## PROCEDURES FOR BREAKING TIES TO DETERMINE POOL FINISH

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If there is a tie in match record among 2 or more teams in the pool, tie(s) are resolved using the Tie Break Rules, even in 3 team pools where all 3 sets are required to be played.

Ties in Matches are broken by the following steps:


Head to head results are used to determine pool finishes for teams that are tied in Match Record

1. A team that beats all the other teams with which it is tied in Match Record will finish ahead of the other teams in the pool.
2. A team that has lost to all of the other teams with which it is tied in Match Record is placed behind the other teams in pool finish.

The head to head winner of those 2 teams earns the higher pool finish

3 or more teams

Set percentage is the next level of breaking ties and is used to rank a pool in which teams remain tied

- Teams with a higher set percentage finish ahead of teams with a lower set percentage.

Will any teams be eliminated from advancing to the Gold at BJNC/GJNC or earning the Qualifier Bid to BJNCIGJNC?

The team that won head to head receives the higher finish in the pool.

Pool finish among the teams tied in Match percentage and Set percentage is determined by Point percentage. If two teams are still tied in
point percentage, the head to head winner finishes higher.

The remaining teams that are tied in match percentage and set percentage have Playoff Tie Breaker Set(s).

- To determine pool finish position, tied teams are ranked by their point percentage from the pool.
- Tie Breakers Sets, if required, are played as 1 set to 25 , switch sides at 13 .
- There may be brackets of 2,3 , or 4 teams

Tournament Type?

Girls National Qualifiers and Boys Bid Tournaments:

- Tie Breaker sets are only played for the last spot leading to a Qualifier Bid
It is possible that teams will be eliminated from the GOLD bracket in a National Qualifier as the Tie Breaker is played to determine the chance to play for a Qualifier Bid, NOT for the Gold Bracket.

How many pool positions are available for a team to advance to play for a bid position?

USAV Girls Jr National Championships (GJNCs) and USAV Boys Junior National Championships (BJNC):

- Tie Breaker sets will only be played for the last spot leading to the GOLD Bracket

How many pool positions are available for a team to advance to the GOLD Bracket?

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| 1 pool position avail. | 2 pool positions available | 3 pool positions available |
| All teams participate in the Tie Breaker Sets. | - The team with the highest point percentage is ranked the highest and receives one of the advancing positions. <br> - Remaining teams participate in the Tie Breaker Sets. | - The two teams with the highest point percentages each receive one of the advancing spots. <br> - The remaining teams participate in the Tie Breaker Sets. |

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[^0]:    * It is possible for one or more tied teams to advance without having to play in a Tie Breaker Set, as only the last pool position (spot) is played off
    ** The sequence of playoff sets is structured so that the teams with the highest point percentages have the fewest number of Tie Breaker Sets to play

