POOL PLAY TIE-BREAKING GUIDELINES

The following procedure is to be used when, at the conclusion of each round of pool play, there is more than one team in a pool with the same win-loss record. Ties in each round of pool play are broken independently using this procedure:

Two-Team Tie

When two (2) teams tie for a position:

1. **Head-to-Head**; the team which defeated the other wins the tiebreaker

Three or More Teams Tied

NOTE: Once the pool winner has been determined, the tie between the remaining two teams shall be broken based on head-to-head competition (above).

Misunderstood Rule: ***Point differential does NOT rank teams 1-2-3.***
The three-team tie is broken first, a Pool Winner is declared, and then the two-team tie is broken by the procedures listed above in the 'Two-Team Tie'.

Step One - POINT DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN TIED TEAMS

If more than two teams are tied, a point differential tie breaker will be applied. The point differentials of ONLY the teams involved in the tie are totaled. Games against any team(s) not involved in the tie are NOT counted in Step One.

Teams are then ranked according to the sum of the point differential and the team with the highest ranking is determined the pool play winner.

NOTE: Regardless of actual game scores, 15 points is the maximum plus or minus total that will be factored into the point differential calculation.

NOTE: Once the pool winner has been determined via the point differential, the tie between the remaining two teams shall be broken based on head-to-head competition.

Example

Team A	2-1
Team B	2-1
Team C	2-1
Team D	0-3

Team A	50	Team B	40
Team B	45	Team C	40
Team C	38	Team A	37
~~Team A~~	~~56~~	~~Team D~~	~~20~~
~~Team B~~	~~45~~	~~Team D~~	~~15~~
~~Team C~~	~~67~~	~~Team D~~	~~60~~

All games vs. Team D do NOT count in Step One of the tiebreaker.
Team A wins tiebreaker at +9. Team B takes second with H2H over Team C

Step Two - POINT DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN ALL TEAMS

If more than two teams are still tied after the application of Step One, the point differentials of the ALL teams including the team(s) not involved in the tie are added and the results recalculated.

Step Three - COIN FLIP

If more than two teams are still tied after the application of Step Two, a three-way flip of the coin will break the tie, with the odd team being declared the pool winner. The tie between the two remaining teams will be broken based on the results of their head-to-head competition.

ALL FORFEITS ARE SCORED 15-0

Tie games will be counted as a 1/2 win and a 1/2 loss.

If a team is playing in a pool play format and forfeits any game, they will be automatically determined to be the last place team in their pool regardless of win/loss record and/or point differential.