



Tournament Tie Breaker

The position of teams at the end of pool play is determined by games won/loss. If teams are tied based on their total games won/loss record, this tie-breaking procedure supersedes the USAV Rulebook for all HOA Region competition to determine the position of these tied teams within the pool so they can be properly seeded into the playoffs.

In single day tournaments in the HOA region, tie-breaking sets will only be played if there are no other competition elements available to break a tie and it affects if a team will advance to playoffs or not. Teams will be eliminated on points if needed. Only if a coin flip would be required to determine a winner, a tie-breaker set will be played.

Ranking System

Teams tied for position, should not compete in a playoff set to determine position; rather, position assignment should be determined by the priority system listed below based on point differential to the extent possible:

- 1 Results of the match(es) **between the tied teams:**
 - a. first on the won-lost record, and
 - b. second on the point spread.

If still tied, then:

2. Comparison of the point differential based on the total round robin competition. Point differential should be determined by subtracting the total points lost from the total points won. The highest plus or the lowest minus remainder should be considered the superior team for tie-breaking purposes.

If still tied, then:

3. Tie breaker match will be played only if a team is eliminated from advancing to playoffs. Otherwise, use a coin flip. If required, a tie-breaker set will have the same length as pool play matches (either 25 or 21 points).