

Sun Country Region Tie Breaking Procedures

Definition: "Tied" refers to same won/loss number of sets within a pool regardless of head to head.

A team shall not be eliminated from a higher playoff bracket on a point system or other non-competitive system. Teams qualifying within the same playoff bracket will be assigned a seeded position by a point system. Tied refers to same won/loss number of sets within a pool regardless of head to head.

System Requiring Playoff Match (more teams than bracket positions available)

1. Two or more teams are tied for the last playoff position in a given bracket

If two or more teams are tied for the last playoff position in a given bracket, the minimum of one 15-point rally score game shall be played as follows:

- a. Two teams tie for the last position: one game.
- b. Three teams tie for the last position: superior team by point spread shall be given a bye and will play the winner of one 15 point game between the two remaining teams.
- c. If more than three teams tie for the last position: consult the USAV guide for the proper procedure.

2. Three teams ties for two playoff positions in a given bracket

If three teams tie for two playoff positions, the team with the greatest point spread in pool play competition shall be awarded first place in the pool. The remaining two teams shall play one 15-point rally game for the remaining playoff position. If all three teams' point spreads are the same, consult the USAV guide for the proper procedure.

System for Seeding Tied Teams within the Same Playoff Bracket

3. Teams qualified for the same playoff bracket but tied for position only

Teams qualifying for the same playoff bracket but tied for position only will not compete in a playoff game to determine position but shall be assigned their playoff position by the following priority system:

- a. Results of the head-to-head match between the tied teams, first on the basis of games won/lost and second on the point spread of the games within the head-to-head match.
- b. Comparison of the point spread based on the total pool play competition.
- c. Flip of a coin.

Point spreads shall be determined by subtracting the total points lost from the total points won.