



2008 VFX WINTER CHALLENGE TIE BREAKER PROCEDURES

Teams qualifying for the playoffs, but tied for position only, shall not compete in a playoff set to determine position, rather position assignment shall be determined by the below listed priority system. Point differential shall be determined by subtracting the total points lost from the total points won. The highest plus or the lowest minus remainder shall be considered the superior team for tie breaking purposes.

- Games head to head. If still tied, then:
- Head to Head point differential. If still tied, then:
- Comparison of the point differential based on the total pool play competition. If still tied, then:
- Coin toss

If there are more teams tied for the playoffs than there are positions, the tied teams must compete for the position(s) if it determines who advances to the Gold Division. A team shall not be eliminated from assignment to championship competition by point differential or any other non-competitive system (unless stated such for the specific age group due to time constraints).

If two or more teams are tied for a single playoff position, the minimum number of one additional 15 point rally game shall be played. Teams shall change sides at 8 points. No cap shall be in effect. For example:

- Two teams tie for the last position: One 15 point rally point game.
- Three teams tie for the last position: Superior as determined by the above criteria #1 team shall be the bye team and play the winner of the match between the two remaining teams. Two 15 rally point games total.
- Four teams for the last position: Superior as determined by the above criteria #1 vs. #4 and #2 vs. #3 and the winner's playoff. Three 15 rally point games total.

If three teams tie for two playoff positions, the team with the greater point differential shall be awarded first place and the other two teams shall play one 15 rally point game for the remaining playoff position. The same priorities as listed above #1 shall prevail except that if a tie shall exist after the second priority the flip of a coin shall determine the bye team and all teams must play for position as follows:

- Team A wins over Team B and gains one playoff berth
- Team C (previous bye) plays the loser, in this case, Team B, for the second playoff berth. Two 15 rally point games total.