



### **Sectional Group Play Format and Count Back System**

- a)** In a group, or "round robin" competition, all members of the group shall compete against each other and shall gain 2 match points for a win, 1 for a loss in a played match and 0 for a loss in an un-played or unfinished match; the ranking order shall be determined primarily by the number of match points gained.
  
- b)** If two or more members of the group have gained the same number of match points their relative positions shall be determined only by the results of the matches played between them, by considering successively the number of match points, the ratios of wins to losses first in individual matches (for a team event), games and points, as far as is necessary to resolve the order.
  
- c)** If at any step in the calculations the positions of one or more members of the group have been determined while the others are still equal, the results of matches in which those members took part shall be excluded from any further calculations needed to resolve the equalities in accordance with the procedure of 12.7a and 12.7b.
  
- d)** If it is not possible to resolve the equalities by means of the procedure specified in 12.7a-c then their relative positions shall be determined by the results of all matches in the group, by considering successively the ratio of wins to losses in individual matches (for a team event), games and points, as far as is necessary to resolve the order.
  
- e)** If it is not possible to resolve the equalities by means of the procedure specified in 12.7a-d the relative positions shall be decided by lot.