



PLAYOFFS PROCEDURES

THE PLAYOFF PROCEDURES BELOW APPLY TO ALL DIVISIONS. FOR A LIST OF ON-FIELD PLAYOFF RULES, PLEASE CLICK ON THE RULES LINK (FULL VERSION) FOR YOUR SPECIFIC DIVISION, AND FIND 'PLAYOFF RULES' ON THE LAST PAGE.

Playoff bracketing will be announced before the end of the regular season. In all playoff games except the Championship game(s), the higher seeded team shall be the home team. In the Championship game, the winner of the winner's bracket gets to choose whether to be home or visitor. If a second Championship game is required, then home and visitors will be determined by a coin flip before the game.

Playoff Seedings: Seedings will be based on the teams' regular season records. For seeding purposes, a team's regular season record will be determined based on the total points received during the regular season. Wins will count as 3 pts, ties as 1 pt. and losses as 0 pts.

In the event that 2 teams have the same amount of points at the end of the regular season, the following tie-breaker formula shall be used:

1. Head to head record
2. Fewest runs allowed in head to head games
3. Most wins during regular season (season record against all teams, not just head-to-head)
4. Coin toss

In the event that 3 or more teams have the same amount of points at the end of the regular season, the following tie-breaker formula shall be used*:

1. Best round-robin record among the tied teams
2. Fewest runs allowed in round-robin games among the tied teams
3. Best run differential in round-robin games among the tied teams
4. Most wins among the tied teams (season record against all teams, not just head-to-head)
5. Draw straws

* At any level of the tie-breaking procedure, if only two of the three teams are tied, then only those two teams go to the next level of the tiebreaking procedure.

- Example 1: Teams A, B, and C all finish the season tied for 3rd place. Teams A and B each have a round robin record of 3-1, while Team C's round robin record is 0-4. Team C would automatically get 5th place, while only Teams A & B would go on to "Fewest Runs Allowed" to decide who came in 3rd & 4th place.
- Example 2: Teams A, B, and C all finish the season tied for 2nd place. Team A has a round robin record of 4-0. Teams B & C each have a round robin record of 1-3. Team A would automatically get 2nd place, while Teams B & C would go to "Fewest Runs Allowed" to decide 3rd and 4th place.

In the event that three or more teams are tied, and the teams involved have not played each other an equal number of times, the executive board shall determine the seeding in the fairest manner possible.