

## AZ Region National Club Qualifier - Tie Break Procedures

Because this is a National Qualifier there are specific procedures that must be followed for this tournament that are not necessarily in place for any other Region tournaments.

### **Tie Break Procedure:**

**2 Way Tie:** Head to Head

**3 Way Tie:** At NO TIME in a 3 way tie is Head to Head considered for 3 and 4 team pools. For teams still in contention to advance, playoff sets will be required. The teams are seeded for the playoff sets in order by:

**1st - Set Percentage:** Calculated for each team as the number of sets won in the pool (by the team) divided by the total number of sets played in the pool (by the team). The team with the highest set percentage is seeded highest.

**2nd - Point Percentage:** Calculated for each team as the number of points won in the pool (by the team) divided by the total number of points played in the pool (by the team). The team with the highest point percentage is seeded first.

### **Playoff Sets Format**

**If only one team will advance:** The team seeded highest will ref the other 2 teams, 1 deciding set to 25. The winning team will then play the remaining team 1 deciding set to 25. The team eliminated in the 1<sup>st</sup> playoff set will be the work team for the 2<sup>nd</sup> playoff set.

If, for any reason at the start of the warm up period for the receiving team (second warmup period), 1 of the tied teams is unavailable for the resolution of the tie at the time the court official is ready to proceed, that team will automatically become 3rd of the tied teams and the other 2 teams will play one (1) tie breaker set. For a team assigned to officiate a tie-breaker set, a team must have every required position covered.

**If two teams will advance:** The team seeded highest from the tie will assume the highest place finish in the tie and be the work team for the remaining teams 1 deciding set to 25.

If, for any reason at the start of the Second Warmup Period, 1 of the tied teams is unavailable for the resolution of the tie at the time the court official is ready to proceed, that team will be ranked third of the tied teams. The remaining teams will finish 1st and 2nd in the pool based on the tie breaker seeding process. No other penalty will be applied and no tie breaker set is played. "Unavailable" is defined for a team playing in the tie-breaker set as not having a legal roster to begin a match. For a team assigned to officiate a tie-breaker set, a team must have every required position covered.

If the teams that are tied are not in contention to advance to the next round, there is no playoff.