



CONFEDERATION OF AFRICA RUGBY

(CAR Development & Competitions Committee)

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BY EMAIL

To : General Secretary & CEOs
CAR Member Unions
CAR Associate Members
Reunion, Rugby Federation
Mayotte Rugby Federation

Dear Sirs

2008-2011 CAR COMPETITIONS PLAN

For your perusal and retention find attached CAR's Competition plan for 2008-2011.

Should you have any questions or clarifications inquiries please send to the undersigned as soon as possible. We shall answer them in a general circular as FAQs.

For the benefit of the French speakers CAR General Secretary will translate the document into French and circulate the document.

2008 COMPETITIONS

a) 2008 Africa Cup/ 2011 RWC Pre-Qualification Competition

As stated in the 2008-2011 plan.

Match schedules

Many unions have asked about the 2008 match schedules to enable them plan for the 2008 season. A complete match schedule(groups, dates for home and away) will be sent to you as soon as clarifications concerning finances and eligibility to participate in this tournament have been made.

Development and Competitions Committee: Paul Sigombe, Sas Bailey, Jean-Luc Barthes

To assist you in your planning, the following are the match days for this competition.

Match day 1 :14/15 June 2008

Match day 2 : 12/13 July 2008

Match day 3 : 02/03 August 2008

CASTEL BEER TROPHY 2008

North Region

This tournament will be hosted by Ghana (confirmed)

Participating teams : Ghana, Burkina Faso, Niger,, Mali, Togo, Chad

Dates : 23 to 28 June 2008

South Region

The tournament is proposed to be hosted in Mauritius (Not yet confirmed)

Standby host: Re-union

Participating teams : Burundi, Mauritius, Mayotte, Reunion, Rwanda & Tanzania

Dates: 29 /06/ - 06/07/07

AGE GROUP COMPETITIONS

CAR U19 CHAMPIONSHIP

This tournament will be hosted by Tunisia

Participating unions will be

1. Namibia (1)
2. Zimbabwe(2)
3. Tunisia(3)
4. Uganda(4)
5. Morocco(5)
6. Kenya(6)
7. Madagascar(7)
8. Ivory Coast(8)

Dates: To be determined in consultation with participating unions

Proposed dates:

1. 26,May- 1,June 2008(As agreed as during the 2007 U19 Championship)
2. 20-30th August 2008 – Proposed by host union.

CAR U18 DEVELOPMENT

North Region

The tournament will be hosted by Mali

Participating unions: Ghana, Niger, Togo, Burkina Faso, Mali, Cameroon, Nigeria, Senegal

Proposed dates: 11-12 July 2008

South Region

There will be two tournaments in the south

a) The U/18 Development Tournament South will be hosted by Zambia in Lusaka

Participating unions: Botswana, Mauritius, Swaziland, Reunion, Tanzania, Zambia

Proposed dates: 21-27 July 2008

b) Home and away for Rwanda and Burundi
Dates to be advised by unions.

SEVENS RUGBY

RWC Qualification Tournament - Men & Women

Subject to **irb approval** it is proposed that both tournaments are held in one venue.

- Three (3) men's and two (2) women's teams will qualify from this tournament to participate in the IRB Sevens World Cup to take place in Dubai in February 2009.
- The proposed date for this tournament is 07 - 09 November 2008
- The venue will be determined by means of a tender process, which will be open to all Unions.
- The Men's section will consist of 16 teams and the Women's section will consist of 10 teams.

Kampala International Women's sevens

This annual Kampala International women's sevens will be held as usual.

Teams : Tunisia, Zimbabwe, Zambia, South Africa, Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi, Tanzania, Uganda.

Dates to be announced by the hosting union

Tunis women's sevens

Dates and teams to be announced by the hosting unions

Other competitions

We are compiling CAR's activities calendar for 2008.

Member unions are requested to advise the Development and Competitions committee of all planned regional competitions and dates these competitions will take place. This includes, tours, test matches and club tournaments.

For example annual events like:

- 1) Elgon Cup (Kenya and Uganda)
- 2) The proposed Four nations competitions- Zimbabwe, Uganda, Kenya & Zambia
- 3) Hima tens (Uganda)

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Signed

Paul Sigombe

CAR Director of Development and Competitions

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