

TCFC Playoff Seeding and Tie Breaking Rules

Final Conference Standings and Playoff Seeds will be determined by counting the divisional win/loss record for the season.

In 2023, the top 6 teams from the 8U, 10U, 12U, and 14U divisions will qualify for the playoffs. The top 2 teams in each division will get a first round playoff bye. In the second round of the playoffs, the #1 seed with a bye will be matched up with the lowest remaining seed. The #2 seed with a bye will be matched up with the highest remaining seed. The TCFC may modify the number of playoff teams at their sole discretion.

Tie Breaker #1 – Head to Head

If two teams are tied for a playoff seed in the final standings for their division, the winner of the regular season game between the two teams will become the higher seed. If the two teams did not play each other during the regular season, the seed will be determined by a Kansas City Tie Breaker. If the two teams played twice during the regular season and each team had one win and one loss, then the tie would be broken by a Kansas City Tie Breaker.

Tie Breaker #2 – Kansas City Tiebreaker

If 3 or more teams are tied for a seed, those seeds will be determined by a Kansas City Tie Breaker unless one team has defeated all of the other teams that are tied. In this case, the team that has beaten all of the other tied teams will advance and the remaining teams will revert to tiebreaker #1 and possibly tie breaker #2. Teams will play the tie breaker until a seed is determined. The time, location, and matchup of the Kansas City Tie Breaker will be determined by the TCFC.

In the event of an out of the ordinary seeding scenario not covered by the above tie breaking rules, the TCFC will determine the final playoff seeding.