BRACKET DEFINITIONS

| Division II | Division III | Division IV |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Competitive | Recreational | Recreational |
| $(11 U-19 U)$ | $(11 U-19 U)$ | $(9 U-10 U)$ |
| BLUE | RED | WHITE |
| BS- Blue Strong | RS- Red Strong | WS-White Strong |
| BA- Blue Average | RA- Red Average | WA-White Average |
| BW- Blue Weak | RW- Red Weak | WW-White Weak |

Only teams bracketed in the Blue Strong and Red Strong are eligible to advance to Fall Championships

## STANDINGS

Standings are calculated on the following point system.

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& \text { Win }-3 \text { points } \\
& \text { Tie }-1 \text { point } \\
& \text { Loss }-0 \text { points }
\end{aligned}
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Forfeits are considered to be $1-0$ score

Goals for and goals against do not affect standings, but are for information purposes only. If two or more teams end the season with exactly the same number of points and can qualify for medals or playoffs, the following hierarchy will be used to break ties:

1. Head to head competition
2. For more than two teams, the point system will be applied using only those games between the tied teams.
3. Playoff games will be scheduled by the scheduler using STYSA playoff rules.
4. Both teams may receive medals in situations in which district playoffs are not involved.

## MEDAL DETERMINATION

| Number of teams in bracket | Medals |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1-4$ | First |
| $5-7$ | First, Second |
| $8-11$ | First, Second, Third |

All games count in brackets with combined age or division groups. Determination for medals and playoffs will be total points of all games, then total points for each age.
All 9 U and 10 U teams will receive participation medals with the exception of the teams that place.

## SPLIT BRACKETS

Split brackets are brackets with either 7 or 8 teams. Teams will play one round before being divided into two brackets of four/four or four/three by standings points. Teams maintain points from the first round and add to these points in second round, but only teams in the top of bracket after first round are eligible for medals or playoffs. New schedules for the second round for all teams will be published the week after the last games of the first round are played. 9 U and 10 U teams in a split bracket will be a full season schedule at the beginning of the season; only the games in the first round will count in the standings for 9 U and 10 U .

