

INTERIM REGULATION AMENDMENTS APPLICABLE TO UPC NINE-BALL POOL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2012-2013

8(e) For the first phase teams will be divided into six groups each containing a maximum of eight teams. Should there be less than eight teams in a group, byes will be allocated as per the drawsheet.

8(f) The competing teams shall be divided into eight tranches. The holder will automatically be first seed and placed in Tranche 1. The remainder of the first teams will be allocated to the tranches as per the ranking list. Once all first teams have been allocated, second and third teams will be allocated to the remaining places as per the ranking list.

8(g) The draw will be made in such a way that teams from the same university will not be drawn together in the same group as far as is practicable. The group containing the first seed will be denoted Group A, the group containing the second seed will be denoted Group B, the group containing the third seed will be denoted Group C, the group containing the fourth seed will be denoted Group D, the group containing the fifth seed will be denoted Group E, the group containing the sixth seed will be denoted Group F, the group containing the seventh seed will be denoted Group G and the group containing the eighth seed will be denoted Group H.

(k) Second phase

On conclusion of the first phase teams will qualify for the playoffs as follows:

The two highest ranked first teams in a group will qualify for the Championship playoffs. Should a first team finish fail to win a match in their group but still be one of the two highest placed first teams they will not be entitled to take their place in the playoffs and a bye will be given to their would-be opponents. The draw for the second phase will be determined by the finishing positions in the groups and will be as follows:

Last 16	Quarter-Finals	Semi-Finals
1. WA v RF	9. W1 v W2	13. W9 v W10
2. WH v RC		
3. WD v RG		
4. WE v RB	10. W3 v W4	
5. WB v RE	11. W5 v W6	
6. WG v RD		
7. WC v RH		
8. WF v RA	12. W7 v W8	14. W11 v W12

The highest placed team in a group that has not qualified for the Championship playoffs will qualify for the Trophy playoffs. The draw for the second phase will be as follows:

Quarter-Finals	Semi-Finals
1. GA v GB	5. W1 v W2
2. GC v GD	
3. GE v GF	
4. GG v GF	6. W3 v W4