

# ECNL Regional League NTX

2025–26 League Structure & Postseason Qualification Guide  
Boys & Girls | U13–U19 | For Coaches and Managers

## Season Overview

Welcome to the 2025–26 ECNL Regional League NTX season. This guide explains the regular season format and — most importantly — exactly how your team can qualify for the postseason. Please read the section that applies to your age group carefully.

Element	Detail
Groups	Red Group and Blue Group — both within a single division
Age Groups	U13, U14, U15, U16, U17 (Boys & Girls)   U18/19 (Boys & Girls)
Regular Season Games	15 games per team (intra-Group + cross-Group)
Standings Tiebreaker	Points Per Game (PPG) used to seed all postseason brackets

## U13–U17 | Boys & Girls

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#### Postseason at a Glance — 3 Spots Available

- Red Group 1st Place — Automatic Qualifier (no game required)
- Blue Group 1st Place — Automatic Qualifier (no game required)
- 3rd Spot — Decided through a two-round qualifier bracket (see below)

#### Qualifier Bracket — How the 3rd Spot Is Decided

Four teams compete across two rounds. Seeds are determined by Points Per Game (PPG).

ROUND 1 — GAME A	ROUND 1 — GAME B	ROUND 2 — FINAL	RESULT
Red #2 (PPG) vs Blue #3 (PPG)	Red #3 (PPG) vs Blue #2 (PPG)	Winner of Game A vs Winner of Game B	Winner earns the 3rd Postseason Spot

## Complete Postseason Qualification Summary — U13–U17

Spot	Who	How	Requirement
1st	Red Group — 1st Place	<b>Automatic</b>	Finish 1st in Red Group standings (PPG)
2nd	Blue Group — 1st Place	<b>Automatic</b>	Finish 1st in Blue Group standings (PPG)
3rd	Red #2 or #3 / Blue #2 or #3	<b>Win 2-Round Qualifier</b>	Win Round 1 game, then win Round 2 final

## U18/19 | Boys & Girls

### Postseason at a Glance — 2 Spots Available

- Red #1 and Blue #1 receive byes directly to Round 2.
- Red #2, Red #3, Blue #2, Blue #3 compete in Round 1.
- Round 1 winners advance to face the group winners in Round 2.
- Both Round 2 winners earn an ECNL Regional League playoff spot.

ROUND 1	ROUND 1 MATCHUP	ROUND 2 MATCHUP	RESULT
Game A	Red #2 (PPG) vs Blue #3 (PPG)	Winner A vs Blue #1 (BYE)	Winner earns Postseason Spot
Game B	Red #3 (PPG) vs Blue #2 (PPG)	Winner B vs Red #1 (BYE)	Winner earns Postseason Spot