



SEC BASKETBALL REGULAR SEASON CHAMPION AND TOURNAMENT SEEDING

In order to account for the potential difference in number of SEC contests completed, the below adjustments have been made to SEC Commissioner's Regulations. Should all contests be completed by all institutions (18 men's/16 women's), existing Commissioner's Regulations shall apply.

Regular Season Champion

The team with the highest percentage of wins during regular-season Conference competition will be declared the Conference champion. In order to be awarded the regular season championship, a team should complete at least two-thirds (or 66 percent) of scheduled conference contests. For the 2021 Conference season, men's basketball teams must complete at least 12 games and women's basketball teams must complete at least 11 games.

Seeding

Teams will be seeded No. 1 through No. 14 in the SEC Basketball Tournament bracket based upon the final regular season Conference winning percentage. Teams that finished No. 1 through No. 4 in the final regular season standings shall receive first and second-round byes.

All teams will be eligible for the SEC Tournament (unless serving a postseason ban or having discontinued the season). Teams that have played at least two-thirds (or 66 percent) of the average number of conference games played by all conference teams will be seeded first. If a team does not meet the two-thirds average of conference games played by all conference teams, they will be seeded according to winning percentage after all teams that reached the minimum number of games required to be seeded.

Tie Breakers

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

- A. Won-lost results of head-to-head competition between the two teams.
- B. Best winning percentage of the two teams versus the highest seeded common opponent (and proceeding through the No. 14 seed, if necessary).
- C. Coin flip by the Commissioner.

2. **Three-Team Tie (or more).** When three or more teams are tied, the following procedure will be used in the following order until the tie is broken. If two teams remain tied after a tiebreaker provision, the two-team tiebreaker formula will be used.



- A.** Best winning percentage of games played among the tied teams (Example: Team A is 3-1, Team B is 2- 2 and Team C is 1-3 – Team A would be seeded highest, Team B second-highest and Team C lowest of the three).
- B.** Best winning percentage of the tied teams versus the highest seeded common opponent (and proceeding through the No. 14 seed, if necessary).
- C.** If two teams remain, coin flip by the Commissioner.
- D.** If three or more teams remain, draw by the Commissioner.

For the purpose of seeding, if an institution is precluded from participating in the tournament, such institution will automatically be seeded last. The No. 11 seed will then receive a bye. However, for the purpose of breaking ties, that team will remain where it finished in the regular-season standings before being seeded last.