

• APPENDIX H •
SEEDING FORMAT FOR
SCHEDULING OF JUNIOR
PROVINCIALS & U20
NATIONAL QUALIFIER

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AH1.0 GENERAL SEEDING INFORMATION

- AH1.1 The format for the scheduling of games for all Divisions of the Junior Provincials, as well as the U20 National Qualifier will be a seeding format rather than a "Draw from the Hat".
- AH1.2 The seeding of teams will be based on the Final Standings from the previous F.B.A.O. Event. Teams with better-winning records at an F.B.A.O. event will result in a higher seeding for the next F.B.A.O. event.
- AH1.2.1 The U12, U14, and U16 Divisions will utilize the Final Standings from the previous year's Junior Provincials.
- AH1.2.2 The U20 Divisions will utilize the Final Standings from the previous F.B.A.O. event. The Final Standing results of the Junior Provincials will be utilized for the seeding of the U20 National Qualifier later that year; while the Final Standing results of the U20 National Qualifier will be utilized for the seeding of the Junior Provincials in the following year.

AH2.0 SEEDING BASED ON VARIOUS NUMBER OF TEAMS IN DRAW

- AH2.1 The seeding format is such that if the top-seeded teams win their first games, then the top-seeded teams would meet in the Winner's Bracket Final. The top 4 seeded teams would be potentially in the Winner's Bracket Semi-Final, with 1st seeded vs. 4th seeded and 2nd seeded vs. 3rd seeded.
- AH2.2 In a standard <u>8 team</u> Draw, Game 1 would have 1st seeded vs. 8th seeded, Game 2 would have 4th seeded vs. 5th seeded, Game 3 would have 2nd seeded vs. 7th seeded, and Game 4 would have 3rd seeded vs. 6th seeded play in the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final. In the Winner's Bracket Semi-Final, the Winners of Games 1 and 2, and Winners of Games 3 and 4 will play each other. The rest of the schedule is exactly as per the double knock-out schedule.
- AH2.3 For draws with less than 8 teams, there will be Byes with the order of Byes based on the highest ranking.
- AH2.3.1 For a <u>seven-team</u> draw, the 1st ranked team will receive a Bye in the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play. The Winner's Bracket Semi-Final round will have the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 4th seeded and 5th seeded, and the Winner of the 2nd seeded and 7th seeded vs. the Winner of 3rd seeded vs. 6th seeded.

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- AH2.3.2 For a <u>six-team</u> draw, the 1st ranked and 2nd ranked teams will receive Byes in the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play. The Winner's Bracket Semi-Final round will have the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 4th seeded and 5th seeded, and the 2nd seeded vs. the Winner of 3rd seeded vs. 6th seeded.
- AH2.3.3 For a <u>five-team</u> draw, the 1st seeded team will receive Bye in the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play. The Winner's Bracket Semi-Final round will have the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 4th seeded and 5th seeded, and the 2nd seeded vs. the 3rd seeded.
- AH2.3.4 For a <u>four-team</u> draw, in the Winner's Bracket Semi-Final round will have the 1st seeded vs. the 4th seeded, and the 2nd seeded vs. the 3rd seeded.
- AH2.4 For draws with more than eight (8) teams, there will be Additional Preliminary Round games. Teams with the highest ranking will receive Byes from these Additional Preliminary Round games.
- AH2.4.1 For a <u>nine-team</u> draw, the 8th seeded and 9th seeded teams will play an Additional Preliminary Round game. In the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play, the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 8th seeded and 9th seeded, the 4th seeded vs.5th seeded, the 2nd seeded vs.7th seeded, and the 3rd seeded vs. 6th seeded. The format continues in the same format as 8 team draw.
- AH2.4.2 For a <u>ten-team</u> draw, the 8th seeded and 9th seeded teams and the 7th seeded and 10th seeded teams will play an Additional Preliminary Round game. In the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play, the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 8th seeded and 9th seeded, the 4th seeded vs.5th seeded, the 2nd seeded vs. the Winner of7th seeded and 10th seeded, and the 3rd seeded vs. 6th seeded. The format continues in the same format as 8 team draw.
- AH2.4.3 For an <u>eleven-team</u> draw, the 8th seeded and 9th seeded teams, the 7th seeded and 10th seeded teams, and the 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams will play an Additional Preliminary Round game. In the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play, the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 8th seeded and 9th seeded, the 4th seeded vs.5th seeded, the 2nd seeded vs. the Winner of 7th seeded and 10th seeded, and the 3rd seeded vs. the Winner of 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams. The format continues in the same format as 8 team draw.
- AH2.4.4 For a <u>twelve-team</u> draw, the 8th seeded and 9th seeded teams, the 7th seeded and 10th seeded teams, the 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams, and the 5th seeded and 12th seeded teams will play an Additional Preliminary Round game. In the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play, the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 8th seeded and 9th seeded, the 4th seeded vs. the Winner of the 5th seeded and 12th seeded, the 2nd seeded vs. the Winner of 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams. The format continues in the same format as 8 team draw.

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- AH2.4.5 For a <u>thirteen-team</u> draw, the 8th seeded and 9th seeded teams, the 7th seeded and 10th seeded teams, the 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams, the 5th seeded and 12th seeded teams, and the 4th seeded and 13th seeded teams will play an Additional Preliminary Round game. In the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play, the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 8th seeded and 9th seeded, the Winner of the 4th seeded and 13th seeded vs. the Winner of 7th seeded and 10th seeded, and the 3rd seeded vs. the Winner of 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams. The format continues in the same format as 8 team draw.
- AH2.4.6 For a <u>fourteen-team</u> draw, the 8th seeded and 9th seeded teams, the 7th seeded and 10th seeded teams, the 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams, the 5th seeded and 12th seeded teams, the 4th seeded and 13th seeded teams, and the 3rd seeded and 14th seeded teams will play an Additional Preliminary Round game. In the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play, the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 8th seeded and 9th seeded, the Winner of the 4th seeded and 13th seeded vs. the Winner of the 5th seeded and 12th seeded, the 2nd seeded vs. the Winner of 7th seeded and 10th seeded, and the Winner of the 3rd seeded and 14th seeded vs. the Winner of 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams. The format continues in the same format as 8 team draw.
- AH2.4.7 For a <u>fifteen-team</u> draw, the 8th seeded and 9th seeded teams, the 7th seeded and 10th seeded teams, the 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams, the 5th seeded and 12th seeded teams, the 4th seeded and 13th seeded teams, the 3rd seeded and 14th seeded teams, and the 2nd seeded and 15th seeded teams will play an Additional Preliminary Round game. In the Winner's Bracket Quarter-Final of play, the 1st seeded vs. the Winner of the 8th seeded and 9th seeded, the Winner of the 4th seeded and 13th seeded vs. the Winner of the 5th seeded and 12th seeded, the Winner of the 2nd seeded and 15th seeded vs. the Winner of 7th seeded and 10th seeded, and the Winner of the 3rd seeded and 14th seeded vs. the Winner of 6th seeded and 11th seeded teams. The format continues in the same format as 8 team draw.

AH3.0 SEEDING RANKING FROM PREVIOUS EVENT

AH3.1 For the U12 Division, the Wrap-A-Round Format is utilized instead of double knock-out format. In the Final Standings, those teams that played only in the Winner's Bracket will receive the highest rankings over teams in the Loser's Bracket. The Gold Medalist is ranked 1st, and the Silver Medalist is ranked 2nd. Since there are two Bronze Medalist Winners, those two teams will utilize the tie-breaker format to determine 3rd and 4th rankings. Any other teams eliminated from play in the Winner's Bracket will be seeded next based on the tie-breaker format.

The next highest ranked team after the Winner's Bracket will be the Consolation Champion, followed by Consolation Finalist, and so on based on rounds of advancement based on the tie-breaker format.

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AH3.2 For the U14, U16, and U20 Divisions, the double knock-out Format is utilized. In the Final Standings, the seeding ranking will be the Gold Medalist ranked 1st, the Silver Medalist ranked 2nd, and the Bronze Medalist tanked 3rd. The teams advancing the furthest number of rounds will have the next highest seeding ranking based on the tiebreaker format.

AH4.0 SEEDING TIE-BREAKER FORMAT

- AH4.1 In situations where at least two teams are tied at the same level of finish in the previous event, then the following tie-breaker format will be utilized starting with the highest precedent.
 - a) Highest number of total points based on 2 points for win, and one point for tie. The comparison of points must be based on the same number of games played, otherwise use average with total points divided by total games played;
 - b) The best plus/minus of the teams;
 - The fewest total goals scored against team. The comparison of goals must be based on the same number of games played, otherwise use average with total goals divided by total games played;
 - d) The highest total goals scored for team. The comparison of goals must be based on the same number of games played, otherwise use average with total goals divided by total games played;
 - e) In the team's elimination game (second loss), the higher ranking will be the team where the opponent's winning goal was the latest time in the game;
 - f) In the team's first loss, the higher ranking will be the team where the opponent's winning goal was the latest time in the game.

AH5.0 ADDITION AND DELETION OF TEAMS

AH5.1 If a previous team changes their name, but still retains a nucleus of six players from the previous team's roster; then that team will retain their seeding ranking. The team must, however, submit this seeding ranking request to the F.B.A.O. with their Entry Fee and Roster for the event. They must also include a copy of the current Roster and the previous year's Roster (from the C.B.F. STATS) with a cross-reference of the returning players to achieve the required nucleus for F.B.A.O. approval of the seeding ranking. (April 2018)

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- AH5.2 If there is a new team entering the event, then that team will be ranked the lowest of all teams. If more than one new team, then their seeding ranking at the bottom of the seeding will be based on the best results of other teams from their Region. The Region with a team with the highest seeding ranking will result in the new team at the bottom of the seeding ranking taking a higher ranking. Two new teams from the same Region will take on the higher ranking based on closest other team from Region.
- AH5.3 If any previous team(s) do not enter a team in the event, then the teams below them in the seeding ranking move up in rankings to eliminate any voids.