

15. ALLOCATION OF POINTS AND CLASSIFICATION OF TEAMS

15.1 During the round in which home and away matches are played, the following rule/procedure to determine the qualified team will be applied:

Each team will play one home and one away match. The team qualifying to the next round is determined by the results of matches on the basis of matches won and lost. In case of a tie - 1 match won, 1 match lost and no matter whether the matches finish 3:0, 3:1 or 3:2 – the opponents have to play one decisive match reduced to one set, called “GOLDEN SET”.

.Home match A vs B	Away Match A vs B	Results	Consequence
3:0	0:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:0	1:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:0	2:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:1	0:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:1	1:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:1	2:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:2	0:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:2	1:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set
3:2	2:3	1 match won for A, 1 match won for B	Golden Set

The GOLDEN SET is to be considered as a new match.

The GOLDEN SET is to be played as a tie break set until 15 points.

In case of a 14-14 tie in the golden set, play is continued until a two point lead is achieved (16:14; 18:16,...).

The procedure for such a GOLDEN SET is as follows:

- Before the start of the AWAY Match with the same opponents, the CEV Technical Delegate has to check the result of the first match.
- After the end of the AWAY match, the CEV Technical Delegate has to check whether one of the opponents has won both matches and hence qualifies for the next round.
- In case he/she finds out that there was 1 win and 1 loss for each team, a golden set has to be played.
- On the scoresheet of the GOLDEN SET all players, coaches etc. which have been sanctioned by disqualification in the match which just ended, must be removed respectively stroke through. These persons are not available and cannot be replaced by anybody else in the deciding GOLDEN SET.
- Between the end of the AWAY Match and the start of the GOLDEN SET a break of 3 minutes will be observed. The finalizing of the e-scoresheet of the AWAY match must be done after the teams have played the GOLDEN SET.
- The e-scorer has to upload the files of the ‘AWAY’ match and of the GOLDEN SET after the end of the GOLDEN SET.