

POOL PLAY TIEBREAKER PROCEDURE

In all cases, the team(s) advancing past the first level must be the team(s) with the best won-lost record(s) during pool play.

When records are tied, however, the following procedures must be applied in order that the tie can be broken.

The first tiebreaker is **ALWAYS** the result of head-to-head match-up(s) during pool play of the teams that are involved in the tie.

If One Team is to Advance:

Example: Three teams are tied with identical records for first place at the end of pool play and one team is to advance to the Finals. Teams A, B and C played against each other once in pool play. Team A won all of its games against Team B and Team C during pool play. Result = Team A advances, and Team B and Team C are eliminated.

If Two Teams are to Advance:

Example 1: Three teams are tied with identical records for first place at the end of pool play, and two teams are to advance to the Finals. Teams A, B and C played against each other once in pool play. Team A won all of its games against Team B and Team C during pool play. Result = Team A advances and is the #1 Seed. Then this creates a two-way tie between Team B and Team C. That tie is broke by "head-to-head between those two teams. If Team B beat Team C, then Team B is #2 Seed and Team C is eliminated.

Example 2: Three teams are tied with identical records for first place at the end of pool play, and two teams are to advance to the Finals. If all three tied teams beat each other, the tie breaker would be the "Runs-Allowed Ratio".

If Three Teams are to Advance:

Example: Two or more teams are tied with identical records for first place at the end of pool play, and three teams are to advance to the Finals. Teams A, B and C played against each other once in pool play. Team A won all of its games against Team B and Team C during pool play. Result = Team A advances and is the #1 Seed. Then this creates a two-way tie between Team B and Team C. That tie is broke by "head-to-head between those two teams. If Team B beat Team C, then Team B is #2 Seed and Team C is the #3 Seed.

Example 2: Three teams are tied with identical records for first place at the end of pool play, and three teams are to advance to the Finals. If all three tied teams beat each other, the tie breaker would be the "Runs-Allowed Ratio".