

Another chance to get 2010 tickets

South Africans who still wish to purchase 2010 FIFA World Cup tickets will be relieved to know that a few thousand additional tickets have gone on sale today, 4 May 2010.



Football body FIFA said the tickets became available following the ongoing finalisation of seating arrangements at all World Cup match venues and further adjustments of different ticket allocations.

This process has seen additional tickets become available for some of the matches in Cape Town and Durban. However, the opening match, the first round match Brazil versus Portugal, the two semi-finals and the final are all unavailable, a statement said.

However, football fanatics were reminded that the best teams and players in the world will compete in this FIFA World Cup and therefore there are no "small" matches.

"All 32 teams will compete at the highest level in a unique ambience", said Horst R. Schmidt, Chairman of FIFA's Ticketing Sub-Committee.

Over-the-counter sale points are available in at least 11 Ticketing Centres, 18 selected Shoprite/Checkers and more than 600 FNB branches nationwide. People can reach the Call Centre on 083 123 2010 seven days a week between 9am and 6pm.

So far, more than 230 000 tickets have been sold during the current fifth and last sales phase which commenced on 15 April with 173,500 tickets sold over the counter while the remainder went on sale via FNB branches, Shoprite/Checkers and Ticketing Centres.

Hosts South Africa is leading the ticket sales with approximately 1,150,000 tickets purchased by locals. The United States follows with around 130 000, the UK at 97 000, Australia at 43 000, Germany 40 000, Mexico 36 000, Japan 22 000, Brazil 18 000, Canada 17 000 and Switzerland 16 000.

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