

PRESS RELEASE

The Confederation of North, Central America
and Caribbean Association Football.



Official Draw Confirmed for the CONCACAF Under-17 Championship Honduras 2015

Draw to take place Monday, December 8 in San Pedro Sula

Miami (Tuesday, December 2, 2014) – The Confederation of North, Central America and Caribbean Association Football (CONCACAF) confirmed today the programming for the official draw for the CONCACAF Under-17 Championship Honduras 2015. The draw will take place on Monday, December 8 at 10 AM local time (11 ET), and will be streamed live via CONCACAF.com.

The event will be conducted at the Chamber of Commerce and Industries of Cortes, Honduras, with the presence of CONCACAF President Jeffrey Webb, Honduran Football Federation President Rafael Callejas, Honduran Football Federation General Secretary Alfredo Hawit, and other dignitaries from the business and football communities. Also on hand to assist in the execution of the draw will be Honduran World Cup veterans Amado Guevara and Carlos Pavón.

The draw will sort the twelve qualified nations set to participate in the championship into two groups of six teams for the tournament, scheduled for the Estadio Francisco Morazan and Olympic Stadium in San Pedro Sula, from February 27 – March 14.

Five pots will be utilized: three (1, 2 and 3) for the teams and two (A and B) for group position. As host, Honduras will be seeded in position A1 and drawn from Pot 1 alongside three fellow Central American entrants: Costa Rica, Panama and the winner of a playoff, scheduled for January, between El Salvador and Guatemala. Pots 2 and 3 will be comprised of Caribbean representatives and North American entrants, respectively.

The pots for the draw will therefore be designated as follows:

Pot 1 (Central America): Honduras, Costa Rica, Panama, UNCAF 3 (El Salvador or Guatemala)

Pot 2 (Caribbean): Cuba, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Lucia, Trinidad & Tobago

Pot 3 (North America): Canada, Mexico, United States

Pot A (Seeding for Group A): Six balls with a group positions, 1-6

Pot B (Seeding for Group B): Six balls with a group positions, 1-6

Following the drawing of Honduras into Group A as the seeded team, the remaining teams will be drawn one by one from Pot 1. The second team drawn goes to Group B, in a position determined by the place drawn from Pot B. The third team drawn then goes to Group A, with its position drawn from Pot A – the positioning pot for that group. The fourth team drawn from the Central America pot is in turn placed in Group B.

The procedure will then be repeated for regional pots 2 and 3, continuing to alternate placement of the nation drawn into Groups A and B by turn, until the balls are exhausted and groups are full.

The CONCACAF Under-17 Championship Honduras 2015 is scheduled to be played February 27 – Match 15, 2015, in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. The tournament will qualify four teams directly to the FIFA Under-17 World Cup Chile 2015.

WHO: CONCACAF, the Local Organizing Committee, and representation of the participating teams of the CONCACAF Under-17 Championship Honduras 2015

WHAT: Official Draw for the CONCACAF Under-17 Championship Honduras 2015

WHEN: Monday, December 8, 2014 at 10 AM Local time (11 EST)

WHERE: Convention Center of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Cortes, La Esperanza, San Pedro Sula 21101, Honduras