**Table 10-2 Typical Playoff MATCH Schedule**

| **Match** | **MATCH** | **Blue** | | **Red** | | **Blue Gap (minutes)** | | **Red Gap (minutes)** | | **Winner moves to** | | **Loser moves to** |
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| 1 | Upper Bracket  Round 1 – MATCH 1 | ALLIANCE 8 | | ALLIANCE 1 | |  | |  | | Red – MATCH 7 | | Red – MATCH 5 |
| 2 | Upper Bracket  Round 1 – MATCH 2 | ALLIANCE 5 | | ALLIANCE 4 | |  | |  | | Blue – MATCH 7 | | Blue – MATCH 5 |
| 3 | Upper Bracket  Round 1 – MATCH 3 | ALLIANCE 7 | | ALLIANCE 2 | |  | |  | | Red – MATCH 8 | | Red – MATCH 6 |
| 4 | Upper Bracket  Round 1 – MATCH 4 | ALLIANCE 6 | | ALLIANCE 3 | |  | |  | | Blue – MATCH 8 | | Blue – MATCH 6 |
| 5 | Lower Bracket  Round 2 – MATCH 5 | Loser of MATCH 2 | | Loser of MATCH 1 | | 24m | | 33m | | Blue – MATCH 10 | | 1ST Eliminated |
| 6 | Lower Bracket  Round 2 - MATCH 6 | Loser of MATCH 4 | | Loser of MATCH 3 | | 15m | | 24m | | Blue – MATCH 9 | | 2ND Eliminated |
| 7 | Upper Bracket  Round 2 - MATCH 7 | Winner of MATCH 2 | | Winner of MATCH 1 | | 42m | | 51m | | Red – MATCH 11 | | Red – MATCH 9 |
| 8 | Upper Bracket  Round 2 - MATCH 8 | Winner of MATCH 4 | | Winner of MATCH 3 | | 33m | | 42m | | Blue – MATCH 11 | | Red – MATCH 10 |
| 9 | Lower Bracket  Round 3 - MATCH 9 | Winner of MATCH 6 | | Loser of MATCH 7 | | 24m | | 15m | | Red – MATCH 12 | | 3RD Eliminated |
| 10 | Lower Bracket  Round 3 - MATCH 10 | Winner of MATCH 5 | | Loser of MATCH 8 | | 42m | | 15m | | Blue – MATCH 12 | | 4TH Eliminated |
| **End of Round 3: 6-minute Break**  **1. Digital Animation Award video (trt 2:00) 2. Safety Animation Award video (trt 2:21) 3. Alumni video (trt :30) 4. Alumni in the Arts video (trt :54)** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | Upper Bracket  Round 4 - MATCH 11 | Winner of MATCH 8 | | Winner of MATCH 7 | | 27m | | 36m | | Red – Match 14  **1st Finalist Alliance** | | Red – MATCH 13 |
| 12 | Lower Bracket  Round 4 - MATCH 12 | Winner of MATCH 9 | | Winner of MATCH 10 | | 27m | | 18m | | Blue – MATCH 13 | | 5TH Eliminated |
| **End of Round 4: 15-minute Awards Break**  **1. Imagery Award 2. Gracious Professionalism Award 3. Team Spirit Award 4. Rookie Inspiration Award** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | Lower Bracket  Round 5 - MATCH 13 | Winner of MATCH 12 | | Loser of MATCH 11 | | 18m | | 27m | | Blue – MATCH 14  **2nd Finalist Alliance** | | 6TH Eliminated |
| **End of Round 5: 15-minute Awards Break, Handshake then FINALS**  **1. Autonomous Award 2. Creativity Award sponsored by Rockwell Automation 3. Quality Award 4. Industrial Design Award sponsored by General Motors** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Handshake / High Five with the Two Finalist Alliances**  **(When introduced, the Alliances come from behind their driver stations onto the field and line up facing the audience)** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | **Finals** **MATCH 1**  Match 14 | Winner of MATCH 13 | | Winner of MATCH 11 | | 18m | | 48m | | MATCH 15 | | MATCH 15 |
| **15-minute Awards Break**  **1. Innovation in Control Award 2. Excellence in Engineering Award 3. Team Sustainability Award sponsored by Dow 4. Judges Award** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | **Finals MATCH 2**  Match 15 | Winner of MATCH 13 | | Winner of MATCH 11 | | 18m | | 18m | | **Winner Alliance**  or MATCH 16\* | | **Finalist Alliance**  or MATCH 16\* |
| **15-minute Awards Break\*\* / Final Awards\*\***  **If a TIEBREAKER is needed: 1. Rookie All Star Award\*\* 2. Dean’s List Award\*\* 3. Engineering Inspiration Award\*\***  **If FINALS are over: 4. Current FIRST Alumni 5. Current Seniors 6. Guest Speakers 7. Mentors/Parade 8. WFFA 9. VOY**  **Bring Judges on Field: 10. Rookie All Star Award (if being awarded) 11. Finalists 12. Winners 13. FIRST Impact Award** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | \* **Finals** **Tiebreaker**\*  \* Match 16 \* | Winner of MATCH 13 | | Winner of MATCH 11 | | 18m | | 18m | | **Winner Alliance**  or MATCH 17\* | | **Finalist Alliance**  or MATCH 17\* |
| **15-minute Break\* (Only if an overtime match is needed)**  **If FINALS are over: 1. Current FIRST Alumni 2. Current Seniors 3. Guest Speakers 4. Mentors/Parade 5. WFFA 6. VOY**  **Bring Judges on Field: 7. Rookie All Star Award (if being awarded) 8. Finalists 9. Winners 10. FIRST Impact Award** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17 | \* **Overtime MATCH(es)** \*  \* Match 17, 18, 19 \* | | Winner of MATCH 13 | | Winner of MATCH 11 | |  |  | **Winner Alliance**  or MATCH (es) 18 & 19\* | | **Finalist Alliance**  or MATCH(es) 18 &19\* | |
| **Final Awards**  **After the last OVERTIME match: 1. Current FIRST Alumni 2. Current Seniors 3. Guest Speakers 4. Mentors/Parade 5. WFFA 6. VOY**  **Bring Judges on Field: 7. Rookie All Star Award (if being awarded) 8. Finalists 9. Winners 10. FIRST Impact Award** | | | | | | | | | | | | |

\* If Required

\*\* Program Delivery Partners (PDPs) may choose to hold these awards until after all MATCHES are complete.

**Table 10-3 Playoff MATCH Tiebreaker Criteria**

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| **Order Sort** | **Criteria** |
| **1st** | Cumulative TECH FOUL points due to opponent rule violations |
| **2nd** | ALLIANCE AUTO points |
| **3rd** | ALLIANCE STAGE points |
| **4th** | MATCH is replayed |

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| **10.6.2.2 Playoff Finals** …**If a Finals MATCH ends in a tie score, the tie is not broken using the criteria in Table 10-3, the MATCH remains**  **a tie.** …the Playoffs proceed with up to 3 additional Finals MATCHES, called Overtime MATCHES, until an ALLIANCE has won 2 Finals MATCHES. |

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