

**DEAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE
MEN FOOTBALL
15th - 20th April 2019
London, England**



DCL 2019 – Rules of the Football Men draw

1	The draw ceremony will take place on Saturday 9 th February 2019 at the local REMARK in London, England. The draw will start at 12:00.
2	The representatives in the draw will be assisted with 2 members of the DCL executive committee.
3	16 clubs have qualified for this competition in Charlton (London). The title holder, POK Athens (Greece) have qualified automatically as well as the organising host, Charlton ADFC.
4	The 16 qualified teams have been placed into 4 pots. There will be 4 teams in each pot. The distribution of the teams has been made based on the DCL Countries coefficient (points calculated using the results of the teams over the last five DCL competitions). The League Champions/Cup Winners for each country are placed into the pots following the DCL countries coefficient, starting with pot 1, then pot 2, etc.
5	Pot 1 will consist of the title holder POK Athens (Greece) plus the 3 best countries in the DCL Coefficient, which are Greece, England and Turkey for this competition.
6	After putting the League Champions/Cup Winners into the pots, the remaining clubs, who are not League Champions/Cup Winners in their country, are then placed into the remaining pots using the DCL Countries coefficient. Teams that are invited as 'Repechage' are placed in the last group.
7	The 16 teams will be divided into 4 groups of 4 teams each for the Group Stages. One team from each pot will be placed into each group.
8	The organizing host Charlton ADFC is automatically placed in group A. The 3 others clubs in pot 4 and are first placed in the groups as B4, C4 and D4, then the teams in pot 1 are placed in the groups as A1, B1, C1 and D1, and so on for pots 2 and 3.
9	No club from the same country will be placed in the same group. If a club is drawn out of a pot and there is a clash of two clubs from one country, then the club drawn out will be moved to the next group. A, B, C and then D is the order of sequence. E.g. if a team is drawn out of the pot 2 for B2 and there is a clash (2 clubs from 1 country), then that club moves to C2. So, the next team drawn from pot 2 will be place in group B as B2. If there is a clash of 2 clubs from 1 country in the last position of the group, e.g. team drawn out of pot 2 for D2, then C2 and D2 switch places. If switching C2 and D2 does not work, then D2 switches with B2, etc. The same approach applies for each pot.
10	If a team withdraws from the competition before the draw is made, then the last Group (i.e. Group D) is reduced to 3 teams. Group C would be the next group to be reduced to 3 teams if another team withdraws, and so on.
11	After the draw the Technical Officer will issue the official schedule of the matches within 2 weeks. Any questions must be directed to the Technical Director.

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