

## **9 Team Division Rules**

### **(YOUR Third GAME WILL BE POSTED AFTER YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR FIRST 2 GAMES.)**

- Teams will play a randomly selected 2 game qualifying series
- At the conclusion of the initial qualifying round, teams will be reseeded 1 through 9
- Teams seeded 8 & 9 will play a 3<sup>rd</sup> game, single elimination; the 8th place team (home) will play the 9th place team (visitor)
- Successful team will advance to a quarter-final round as follows:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place overall (home) will play lowest remaining seed (away) from single elimination game above
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall (home) will play 7<sup>th</sup> place overall (away)
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place (home) overall will play 6<sup>th</sup> place overall (away)
  - 4<sup>th</sup> place (home) overall will play 5<sup>th</sup> place overall (away)
- Quarter Final winning teams will be seeded using Qualifying Round results. These standings will be used to determine placement of teams who advance from Quarter Finals to Semi-Finals.
- Teams will advance to the Semi Finals as follows:
  - Highest remaining seed overall will play lowest remaining seed overall
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> highest remaining seed will play the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest remaining seed overall. .
- The winners of the Semi Finals will proceed to the Championship game.
- Highest remaining seed will play as home team in Championship Game.

### **If 2 teams are tied in points after the qualifying round, the following tie breakers will apply**

- a. If they played each other during the qualifying round the team that won the head to head game will be the higher seeded team.
- b. If they did not play each other in the qualifying round the team with the best GFA percentage from their 2 qualifying games will be the higher seeded team
- c. If the two teams are tied in GFA percentage then the team with the lowest total penalty minutes incurred within the qualifying Round would be the higher seeded team
- d. Team that scored the fastest goal in the first game of the qualifying round.

### **If 3 or more teams are tied in points after qualifying round the following tie breakers will apply**

- a) Best GFA percentage of all games played within the Qualifying Round will be the higher seed
- b) Lowest total penalty minutes incurred in the Qualifying Round will be the higher seed.
- c) Team that scored the fastest goal in the first game of the qualifying round.

#### **How to determine GFA Formula**

GFA closest to 1.000 advances

Goals for + Goals against = total goals; GFA = goals for divided by total goals.

E.g. 13 + 11 = 24; GFA = 13/24 = .5417