

TIE BREAK EXPLANATION FOR CENTRAL FLORIDA (rev 11/10/2021)

The League Champion is determined by won/loss record. If two or more teams are tied for first place with IDENTICAL won loss records they will be declared League Co-Champions but the parameters below will break all ties for the purpose of seeding the tournament.

These are Tie Break parameters in the schedule program we use in CFL.

Best Winning %, then if that doesn't resolve the tie we used these in order.

1st tie breaker: Head to Head match up (not used when more than two teams are tied)

2nd tiebreaker: Run differential entire season

3rd tiebreaker: RF entire season

This is a simple example of two teams tied at 4-6 with Head to Head breaking the tie.

| Two Teams tied at 4-6 | | | Tie Breaker | not needed | |
|------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|------------|----------|
| | Softballs R Game | Osteo+ Strong | Head to Head | Run Diff | Position |
| Softballs R Game | | W | 1-0 | -26 | 1st |
| Osteo+ Strong | L | | 0-1 | -8 | 2nd |

When two or more teams are tied then a different scenario takes place. The tied teams are grouped as if they were playing a mini season together and their records against each other as a group determine the position before the above tie breakers are used. Below is an example when four teams have identical 6-4 records. This formula can be used for all similar tie situations. The tie breaker used in this example is winning % **within the group**.

| TIE BREAK EXPLANATION CFL Four Teams Tied at 6-4 | | | | | | Tie Breaker | |
|---|--------|-------------|------------|----------------|------------|--------------------|------|
| | TB Fin | Willy Jewel | Sammy Joes | Game of Throws | W-L Record | Win % | Seed |
| TB Fin | | W | W | W | 3-0 | 1000 | 1 |
| Willy Jewel | L | | W | not played | 1-1 | 500 | 2 |
| Sammy Joes | L | L | | W | 1-2 | 333 | 3 |
| Game of Throws | L | not played | L | | 0-2 | 0 | 4 |

In this next example the #1 seed is clear, but seeds 2-3-4 are not so clear. The program will use Run Differential for the entire season to break the tie.

Question: Why isn't Head to Head used?

Answer: look at the chart, every one of the teams could claim they should be in front of a certain team as a result of the head to head matchup, which creates an endless circle with no resolution. That is why Head to head is used only when two teams are tied.

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|---|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------|------|
| | Willy Jewel | Game of Throws | Sammy Joes | Team Koller | W-L Record | Win % | Seed |
| Willy Jewel | | W | W | W | 3-0 | 1000 | 1 |
| Game of Throws | L | | L | W | 1-2 | 333 | 2 |
| Sammy Joes | L | W | | L | 1-2 | 333 | 3 |
| Team Koller | L | L | W | | 1-2 | 333 | 4 |

I have been dealing with this for probably 200 seasons over my 15 years and 4-5 leagues and have never found an error caused by the program calculating seeds. If you think the standings are wrong, create a bracket like above and play it out, you should prove the program correct, if you find there is an error send it to me.

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