

Volleyball Canada Tie-Breaking Procedures

If two or more teams are tied at the end of the preliminary round, the following criteria will be applied, in order:

- 1) The team having the best ratio of won/lost matches, considering matches between the tied teams, will be ranked higher;
- 2) The team having the best ratio of won/lost games, considering matches played between the tied teams, will be ranked higher;
- 3) The team having the best ratio of won/lost games, considering all matches of the round, will be ranked higher;
- 4) The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering games played between the tied teams, will be ranked higher;
- 5) The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering all games played during the round, will be ranked higher;
- 6) Toss of coin

When you apply this rule to break a tie you should follow this sequence:

- 1) When two teams are tied, the tie-breaking criteria are applied one after the other until the tie has been broken.
- 2) When three or more teams are tied, the tie-breaking criteria are applied one after the other until all the tied teams have been ranked.

NOTE: This means that if there is a tie among teams X, Y and Z and criteria "b" is able to determine X as first, Y as second and Z as third, then no further criteria are to be used. The tie is broken.

However, if criteria "b" determines X as first and there is still a tie between Y and Z. then the ranking of the remaining teams will be determined by proceeding to criteria "c and so on, if necessary. Do not start at (a) again. Continue through the sequence of criteria using the results of teams x, y, and z for criteria (d).