

## 2015 SEC TOURNAMENT November 2-8 • Orange Beach Sportsplex •Orange Beach, Ala.

## Format

There shall be a single-elimination tournament of the top ten teams played at the conclusion of the SEC regular-season schedule. The tournament champion shall be the SEC representative to the NCAA championship.

The top ten teams with the highest point total, regardless of divisions, will participate in the tournament. The following point system is utilized to determine regular season standings and seeding for the tournament: a win counts as three points, a tie as one, and a loss as zero points. If a game(s) is cancelled, neither team will receive a point and the standings will be determined by average points per game. The tournament shall be played in a Monday-Wednesday-Friday-Sunday format with Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday designated as off/practice days.

## Seeding

The tournament will be seeded 1-10 regardless of division based on the point system implemented to determine regular season standings. If teams are tied, the following procedures, in order as follows, will be used to break the tie:

**Two-Team Tie** – The following procedure will be used in the following order until the tie is broken:

- A. Head-to-head competition between the tied teams.
- B. Points earned versus common opponents.
- C. Goal differential versus common opponents.
- D. Goals scored versus common opponents.

E. Won-Lost record of the two teams versus highest seeded common opponent and proceeding through the No. 14 seed, if necessary.

F. Goal differential versus highest seeded common opponent and proceeding through the No. 14 seed, if necessary.

G. Goals scored versus highest seeded common opponent and proceeding through the No. 14 seed, if necessary.

H. Coin flip by the Commissioner.

**Three-Team Tie (or more)** – The following procedure will be used until the tie is broken. If at any time this tie breaker results in only two remaining tied teams, then the two-team tiebreaker will be used beginning with Subsection A in that procedure and continuing from that point:

A. If all teams have played one another, then most points earned in those matches only.

B. If all teams have not played, but one team has defeated all teams in the tie break, then that team breaks the tie and shall be placed highest. Remaining teams will continue with the tie break procedure.

C. If all teams have not played one another and a team does not have all wins over the tied teams, then use Subsection B in the two-team tie break procedures and continue through the two team tie-break procedures until ties between all teams are broken (except Subsection H will read "if three or more teams are still tied, the Commissioner will conduct a draw").