



## 2011 W-League Playoff Format

### 2011 W-League Conference Championship

Ten (10) W-League teams will qualify for post-season competition. The top teams from each conference/division will play in either a conference final four or conference single-game match. The three Conference winners will advance to W-League Championship presented by UMBRO hosted by the Seattle Sounders Women.

#### Conference Tournaments

- Matches will be played Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>

#### **Eastern Conference (Atlantic Division and Northeast Division)**

- The top two (2) seeds from the Atlantic Division and the top two (2) seeds from the Northeast Division will advance to the Eastern Conference Championship.
- Teams will be seeded one (1) through four (4) based on final regular season standings. Point percentage and USL tiebreakers will be applied as needed.
  - Matchup: #1 Atlantic seed vs. #2 Northeast seed
  - Matchup: #1 Northeast seed vs. #2 Atlantic seed

#### **Central Conference**

- The top four (4) seeds from the Central Conference will advance to the Central Conference Championship.
- Teams will be seeded one (1) through four (4) based on final regular season conference standings.
  - Matchup: #1 Central Conference seed vs. #4 Central Conference seed
  - Matchup: #2 Central Conference seed vs. #3 Central Conference seed

#### **Western Conference**

- The top two (2) seeds from the Western Conference will advance to the Western Conference Championship.
- Teams will be seeded one (1) through two (2) based on final regular season conference standings.
  - Matchup: #1 Western Conference seed vs. #2 Western Conference seed



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### 2011 W-League Championship presented by UMBRO

- Tournament is scheduled to be played on Friday July 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup> in Seattle, WA and will be a final four format.
- The winners from the Friday semi-final matches will meet in the Sunday championship game.
- The W-League Championship Host will be granted one of the four seeds in the W-League Championship Final Four.
- Teams will be seeded one (1) through four (4) based on final regular season standings. Point percentage and USL tiebreakers will be applied as needed.
  - Matchup: #1 Semi-final seed vs. #4 Semi-final seed
  - Matchup: #2 Semi-final seed vs. #3 Semi-final seed
- Two teams from the same conference will not meet in a semi-final match. If this is the scenario based on initial final four seeding, the matchups will be:
  - Matchup: #1 Semi-final seed vs. #3 Semi-final seed
  - Matchup: #2 Semi-final seed vs. #4 Semi-final seed