2025 D3 Playoff Format. NOTE: The D3 playoffs will be in the spring.

There are four groups.

- D3 CT: Five (5) clubs (New Haven, Danbury, Greenwich, Fairfield, Saratoga) play home and away for eight (8) games.
- D3 Metro: Eight (8) clubs (Long Island, Suffolk, Rockaway, Brooklyn, NYRC D3, Lansdowne, Gotham, Queens) play each other once plus Long Island v Lansdowne, Suffolk v Gotham, Brooklyn v Queens, Rockaway v NYRC D3. Thus, each team has eight (8) games in the regular season.
- D3 NJ: Five clubs (Union D3, Morris, Bayonne, Central Jersey D3, Hudson Valley) play home and away for 8 games.
- D3 Upstate: Five (5) clubs (South Buffalo D3, Aardvarks D3, Buffalo D3, KenTon, and Syracuse D3) play home and away for eight (8) games.

The #1 team of each group gets 1-4 seeds. The #2 team of each group gets 5-8 seeds.

## 28MAR2026 Quarterfinals

Quarter final (QF) #1- #8@#1

Quarter final (QF) #2- #5@#4

Quarter final (QF) #3- #6@#3

Quarter final (QF) #4- #7@#2

## 11APR2026 Semifinals

Semi-final (SF) #1- Winner QF #1 and winner QF #2 at higher seed Semi-final (SF) #2- Winner QF #3 and winner QF #4 at higher seed

## 18APR2026 Final

Winner SF#1 and winner SF #2 play at the higher remaining seed for spot in ASR.

Ranking of teams within each group will be as follows.

- 1. Competition Points (match points plus bonus points, see 2025 Rules of competition)
- 2. Number of Wins
- 3. Head-to-Head Competition Points
- 4. Head-to-Head Number of Wins
- 5. Head-to-Head Points Differential

- 6. Head-to-Head Tries Differential
- 7. Head-to-Head Points For
- 8. Head-to-Head Tries For
- 9. Overall Points Differential
- 10. Overall Tries Differential
- 11. Overall Points For
- 12. Overall Tries For
- 13. Coin Flip

Ranking of teams across groups will be as follows:

- 1. Competition Points (match points plus bonus points)
- 2. Number of Wins
- 3. Points Differential
- 4. Tries Differential
- 5. Points For (PF)
- 6. Tries For
- 7. Coin Flip