

WELCOME TO THE BUCS PROMOTION, RELEGATION AND KNOCKOUT INFORMATION DOCUMENT FOR 2025-26

This document should be read in conjunction with REG 8 and the relevant BUCS sport specific regulations.

This first worksheet is a guide to the shadings used throughout the document to denote any promotion/relegation positions, as well as those used to denote which knockout competitions relate to each league (or in some cases, league finishing position). It also contains links to other relevant documents.

PROMOTION/RELEGATION POSITIONS

Remains
Promoted
Potential Promotion
Relegated
Potential Relegation
National Playoff
Potential National Playoff
Northern Playoff
Potential Northern Playoff
Southern Playoff
Potential Southern Playoff
Potential Northern/Southern Playoff
Northern/Southern Playoff

KNOCKOUT COMPETITIONS

National Championship
National Vase
National Trophy
National Shield/Conference Cup
Conference Trophy
Conference Shield
National Championship/National Vase
National Championship/National Trophy

GENERAL INFORMATION AND USEFUL LINKS

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Please note: Appendix 14 (Premier Tier Playoffs Document) should be referred to for specific playoff fixture information.

Please note: Some teams may not be involved in knockout competitions if they opted-out prior to the start of the season. Additionally, some teams may not be eligible to progress to, or may be withdrawn from knockout competitions (by way of an involuntary walkover) under REG 13.7.5.1.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL (OPEN) 2025-26										LEAGUE NOTES	
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NORTH										PREMIER TIER (NATIONAL)	
SOUTH										1st–4th placed teams will progress into the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.	
TIER 1										5th placed team will be involved in the Premier Tier National league playoff against the winner of the National Vase, host decided by coin toss. The winner of the playoff will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, the loser will compete in Premier Tier North/South.	
SCOTTISH 1A										PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH)	
NORTH HALF										1st–4th placed teams will progress into the National Vase, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The winner of the National Vase will be eligible for the Premier Tier National league playoff against the 5th placed team in the Premier Tier National league, host decided by coin toss. The winner of the playoff will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, the loser will compete in Premier Tier North/South.	
NORTHERN 1A										5th placed team relegated to Tier 1.	
MIDLANDS &										Following promotions and relegations being applied post-season, placement of teams in the Premier Tier North/South leagues for 2026-27 may vary to those from 2025-26 to best accommodate the new selection of teams.	
SOUTH HALF										TIER 1 (NORTH HALF)	
SOUTH WESTERN										1st and 2nd placed teams will progress into the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The two 3rd placed teams with the best performance records from across Scottish 1A, Northern 1A, and Midlands & Yorkshire 1A will also progress into the National Trophy. National Trophy Finalist from North Half will be promoted into Premier Tier North/South.	
SOUTHERN 1A										5th placed teams in Northern 1A and Midlands & Yorkshire 1A will be relegated to Tier 2. 4th placed team from Northern 1A and Midlands & Yorkshire 1A with the worst performance record will also be relegated to Tier 2. No relegation from Scottish 1A.	
SOUTH EASTERN										Following promotions and relegations being applied post-season, placement of teams in Tier 1 leagues for 2026-27 may vary to those from 2025-26 to best accommodate the new selection of teams.	
TIER 2										TIER 1 (SOUTH HALF)	
NORTH										1st and 2nd placed teams will progress into the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The two 3rd placed teams with the best performance records from across South Western 1A, Southern 1A, and South Eastern 1A will also progress into the National Trophy. National Trophy Finalist from South Half will be promoted into Premier Tier North/South.	
NORTH										5th placed teams will be relegated to Tier 2.	
MIDLANDS 2A										Following promotions and relegations being applied post-season, placement of teams in Tier 1 leagues for 2026-27 may vary to those from 2025-26 to best accommodate the new selection of teams.	
SOUTH HALF										TIER 2 (NORTH HALF)	
SOUTH WESTERN										1st placed team will be promoted to Tier 1.	
SOUTHERN 2A										1st and 2nd placed teams will progress into the North Conference Cup, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The two 3rd placed teams with the best performance records from across North Western 2A, North Eastern 2A and Midlands 2A will also progress into the North Conference Cup.	
SOUTH EASTERN										1st placed team will be promoted to Tier 1.	
TIER 2 (SOUTH HALF)										1st and 2nd placed teams will progress into the South Conference Cup, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The two 3rd placed teams with the best performance records from across South Western 2A, Southern 2A, and South Eastern 2A will be entered into the South Conference Cup.	

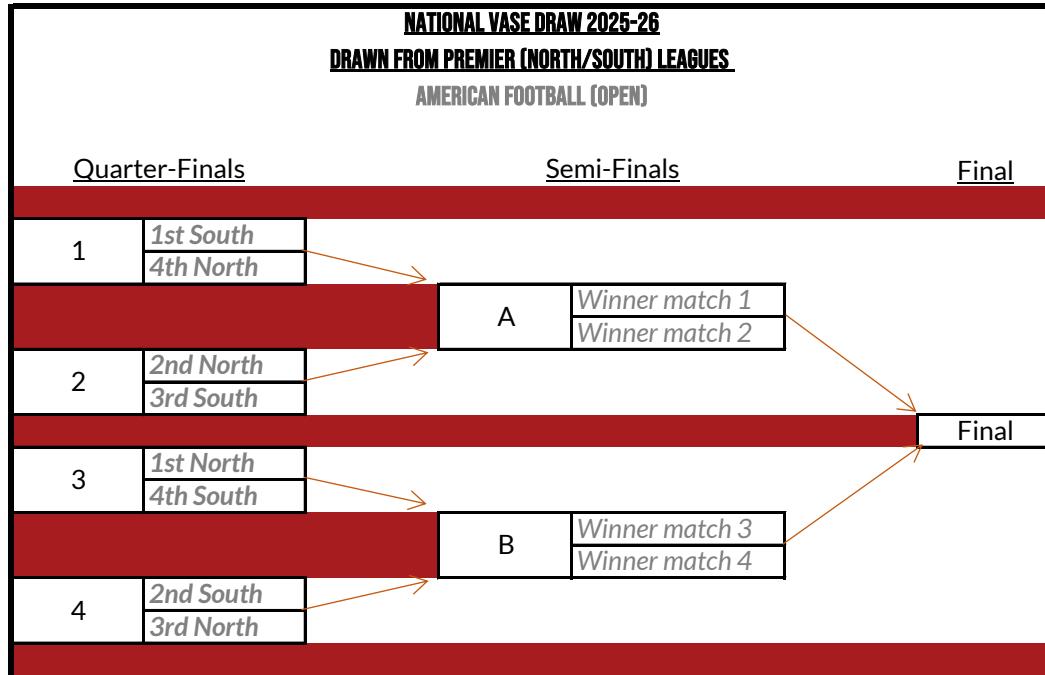
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) LEAGUE
AMERICAN FOOTBALL (OPEN)

Semi-Finals Final

1	1st National 4th National	Final
2	2nd National 3rd National	



NATIONAL VASE DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH) LEAGUES
AMERICAN FOOTBALL (OPEN)



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PREMIER TIER

6th placed team relegated unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies. All teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a. Please note: Premier (North) playoff may also include a Scottish Women's team extracted from the Mixed Scottish 1A league.

TIER 1

Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 5th and 6th placed teams relegated. 4th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.

Midlands: If Premier North/South teams are both relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have seven teams for the following season.

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TIER 2 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/SOUTH EASTERN)

1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated if additional team needs to be relegated from Tier 1 (impacting leagues below). All teams to compete in the Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme.

TIER 2 (WESTERN) AND TIER 3 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/SOUTH EASTERN)

1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.

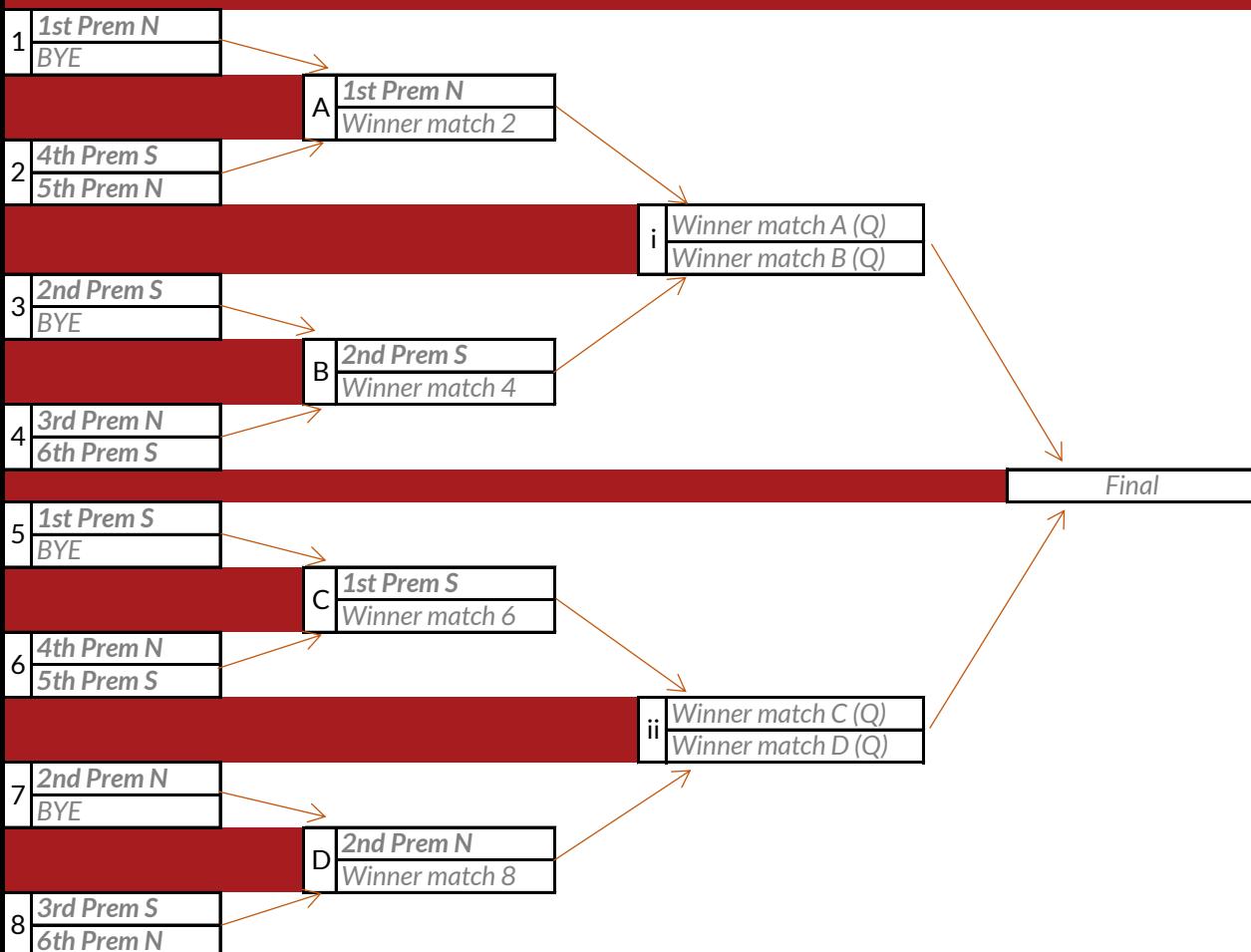
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BADMINTON (FEMALE)

Last 16

Quarter-Finals

Semi-Finals

Final

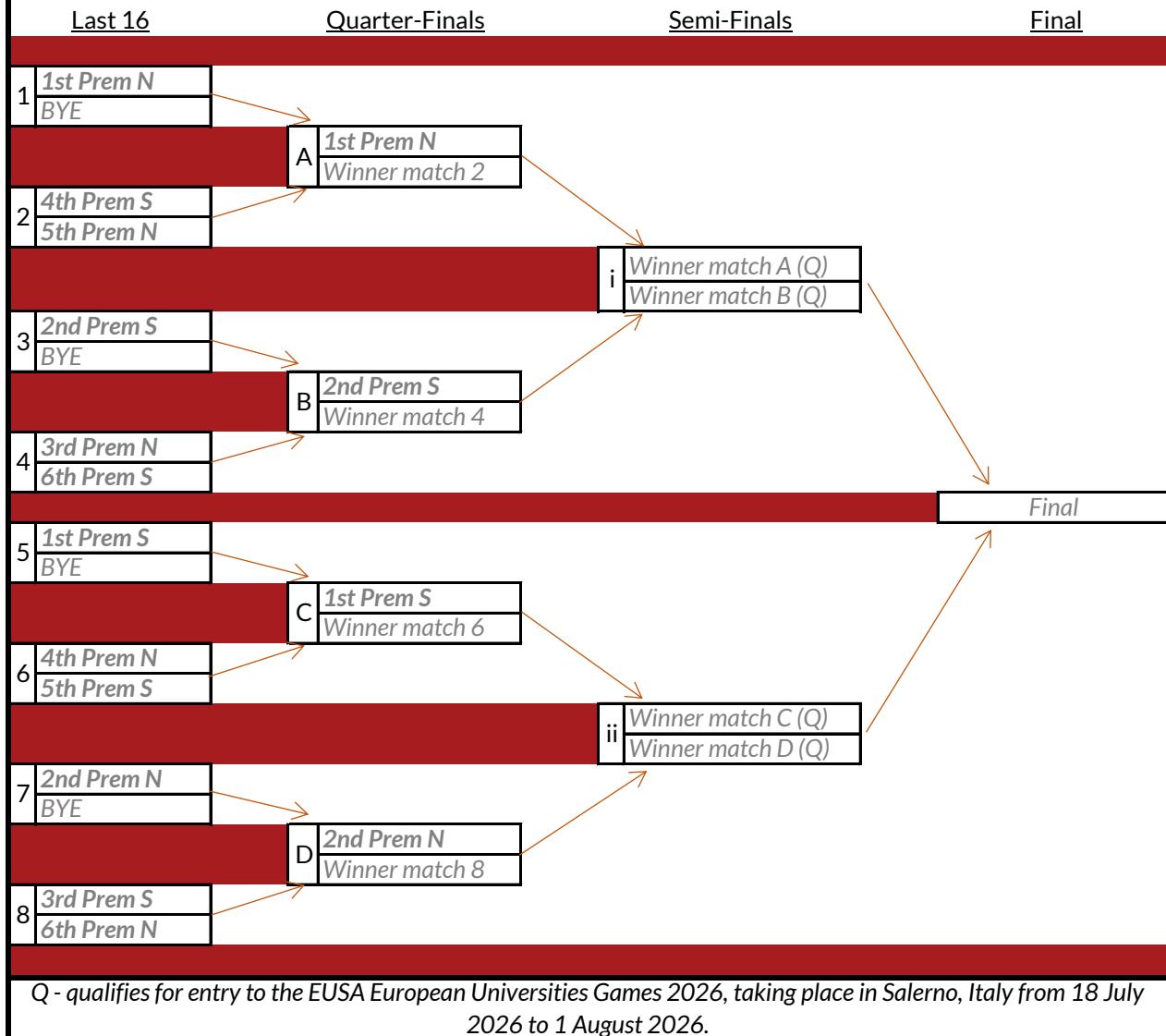


Q - qualifies for entry to the EUSA European Universities Games 2026, taking place in Salerno, Italy from 18 July 2026 to 1 August 2026.

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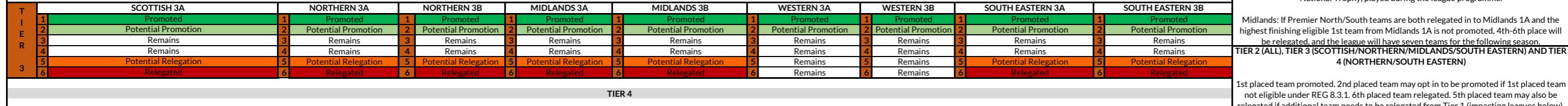
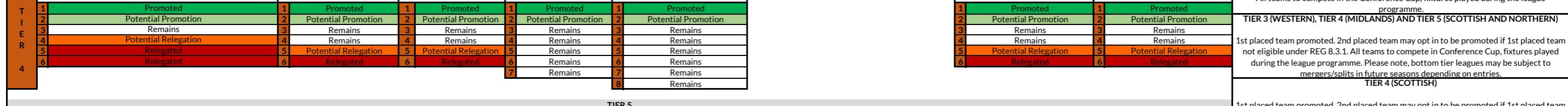
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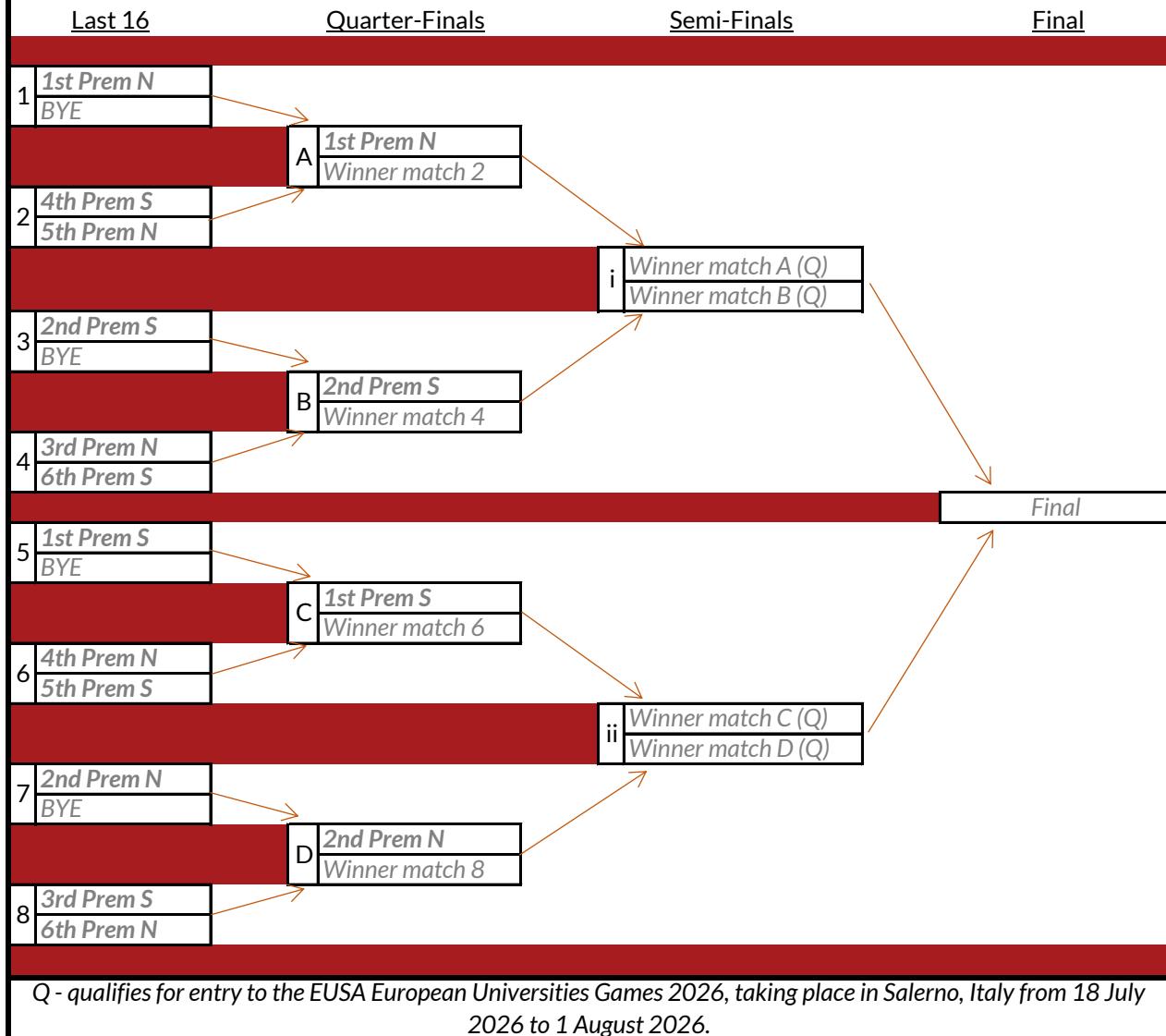
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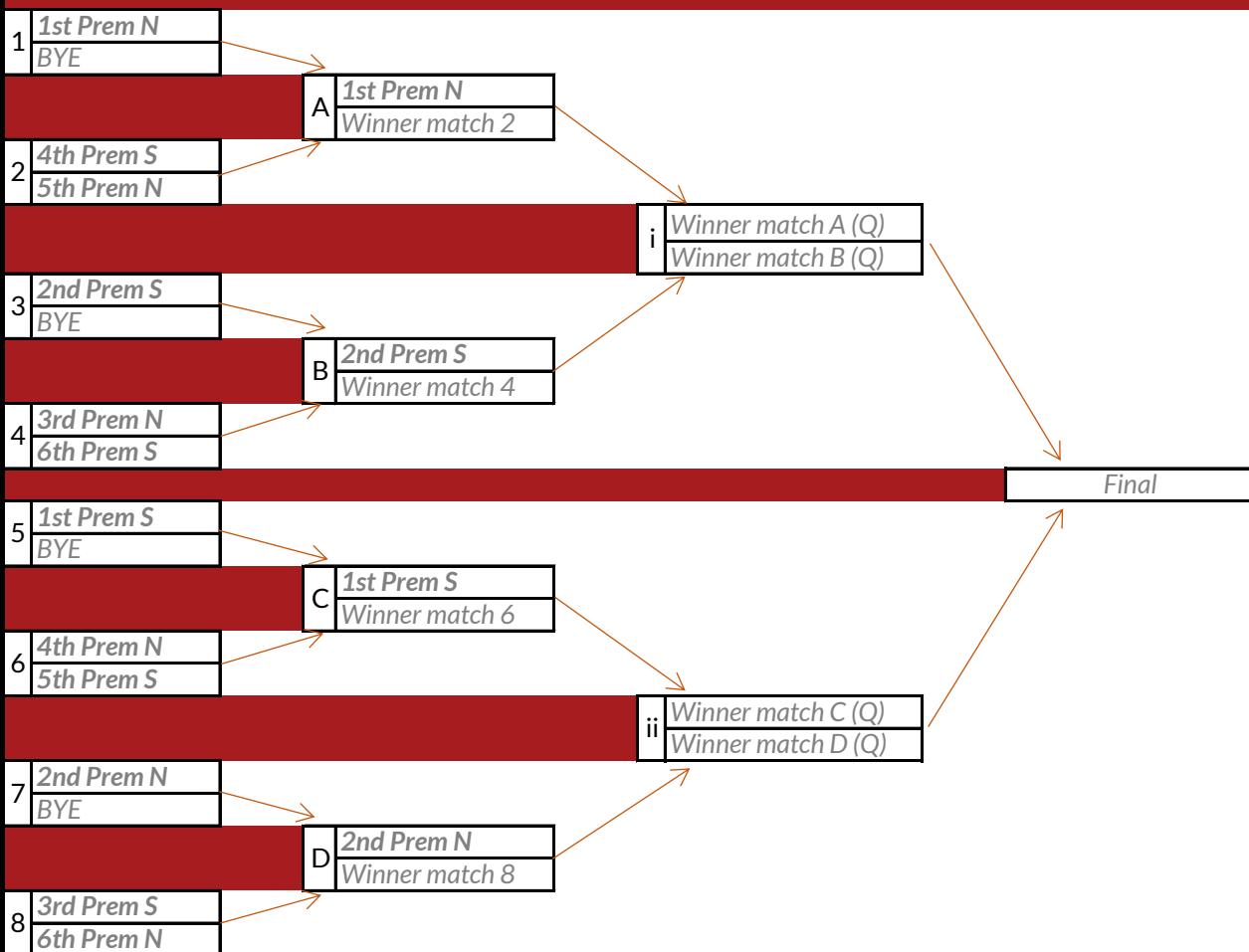
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH) LEAGUES
BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)

Last 16

Quarter-Finals

Semi-Finals

Final



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DODGEBALL (MEN'S) 2025-26

PREMIER

NATIONAL	
1	Remains
2	Remains
3	Remains
4	Remains
5	Remains
6	Remains
7	Playoff
8	Playoff

TIER 1

NORTHERN 1A		MIDLANDS 1A	
T I E R 1	1	Playoff if 1st team	1
	2	Remains	2
	3	Remains	3
	4	Remains	4
	5	Potential Relegation	5
	6	Relegated	6

TIER 2

NORTHERN 2A		MIDLANDS 2A	
T I E R 2	1	Promoted	1
	2	Potential Promotion	2
	3	Remains	3
	4	Remains	4
	5	Remains	5
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LEAGUE NOTES

APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES

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PREMIER TIER (NATIONAL)

1st–6th placed teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The 7th and 8th placed teams shall compete with the four Tier 1 league winners in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The two National Trophy finalists will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, subject to them being a 1st team. If one 2nd or 3rd team reaches the National Trophy final, the 7th placed team in the Premier Tier National league will retain their spot for the next season, with the last remaining spot filled by the other finalist. If two 2nd or 3rd teams reach the final, the 7th and 8th placed teams in the Premier Tier National league will retain their place for the next season.

TIER 1 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/SOUTH EASTERN)

Tier 1 league winners shall compete with the 7th and 8th place finishers from the National league in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The two National Trophy finalists will compete in the National league for the following season, subject to them being a 1st team. If one 2nd or 3rd team reaches the National Trophy final, the 7th placed team in the National league will retain their spot for the next season, with the last remaining spot filled by the other finalist. If two 2nd or 3rd teams reach the final, the 7th and 8th placed teams in the National league will retain their place for the next season. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a National league team is relegated into this Tier 1 league.

TIER 1 (WESTERN)

Tier 1 league winners shall compete with the 7th and 8th place finishers from the National league in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The two National Trophy finalists will compete in the National league for the following season, subject to them being a 1st team. If one 2nd or 3rd team reaches the National Trophy final, the 7th placed team in the National league will retain their spot for the next season, with the last remaining spot filled by the other finalist. If two 2nd or 3rd teams reach the final, the 7th and 8th placed teams in the National league will retain their place for the next season. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.

TIER 2

1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.

PROVISIONAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26*

DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) LEAGUE

DODGEBALL (MEN'S)

Group Stage

Final

Group 1

1st National

4th National

6th National

Group 2

2nd National

3rd National

5th National

Final

PROVISIONAL NATIONAL TROPHY DRAW 2025-26*

DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) LEAGUE & TIER 1 LEAGUES

DODGEBALL (MEN'S)

Group Stage

Final

Group 1

7th National

1st Western 1A

1st Midlands 1A

Group 2

8th National

1st Northern 1A

1st South Eastern 1A

Final

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DODGEBALL (WOMEN'S) 2025-26								LEAGUE NOTES
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PROVISIONAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26*

DRAWN FROM TIER 1 LEAGUES

DODGEBALL (WOMEN'S)

Group Stage

Final

Group 1

Highest finishing 1st Team in Northern 1A

Highest finishing 1st Team in Midlands 1A

2nd highest finishing 1st Team in Southern 1A

Final

Group 2

Highest finishing 1st Team in Southern 1A

2nd highest finishing 1st Team in Midlands 1A

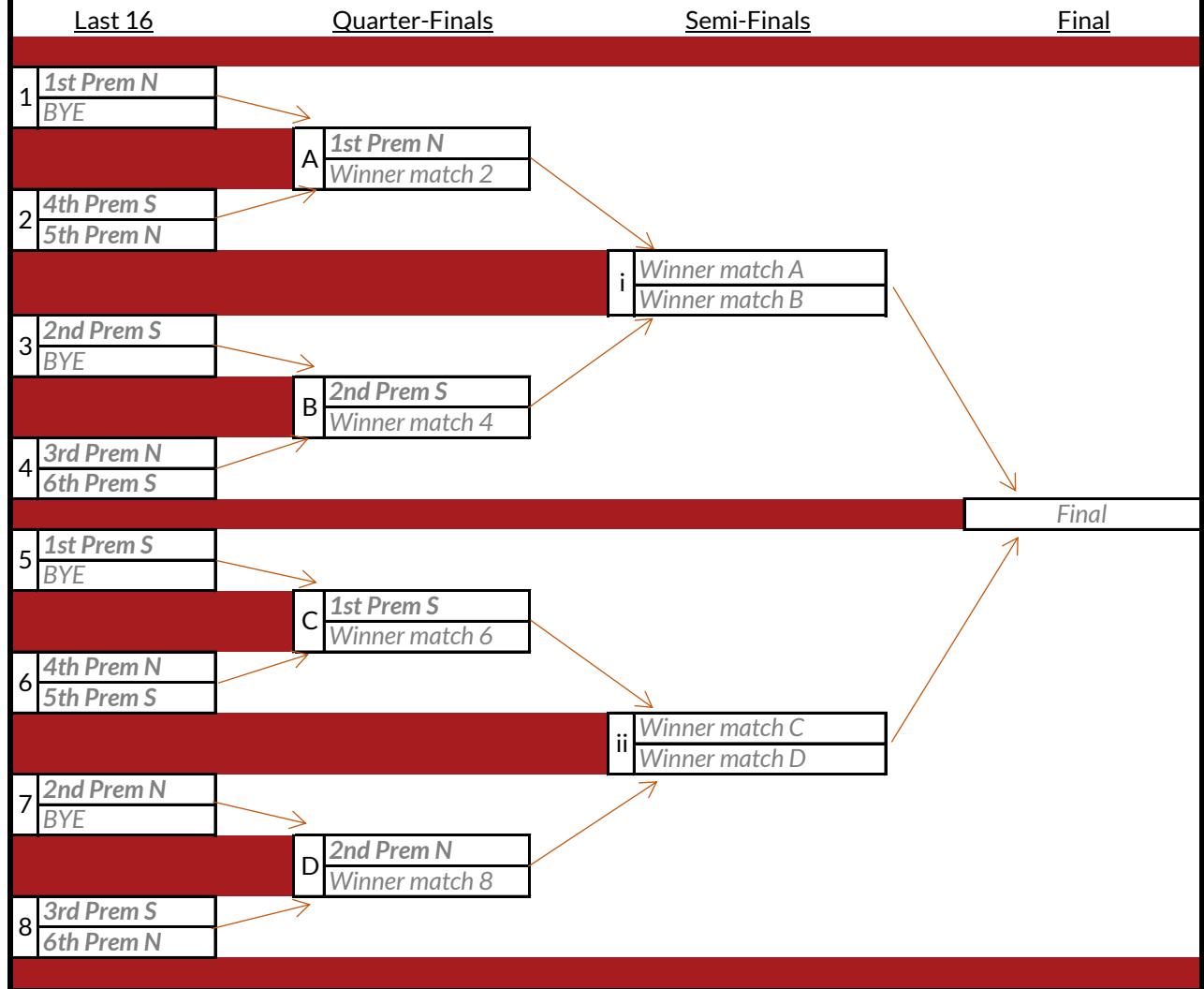
2nd highest finishing 1st Team in Northern 1A

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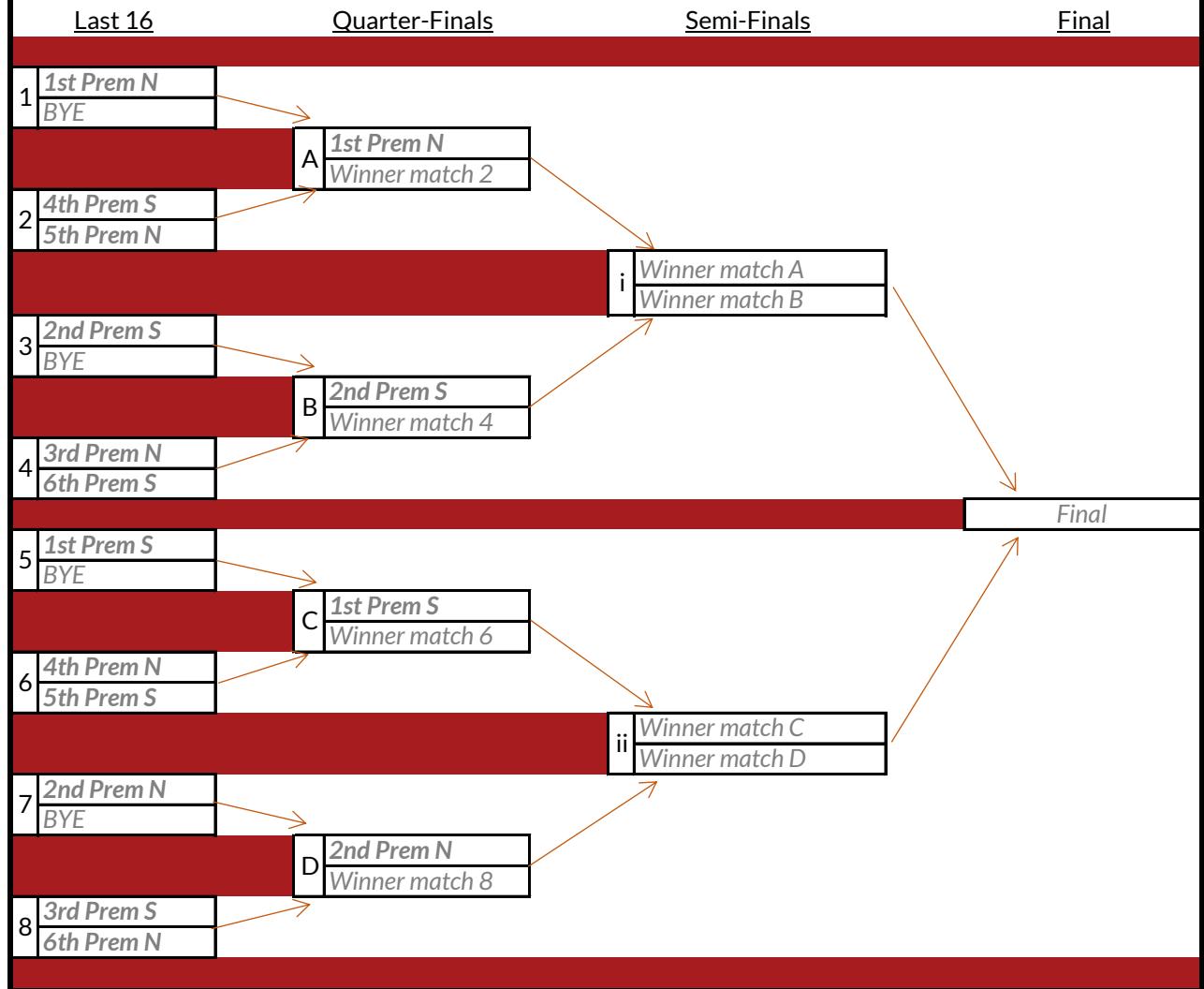
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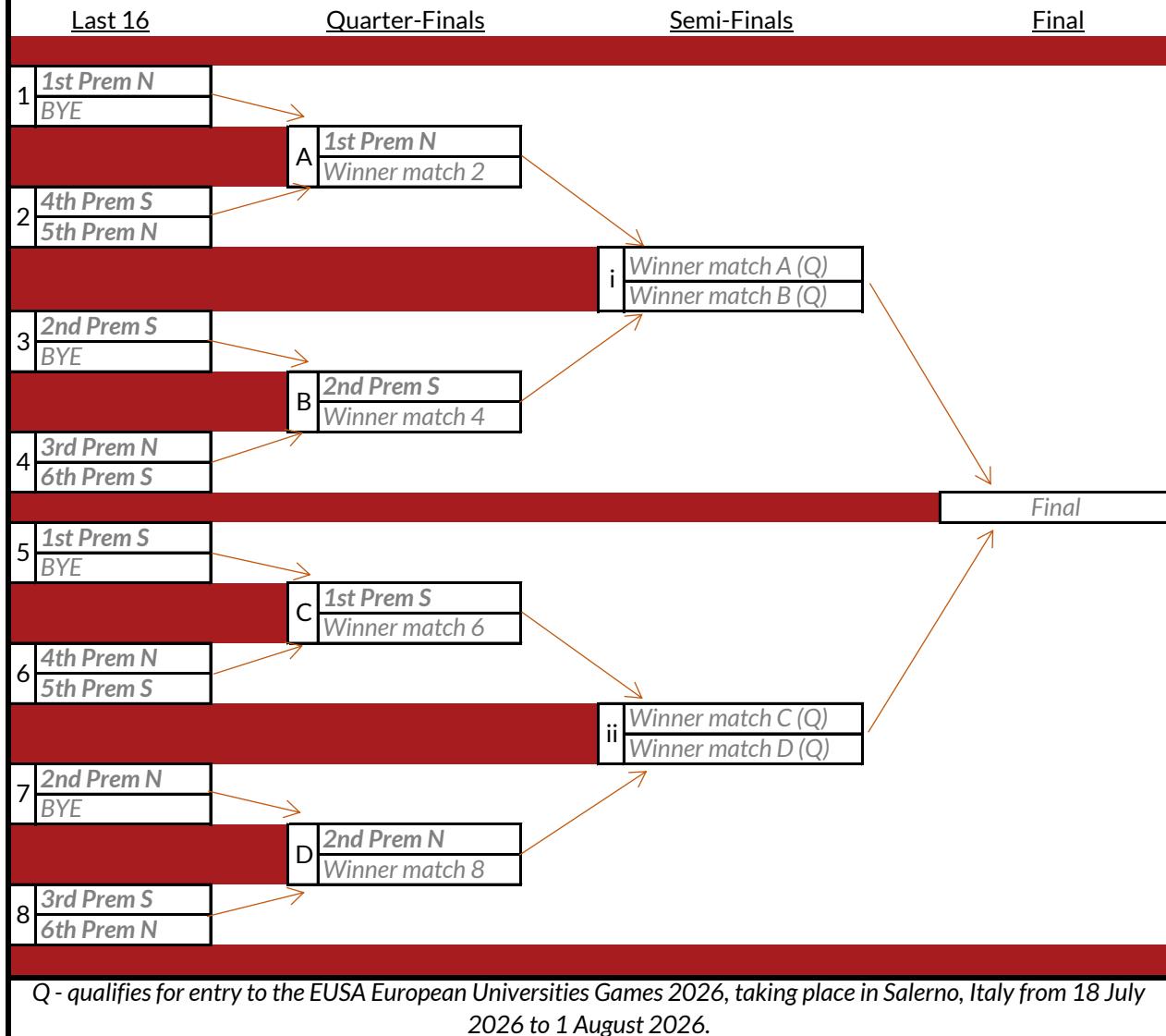


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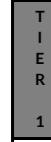
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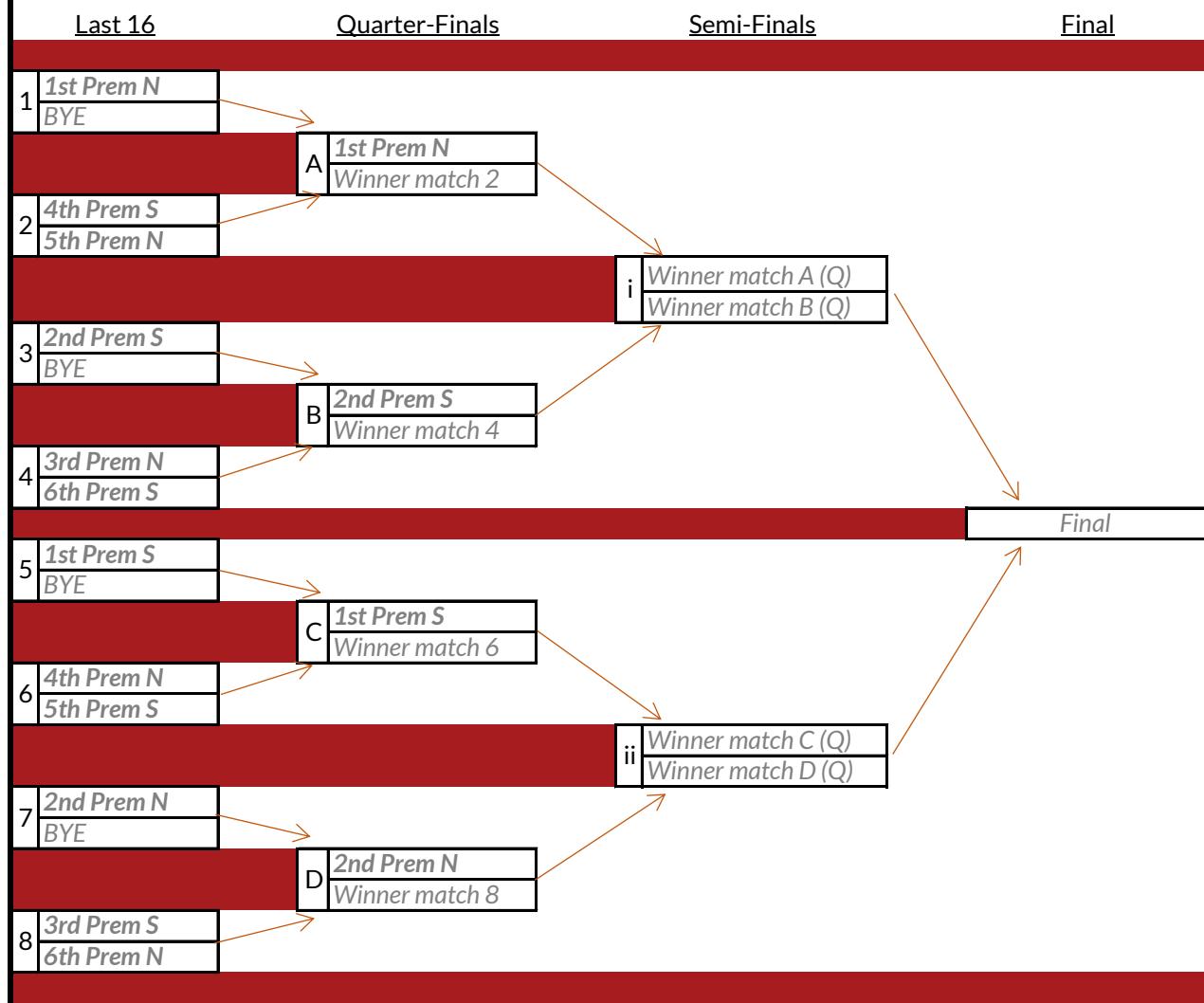
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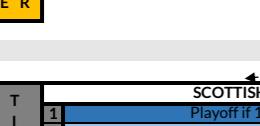
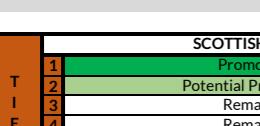
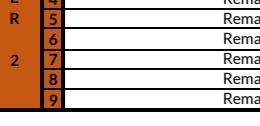


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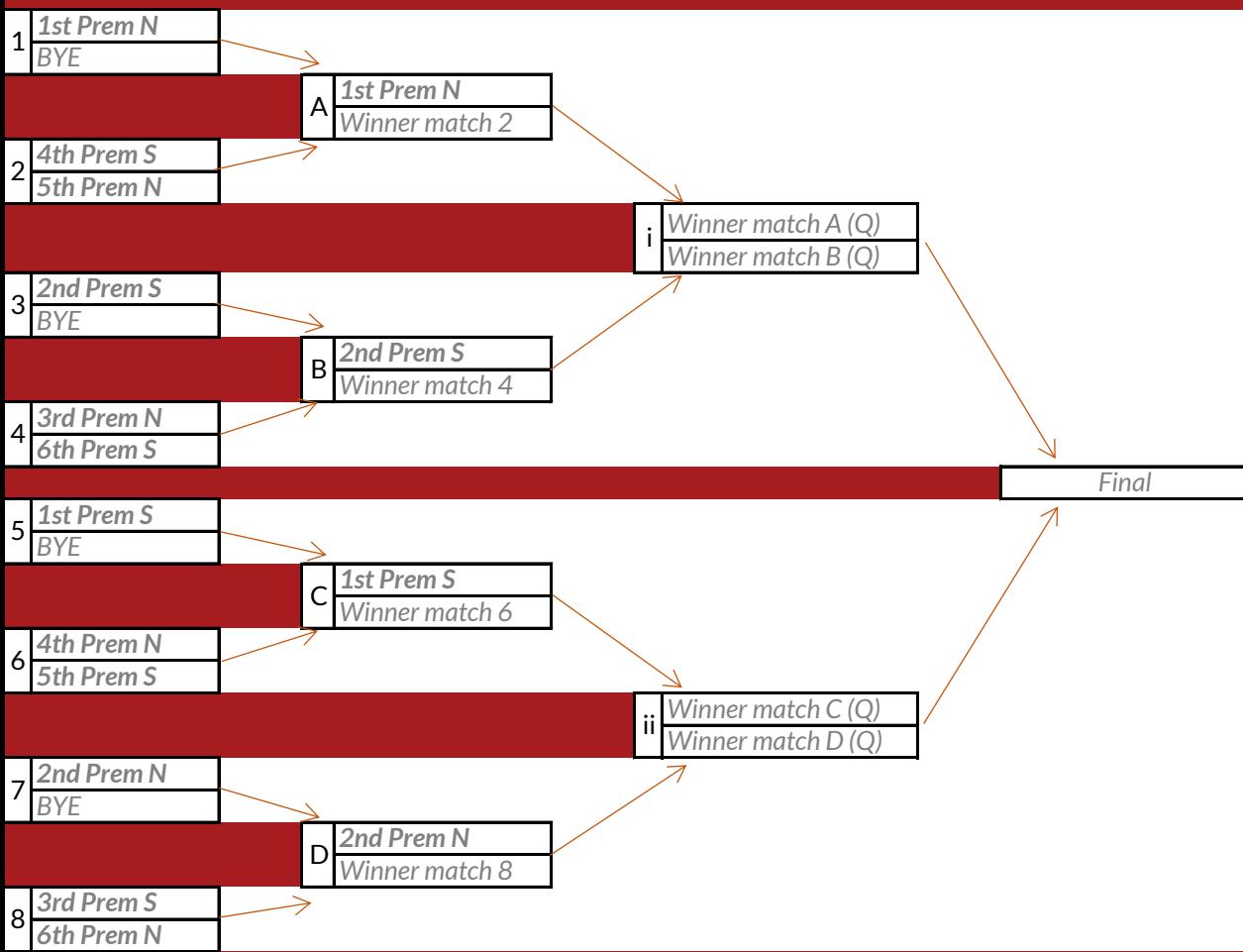
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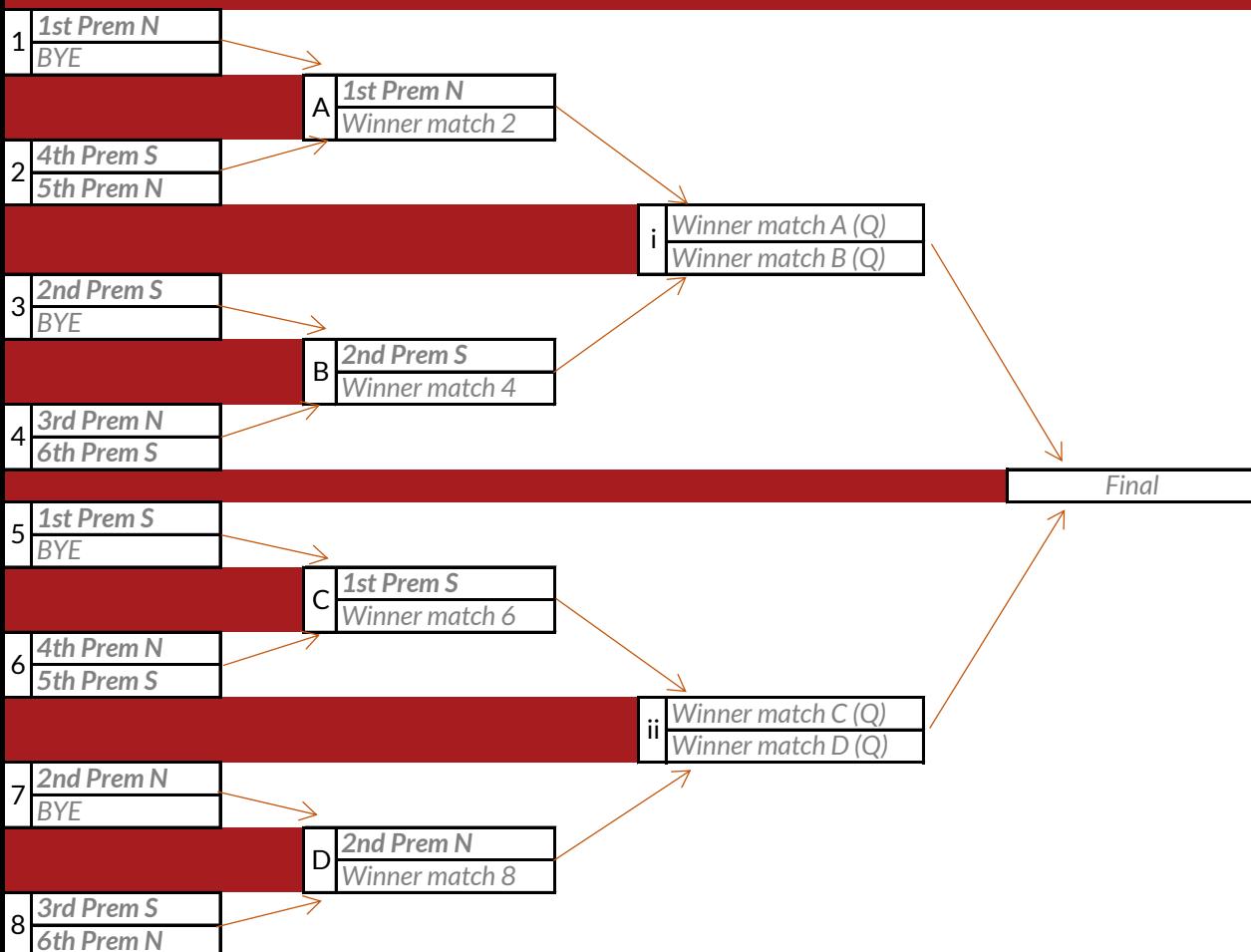
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PROVISIONAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26*

DRAWN FROM TIER 1 LEAGUES

GAELIC FOOTBALL (MEN'S)

<u>Group Stage</u>	<u>Semi-Finals</u>	<u>Final</u>
Group 1		
<i>Highest finishing 1st Team in Scottish 1A</i>		
<i>Highest finishing 1st Team in Northern 1A</i>		
<i>2nd highest finishing 1st Team in Midlands and South East 1A</i>		
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Group 2		
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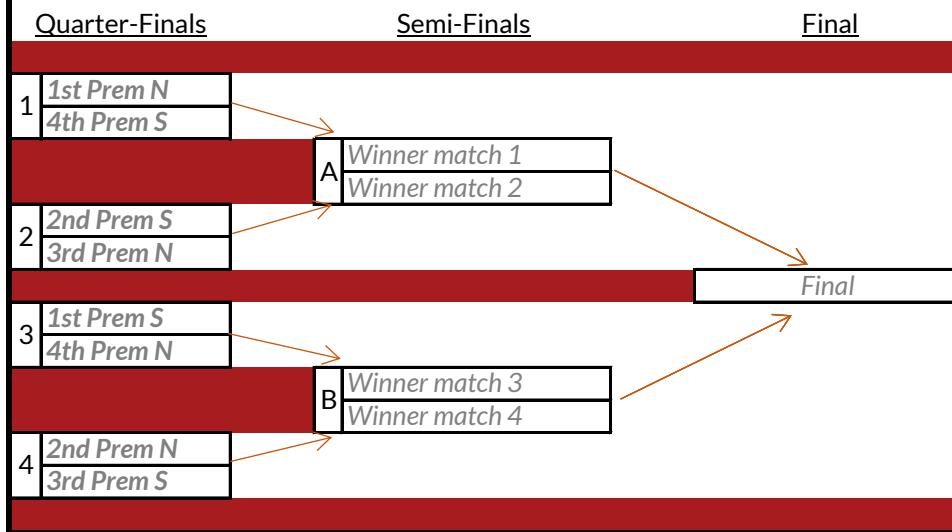
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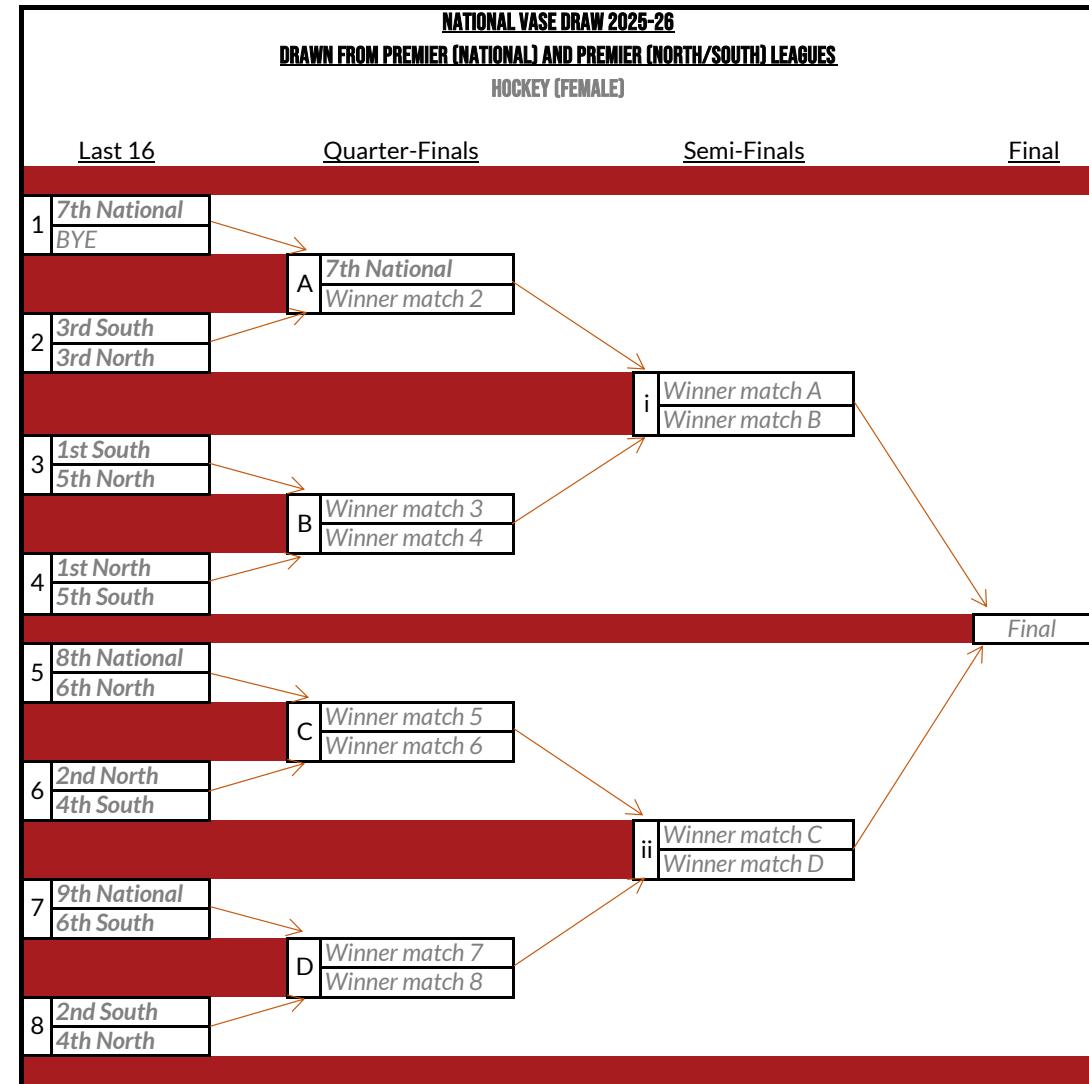
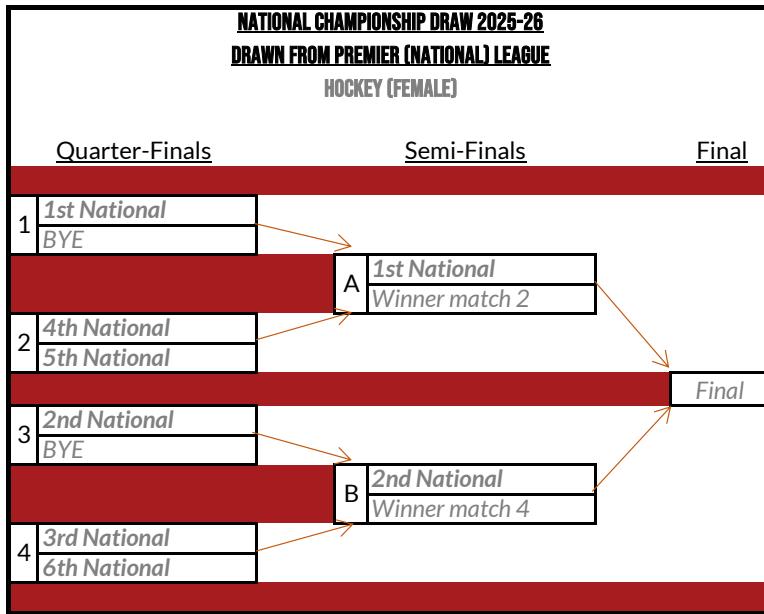
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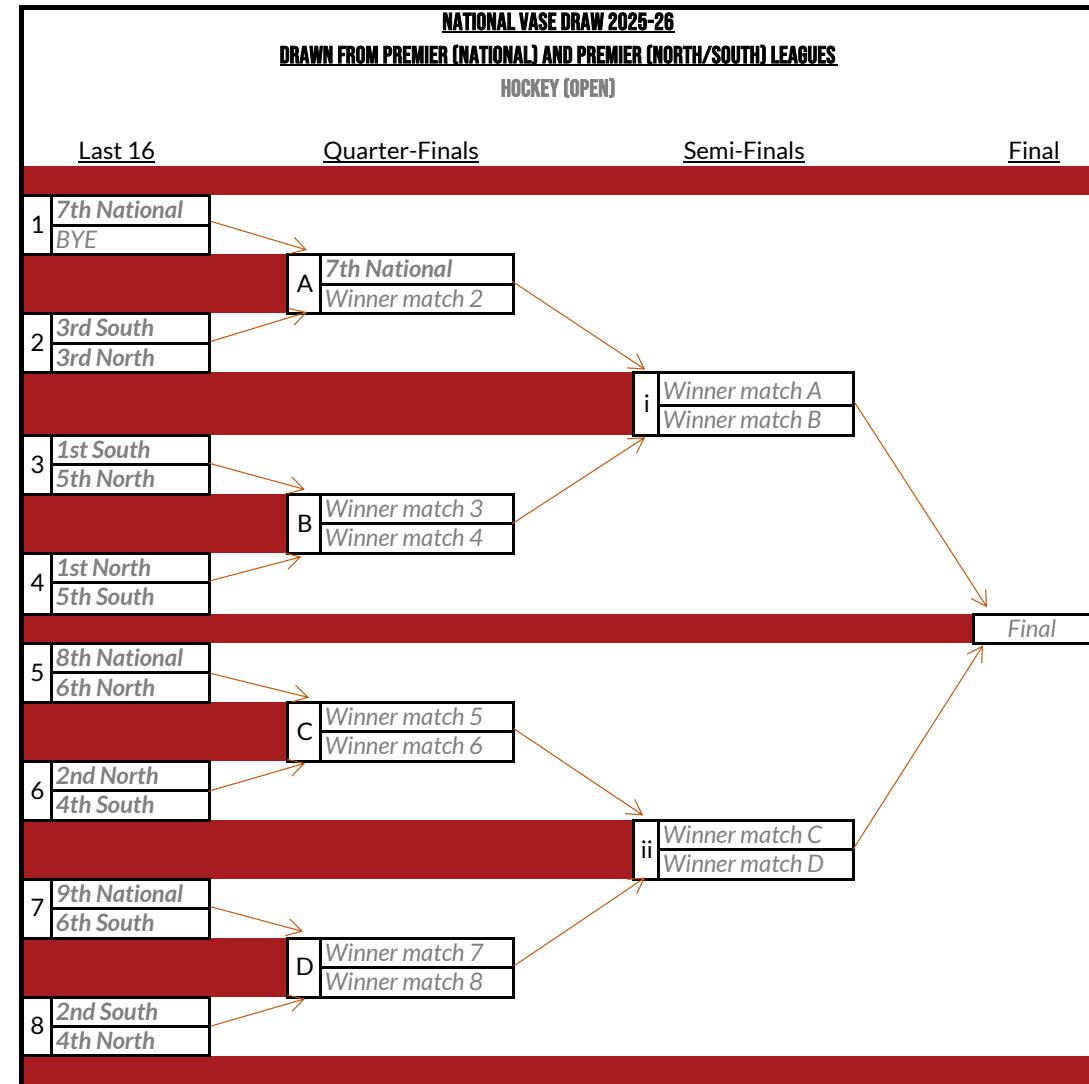
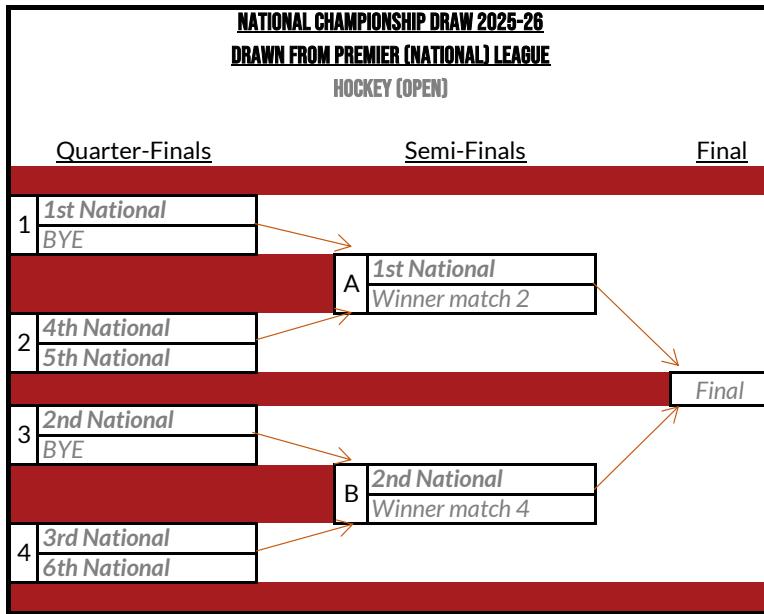
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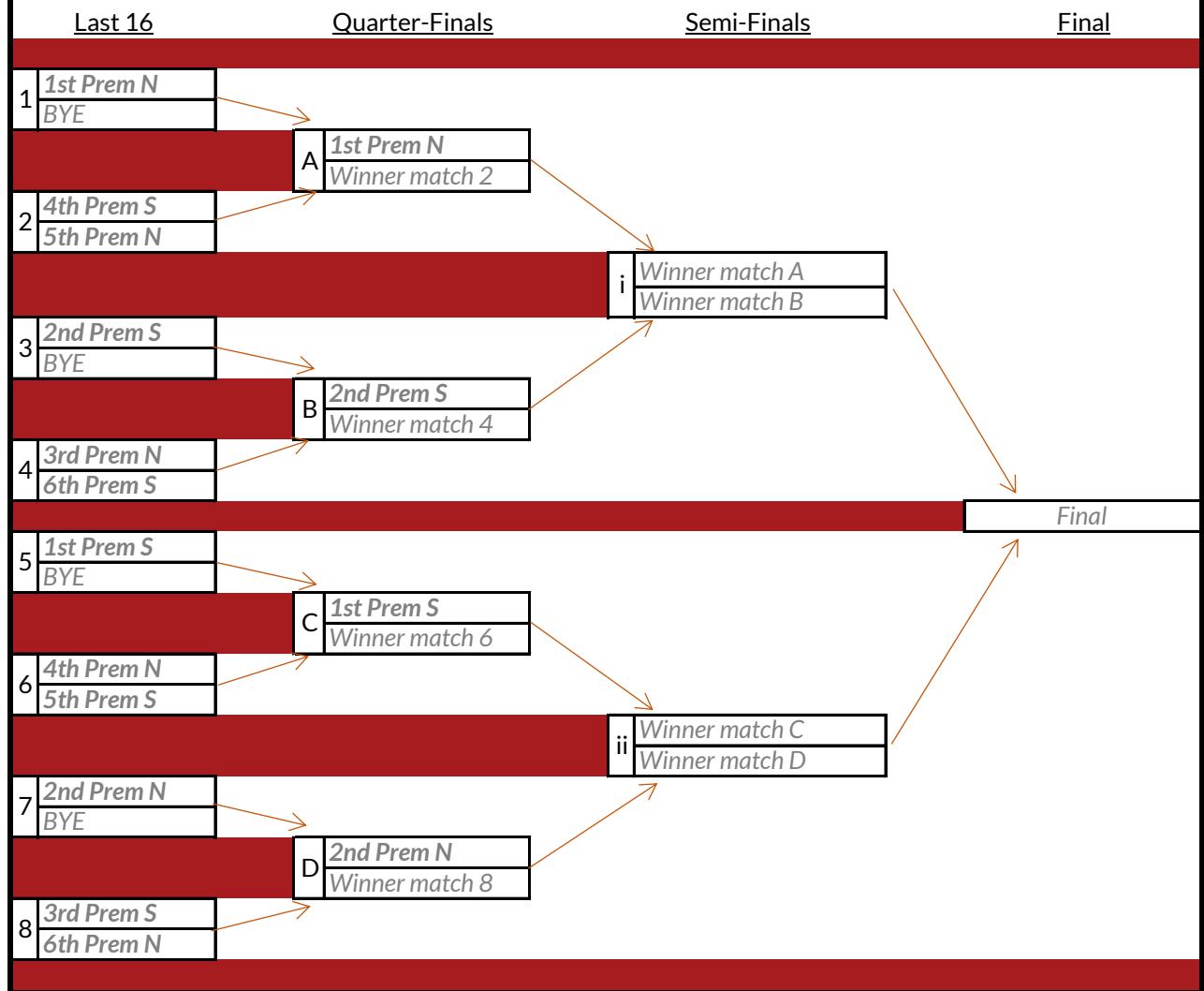


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P R E M I E R T I E R

NORTH 1	
1	Remains
2	Remains
3	Remains
4	Remains
5	Remains
6	Relegated (Potential Playoff)

NORTH 2	
1	Promoted if 1st team
2	Playoff if 1st not eligible and 1st team
3	Remains
4	Remains
5	Remains
6	Relegated (Potential Playoff)

SOUTH 1	
1	Remains
2	Remains
3	Remains
4	Remains
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T I E R 1	1	Playoff if 1st or 2nd team	1	Playoff if 1st or 2nd team	1	Playoff if 1st or 2nd team	1	Playoff if 1st or 2nd team	1
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TIER

	SCOTTISH 2A	NORTHERN 2A	NORTHERN 2B	MIDLANDS 2A	MIDLANDS 2B	WESTERN 2A	WESTERN 2B	SOUTH EASTERN 2A	SOUTH EASTERN 2B
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TIER

NORTHERN 3A		NORTHERN 3B	
1	Promoted	1	Promoted
2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion
3	Remains	3	Remains
4	Remains	4	Remains
		5	Remains

TIER 3

LEAGUE NOTES

APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES

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PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 1)

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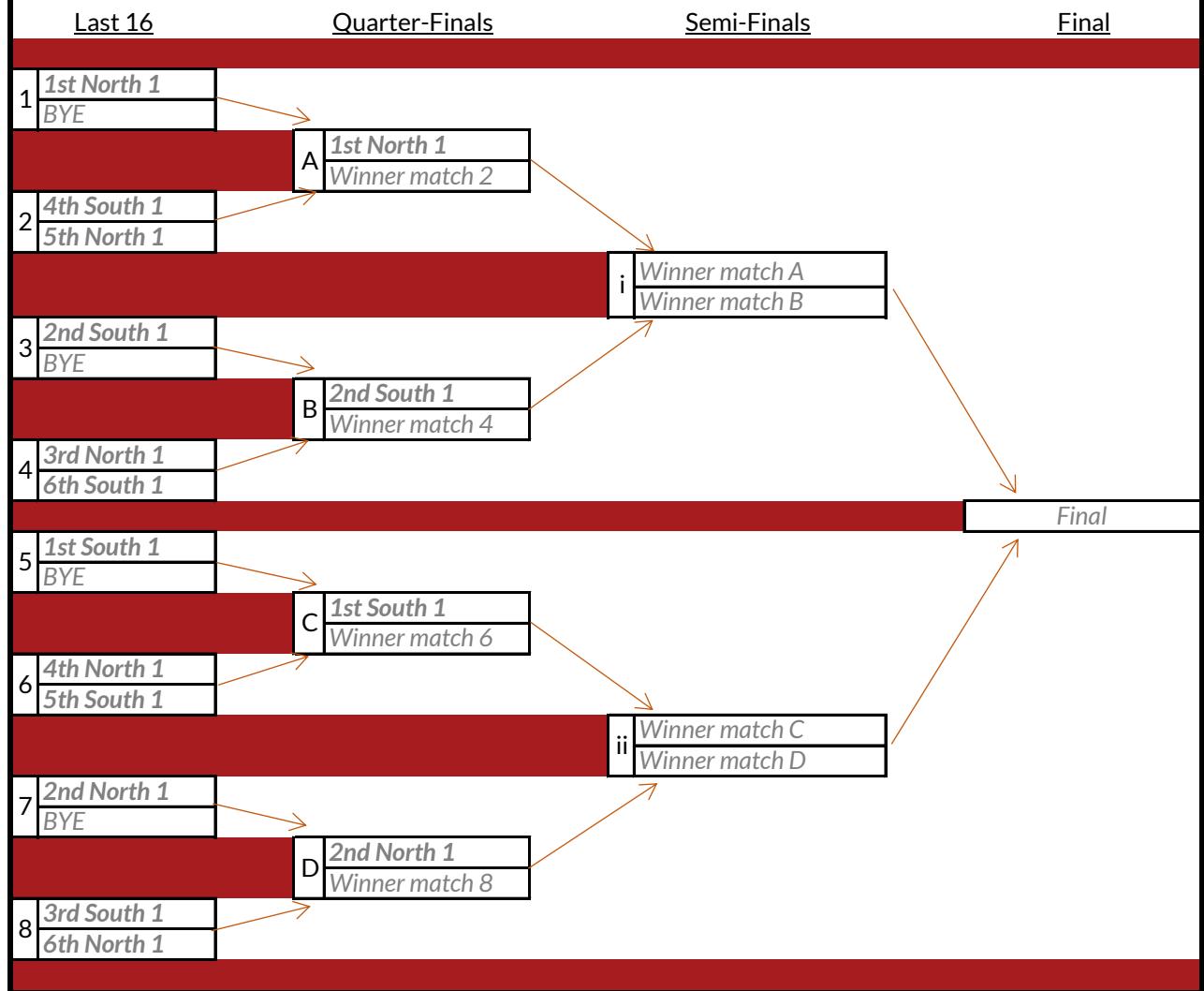
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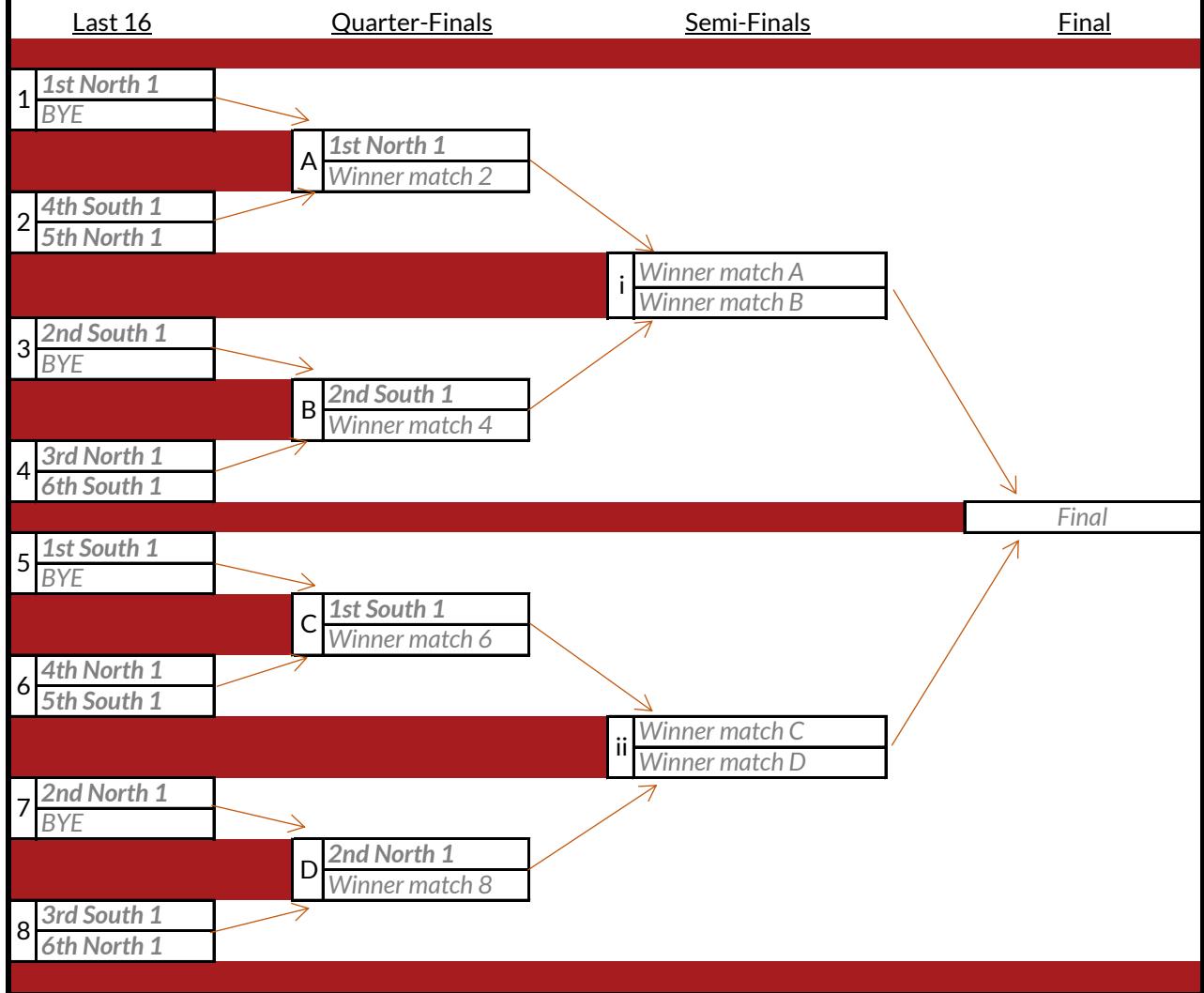
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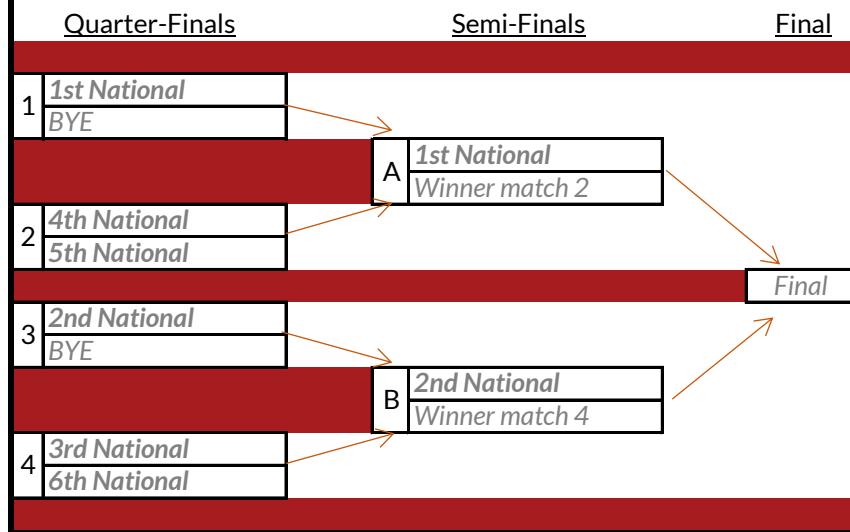


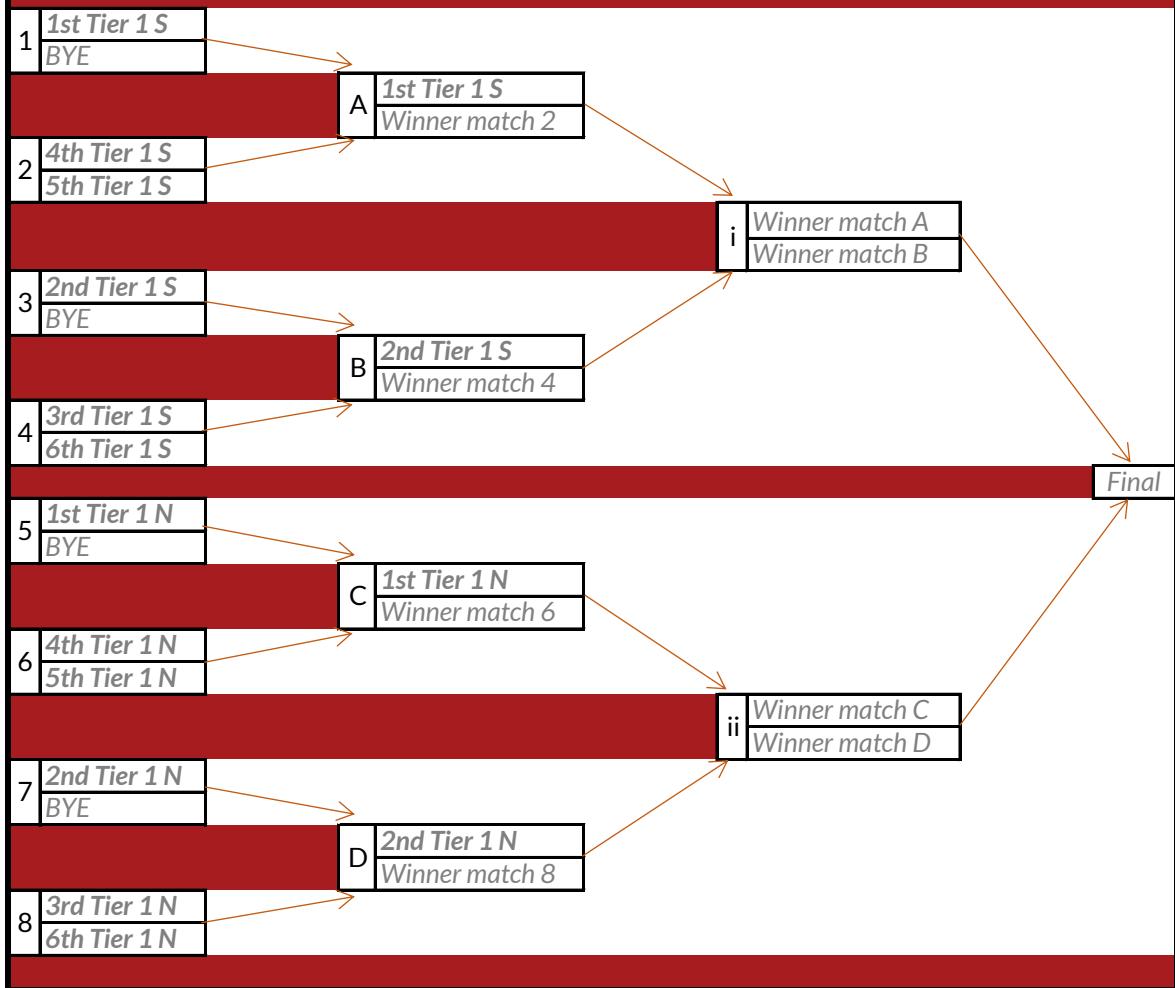
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NETBALL (FEMALE)



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) LEAGUE
RUGBY LEAGUE (MEN'S)



NATIONAL TROPHY DRAW 2025-26**DRAWN FROM TIER 1 LEAGUES****RUGBY LEAGUE (MEN'S)**Last 16Quarter-FinalsSemi-FinalsFinal

CONFERENCE CUP DRAW 2025-26**DRAWN FROM TIER 2 LEAGUES****MEN'S RUGBY LEAGUE**Quarter-FinalsSemi-FinalsFinal

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	BYE

A	1st Tier 2B
	Winner match 2

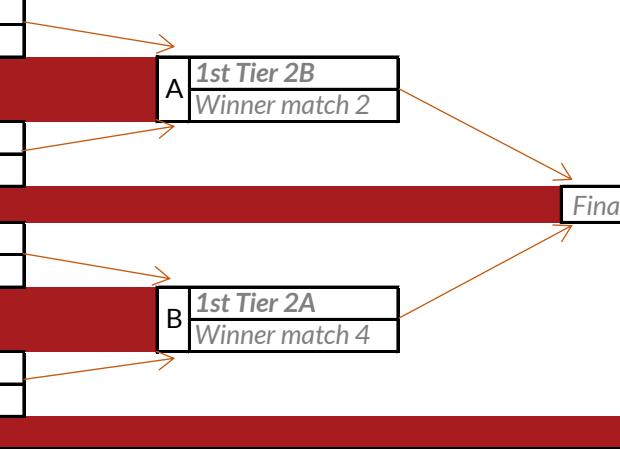
2	2nd Tier 2A
	3rd Tier 2B

Final

3	1st Tier 2A
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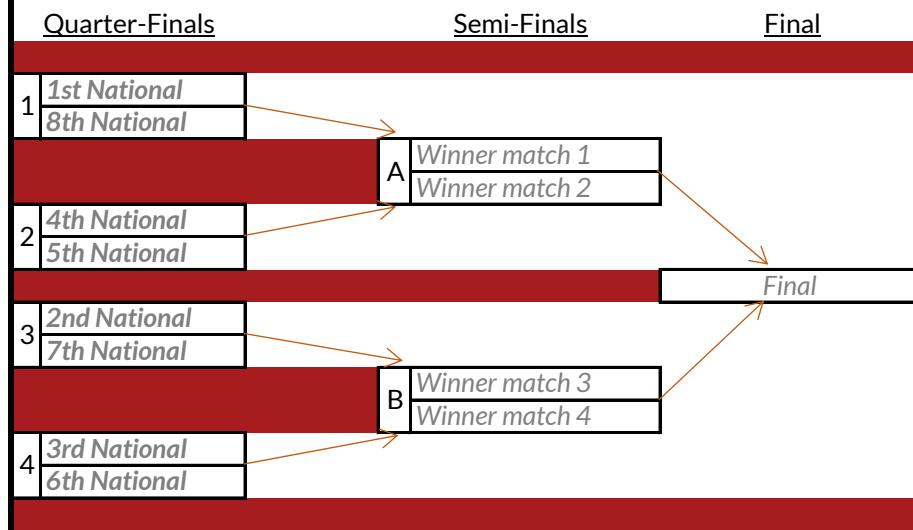
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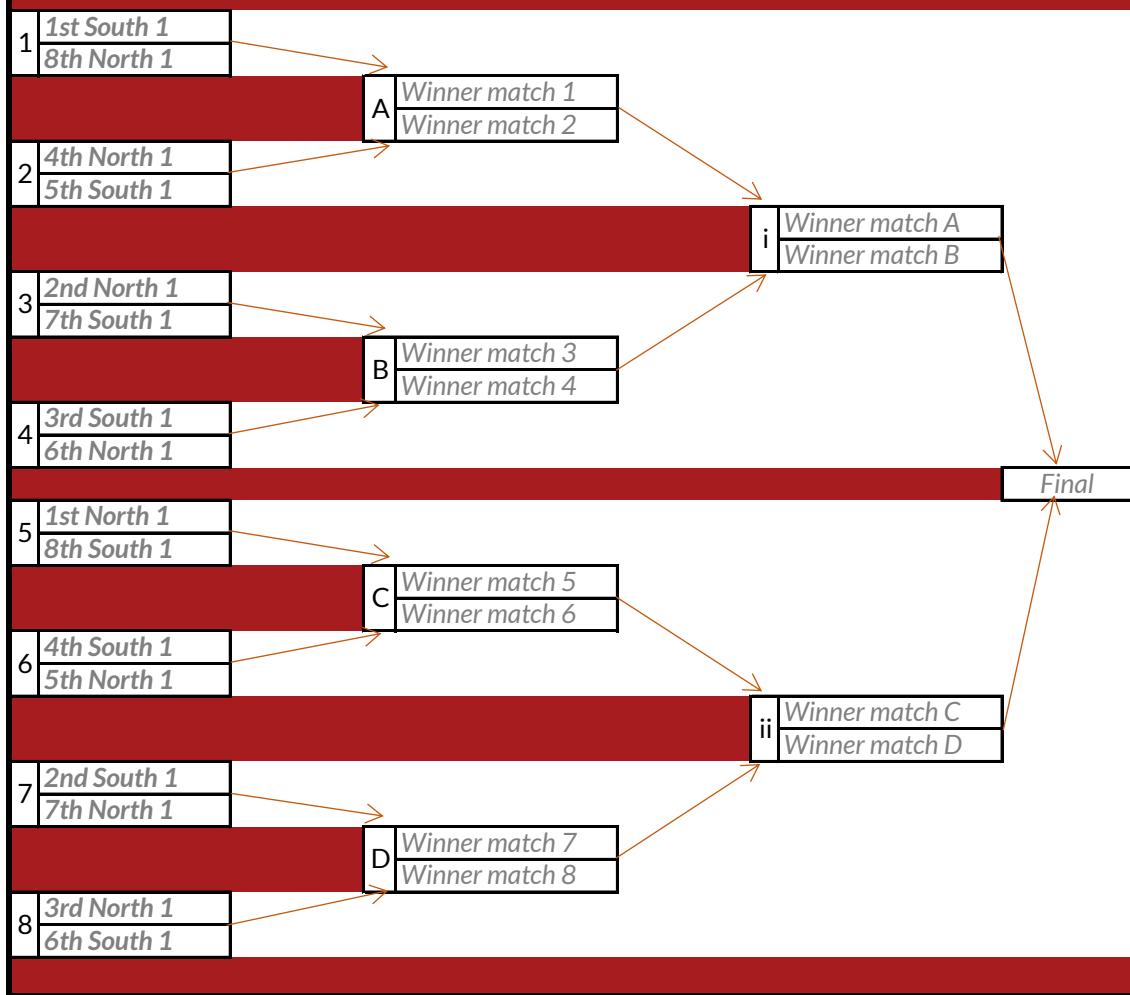
4	2nd Tier 2B
	3rd Tier 2A



RUGBY UNION (MEN'S) 2025-26										LEAGUE NOTES	
										APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES	
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<p>PREMIER TIER (NATIONAL)</p> <p>10th placed team relegated, except in the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If there are no teams eligible to be relegated to the league and all eligible teams have opted out of promotion/competing in the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff, then the team shall retain their place in the Premier Tier National league unless they are required to be relegated under a different regulation (for example because they have conceded a walkover). The winner of the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, the loser will compete in Premier Tier (North/South). If a team finishing in second place in North 1 or South 1 is the only eligible team for promotion or the only eligible team to not opt out of promotion/competing in the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff, then the BUCS Super Rugby playoff shall be held between this team and the 10th placed team in the respective Premier Tier National league, the 10th placed team shall be relegated under a different regulation (for example because they have conceded a walkover). The winner of the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, the loser will compete in Premier Tier (North/South). If the league contains less than the standard number of teams, then the team shall retain their place in the league unless they are required to be relegated under a different regulation (for example because they have conceded two or more walkovers). For example, if a team has withdrawn from the Premier Tier National league which would usually contain 10 teams, then the team finishing in 10th place will retain their place. Should any other team(s) in the league be due to be relegated (for example because they have conceded two or more walkovers) then the team shall retain their place in the league unless they are also due to be relegated under a different regulation (for example because they have conceded a walkover). This scenario may also impact promotion from the league(s) below. 											
<p>PREMIER TIER (NATIONAL)</p> <p>If a team from the Premier Tier National league is to be relegated, then if their 2nd and 3rd placed teams are in a Premier Tier North/South 3 league, their 3rd team will be relegated to the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league as a result, or if they were in a promotion or promotion playoff position from a Premier Tier North/South 2 league, they will be ineligible for promotion to a Premier Tier North/South 1 league.</p>										1st-8th placed teams to compete in the National Championship, details listed in Appendix 2a.	
<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 1)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff.</p>										If there are two teams from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion and neither of them have opted out of promotion/competing in the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff, then the playoff will involve a match between these two teams, host decided by RUU 2.7.2/RUU 3.6.2.	
<p>If there is only one team from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion that has not opted out of promotion/competing in the playoffs, and they finished in 1st place in their league, then they will be promoted to the Premier Tier National league.</p>										The winner of the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, the loser will compete in Premier Tier (North/South 1).	
<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 2)</p> <p>If the team from the Premier Tier National league retains their place, or the team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from the same region (North/South), then the 8th placed team in each league will be relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies).</p>										If the team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from different regions (North/South), then in the league from which the team is to be promoted, no team shall be relegated, and the highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place in the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league shall be promoted into it. In the league which there is to be a promotion from and to which the team from the region (North/South) is to be promoted, the 7th placed team will be promoted (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies) and the 7th placed team will be involved in the respective Premier Tier North/South 1 league which will involve any Premier Tier North/South 2 league team eligible for promotion via the playoff. The winner of the playoff will compete in the Premier Tier North/South 1 league for the following season, the loser will compete in the Premier Tier North/South 2 league.	
<p>If there is only one team from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion that has not opted out of promotion/competing in the playoffs and they finished in 2nd place in their league, then the team shall be relegated to the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league as a result, or if they were in a promotion or promotion playoff position from a Premier Tier North/South 2 league, they will be ineligible for promotion to a Premier Tier North/South 1 league.</p>										The team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from different regions (North/South), then in the Premier Tier North/South 2 league from the region from which the Premier Tier North/South 1 team was promoted, the 7th placed team will be involved in playoffs with the eligible teams from Tier 1 for two places in the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league, and the 7th placed team will be relegated to the Premier Tier North/South 2 league in which there was a promotion to the Premier Tier National league and to which the team from the Premier Tier National league was relegated, the 7th placed team will be relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies) and the 6th placed team will be involved in playoffs with the eligible teams from Tier 1 for one place in the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league for the following season.	
<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 3)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for promotion or the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league.</p>										If the team from the Premier Tier National league retains their place, or the team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from the same region (North/South), then the 7th placed team in both the Premier Tier North/South 2 and South 2 leagues will be automatically relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies) and there will be one promotion place available from Tier 1 for each of the Premier Tier North/South 2 league for the following season.	
<p>If there is only one team from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion that has not opted out of promotion/competing in the playoffs and they finished in 2nd place in their league, then the team shall be relegated to the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league as a result, or if they were in a promotion or promotion playoff position from a Premier Tier North/South 2 league, they will be ineligible for promotion to a Premier Tier North/South 1 league.</p>										If the team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from different regions (North/South), then in the Premier Tier North/South 2 league from the region from which the Premier Tier North/South 1 team was promoted, the 7th placed team will be involved in playoffs with the eligible teams from Tier 1 for two places in the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league, and the 7th placed team will be relegated to the Premier Tier North/South 2 league in which there was a promotion to the Premier Tier National league and to which the team from the Premier Tier National league was relegated, the 7th placed team will be relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies) and the 6th placed team will be involved in playoffs with the eligible teams from Tier 1 for one place in the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league for the following season.	
<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 4)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for promotion or the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league.</p>										If the team from the Premier Tier National league retains their place, or the team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from the same region (North/South), then the 7th placed team in both the Premier Tier North/South 2 and South 2 leagues will be automatically relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies) and there will be one promotion place available from Tier 1 for each of the Premier Tier North/South 2 league for the following season.	
<p>If there is only one team from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion that has not opted out of promotion/competing in the playoffs and they finished in 2nd place in their league, then the team shall be relegated to the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league as a result, or if they were in a promotion or promotion playoff position from a Premier Tier North/South 2 league, they will be ineligible for promotion to a Premier Tier North/South 1 league.</p>										The team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from different regions (North/South), then in the Premier Tier North/South 2 league from the region from which the Premier Tier North/South 1 team was promoted, the 7th placed team will be involved in playoffs with the eligible teams from Tier 1 for two places in the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league, and the 7th placed team will be relegated to the Premier Tier North/South 2 league in which there was a promotion to the Premier Tier National league and to which the team from the Premier Tier National league was relegated, the 7th placed team will be relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies) and the 6th placed team will be involved in playoffs with the eligible teams from Tier 1 for one place in the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league for the following season.	
<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 5)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for promotion or the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league.</p>										All teams to compete in the National Vase, details listed in Appendix 2a.	
<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 2)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for promotion or the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league.</p>										If there are two teams from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion and neither of them have opted out of promotion/competing in the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff, then the playoff will involve a match between these two teams, host decided by RUU 2.7.2/RUU 3.6.2.	
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<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 3)</p> <p>If the team from the Premier Tier National league retains their place, or the team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from the same region (North/South), then the 8th placed team in each league will be relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies).</p>										If there is only one team from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion that has not opted out of promotion/competing in the playoffs and they finished in 2nd place in their league, then the team shall be relegated to the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league as a result, or if they were in a promotion or promotion playoff position from a Premier Tier North/South 2 league, they will be ineligible for promotion to a Premier Tier North/South 1 league.	
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<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 4)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for promotion or the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league.</p>										If the team from the Premier Tier National league retains their place, or the team being promoted from a Premier Tier North/South 1 league and relegated from the Premier Tier National league are from the same region (North/South), then the 7th placed team in both the Premier Tier North/South 2 and South 2 leagues will be automatically relegated (unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies) and there will be one promotion place available from Tier 1 for each of the Premier Tier North/South 2 league for the following season.	
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<p>PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH 5)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for promotion or the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league.</p>										All teams to compete in the National Vase, details listed in Appendix 2a.	
<p>TIER 1 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)</p> <p>Highest finishing 1st/2nd/3rd team (if 1st and 2nd team aren't both in a Premier Tier North/South 1 league following the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff), finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for promotion or the respective Premier Tier North/South 2 league.</p>										If there are two teams from Premier Tier (North/South 1) eligible for promotion and neither of them have opted out of promotion/competing in the Men's BUCS Super Rugby playoff, then the playoff will involve a match between these two teams, host decided by RUU 2.7.2/RUU 3.6.2.	
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<p>TIER 2 (ALL) AND TIER 3 (MIDLANDS/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)</p> <p>1st placed team promoted. </p>											

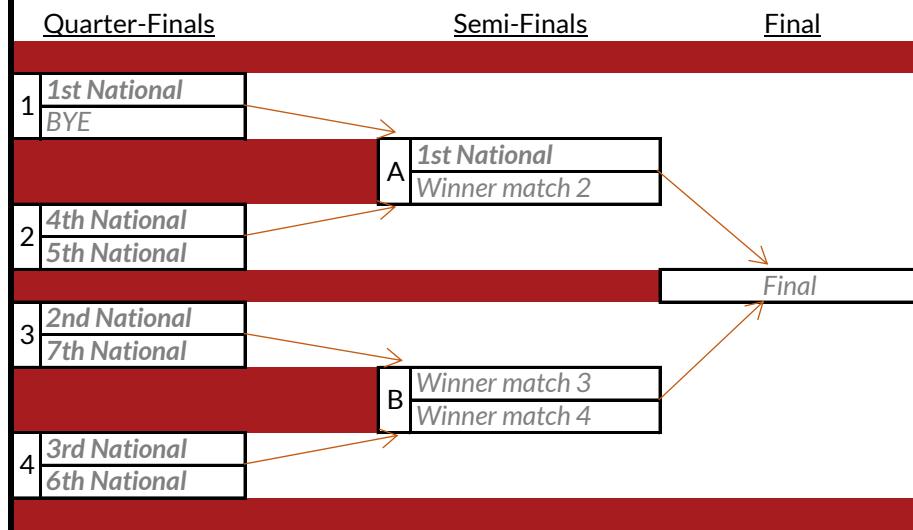
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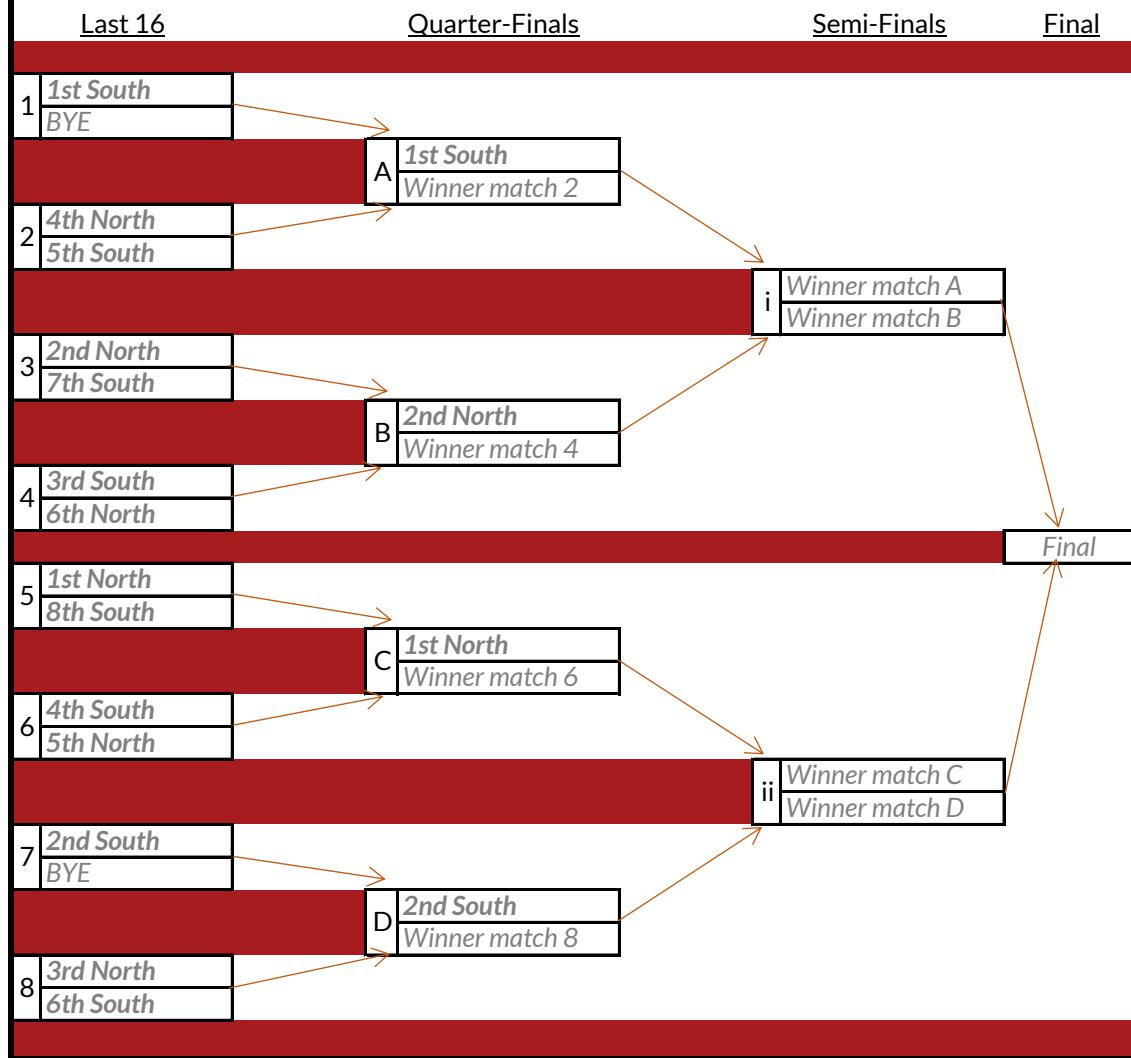
NATIONAL VASE DRAW 2025-26**DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH 1) LEAGUES****RUGBY UNION (MEN'S)**Last 16Quarter-FinalsSemi-FinalsFinal

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PREMIER TIER	TIER 1	TIER 2	TIER 3	TIER 4	TIER 5	TIER 6	TIER 7	TIER 8	TIER 9	TIER 10	TIER 11											
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1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in the Conference Cup, played during the league programme. Please note, future tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.																						
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1st place promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. 3rd, 4th and 5th placed teams relegated. 6th placed team may also be relegated if one or more additional teams need to be relegated from Tier 1 (impacting leagues below). All teams to compete in the Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme.																						
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PREMIER TIER (NATIONAL) - TBC																						
If there are two teams from Premier Tier (North/South) eligible for promotion and neither of them have opted out of promotion/competing in the Women's BUCS Super Rugby play-offs, then the play-offs will involve a match between these two teams, host decided by RUL 7.7.1/RUL 8.6.1, followed by a match between the winner of the 1st placed team and the 7th placed team in the National league, host decided by coin toss. (However, if the 7th placed team has conceded any walkovers during the league season, they may be ineligible to compete in the play-offs and be automatically relegated as per REG 8.3.7.5).																						

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RUGBY UNION (WOMEN'S)



SOFTBALL (MIXED) 2025-26							LEAGUE NOTES		
TIER 1	NORTHERN 1A		MIDLANDS 1A		SOUTHERN 1A		SOUTH EASTERN 1A		APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a. Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations. TIER 1 Highest finishing three 1st teams from each league to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.
	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains	
	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains	
	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	
	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	
	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains	
	6	Remains		6	Remains				

PROVISIONAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26*

DRAWN FROM TIER 1 LEAGUES

SOFTBALL (MIXED)

Group Stage

Semi-Finals

Final

Group 1

Highest finishing 1st Team in Northern

Highest finishing 1st Team in Midlands

2nd highest finishing 1st Team in Northern

2nd highest finishing 1st Team in South Eastern

3rd highest finishing 1st Team in Midlands

3rd highest finishing 1st Team in Southern

A

Winner Group 1

Runner Up Group 2

Final

Group 2

Highest finishing 1st Team in Southern

Highest finishing 1st Team in South Eastern

2nd highest finishing 1st Team in Midlands

2nd highest finishing 1st Team in Southern

3rd highest finishing 1st Team in Northern

3rd highest finishing 1st Team in South Eastern

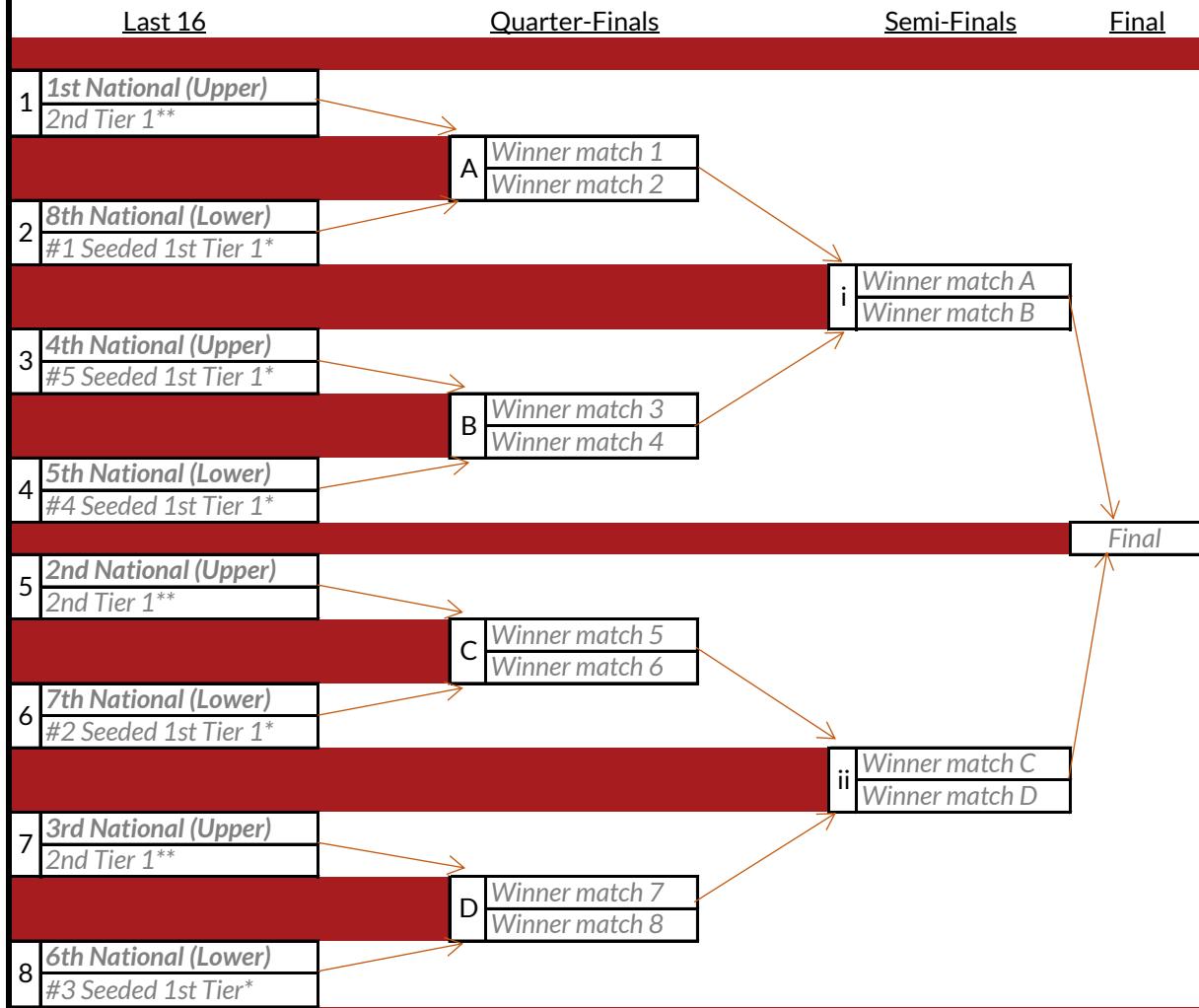
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Winner Group 2

Runner Up Group 1

**This draw is subject to change following the league deadline if any teams have opted out of participating and/or any teams are not eligible to participate under REG 13.7.5.1 as a result of conceding voluntary walkovers in their league.*

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) AND TIER 1 LEAGUES
SQUASH (FEMALE)

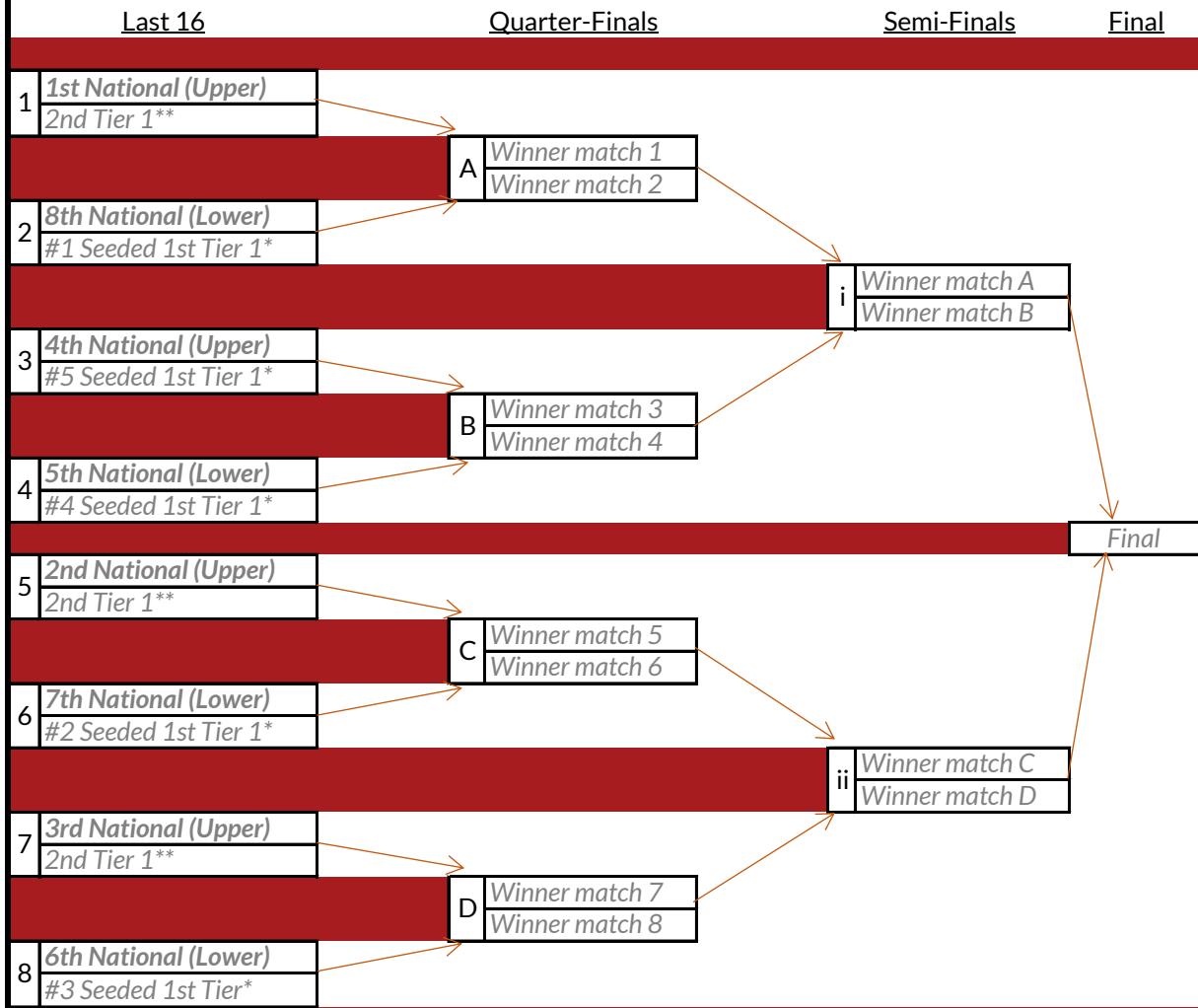


* Highest finishing 1st teams from each Tier 1 league seeded in these positions as per SQU 15.7.2.2 and/or SQU 15.7.2.2.1.

** Three 'best performing' 2nd highest finishing 1st teams will be drawn here.

SQUASH (MALE) 2025-26												LEAGUE NOTES
<p>The diagram illustrates the national league structure. At the top is the 'NATIONAL' section, which includes 'Remains' (1-8) and 'Playoff' (1-8) categories. Below this is 'TIER 1', which contains five regional groups: 'SCOTTISH 1A', 'NORTHERN 1A', 'MIDLANDS 1A', 'WESTERN 1A', and 'SOUTH EASTERN 1A'. Each group has 12 numbered slots. 'SCOTTISH 1A' includes slots 1-6. 'NORTHERN 1A' includes slots 1-6. 'MIDLANDS 1A' includes slots 1-6. 'WESTERN 1A' includes slots 1-6. 'SOUTH EASTERN 1A' includes slots 1-6. Below 'TIER 1' is 'TIER 2', which also contains five regional groups: 'SCOTTISH 2A', 'NORTHERN 2A', 'NORTHERN 2B', 'MIDLANDS 2A', 'MIDLANDS 2B', 'WESTERN 2A', 'WESTERN 2B', 'SOUTH EASTERN 2A', and 'SOUTH EASTERN 2B'. Each group has 8 numbered slots. 'SCOTTISH 2A' includes slots 1-6. 'NORTHERN 2A' includes slots 1-6. 'NORTHERN 2B' includes slots 1-6. 'MIDLANDS 2A' includes slots 1-6. 'MIDLANDS 2B' includes slots 1-6. 'WESTERN 2A' includes slots 1-6. 'WESTERN 2B' includes slots 1-6. 'SOUTH EASTERN 2A' includes slots 1-6. 'SOUTH EASTERN 2B' includes slots 1-6. Below 'TIER 2' is 'TIER 3', which contains three regional groups: 'NORTHERN 3A', 'NORTHERN 3B', and 'MIDLANDS 3A'. Each group has 8 numbered slots. 'NORTHERN 3A' includes slots 1-6. 'NORTHERN 3B' includes slots 1-6. 'MIDLANDS 3A' includes slots 1-6.</p>												
APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES												
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Premier Tier (National)												
<p>All teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a, where they will be placed at the last 16 stage according to their finishing position. The 1st-3rd place finishers shall retain their place. They shall compete against the three 'best performing' runners-up across Tier 1 (subject to them being a 1st team if they are not, the team in 3rd place will be considered, if they are not eligible 1st team and so on). All fixtures will solely knockout fixtures and no fixture relating to sharing, promotion or relegation. The 4th-8th place finishers shall play against the five Tier 1 leagues winners (subject to them being a 1st team. Where they are not, this place will be offered to the team in 2nd place, if they are an eligible 1st team and so on), in the National Championship round of 16. The winners of these round of 16 matches will become the additional five Premier Tier National league teams for the following season, the losers will compete in Tier 1.</p>												
Tier 1 (Scottish)												
<p>Highest finishing 1st team will progress to the National Championship, the 1st round of which doubles up as the Premier Tier National league playoffs, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The next highest finishing 1st team will also progress to the National Championship (though their fixture will not be a playoff match) if they are one of the three best performing across the five Tier 1 leagues. All other teams to compete in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a.</p>												
<p>If one Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Scottish 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Scottish 1A is not promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If one Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Scottish 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Scottish 1A is promoted, 6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If no Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Scottish 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Scottish 1A is not promoted, 6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If no Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Scottish 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Scottish 1A is promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season.</p>												
Tier 1 (Northern)												
<p>Highest finishing 1st team will progress to the National Championship, the 1st round of which doubles up as the Premier Tier National league playoffs, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The next highest finishing 1st team will also progress to the National Championship (though their fixture will not be a playoff match) if they are one of the three best performing across the five Tier 1 leagues. All other teams to compete in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a.</p>												
<p>If two Premier Tier National league teams are relegated in to Northern 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Northern 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated (even if one of these was the highest finishing eligible 1st team), and the league will have seven teams for the following season. If two Premier Tier National league teams are relegated in to Northern 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Northern 1A is promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated (except the highest finishing eligible 1st team if they finished 4th), and the league will have six teams (or seven if the highest finishing 1st team finished 4th) for the following season. If one Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Northern 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Northern 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated (even if one of these was the highest finishing eligible 1st team), and the league will have six teams for the following season. If one Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Northern 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Northern 1A is promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If no Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Northern 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Northern 1A is promoted, 6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season.</p>												
Tier 1 (Midlands)												
<p>Highest finishing 1st team will progress to the National Championship, the 1st round of which doubles up as the Premier Tier National league playoffs, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The next highest finishing 1st team will also progress to the National Championship (though their fixture will not be a playoff match) if they are one of the three best performing across the five Tier 1 leagues. All other teams to compete in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a.</p>												
<p>If four Premier Tier National league teams are relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 3rd-6th place will be relegated (even if one of these was the highest finishing eligible 1st team), and the league will have eight teams for the following season. If four Premier Tier National league teams are relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is promoted, 3rd-6th place will be relegated (except the highest finishing eligible 1st team if they finished in 3rd or 4th), and the league will have seven teams for the following season (or eight teams if the highest finishing eligible 1st team finished in 3rd or 4th). If three Premier Tier National league teams are relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated (even if one of these was the highest finishing eligible 1st team), and the league will have eight teams for the following season. If three Premier Tier National league teams are relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated (except the highest finishing eligible 1st team if they finished in 4th), and the league will have seven teams for the following season (or eight teams if the highest finishing eligible 1st team finished in 4th). If two Premier Tier National league teams are relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If no Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is promoted, 6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season.</p>												
Tier 1 (Western)												
<p>Highest finishing 1st team will progress to the National Championship, the 1st round of which doubles up as the Premier Tier National league playoffs, dates listed in Appendix 2a. The next highest finishing 1st team will also progress to the National Championship (though their fixture will not be a playoff match) if they are one of the three best performing across the five Tier 1 leagues. All other teams to compete in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a.</p>												
<p>If one Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Western 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Western 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If one Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Western 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Western 1A is promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If one Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Western 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Western 1A is not promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If no Premier Tier National league team is relegated in to Western 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Western 1A is promoted, 6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season.</p>												
Tier 1 (South Eastern)												
<p>League winning 1st team will progress to the National Championship, the 1st round of which doubles up as the Premier Tier National league playoffs, dates listed in Appendix 2a. 2nd place 1st team will also progress to the National Championship (though their fixture will not be a playoff match) if they are one of the three best performing across the five Tier 1 leagues. All other teams to compete in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a.</p>												
<p>If the highest finishing eligible 1st team from South Eastern 1A is not promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season. If the highest finishing eligible 1st team from South Eastern 1A is promoted, 6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season.</p>												
Tier 2 (Scottish/Western/South Eastern) and Tier 3 (Northern)												
<p>1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.</p>												
Tier 2 (Northern/Midlands)												
<p>1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated if additional team needs to be relegated from Tier 1 (impacting leagues below). All teams to compete in the Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme.</p>												
Tier 3 (Midlands)												
<p>1st and 2nd placed teams promoted. All teams to compete in Conference Cup fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.</p>												

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) AND TIER 1 LEAGUES
SQUASH (MALE)



* Highest finishing 1st teams from each Tier 1 league seeded in these positions as per SQU 15.7.2.2 and/or SQU 15.7.2.2.1.

** Three 'best performing' 2nd highest finishing 1st teams will be drawn here.

TABLE TENNIS (MEN'S) 2025-26

TIER 1										TIER 2		TIER 3				LEAGUE NOTES	
NORTH										SOUTH						APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES	
TIER 1	1	Remains	1	League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a. Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations.													
	2	Remains	2	PREMIER TIER													
	3	Remains	3	4th placed team relegated unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies. All teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.													
	4	Relegated (Potential Playoff)	4	TIER 1 (SCOTTISH)													
	5	Remains	5	Potential Relegation	5	Remains	5	Potential Relegation	5	Remains	5	Potential Relegation	5	Remains	5	Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.	
	6	Remains	6	Relegated	6	Remains	6	Relegated	6	Remains	6	Relegated	6	Remains	6	TIER 1 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/SOUTH EASTERN)	
	7	Remains														Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 5th and 6th placed teams relegated. 4th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
	8	Remains														Midlands: If Premier North/South teams are both relegated to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have seven teams for the following season.	
	9	Remains														TIER 1 (WESTERN)	
	10	Remains														Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
TIER 2	1	Promoted	1	TIER 2 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS 2A)													
	2	Potential Promotion	2	1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated if additional team needs to be relegated from Tier 1 (impacting leagues below). All teams to compete in the Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme.													
	3	Remains	3	TIER 2 (MIDLANDS 2B)													
	4	Remains	4	1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. 5th placed team may be relegated if additional team needs to be relegated from Tier 1 (impacting leagues below). All teams to compete in the Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme.													
	5	Potential Relegation	5	TIER 2 (WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN) AND TIER 3 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS)													
	6	Relegated	6	1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.													
	7	Remains	7														
	8	Remains	8														
	9	Remains	9														
	10	Remains	10														
TIER 3	1	Promoted	1														
	2	Potential Promotion	2														
	3	Remains	3														
	4	Remains	4														
	5	Remains	5														

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TABLE TENNIS (MEN'S)

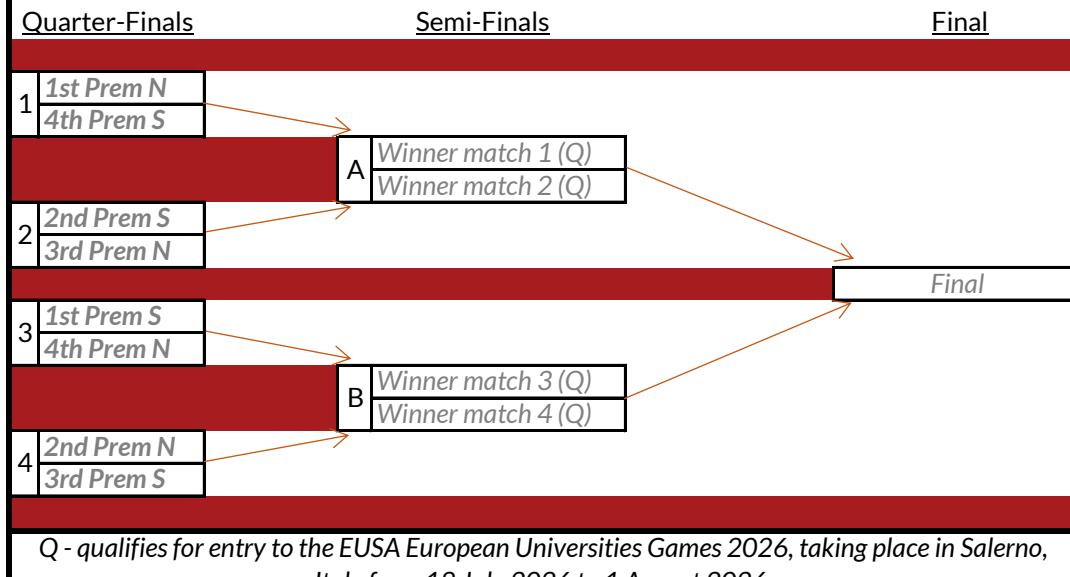
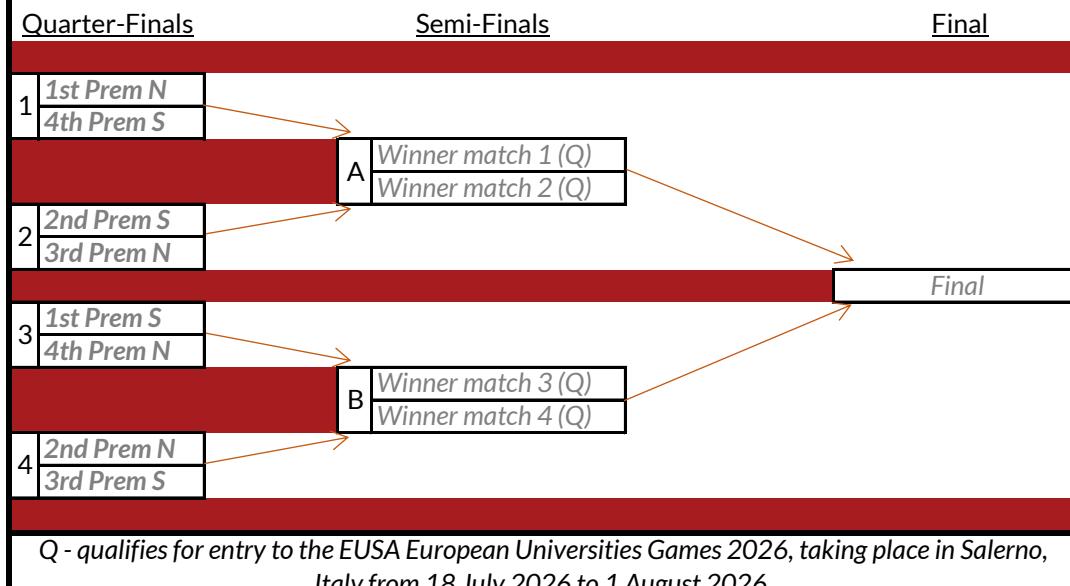
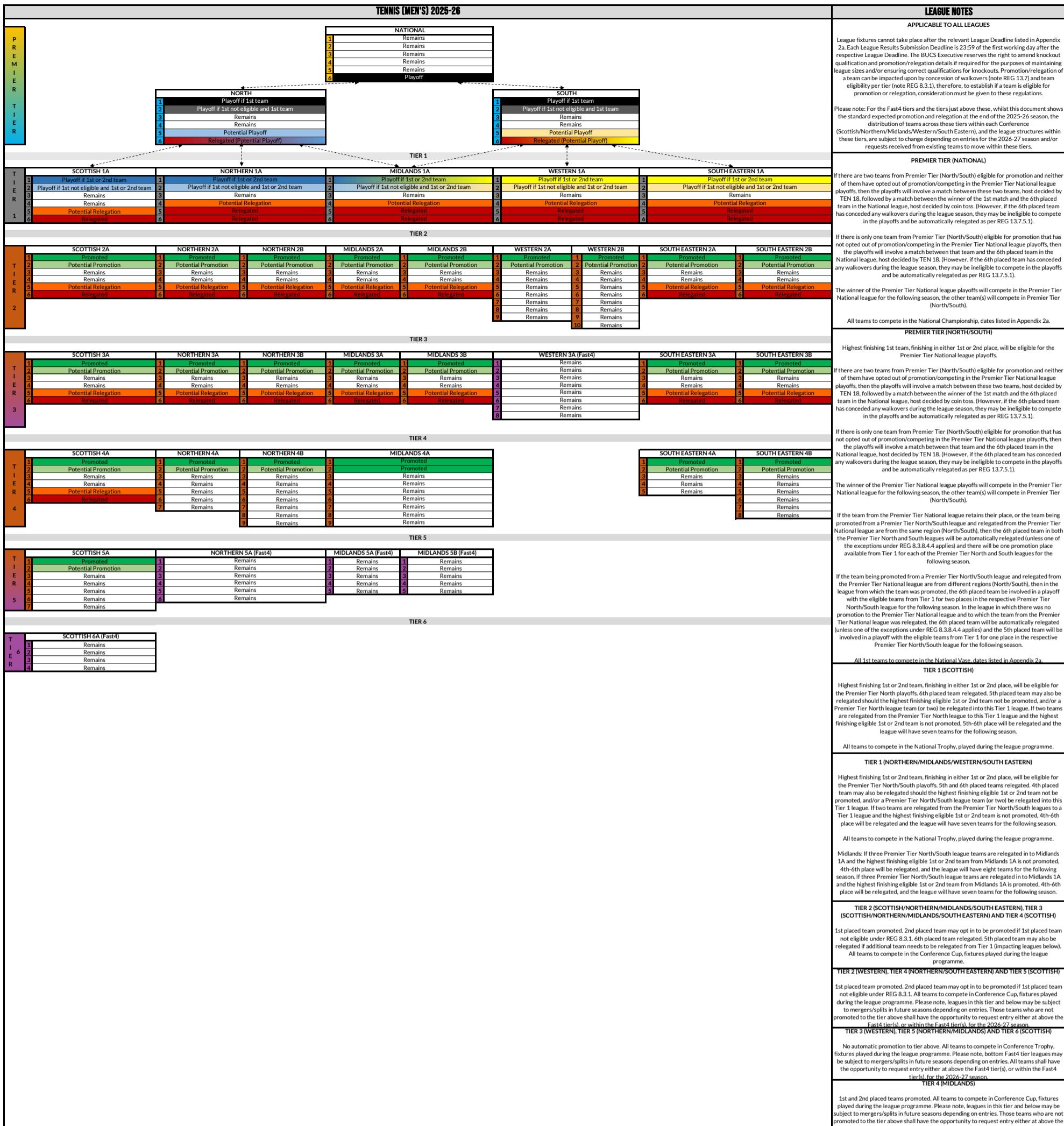


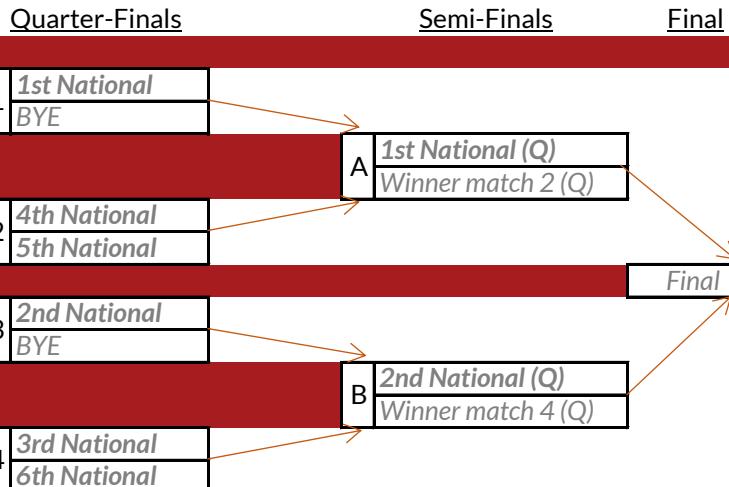
Table Tennis (Women's) 2025-26												League Notes		
P T R I E E M R	North				South								Applicable to all leagues	
	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Playoff if 1st team	1	Playoff if 1st team	League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a.	
	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Playoff if 1st not eligible and 1st team	2	Playoff if 1st not eligible and 1st team	Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations.	
	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Playoff if 1st not eligible and 1st team	3	Playoff if 1st not eligible and 1st team		
	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Potential Relegation	4	Remains	4	Potential Relegation	4	Potential Relegation		
	5	Remains	5	Potential Relegation	5	Potential Relegation	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains		
	6	Remains	6	Relegated	6	Relegated	6	Relegated	6	Relegated	6	Relegated		
	TIER 1												PREMIER TIER	
	SCOTTISH 1A				NORTHERN 1A				WESTERN 1A				4th placed team relegated unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies. All teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.	
	MIDLANDS 1A				SOUTH EASTERN 1A								TIER 1 (SCOTTISH/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)	
	TIER 2												Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.	
	NORTHERN 2A				MIDLANDS 2A								TIER 1 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS)	
	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	Midlands: If Premier North/South teams are both relegated into Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have six teams for the following season.	
	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	TIER 2 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS)	
	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.	

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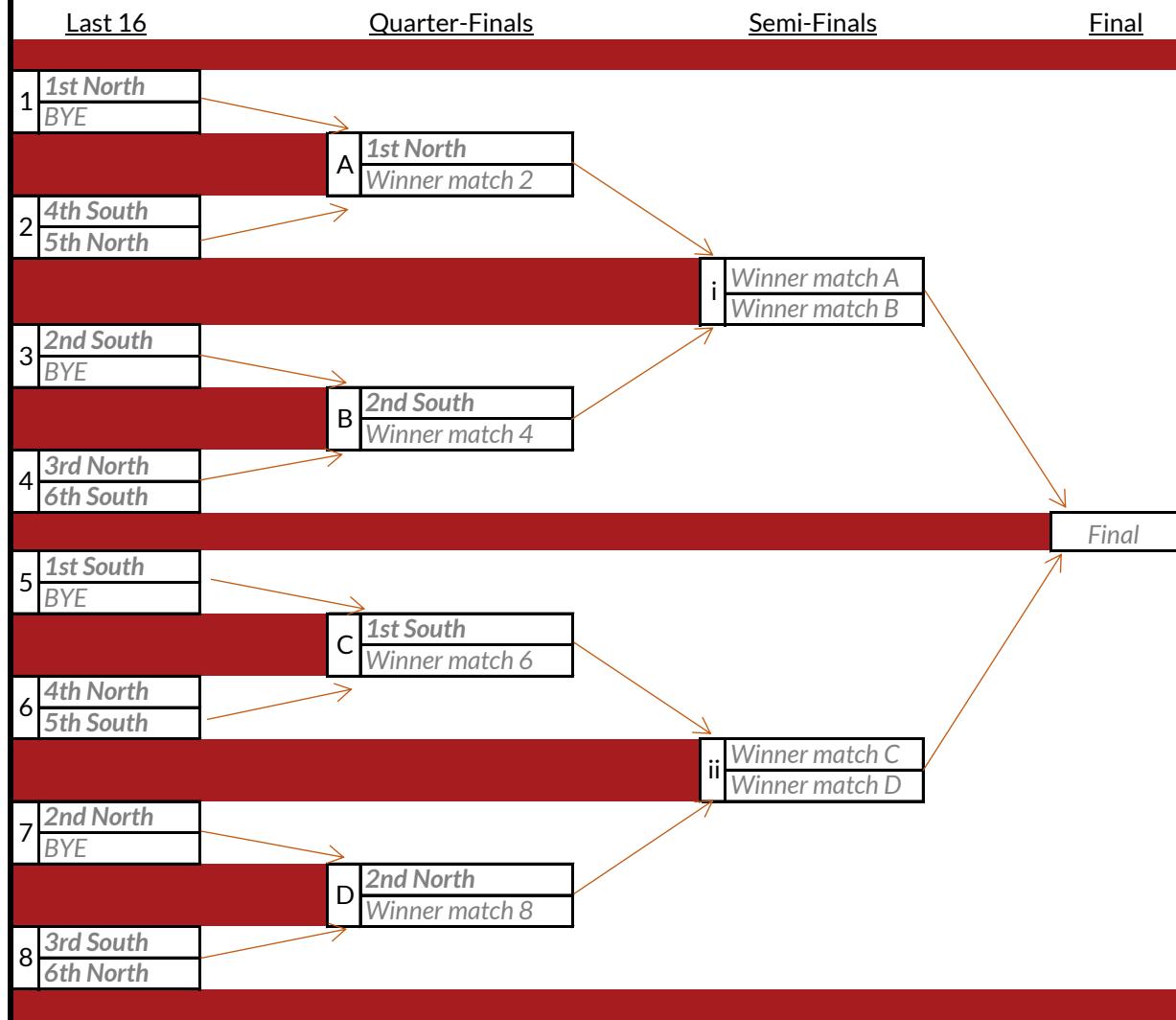


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DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) LEAGUE
TENNIS (MEN'S)



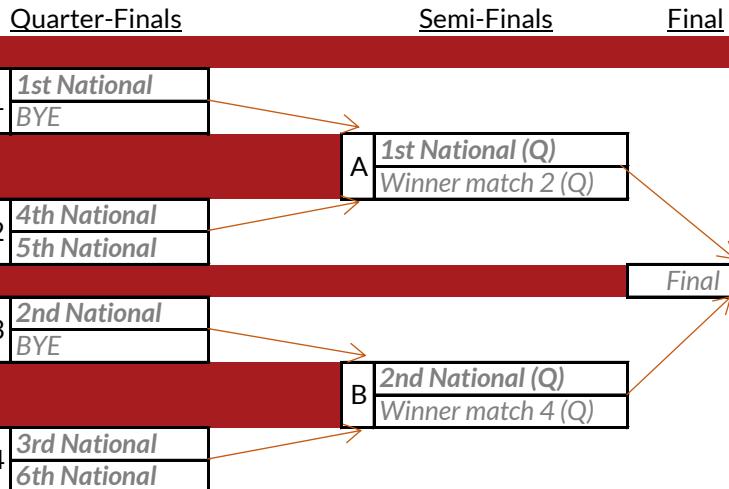
Q - qualifies for entry to the EUSA European Universities Games 2026, taking place in Salerno, Italy from 18 July 2026 to 1 August 2026.

NATIONAL VASE DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH) LEAGUES
TENNIS (MEN'S)



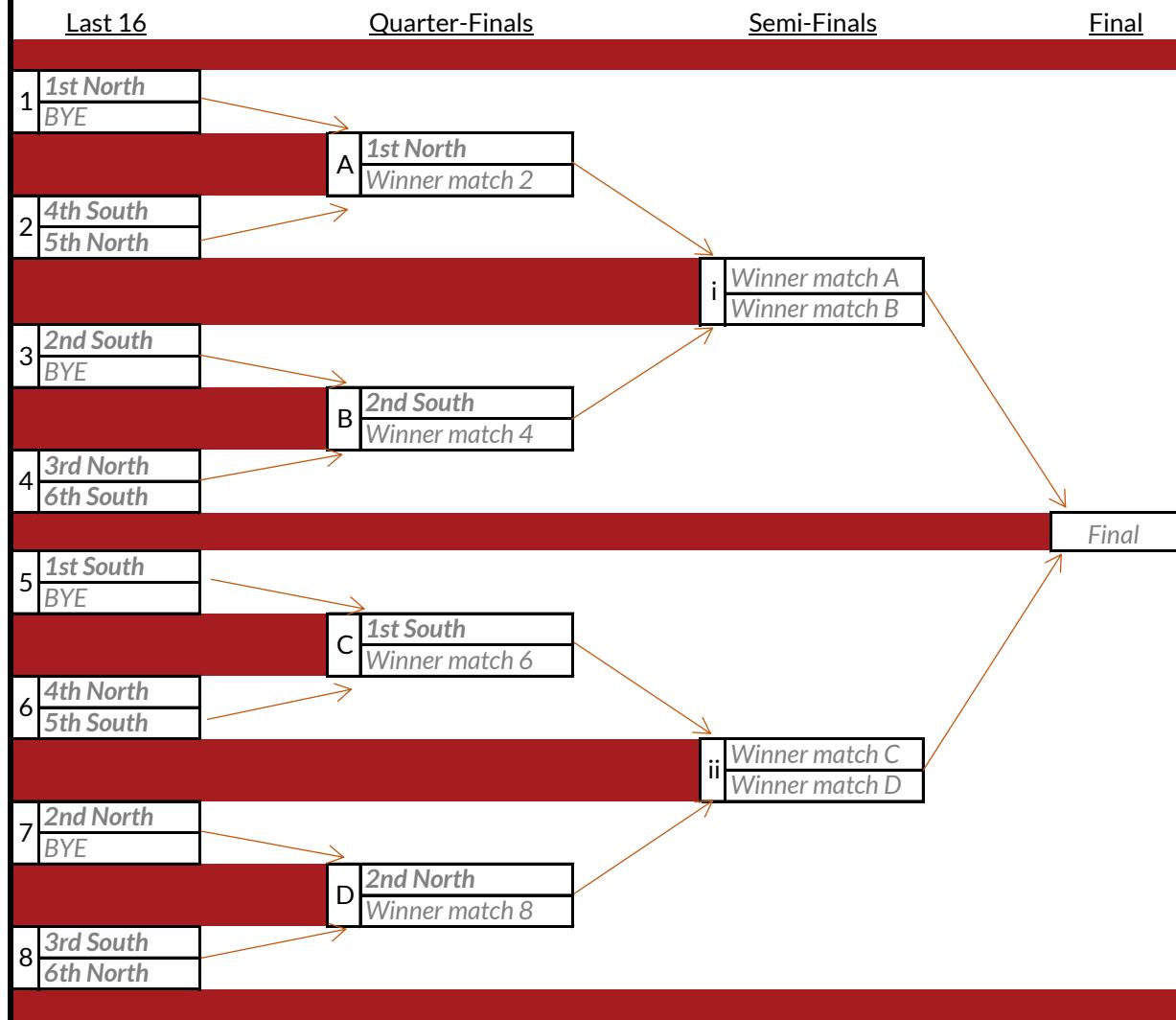
TENNIS (WOMEN'S) 2025-26												LEAGUE NOTES
PREMIER TIER	TIER 1	TIER 2	TIER 3	TIER 4	NATIONAL	SOUTH	TIER 1	TIER 2	TIER 3	TIER 4	APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES	
					1 Remains	1 Remains					League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a. Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations.	
					2 Remains	2 Remains					Please note: For the Fast4 tiers and the tiers just above these, whilst this document shows the standard expected promotion and relegation at the end of the 2025-26 season, the distribution of teams across these tiers within each Conference (Scottish/Northern/Midlands/Western/South Eastern), and the league structures within these tiers, are subject to change depending on entries for the 2026-27 season and/or requests received from existing teams to move within these tiers.	
					3 Remains	3 Remains					PREMIER TIER (NATIONAL)	
					4 Remains	4 Remains					If there are two teams from Premier Tier (North/South) eligible for promotion and neither of them have opted out of promotion/competing in the Premier Tier National league playoffs, then the playoffs will involve a match between these two teams, host decided by TEN 18, followed by a match between the winner of the 1st match and the 6th placed team in the National league, host decided by coin toss. (However, if the 6th placed team has conceded any walkovers during the league season, they may be ineligible to compete in the playoffs and be automatically relegated as per REG 13.7.5.1).	
					5 Remains	5 Remains					If there is only one team from Premier Tier (North/South) eligible for promotion that has not opted out of promotion/competing in the Premier Tier National league playoffs, then the playoffs will involve a match between that team and the 6th placed team in the National league, host decided by TEN 18. (However, if the 6th placed team has conceded any walkovers during the league season, they may be ineligible to compete in the playoffs and be automatically relegated as per REG 13.7.5.1).	
					6 Remains	6 Remains					The winner of the Premier Tier National league playoffs will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, the other team(s) will compete in Premier Tier (North/South).	
					Playoff	Playoff					All teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.	
					1 Playoff if 1st team	1 Playoff if 1st team					PREMIER TIER (NORTH/SOUTH)	
					2 Playoff if 1st not eligible and 1st team	2 Playoff if 1st not eligible and 1st team					Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the Premier Tier National league playoffs.	
TIER 1	TIER 2	TIER 3	TIER 4	NATIONAL	3 Remains	3 Remains					If there are two teams from Premier Tier (North/South) eligible for promotion and neither of them have opted out of promotion/competing in the Premier Tier National league playoffs, then the playoffs will involve a match between these two teams, host decided by TEN 18, followed by a match between the winner of the 1st match and the 6th placed team in the National league, host decided by coin toss. (However, if the 6th placed team has conceded any walkovers during the league season, they may be ineligible to compete in the playoffs and be automatically relegated as per REG 13.7.5.1).	
					4 Remains	4 Remains					If there is only one team from Premier Tier (North/South) eligible for promotion that has not opted out of promotion/competing in the Premier Tier National league playoffs, then the playoffs will involve a match between that team and the 6th placed team in the National league, host decided by TEN 18. (However, if the 6th placed team has conceded any walkovers during the league season, they may be ineligible to compete in the playoffs and be automatically relegated as per REG 13.7.5.1).	
					5 Remains	5 Remains					The winner of the Premier Tier National league playoffs will compete in the Premier Tier National league for the following season, the other team(s) will compete in Premier Tier (North/South).	
					6 Remains	6 Remains					All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
					Playoff	Playoff					TIER 1 (SCOTTISH)	
					1 Remains	1 Remains					Highest finishing 1st or 2nd team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the Premier Tier North playoffs. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st or 2nd team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier North league team(s) two) be relegated to the 1st tier.	
					2 Remains	2 Remains					If two teams are relegated from the Premier Tier North league to this Tier 1 league and the highest finishing eligible 1st or 2nd team is not promoted, 5th-6th place will be relegated and the league will have seven teams for the following season.	
					3 Remains	3 Remains					All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
					4 Remains	4 Remains					TIER 1 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)	
					5 Remains	5 Remains					Highest finishing 1st or 2nd team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the Premier Tier North/South playoffs. 5th and 6th placed teams relegated. 4th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st or 2nd team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier North/South league team (or two) be relegated into this Tier 1 league. If two teams are relegated from the Premier Tier North/South leagues to a Tier 1 league and the highest finishing eligible 1st or 2nd team is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated and the league will have seven teams for the following season.	
					6 Remains	6 Remains					All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
					7 Remains	7 Remains					TIER 2 (SCOTTISH/NORTHERN/MIDLANDS)	
					8 Remains	8 Remains					1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, leagues in this tier and below may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries. Those teams who are not promoted to the tier above shall have the opportunity to request entry either at above the Fast4 tier(s), or within the Fast4 tier(s), for the 2026-27 season.	
					9 Remains	9 Remains					TIER 3 (MIDLANDS)	
					10 Remains	10 Remains					1st and 2nd placed teams promoted. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, leagues in this tier and below may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries. Those teams who are not promoted to the tier above shall have the opportunity to request entry either at above the Fast4 tier(s), or within the Fast4 tier(s), for the 2026-27 season.	
					11 Remains	11 Remains				TIER 4 (WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)		
					12 Remains	12 Remains			No automatic promotion to tier above. All teams to compete in Conference Trophy, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom Fast4 tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries. All teams shall have the opportunity to request entry either at above the Fast4 tier(s), or within the Fast4 tier(s), for the 2026-27 season.			

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NATIONAL) LEAGUE
TENNIS (WOMEN'S)



Q - qualifies for entry to the EUSA European Universities Games 2026, taking place in Salerno, Italy from 18 July 2026 to 1 August 2026.

NATIONAL VASE DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH) LEAGUES
TENNIS (WOMEN'S)



ULTIMATE OUTDOOR (MEN'S) 2025-26											LEAGUE NOTES	
											APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES	
TIER 1	SCOTTISH 1A		NORTHERN 1A		MIDLANDS 1A		WESTERN 1A		SOUTH EASTERN 1A		League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a. Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations.	
	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains		
	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains		
	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains		
	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains		
	5	Remains	5	Relegated	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains		
	6	Remains	6	Relegated	6	Relegated	6	Relegated	6	Relegated		
	7	Remains										
	8	Remains										
	9	Remains										
	10	Remains										
TIER 2											TIER 1 (SCOTTISH)	
TIER 2	NORTHERN 2A		NORTHERN 2B		MIDLANDS 2A		WESTERN 2A		SOUTH EASTERN 2A		Three highest finishing 1st teams to compete in the National Championship, along with the 'best performing' 4th highest finishing 1st team of the five across Tier 1, dates listed in Appendix 2a. All other teams to compete in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.	
	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	1	Promoted	1	Promoted		
	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion	2	Potential Promotion		
	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains		
	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains		
	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains		
	6	Remains										
	7	Remains										
	8	Remains										
TIER 1 (NORTHERN)											5th and 6th placed teams relegated. Three highest finishing 1st teams to compete in the National Championship, along with the 'best performing' 4th highest finishing 1st team of the five across Tier 1, dates listed in Appendix 2a. All other teams to compete in the National Trophy, dates listed in Appendix 2a.	
TIER 1 (MIDLANDS/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)											6th placed team relegated. Three highest finishing 1st teams to compete in the National Championship, along with the 'best performing' 4th highest finishing 1st team of the five across Tier 1, dates listed in Appendix 2a.	
TIER 2 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)											1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in the National Shield, qualifying fixtures played during the league programme, with teams progressing to the National Finals, where the 10 teams from across the five Conferences shall compete in a combined Finals competition. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.	

ULTIMATE OUTDOOR (WOMEN'S) 2025-26

ULTIMATE OUTDOOR (WOMEN'S) 2025-26							LEAGUE NOTES
							APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES
							League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a. Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations.
							TIER 1
T	SCOTTISH 1A	NORTHERN 1A	MIDLANDS 1A	WESTERN 1A	SOUTH EASTERN 1A		
1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains	1	Remains
2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains	2	Remains
3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains	3	Remains
4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains	4	Remains
5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains	5	Remains
6	Remains	6	Remains	6	Remains	6	Remains
1	Remains	7	Remains	7	Remains	7	Remains

VOLLEYBALL (FEMALE) 2025-26												LEAGUE NOTES		
												APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES		
												League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a. Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations.		
												PREMIER TIER		
												6th placed team relegated unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies. All teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.		
												TIER 1 (SCOTTISH)		
												Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.		
												TIER 1 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)		
												Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 5th and 6th placed teams relegated. 4th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.		
												Midlands: If Premier North/South teams are both relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated, and the league will have seven teams for the following season.		
												TIER 2 (SCOTTISH/NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/SOUTH EASTERN)		
												1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated if additional team needs to be relegated from Tier 1 (impacting leagues below). All teams to compete in the Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme.		
												TIER 2 (WESTERN) AND TIER 3 (SCOTTISH/NORTHERN/MIDLANDS/SOUTH EASTERN)		
												1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.		

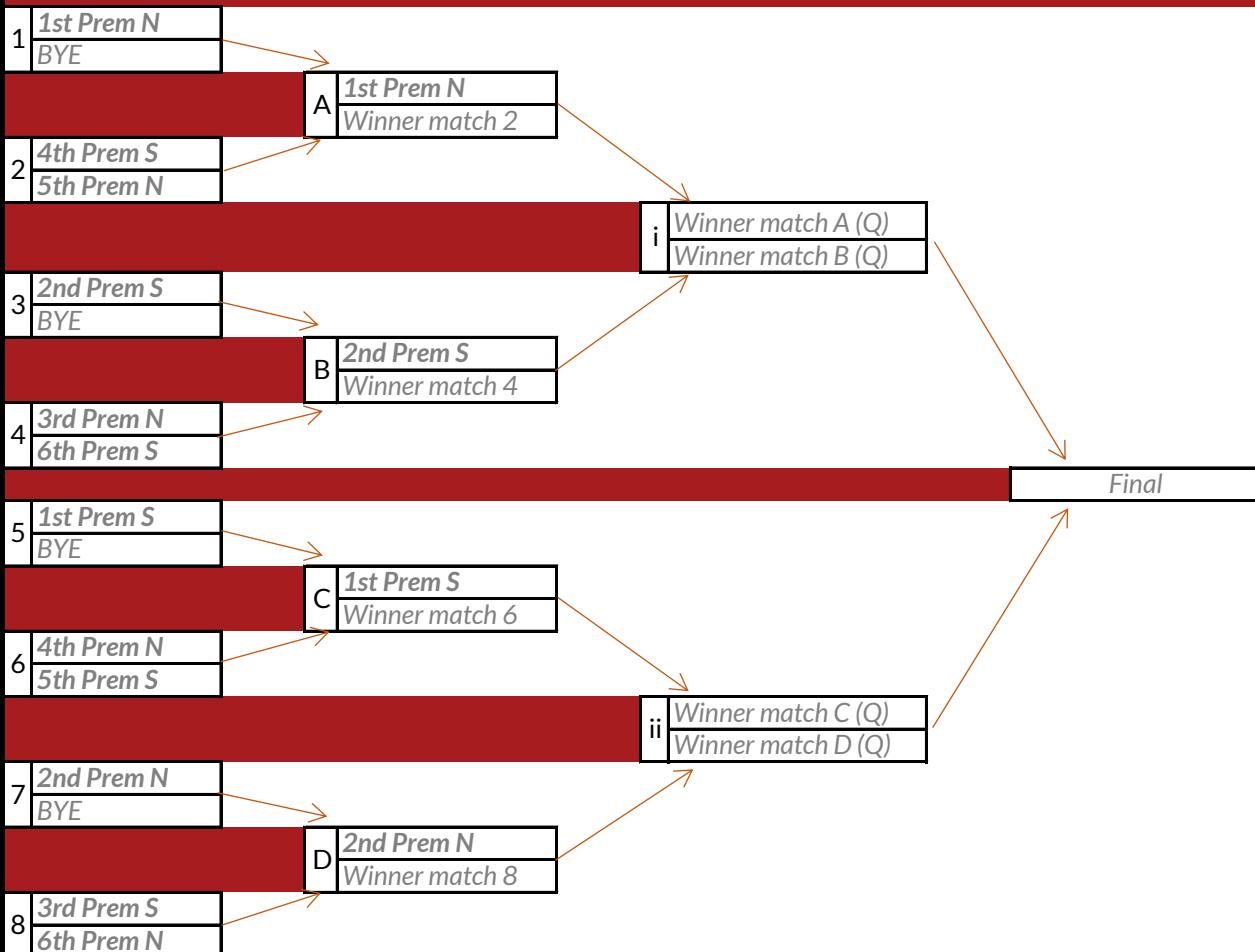
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DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH) LEAGUES
VOLLEYBALL (FEMALE)

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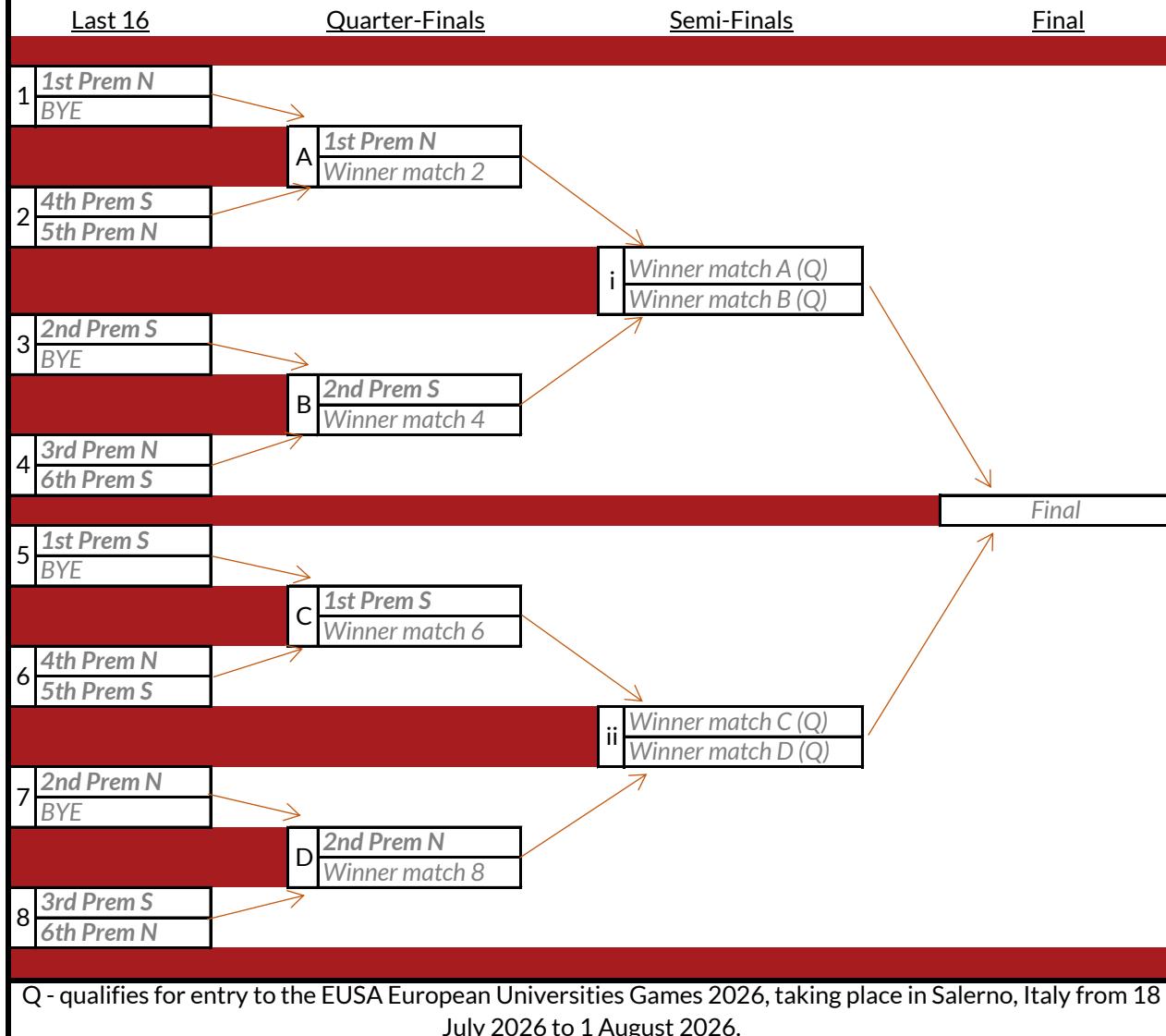


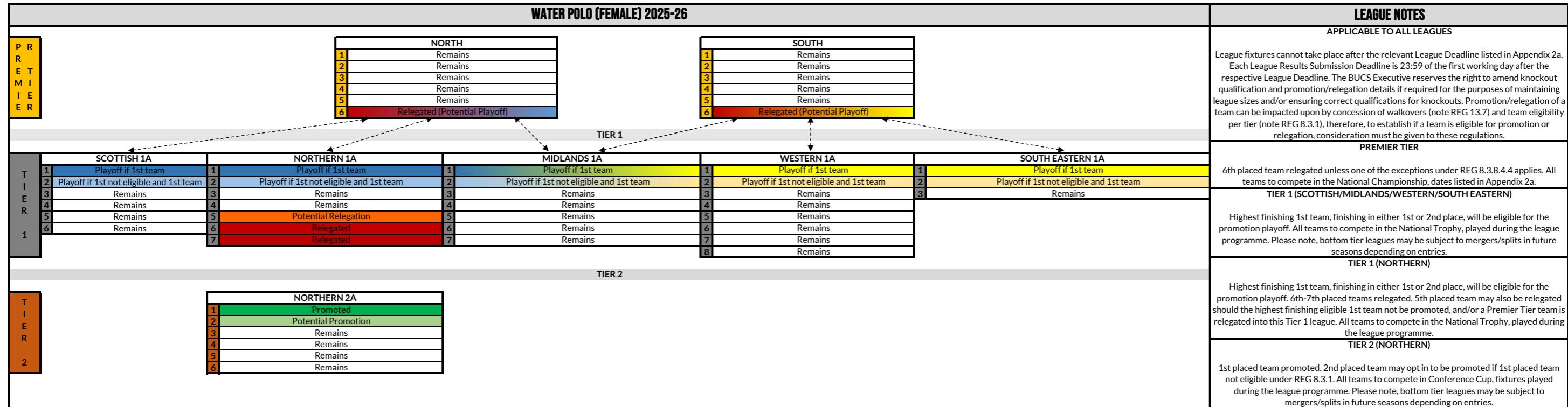
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VOLLEYBALL (MALE) 2025-26

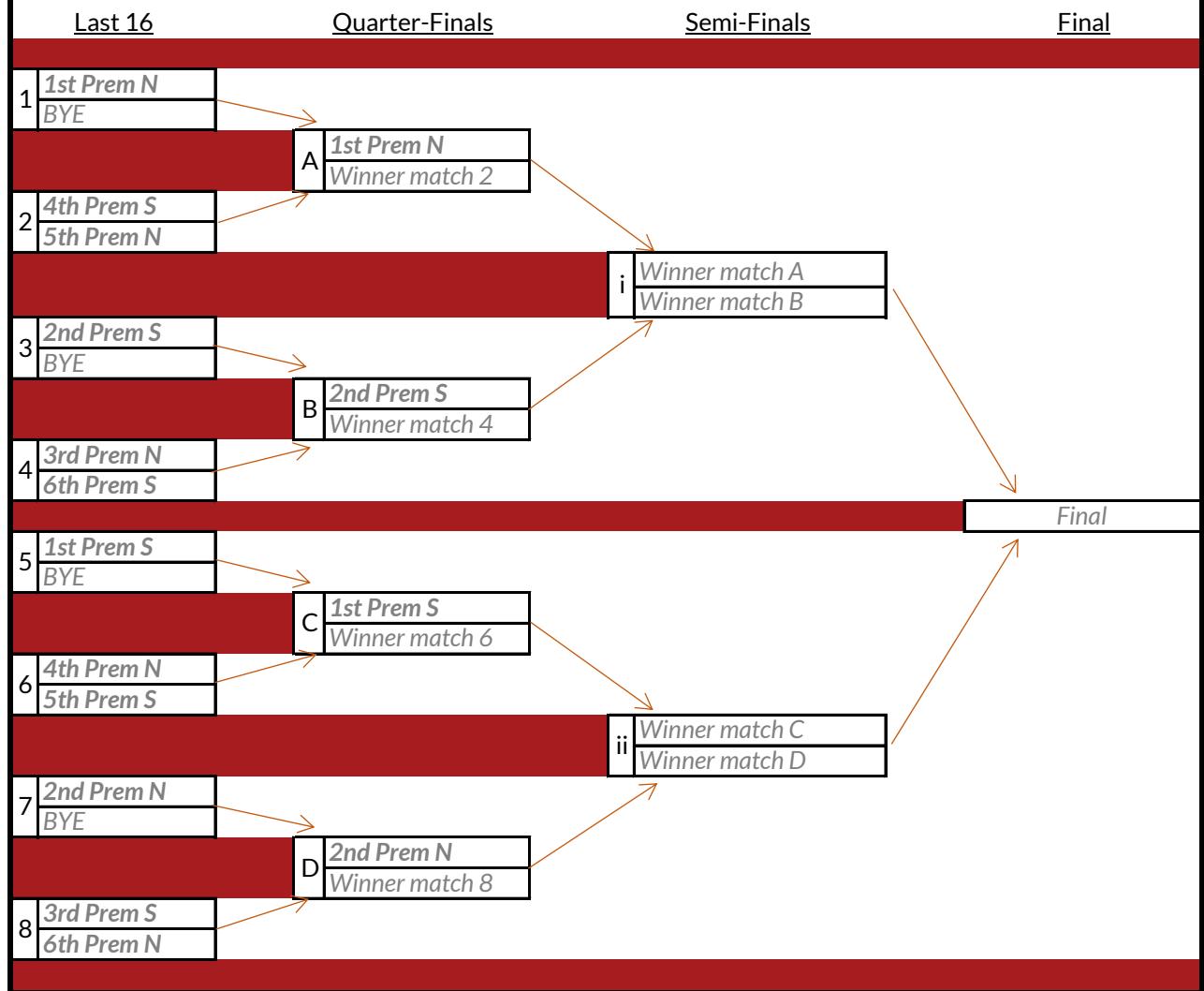
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VOLLEYBALL (MALE)





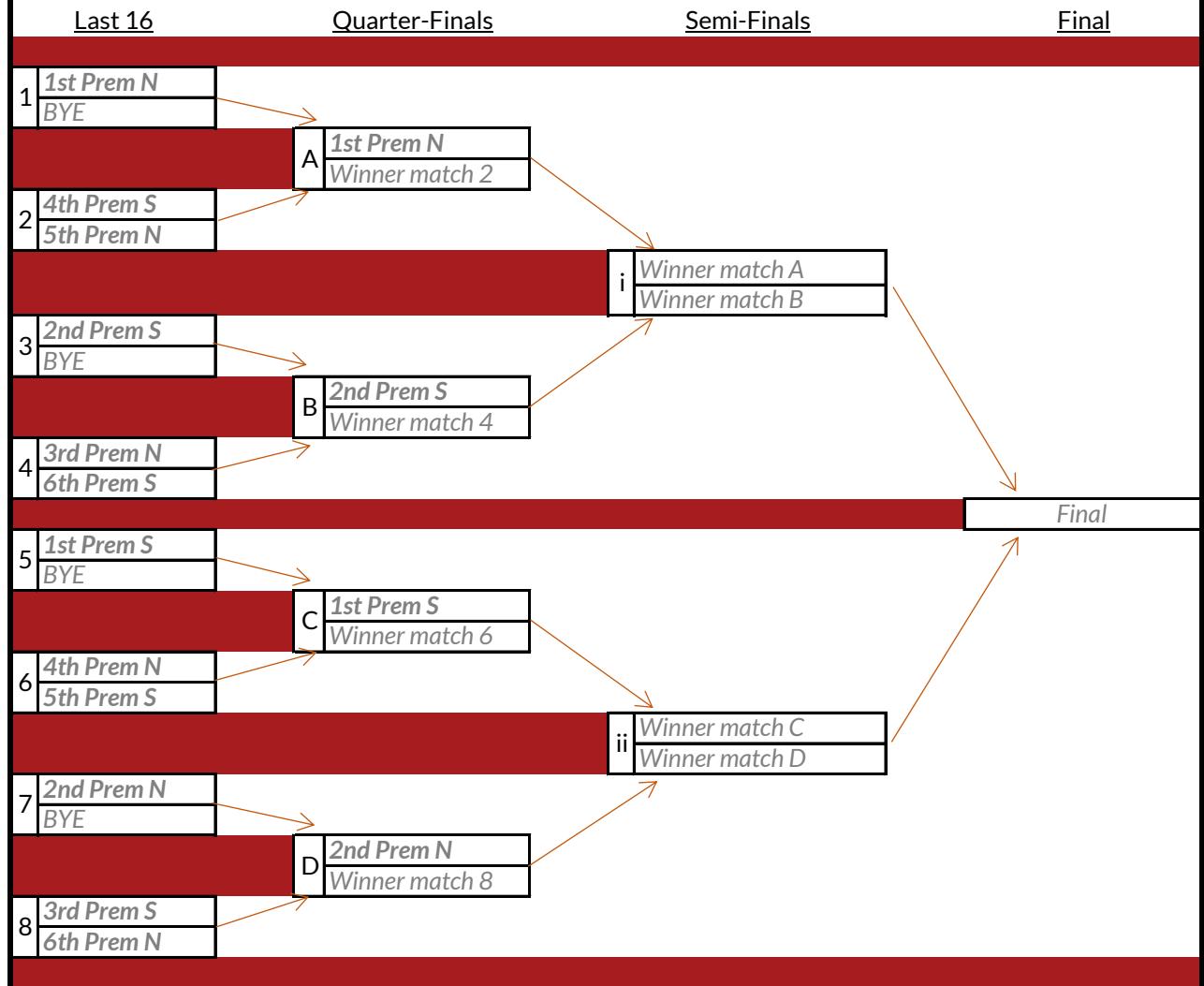
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DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH) LEAGUES
WATER POLO (FEMALE)



WATER POLO (OPEN) 2025-26

WATER POLO (OPEN) 2025-26										LEAGUE NOTES	
										APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES	
										League fixtures cannot take place after the relevant League Deadline listed in Appendix 2a. Each League Results Submission Deadline is 23:59 of the first working day after the respective League Deadline. The BUCS Executive reserves the right to amend knockout qualification and promotion/relegation details if required for the purposes of maintaining league sizes and/or ensuring correct qualifications for knockouts. Promotion/relegation of a team can be impacted upon by concession of walkovers (note REG 13.7) and team eligibility per tier (note REG 8.3.1), therefore, to establish if a team is eligible for promotion or relegation, consideration must be given to these regulations.	
										PREMIER TIER	
										6th placed team relegated unless one of the exceptions under REG 8.3.8.4.4 applies. All teams to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.	
										TIER 1 (SCOTTISH/WESTERN/SOUTH EASTERN)	
										Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.	
										TIER 1 (NORTHERN)	
										Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 6th placed team relegated. 5th placed team may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
										TIER 1 (MIDLANDS)	
										Highest finishing 1st team, finishing in either 1st or 2nd place, will be eligible for the promotion playoff. 6th placed team relegated. 4th and 5th placed teams may also be relegated should the highest finishing eligible 1st team not be promoted, and/or a Premier Tier team is relegated into this Tier 1 league. If Premier North/South teams are both relegated in to Midlands 1A and the highest finishing eligible 1st team from Midlands 1A is not promoted, 4th-6th place will be relegated. All teams to compete in the National Trophy, played during the league programme.	
										TIER 2 (NORTHERN/MIDLANDS)	
										1st placed team promoted. 2nd placed team may opt in to be promoted if 1st placed team not eligible under REG 8.3.1. All teams to compete in Conference Cup, fixtures played during the league programme. Please note, bottom tier leagues may be subject to mergers/splits in future seasons depending on entries.	

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26
DRAWN FROM PREMIER (NORTH/SOUTH) LEAGUES
WATER POLO (OPEN)



WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL (MIXED) 2025-26

		NORTHERN 1A	SOUTHERN 1A
T I E R	1	Remains	1 Remains
	2	Remains	2 Remains
	3	Remains	3 Remains
	4	Remains	
	5	Remains	

LEAGUE NOTES

APPLICABLE TO ALL LEAGUES

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TIER 1

Highest finishing three 1st teams from each league to compete in the National Championship, dates listed in Appendix 2a.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW 2025-26**DRAWN FROM TIER 1 LEAGUES****WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL (MIXED)****Quarter-Finals****Semi-Finals****Final**