2025 Sectional Redraw

To provide quality sectionals events and promote fair competition formats given the new restrictions on number of games in a weekend, sections with over 16 teams have been reviewed and redrawn.

It is difficult to set reasonable formats for large sections. Sections over 16 teams are especially challenging given the updates to Health & Safety policies from 2023 that reduced the maximum number of games per day and in a weekend. In order to provide quality sectional events and promote fair competition, we have reviewed sectional boundaries to large sections.

Background Information

- Postseason formats were changed in 2023 so that teams no longer had 8 games in a weekend or 5 games in a day.
- There are not fair formats for tournaments of 17 or more teams with these game count restrictions.
- A temporary solution to the format issues caused by game reductions has been to artificially divide large sections into two sections.
- After a detailed review, the Club Working Group and Competition Division recommended changing sections to reduce the possibility of having more than 16 teams in a section.
- For 2025 and forward, large sections are divided so that no section is likely to have over 16 teams.
- The new sections will apply to all divisions (Women's, Mixed, and Men's).
- Sectionals with 3 or fewer teams may be combined for sectionals, at the discretion of the appropriate National Director
- Any section that has 17 or more teams in two consecutive years or in two of three consecutive years will be evaluated for redrawing
- Changing Regional divisions was also discussed.
- The only regional change is to move part of Ontario to the East Plains section in the Great Lakes Region.
- This change distributes Canadian teams across four regions instead of three.
- Travel distances and number of teams determined where the split of southern and eastern Ontario was made.

CHANGES (sections not mentioned below have not been changed):

Summary of changes:

- Sections of Ontario move from the Upstate New York section in the Northeast Region to the East Plains section in the Great Lakes Region to balance Canadian participation across regions
- East New England and West New England sections are replaced by the North New England and the South New England
- North Texas (including DFW Metro area) is split from the current Texas section and will join the Ozarks section in the new Red River section.
- The rest of Texas is now in the new South Texas section.
- The Northwest Plains section is split into Northwest Plains and North Plains sections
- A new section, Central Appalachia, is created in the Mid-Atlantic. Parts of Founders and Capital are reallocated.
- A new section, West Bay, is created in the Southwest Region. The rest of the NorCal section is unchanged.

Details:

Great Lakes

■ East Plains: Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, and southern Ontario (Chatham-Kent, and the counties of Bruce, Brant, Dufferin, Durham, Elgin, Essex, Grey, Haldimand-Norfolk, Haliburton, Halton, Hamilton, Hastings, Huron, Kawartha Lakes, Lambton, Middlesex, Niagra, Northumberland, Oxford, Prince Edward, Perth, Peterborough, Simcoe, Toronto, and Wellington)

Northeast Region

- Eliminate East New England and West New England section
- **South New England:** (Rhode Island and Massachusetts counties of Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, Essex, Middlesex, Nantucket, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, Worcester)
- North New England: (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Eastern Canada (Quebec and all provinces east of Quebec), and Massachusetts counties of Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire
- Upstate New York: Eastern Ontario (City of Ottawa, Frontenac County, Lanark County, United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, Lennox and Addington County, United Counties of Prescott and Russell, Renfrew County, United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry), and NY Counties: Albany, Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenago, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Erie, Essex, Franklin, Fulton,

Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyer, Seneca, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Sullivan, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates

Mid Atlantic

Capital section

- Virginia
- District of Columbia
- Maryland counties of Calvert, Caroline, Charles, Dorchester, Kent, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Anne's, Saint Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester

■ Founders Section

- Delaware
- New Jersey
- Pennsylvania Counties of Bucks, Berks, Chester, Delaware, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, Philadelphia

■ Central Appalachia Section

- Maryland counties of Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Cecil, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Washington, and the city of Baltimore
- Pennsylvania counties of Adams, Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Bedford, Blair, Bradford, Butler, Cambria, Cameron, Carbon, Centre, Clarion, Clearfield, Clinton, Columbia, Crawford, Cumberland, Dauphin, Elk, Erie, Fayette, Forest, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Huntingdon, Indiana, Jefferson, Juniata, Lackawanna, Lawrence, Lebanon, Luzerne, Lycoming, McKean, Mercer, Mifflin, Monroe, Montour, Northumberland, Perry, Pike, Potter, Schuylkill, Snyder, Somerset, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, Venango, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Westmoreland, Wyoming, York
- West Virginia

North Central

North Plains

- Wisconsin
- Upper Peninsula of Michigan

 Northern Ontario (City of Greater Sudbury, Muskoka, and the districts of Algoma, Cochrane, Kenora, Manitoulin, Nipissing, Parry Sound, Rainy River, Sudbury, Thunder bay, and Timiskaming)

Northwest Plains

- Minnesota
- North Dakota
- South Dakota
- Manitoba

South Central

- Red River (previously Ozarks)
 - Arkansas
 - Oklahoma
 - Texas counties of Anderson, Andrews, Archer, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Bell, Borden, Bosque, Bowie, Briscoe, Brown, Callahan, Camp, Carson, Cass, Castro, Cherokee, Childress, Clay, Cochran, Coke, Coleman, Collin, Collingsworth, Comanche, Concho, Cooke, Cottle, Crane, Crosby, Dallam, Dallas, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Delta, Denton, Dickens, Donley, Eastland, Ector, Ellis, Erath, Fannin, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Franklin, Freestone, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Gray, Grayson, Gregg, Hale, Hall, Hamilton, Hansford, Hardeman, Harrison, Hartley, Haskell, Hemphill, Henderson, Hill, Hockley, Hood, Hopkins, Howard, Hunt, Hutchinson, Irion, Jack, Johnson, Jones, Kaufman, Kent, King, Knox, Lamar, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Lynn, Marion, Martin, McCulloch, Midland, Mills, Mitchell, Montague, Moore, Morris, Motley, Navarro, Nolan, Ochiltree, Oldham, Palo Pinto, Panola, Parker, Parmer, Potter, Rains, Randall, Reagan, Red River, Roberts, Rockwall, Runnels, Rusk, Scurry, Shackelford, Sherman, Smith, Somervell, Stephens, Sterling, Stonewall, Swisher, Tarrant, Taylor, Terry, Throckmorton, Titus, Tom Green, Upshur, Upton, Van Zandt, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, Winkler, Wise, Wood, Yoakum, Young

South Texas

 Texas counties of Angelina, Aransas, Atascosa, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Bee, Bexar, Blanco, Brazoria, Brazos, Brewster, Brooks, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Colorado, Comal, Coryell, Crockett, Culberson, De Witt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, El Paso, Falls, Fayette, Fort Bend, Frio, Galveston, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Hays, Hidalgo, Houston, Hudspeth, Jackson, Jasper, Jeff Davis, Jefferson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Kleberg, La Salle, Lampasas, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Live Oak, Llano, Loving, Madison, Mason, Matagorda, Maverick, McLennan, McMullen, Medina, Menard, Milam, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Pecos, Polk, Presidio, Real, Reeves, Refugio, Robertson, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, San Saba, Schleicher, Shelby, Starr, Sutton, Terrell, Travis, Trinity, Tyler, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Ward, Washington, Webb, Wharton, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Zapata, Zavala

Southwest

■ West Bay

• The following counties: Marin, Monterey, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Sonoma

NorCal

 The following counties, Alameda, Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Inyo, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Modoc, Mono, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yolo, Yuba

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