

2025 4 Nations Face-Off Tiebreak Procedure

Two-way tie:

A tie in the standings between two teams shall be decided by the head-to-head result between those two tied teams.

Three-way tie:

The calculations for Steps 1-5 will be derived from all games played:

STEP 1: Total Points (3 points for a win in Regulation, 2 points for a win in OT or shootout, 1 point for a loss in OT or shootout; and 0 points for a loss in Regulation [or while the goalie is pulled in OT].)

STEP 2: Regulation Wins (total of regulation wins only)

STEP 3: ROW (total of regulation and OT wins, excluding shootout wins)

STEP 4: Goal Differential (total goals for minus total goals against, taken from all games played)

STEP 5: Total Goals Scored (total goals for from all games played)

The calculations for Steps 6-9 will be derived from games played between tied teams only:

STEP 6: Goal Differential (total goals for minus total goals against in games between tied teams)

STEP 7: Total Goals Scored (total goals for in games between tied teams)

STEP 8: Most Even Strength Goals For (in games between tied teams)

Step 9: Fewest Even Strength Goals Against (in games between tied teams)

Notes:

- In proceeding through the steps to break a three-way tie, the moment one team is either elevated to the Championship Game or eliminated from the tournament, the tie would immediately be broken by the head-to-head matchup between the remaining two tied teams (see two-way tie criteria above), and not by continuing with any additional steps.
- Of particular importance, teams who pull their goaltender for an extra attacker during the overtime period (other than on a delayed penalty) will be subject to the potential forfeiture of their one (1) point earned for a tie score at the end of regulation, in the event the opposing team scores into the empty net.
- For purposes of tiebreaking procedures, shootouts will result in the awarding of + 1 goal to the victor and – 1 goal for the losing team.