2008 (men) and WFC 2009 (women) and 8 teams have to qualify through continental tournaments. The RACC was given the task to prepare a proposal for the qualifications.

Quota

The RACC is of the opinion that the quota for the WFC final round should be based on the number of registered teams and should include the organizer, thus giving the best possible chance to all continents to qualify for the final round.

After the registration deadline, the number of registered teams will be divided by 16, thus giving the quota factor. The number of registered teams per continent will then be divided by the quota factor, thus giving the number of places in the final round for this continent, based on whole numbers. If after this a place remains, it will go to the continent which comes closest to reaching the next quota place limit. If after this a place remains, it will go to the content which now comes closest to reaching the next quota place limit.

Remarks:

- IFF will use the IOC list of countries for each continent
- If there is only one country registered for a continent, this country will be added to the continent with the least registered teams or to the continent decided according to costs.
- Both the organizer and all automatically qualified teams are included in the calculation of available places per continent.
- After calculating the available places per continent, all automatically qualified teams are subtracted, so only the actual qualification places remain.
- *Quota example based on WFC 2006 and registrations for WFC 2008: Europe 23, Asia 4, America 2. Quota: Europe 13, Asia 2, America 1 place = total 16. Now we subtract 8 for Europe. Actual spots for qualification: Europe 5, Asia 2, America 1.*

WFC Qualifications

The Qualification is played with continental tournaments. The winner of the tournament and preferably also the second ranked team qualify for the final round. Considering the current development of Floorball, we can expect to have qualification tournaments in Europe, America and Asia/Oceania. In Europe there will be multiple qualification tournaments.

- If there are 2 countries, qualification will be based on a home and away match.
- If there are 6 or less countries, there will be one continental tournament
- If there are more than 6 countries and only 2 places, there will be two continental tournaments
- If there are more than 6 countries and more than 2 places, there will be 3 continental tournaments (unequal number of places: the best second teams will qualify)

Since the qualification organizers have to be appointed well in advance, the number of qualification tournaments has to be fixed. Based on the registration for 2008 we expect the following qualification tournaments:

America's: one tournament (home and away)

Asia/Oceania: one tournament

Europe: 3 tournaments

Qualification timeline

The qualifications shall be played the first week of February 2010 (men) and 2011 (women). The ballot for the final round has to be done immediately after the Qualification round.

Qualification ballot and ranking

- The ballot for the Qualification should be based on ranking. The previous WFC (2008 and 2009) will be used for the ranking.
- The ballot will done with baskets and ranking. (example: if there are 15 participating teams and 3 tournaments, there will be four baskets – 1st basket teams ranked 1-3, 2nd basket teams 4-6, 3rd basket teams 7-9, 4th basket teams 10-12, 5th basket teams 13-15)
- The ballot for the Qualifications should be done quite soon after the registration to give the organizers enough time to prepare. For the final round ballot a similar system will be used as for the qualification ballot.
- The nomination of the qualification organizers can be done prior to the ballot. All organizers will simply be placed in different groups.