



**TRI-COUNTY**  
minor hockey league

### **TCMHL AHL Tiebreaker Rules for Seeding - End of Regular Season**

In the event of a tie in the standings at the end of the regular season (for any position such as 1st, 2nd, etc.), the following procedure will be used to break the tie. Only games played before the season end date will count towards the standings and tiebreakers.

#### **◆ Tiebreaker rules (Applied in Order)**

If two or more teams are tied in points at the end of the regular season, the following steps will be used until the tie is broken:

##### **1. Head-to-Head Record**

- The team with the better record in games played between the tied teams is ranked higher.
- If three or more teams are tied Head-to-Head will not be the tiebreaker move on to the next tiebreaker rule

##### **2. Most Wins**

- The team with the greatest number of total wins is ranked higher.

##### **3. Goal Differential**

- Goals For (GF) minus Goals Against (GA) in all regular season games.
- Higher differential ranks higher.

##### **4. Fewest Goals Against (Defensive Record)**

- The team that allowed the fewest goals in all regular season games is ranked higher.

##### **5. Goals For (Offensive Record)**

- The team with the most goals scored in all regular season games is ranked higher.

##### **6. Coin Toss / Random Draw**

- If all else fails, a coin toss (for 2 teams) or a draw conducted by the league (for 3+ teams) will decide.