



Divisional Play and Seeding

1.0

18U Boys and Girls

1.1 Seeding

Division 1

- 1) The distribution of the top 16 seeds will be determined from the final PTA standings of the previous age category of the 2016 VC Championships. For example, the final PTA positions from 1-16 of Division 1 of 17U girls in 2016 will be held for the corresponding PTAs in Division 1 of 18U girls in 2017.

Provincial allocations in the top 16 will be removed if there are not sufficient teams participating in the event to fill these allocations.

New for 2017 Teams from ON must have finished in the Top 9 of their 2017 PTA Championship to be seeded in the pre allocated top 16 of Division 1 in the National Championships. All other provinces must have placed in the top 5 of their 2017 PTA Championships. Provinces will be required to break ties as required.

2017 Top 16 Seeds							
18U Girls				18U Boys			
1	ON	9	ON	1	BC	9	BC
2	ON	10	ON	2	ON	10	MB
3	ON	11	BC	3	ON	11	ON
4	MB	12	MB	4	ON	12	AB
5	ON	13	ON	5	BC	13	ON
6	ON	14	BC	6	ON	14	AB
7	AB	15	BC	7	AB	15	ON
8	MB	16	NS	8	MB	16	AB

**Update to 18U boys seeding May 8 2017*

- 2) The remaining teams will be distributed in the following sequence. The order of seeding for each sequence will be determined based on the PTAs highest final placement in 17U from 2016 VC Championships. In the event of a tie, a tiebreaker will be completed as per item 1.3.
 - a) The PTA Champions from the following 5 provinces: BC, AB, MB, ON, QC
 - b) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following 5 provinces: BC, AB, MB, ON, QC
 - c) The PTA Champions from the following 3 provinces: SK, NS, NB



- d) The PTA Bronze Medalists from the following 3 provinces: BC, AB, ON
- e) The 4th place finishing team from the following 3 provinces: BC, AB, ON
- f) The PTA Bronze Medalists from the following 2 provinces: MB, QC
- g) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following 3 provinces: SK, NS, NB
- h) Division 2 Champions PTA from previous year's result (*2016 17U results*)

2016 17U Boys Division 2 Champions: No Division 2

2016 17U Girls Division 2 Champions: ON

- 3) Remaining spaces in Division 1 will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 2.2 for details on how percentile is calculated.

** Teams may request to participate in a lower division prior to April 21st, 2017, but cannot request to be moved to a higher division.*

Division 2

- 1) Champions from NL, NT, NW, YT and PE registered in the event will be seeded at the top of Division 2. The order of these teams will be based on the PTAs highest final placement in 17U from 2016. If the PTA does not have a result, the order will be determined by a draw and teams will be placed following the teams with a result from 2016.
- 2) The remaining teams will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 1.2 for details on how percentile is calculated.

** If there is no Division 2, Champions from NL, NT, NW, YT, and PE will be seeded after the Division 2 Champions of the previous year and before the percentile method.*

*** Teams may request to participate in a lower division prior to April 21st, 2017, but cannot request to be moved to a higher division.*

Division 3-4

- 1) The top seeds will be allocated to teams from NL, NT, NW, YT, and PE who have earned a seed into higher divisions, but have requested a lower division (*subject to approval from VC and their PTA*) in order to play at an appropriate level of competition.
- 2) All remaining teams will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 1.2 for details on how percentile is calculated.

1.2 Percentile Method

Percentile seeding is calculated by dividing the number of teams that a team finished ahead of in their PTA Championship by the total number of teams that participated of that age category.

New for 2017 Teams playing up an age group will factor into the calculation.

Example: Team X finished 3rd at their Provincial Championship which had 40 teams participate in their age category.

PTA 3 = 40 (teams) – 3 (placement) / 40 teams * 100 = 93rd percentile



1.3 Ties

Ties in team or PTA results will be broken by the following criteria:

- 1) Order of highest final standing of PTA at the 2016 17U VC Championships.
- 2) Total number of teams from the PTA in Tier 1 and 2 of Division 1 at the 2016 17U VC Championships.
- 3) Total number of teams from the PTA in all of Division 1 at the 2016 17U VC Championships.
- 4) Provincial Championship final result of teams within same PTA. If still tied, the teams with the highest pre-tournament seed at Provincial/Territorial Championships.
- 5) A draw will determine the order in which the tied teams will be seeded.



2.0

17U Boys and Girls

2.1 Seeding

Division 1

- 1) The distribution of the top 16 seeds will be determined from the final PTA standings of the previous age category of the 2016 16U VC Championships (1-8 from 2016 16U VC Championships East and 1-8 from 2016 16U VC Championships West).

Of the winners of 2016 16U East and 16U West, the PTA with the higher finish at the 2015 15U VC Championships will determine who is seeded first between East and West. Remaining teams will follow the same order.

Provincial allocations in the top 16 will be removed if there are not sufficient teams participating in the event to fill these allocations.

New for 2017 Teams from ON must have finished in the Top 9 of their 2017 PTA Championship to be seeded in the pre allocated top 16 of Division 1 in the National Championships. All other provinces must have placed in the top 5 of their 2017 PTA Championships. Provinces will be required to break ties as required.

2017 Top 16 Seeds							
17U Girls				17U Boys			
1	ON	9	ON	1	ON	9	ON
2	BC	10	MB	2	ON	10	MB
3	ON	11	ON	3	QC	11	ON
4	MB	12	BC	4	AB	12	BC
5	ON	13	ON	5	ON	13	ON
6	BC	14	BC	6	MB	14	BC
7	ON	15	ON	7	ON	15	QC
8	AB	16	AB	8	AB	16	SK

**Update to 17U boys seeding, May 8 2017*

- 2) The remaining teams will be distributed in the following sequence. The order of seeding for each sequence will be determined based on the PTAs highest final placement in 16U from 2016 VC Championships. In the event of a tie, a tiebreaker will be completed as per item 2.3.
 - a) The PTA Champions from the following 5 provinces: BC, AB, MB, ON, QC
 - b) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following 5 provinces: BC, AB, MB, ON, QC
 - c) The PTA Champions from the following 3 provinces: SK, NS, NB



- d) The PTA Bronze Medalists from the following 3 provinces: BC, AB, ON
- e) The 4th place finishing team from the following 3 provinces: BC, AB, ON
- f) The PTA Bronze Medalists from the following 2 provinces: MB, QC
- g) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following 3 provinces: SK, NS, NB
- h) Division 2 Champions PTA from previous year's East and West events (*2016 16U results*). Order to be determined based on the higher PTA finish at 2015 VC Championships.

2016 16U Boys East Division 2 Champions: No Division 2

2016 16U Boys West Division 2 Champions: AB

2016 16U Girls East Division 2 Champions: ON

2016 16U Girls West Division 2 Champions: MB

- 3) Remaining spaces in Division 1 will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 2.2 for details on how percentile is calculated.

** Teams may request to participate in a lower division prior to April 21st, 2017, but cannot request to be moved to a higher division.*

Division 2

- 1) Champions from NL, NT, NW, YT and PE registered in the event will be seeded at the top of Division 2. The order of these teams will be based on the PTAs highest final placement in 16U from 2016. If the PTA does not have a result, the order will be determined by a draw and teams will be placed following the teams with a result from 2016.
- 2) In the event of a tie, a tiebreaker will be completed as per item 2.3.
- 3) The remaining teams will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 2.2 for details on how percentile is calculated.

** If there is no Division 2, Champions from NL, NT, NW, YT, and PE will be seeded after the Division 2 Champions of the previous year and before the percentile method.*

*** Teams may request to participate in a lower division prior to April 21st, 2017, but cannot request to be moved to a higher division.*

Division 3-4

- 1) The top seeds will be allocated to teams from NL, NT, NW, YT, and PE who have earned a seed into higher divisions, but have requested a lower division (*subject to approval from VC and their PTA*) in order to play at an appropriate level of competition.
- 2) All remaining teams will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 2.2 for details on how percentile is calculated.



2.2 Percentile Method

Percentile seeding is calculated by dividing the number of teams that a team finished ahead of in their PTA Championship by the total number of teams that participated of that age category.

New for 2017 Teams playing up an age group will factor into the calculation.

Example: Team X finished 3rd at their Provincial Championship which had 40 teams participate in their age category.

$PTA\ 3 = 40\ (\text{teams}) - 3\ (\text{placement}) / 40\ \text{teams} * 100 = 93\text{rd}\ \text{percentile}$

2.3 Ties

Ties in team or PTA results will be broken by the following criteria:

- 1) Order of highest final standing of PTA at the 2015 15U VC Championships.
- 2) Total number of teams from the PTA in Tier 1 and 2 of Division 1 at the 2015 VC 15U Championships.
- 3) Total number of teams from the PTA in all of Division 1 at the 2015 15U VC Championships.
- 4) Provincial Championship final result of teams within same PTA. If still tied, the teams with the highest pre-tournament seed at Provincial/Territorial Championships.
- 5) A draw will determine the order in which the tied teams will be seeded.



3.0

16U Boys and Girls

3.1 Seeding

- 1) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: BC, AB, and ON
- 2) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: SK, MB, and QC
- 3) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following provinces: BC, AB, and ON
- 4) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: NB, NS, and NL
- 5) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following provinces: SK, MB, and QC
- 6) The PTA Bronze Medalists from the following provinces: BC, AB, ON
- 7) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: NT, NW, YT, and PE
- 8) The remaining teams will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 3.2 for details.
- 9) Teams who do not have a ranking from a PTA Championships for the same age category in which they are participating in for the VC National Championships will be seeded after the percentile ranked teams. *For example, a 14U team competes in their 14U PTA Championships, if they chose to participate in the 15U VC Championships, they will be seeded after the percentile ranked teams.*

The order of seeding will be determined based on the PTAs highest final placement at the 14U 2015 VC Championships. In the event of a tie, a tiebreaker will be completed as per item 3.3.

** Teams may request to participate in a lower division prior to April 21st, 2017, but cannot request to be moved to a higher division.*

3.2 Percentile Method

Percentile seeding is calculated by dividing the number of teams that a team finished ahead of in their PTA Championship by the total number of teams that participated of that age category. ***New for 2017*** Teams playing up an age group will factor into the calculation.

Example: Team X finished 3rd at their Provincial Championship which had 40 teams participate in their age category.

$PTA\ 3 = 40\ (\text{teams}) - 3\ (\text{placement}) / 40\ \text{teams} * 100 = 93\text{rd percentile}$

3.3 Ties

Ties in team or PTA results will be broken by the following criteria:

- 1) Order of highest final standing of PTA at the 2015 14U VC Championships.
- 2) Total number of teams from the PTA in Tier 1 and 2 of Division 1 at the 2015 VC 14U Championships.
- 3) Total number of teams from the PTA in all of Division 1 at the 2015 14U VC Championships.
- 4) Provincial Championship final result of teams within same PTA. If still tied, the teams with the highest pre-tournament seed at Provincial/Territorial Championships.
- 5) A draw will determine the order in which the tied teams will be seeded.



4.0

15U Boys and Girls

4.1 Seeding

- 1) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: BC, AB, and ON
- 2) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: SK, MB, and QC
- 3) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following provinces: BC, AB, and ON
- 4) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: NB, NS, and NL
- 5) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following provinces: SK, MB, and QC
- 6) The PTA Bronze Medalists from the following provinces: BC, AB, ON
- 7) The PTA Champions from the following provinces: NT, NW, YT, and PE
- 8) The remaining teams will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 1.2 for details.

The order of seeding will be determined based on the PTAs highest final placement at the 15U 2015 VC Championships. In the event of a tie, a tiebreaker will be completed as per item 4.3.

** Teams may request to participate in a lower division prior to April 21st, 2017, but cannot request to be moved to a higher division.*

4.2 Percentile Method

Percentile seeding is calculated by dividing the number of teams that a team finished ahead of in their PTA Championship by the total number of teams that participated of that age category. ***New for 2017*** Teams playing up an age group will factor into the calculation.

Example: Team X finished 3rd at their Provincial Championship which had 40 teams participate in their age category.

$$\text{PTA } 3 = 40 (\text{teams}) - 3 (\text{placement}) / 40 \text{ teams} * 100 = 93\text{rd percentile}$$

4.3 Ties

Ties in team or PTA results will be broken by the following criteria:

- 1) Order of highest final standing of PTA at the 2015 15U VC Championships.
- 2) Total number of teams from the PTA in Tier 1 and 2 of Division 1 at the 2015 VC 15U Championships.
- 3) Total number of teams from the PTA in all of Division 1 at the 2015 15U VC Championships.
- 4) Provincial Championship final result of teams within same PTA. If still tied, the teams with the highest pre-tournament seed at Provincial/Territorial Championships.
- 5) A draw will determine the order in which the tied teams will be seeded.



5.0

14U Boys and Girls

5.1 Seeding

- 1) The PTA Champions from the following 6 provinces: BC, AB, SK, MB, ON and QC.
A draw will determine the order in which each PTA will be seeded.
- 2) The PTA Silver Medalists from the following 6 provinces: BC, AB, SK, MB, ON and QC.
The order of seeding determined for the PTA champions will be retained and repeated.
- 3) The PTA Champions from NB, NS, PE, NL, YT, NT, and NU.
A draw will determine the order in which each PTA will be seeded.
- 4) The PTA Bronze Medalists from the following 6 provinces: BC, AB, SK, MB, ON and QC.
The order of seeding determined for the PTA champions will be retained and repeated.
- 5) The remaining teams will be seeded using the percentile ranking method, see item 5.2 for details.

** Teams may request to participate in a lower division prior to April 21st, 2017, but cannot request to be moved to a higher division.*

5.2 Percentile Method

Percentile seeding is calculated by dividing the number of teams that a team finished ahead of in their PTA Championship by the total number of teams that participated of that age category. **New for 2017** Teams playing up an age group will factor into the calculation.

Example: Team X finished 3rd at their Provincial Championship which had 40 teams participate in their age category.

$$\text{PTA } 3 = 40 (\text{teams}) - 3 (\text{placement}) / 40 \text{ teams} * 100 = 93\text{rd percentile}$$

5.3 Ties

Ties in team or PTA results will be broken by the following criteria:

- 1) Order of highest final standing of PTA at the 2015 14U VC Championships.
- 2) Total number of teams from the PTA in Tier 1 and 2 of Division 1 at the 2015 VC 14U Championships.
- 3) Total number of teams from the PTA in all of Division 1 at the 2015 14U VC Championships.
- 4) Provincial Championship final result of teams within same PTA. If still tied, the teams with the highest pre-tournament seed at Provincial/Territorial Championships.
- 5) A draw will determine the order in which the tied teams will be seeded.