



IHRA AUSTRALIA Pty Ltd

STEWARDS MANUAL

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ASSUMPTION of RISK, RELEASE and WAIVER of LIABILITY AGREEMENT

ASSUMPTION of RISK

Drag racing is an inherently dangerous sport that may result in serious injury, death, or property damage. Participation in any aspect of the sport is strictly voluntary. The ultimate responsibility for safety lies with the participant, vehicle owner, driver, and crew members.

By entering and participating in an IHRA Australia-sanctioned event, the participant affirms that:

- They have had the opportunity to inspect the event site and deem it safe and suitable for racing.
- They will not participate if they believe the site is unsafe or unsuitable.
- They have assessed the staff and equipment on hand—including personnel, rescue equipment, and safety infrastructure—and acknowledge their adequacy and suitability.
- They will not participate if they believe the staff or equipment are inadequate or unsafe.

The participant further acknowledges that by participating, they may suffer bodily injury, death, or loss/damage to property. The participant voluntarily assumes all such risks and waives any claims against IHRA Australia, its directors, officers, employees, agents, event officials, sponsors, racetrack operators, and other participants. The participant releases and discharges these parties from liability and covenants not to sue them for any such losses.

RELEASE and WAIVER of LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION of RISK and INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

As a condition of participation, all participants must sign all required entry forms, including but not limited to releases required by IHRA Australia and/or its insurers. Whether or not signed, receipt of this Rulebook or participation in the sport constitutes agreement to the following terms:

In consideration of being permitted to compete, officiate, observe, work for, or participate in any way in IHRA Australia EVENT(S), or to enter any RESTRICTED AREA (defined as staging lanes, burnout area, competition zone, shutdown area, return road, and any area separated from the general public), EACH PARTICIPANT, for themselves and their personal representatives, heirs, and next of kin:

1. ACKNOWLEDGES and AGREES

They will inspect any RESTRICTED AREA upon entry and continuously thereafter. If they believe anything is unsafe, they will notify officials and leave the area or refuse to participate.



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2. RELEASES and WAIVES LIABILITY

Releases IHRA Australia, promoters, track operators, officials, vehicle owners, designers, drivers, crews, rescue personnel, sponsors, equipment suppliers, advertisers, venue owners, inspectors, consultants, and all affiliated entities (collectively "RELEASEES") from any liability for injury, death, or property damage—whether caused by negligence or otherwise.

3. AGREES to INDEMNITY

Agrees to indemnify and hold harmless all RELEASEES from any loss, liability, damage, legal fees, or costs arising from participation or attendance, regardless of cause.

4. ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY

Assumes full responsibility for any risk of bodily injury, death, or property damage related to the EVENT(S), whether caused by negligence or otherwise.

5. ACKNOWLEDGES DANGEROUS NATURE of ACTIVITIES

Acknowledges that drag racing is dangerous and that injuries may be worsened by negligent rescue operations or procedures.

6. AGREES to BROAD LEGAL SCOPE

Agrees that this release applies to all acts of negligence, including rescue operations, and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted under Australian law. If any portion is deemed invalid, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

Declaration

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM WAIVING SUBSTANTIAL LEGAL RIGHTS AND DO SO FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT INDUCEMENT OR GUARANTEE. I INTEND MY SIGNATURE TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW. I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE THAT FAILURE TO WITNESS THIS FORM SHALL NOT AFFECT ITS VALIDITY.



Authority and Jurisdiction

The Chief Steward will have seniority over other Stewards.

Stewards are authorised in accordance with the relevant sections of the IHRA Australian Rules and Regulations and have seniority in accordance with the determination of the Local track of Chief Steward.

All Stewards are responsible to the Local track, which in turn is responsible to the Racing Commission.

A steward will only have authority in his or her home State, unless they have National Steward on their credentials.

A Steward will have NO authority when competing. Stewards must not participate as crew members or racers, without approval from the Local track or Chief Steward.

When in attendance at an event, the relevant Meeting / Race Director has authority over Steward's interpretations.

A Steward may impound any vehicle involved in an accident during an event. The vehicle will only be released when the Chief Steward or Local track is satisfied with that, and adequate inspection has taken place.

Generally, a Steward's authority is restricted to his or her home State.

HIERARCHY

1. Meeting Director
2. IHRA Chief Steward
3. Chief Starter
4. IHRA Australia Technical Director
5. IHRA Australia Technical Officer
6. Track Manager
7. Series Race Director
8. IHRA Australia Stewards
9. Track Officials
10. Event Promotor



IHRA AUSTRALIA CODE of CONDUCT & BEHAVIOUR POLICY

PURPOSE

To uphold IHRA Australia's Core Values and ensure a safe, respectful, and professional environment across all sanctioned motorsports activities, this Code of Conduct outlines the expected standards of behaviour for all participants, officials, and affiliated personnel.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all individuals and organisations bound by IHRA Australia regulations, including drivers, riders, pit crew members, officials, volunteers, and spectators at IHRA Australia-sanctioned events and facilities.

PRINCIPLES of CONDUCT

IHRA AUSTRALIA REQUIRES ALL PARTICIPANTS TO:

- **Act ethically, fairly, and honestly** in all dealings with others and IHRA Australia.
- **Treat all persons with respect and courtesy**, upholding dignity, rights, and obligations.
- **Prioritise the safety and welfare of children** above all other considerations.
- **Comply with IHRA Australia rules, regulations, and policies**, including this Code, which takes precedence over any conflicting guidelines.
- **Operate within the rules and spirit of motorsports**, promoting integrity and sportsmanship.
- **Adhere to all relevant Australian laws**, including Federal and State legislation on anti-discrimination and child protection.
- **Be responsible and accountable** for personal conduct and the conduct of associated personnel.

ACCOUNTABILITY & PENALTIES

- IHRA Australia licence holders (drivers/riders) are **fully responsible** for their own conduct and that of their **pit crew** at all times.
- All individuals issued with an **IHRA Australia wristband** are considered bound by this Code.
- Breaches of this Code may result in:
 - **Suspension of competition and participation privileges**
 - **Disciplinary tribunal proceedings**
 - **Revocation of event access or credentials**

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

This Code reflects IHRA Australia's commitment to fostering a motorsports culture that is inclusive, respectful, and professionally governed. It aligns with national standards and reinforces IHRA Australia's leadership in ethical motorsports regulation.



IHRA AUSTRALIA CODE OF CONDUCT

Policy Title: Code of Conduct – IHRA Australia Stewards	Reviewed:
Purpose: Standardise behavioral expectations	Review Frequency: Annually
Introduced: September, 2017	Responsible: IHRA Australia

Overview

All IHRA Australia Stewards are expected to observe the highest possible standards of behavior, ethics and integrity as a condition of their appointment.

Standards

The behavioral standards expected of volunteer track officials include:

- 1 Strict observation of Work Health and Safety rules, responsibilities and practices at all times.
- 2 Compliance with all organisational policies, processes, rules and contractual obligations.
- 3 Compliance with all relevant industry legislative requirements in the performance of all duties.
- 4 Compliance with all reasonable and lawful instructions of venue managers and work area supervisors.
- 5 Adherence to the confidentiality of any information, records, or other sensitive material acquired during and/or after the cessation of your appointment.
- 6 Honesty, respect, fairness and a courteous manner in all dealings with the venue’s Board of Directors, managers, members, sponsors, co-workers, suppliers, competitors, crew and public.
- 7 The proper intended use of and respect for all venue property, equipment and supplies, electronic systems and information (including intellectual property).
- 8 Never to make any unauthorised public statements about IHRA Australia, its business or policies either verbally or via any form of physical or electronic medium.
- 9 Any materials transmitted via electronic means (concepts, investigations, internal processes or verbal discussions) must not be distributed without prior approval from IHRA Australia head office.
- 10 Not to compete with or against the interests of IHRA Australia, either directly or indirectly.
- 11 No assault against another person, including fighting in the workplace.
- 12 No offensive language and/or behavior in the workplace, including via the use of electronic media.
- 13 No unlawful discrimination, harassment or bullying in the workplace.
- 14 Not to possess, distribute, sell, consume or be under the influence of drugs or alcohol whilst on duty or involved in any on-site activities.
- 15 Be impartial, consistent and objective at all-time.
- 16 Place the safety and welfare of all participants above all else.
- 17 Be understanding and cooperative in the interpretation and application of organisational rules and disciplinary actions.
- 18 Condemn unsporting behavior and promote respect for all competitors.
- 19 Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants, regardless of their ability, gender or cultural background.
- 20 Act within the rules of organisation and sport at all times.
- 21 Respect the decisions made by IHRA Australia
- 22 Not to approach any race team or individual competitor to ask for merchandise, apparel or accessories.
- 23 Not to accept any gift of merchandise, apparel or accessories from any race team or individual competitor.

Note: A breach of this Code of Conduct will result in disciplinary action being taken.

Acknowledgement

I acknowledge that I have read and understood the above Code of Conduct and agree to fully abide by its terms.

Official’s Name

Signature

Date

Witnesses Name

Signature

Date



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CRITICAL INCIDENT PROCEDURES

MD	Meeting Director
STR	Senior Track Representative
IHRA	Senior IHRA Representative –e.g. Chief Steward or National Technical Director

	TASK	RESPONSIBILITY
1	Immediately advise the Chief Executive Officer or Technical Director IHRA Australia	MD, STR, IHRA
2	If police officers are at track notify them to be at the scene of the incident: if no police are on duty, advise the nearest police station and request their immediate attendance.	MD, STR, IHRA
3	NO media announcement is to be made on this matter until cleared by the Meeting Director or Chief Steward IHRA	MD, STR, IHRA
4	Obtain a copy of the official Entry Form or in the case of an official the sign-on sheet. This is required to confirm name and address.	IHRA
5	Discreetly find out from others (pit crew/other racers/officials) if the next of kin or close friends of the victim are present at the venue and escort them to a quiet place away from the scene of the incident.	MD, STR, IHRA
6	Locate a reliable and professional photographer to report to you at the scene of the accident. Record all details of the photographer. Advise photographer that these photos are to remain confidential and only to be released to IHRA Australia / Police.	IHRA
7	Personally attend the scene of the accident; under no circumstances should any vehicles be moved from the positions they finished in. Ensure that an accurate record is commenced and kept of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurate time of incident • Request Time Card • Response Times • Medical Services Provided • Time of Transport to Hospital • Time of public announcement 	IHRA
8	Note accurately the weather and track conditions at the time, and approximately thirty minutes prior.	IHRA
9	Meet the police and note their name, rank, numbers and base. Obtain a contact telephone number from them.	MD, STR, IHRA
10	Arrange for a replacement ambulance in order that the event may continue.	MD, STR
11	Obtain names and addresses and accurate details from three witnesses and obtain a quick verbal assessment from them of the circumstances of the accident. Brief the witnesses that during their statements they should not refer to lane advertiser' names or numbers in statements (Use left or right lane only).	MD, STR, IHRA
12	Carry out an on-site survey of the scene and draw a diagram, get photographs noting accurate distances of objects (bodies, cars etc.) to some fixed landmarks.	IHRA
13	Take photos of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The general area • Approach to the accident scene • Skid marks • Damage to barriers • Vehicles involved in incident • Vehicles Safety equipment, belts helmets etc. <p>The photos should be taken to show as much detail as possible. If any major structural problems are obvious (collapsed roll bar, broken components etc.), Detailed close-up photos should be taken before the vehicle is moved. Attach all photos to incident report.</p>	IHRA



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	TASK	RESPONSIBILITY
14	Arrange for the police to take statements from witness. Request for a copy of the witness statements.	IHRA
15	Have the area cleared in preparation for the continuation of racing and hand control of the area back to the person responsible for it as soon as possible.	MD, STR, IHRA
16	Check the safety of the track and the conditions of the barriers and gates, lighting and timing equipment, and track markings	IHRA
17	Approve the track for further racing use.	MD
18	Have the vehicle/s taken to a restricted or private area, which must be guarded. Do not release the vehicle from this impound without the express permission of the Chief Steward or Technical Director.	IHRA
19	Have the Senior IHRA Australia personnel or Senior Technical Inspector check the vehicle to establish any mechanical failure which may have led to the accident.	IHRA
20	Take possession of the driver / riders helmet and inspect harness. Take photos and forward with report. Note: Take photos of fire system dates – Harness dates and condition of all Safety items.	IHRA
21	Any removal of Technical Inspection Label must be carried out by Senior Technical Inspector.	IHRA
22	Cutting of helmet chin straps mandatory if helmet is damaged and marked. ONLY by Senior Technical Inspector Note: Helmets are usually taken with the paramedics / ambulance	IHRA
23	Take possession of Vehicle Log Book.	IHRA
24	Forward the following documents to IHRA Australia Head Office within 2 working days of the incident. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IHRA Steward Event / Track Incident Report • Competitor Entry Form (copy) • Witness Reports • Signed CAD form • Official Photographs (digital copies accepted) • Electronic / TV footage if available • Copy of Tracks incident Reports Each document or copy must be signed by a Senior Steward	IHRA

The Meeting Director at all IHRA Sanctioned Events is responsible for the conduct of the entire meeting and has authority over all officials under his/her jurisdiction.

The Meeting Director has a standing obligation at all times to consider the recommendations of IHRA Australia Officials and must be prepared to fully justify refusal of an IHRA Australia recommendation. The Meeting Director, either of his or her own volition or through action upon the recommendation of an IHRA Australia Steward, shall have the authority to exclude an organisation, vehicle or competitor from further participation in an event. In any instance of blatant disregard of safety by a Meeting Director (e.g. wet track, lack of safety related equipment, obstacles on track, etc.) the two senior IHRA Australia Officials present at the event may override the Meeting Director and order the cessation of racing until the track is considered safe.



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DISQUALIFICATIONS

The ideal outcome of any race is to have one winner and one loser; however, situations arise where both competitors are disqualified during the same race. There are varying degrees of rules infractions, with policy being that in situations of identical infringements, the first to commit the infringement will be disqualified. This is followed by the competitor committing the major infraction will be disqualified and the other competitor with the lesser offence is reinstated, providing the grounds for disqualification were equal for both competitors.

Should a competitor receive a red light (foul start), and the opposing competitor cross a lane boundary line, the latter infraction will prevail and the competitor committing the foul start will be reinstated.

Should a competitor stall or break after both competitors received the green light; and the competitor in the other lane breaks-out, the win will be awarded to the competitor that did not break-out.

Once a vehicle leaves the staging lanes for a run, it must be prepared to fire and race.

Failure to stage upon the Starters instructions is grounds for disqualifications.

If a competitor is disqualified for any reason prior to the actual start of a race, he or she cannot be reinstated.

To be a legitimate race winner, all winners, all cars and motorcycles must self-start and stage under their own engine power.

In situations where a competitor is making a single run in eliminations, he or she is considered the automatic winner.

The Meeting Director is responsible for determining the outcome of a dual infraction. However, his or her decision is open to appeal to the IHRA Australia Stewards, whose decision is final.

Infractions are listed in order of severity from top to bottom.

Examples of grounds for disqualifications, suspension or expulsion are:

- 1) Failure to observe safe working practices in the Paddock Area.
- 2) Failure to ensure the breather/oil tank on a supercharged vehicle is drained prior to a run,
- 3) Failure to report to staging.
- 4) Failure to remove pins from parachute/s and Fire Suppression Systems.
- 5) Excessive speed or burnouts in other than allowed areas or failure to observe burnout limits.
- 6) Sandbagging or delaying a run.
- 7) Crossing or touching of the centre line or boundary line of the racing surface other than intentionally leaving the surface to avoid depositing debris (in all instances the run must be aborted, and no ET or speed will be recorded). Crossing the centre line during a burnout or during braking after the finish line is not an automatic disqualification, unless such action is deemed by the relevant officials to be careless or hazardous to the vehicle in the opposite lane. Parachutes will not be considered a boundary infraction once the vehicle has crossed the finish line. Lane boundary crossing rules do not apply on solo runs, although the run must be aborted. Where a competitor removes the finish line timing block, the elapsed time in the other lane will not be recorded if that competitor is second across the finish line.
- 8) Failure to voluntarily reduce speed or stop in the event of a vehicle not handling properly.
- 9) In cases where a component of a vehicle becomes detached during an elimination run, and in the opinion of the Officials endangers any other person, the competitor will be disqualified. During qualifying, the run will be disallowed. Mandatory safety items that are designed to detach from the vehicle in an emergency (for example Funny Car Body Burst Panel) will not be a subject to disqualification.



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- 10) Depositing foreign matter onto the track or staging lanes
- 11) Foul start.
- 12) Failure to fire up at appointed time.
- 13) Once vehicle is in the hands of the starter, if the engine stops the vehicle will be disqualified from racing unless it can be restarted without outside assistance. The use of remote starters to restart a vehicle that has stalled is not permitted.
- 14) Deep staging (Super Gas), or Reverse staging in any category.
- 15) Failure to comply with Rules or directions of authorised persons.
- 16) Making a false statement relating to vehicle compliance under the Competitor Audit Declaration Programme.
- 17) Unsportsmanlike conduct, improper language or conduct detrimental to the sport.
- 18) Driver/Crew failure to obey instructions from IHRA Australia Representatives-Stewards/Track Officials.
- 19) Verbal/Physical abuse to any competitor/crew/IHRA Officials-Stewards/Track Officials
- 20) Any infractions specifically listed as grounds for disqualification in other sections of the IHRA Australia Rule Book.



DRIVER – RIDER – CREW POLICY

GENERAL PARTICIPANT CONDUCT

All participants—drivers, riders, crew, and affiliates—must familiarize themselves with the applicable rules and regulations prior to competing in any IHRA Australia-sanctioned event. Entry into an event constitutes agreement to abide by all IHRA Australia policies and decisions made by event officials.

- Unsafe vehicle operation may result in disqualification.
- Competitors must remain in their vehicles until reaching the return road.
- Safety equipment must remain secure while on the racing surface.
- Drivers near an accident must not approach the scene; stopping on the racing surface is prohibited.
- IHRA Australia reserves the right to use photographs taken during the event for promotional or regulatory purposes.

DRIVER CONDUCT

- Drivers must reduce speed or stop if the vehicle is handling improperly.
- Willful fish tailing or weaving will result in immediate disqualification.
- Misconduct during elimination forfeits the race.
- Drivers are responsible for crew behavior.
- Pit crew must be registered and wear valid wristbands.
- All protests must be lodged by the driver.

INTERFERENCE & SAFETY

- No interference with Safety Crew during incidents.
- Penalties include fines, point deductions, and suspensions.

OFFENSE	MAX FINE	SUSPENSION
Abuse of IHRA Official	\$10,000	Up to 5 Years
Aggressive behavior to competitor/crew	\$10,000	Up to 10 Years
Physical abuse	\$15,000	Up to Life Ban

RACE CREDENTIALS

- Wristbands must be always worn.
- Tampered bands are void.
- Unauthorized individuals result in team disqualification and loss of points.
- IHRA Australia decisions are final and binding.



ALCOHOL & DRUGS

- No alcohol consumption 12 hours prior to or during the event.
- No intoxicated or drug-influenced individuals allowed in pits or track areas.
- Random testing may be conducted at IHRA's discretion.
- Sanctions include ejection, suspension, and revocation of competition privileges.

DRESS CODE

- Minimum: shorts, short-sleeved shirt, covered shoes.
- No open shoes in hot zones.
- Shorts must cover knees when working on vehicles.
- Motorcycle club colours are forbidden.
- Crew must be presentable.

SCRUITINEERING

- Random audits (10% of class field recommended).
- Vehicles must be race-ready with all safety items.
- Parachutes must demonstrate proper function.
- Failed audits must be rectified before re-entry.

PIT AREA GUIDELINES

- Axle stands mandatory when working under vehicles.
- Only unleaded fuels are allowed; leaded fuel is strictly prohibited.
- Vehicle speed must not exceed walking pace.
- Golf carts and ATVs must be operated safely and slowly.
- Helmets required for all handlebar vehicles (AS/NZ 1698 standard).
- Fire extinguishers (min. 2.5 lbs dry chemical) must be accessible.

CREW MEMBER DUTIES

- Start line presence must be purposeful.
- Crew size mandates by class:

CLASS	CREW (inc. driver)
Top Fuel / Funny Car	15
Top Bike / Pro Alcohol / Pro Slammer / Pro Stock / Pro Stock Motorcycle / Pro Mod	7
Supercomp / Performance Bike / Supercharged Outlaws / Top Sportsman	6
Sportsman / Junior Competition / Super Gas	4

- Crew must stay 3m behind vehicle in full stage.
- Minimum age: 16 (except Junior Dragster).
- Non-compliance results in pass disqualification.



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ABUSIVE BEHAVIOUR

- Abuse includes physical, verbal, emotional, sexual, and power-based harassment.
- IHRA Australia enforces zero tolerance.
- Tribunal rights forfeited if protest procedures are bypassed.

EVENT CONDUCT & INSURANCE

- Insurance and judicial provisions apply from 6:00 AM on the first day of the event to 6:00 AM following eliminations.
- Applies to all credentialed competitors and crew.



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DRIVER / PASSENGER INDEMNITY FORM (Drag Racing & Burnouts Events)

MOTORSPORT IS DANGEROUS

Event Name: _____ Date: _____

In exchange for being able to attend or participate in the Event (and as a condition of the purchase or issue of this ticket), you agree:

- to the extent permitted by law, to release IHRA Australia promoters and sponsor organisations of the sport and of the Event, land owners and lessees of the Venue and organisers of the Event and race teams, competitors, and their respective employees, officials, representatives and agents (collectively, the "Associated Entities") from any and all damage, loss and liability (including psychological trauma, death, sickness or personal injury) which you may suffer or incur whether directly or indirectly from your participation in or attendance at the Event, your use of the Venue, and any act or omission on the part of the Associated Entities;
- to attend or participate in the Event at your own risk;
- to the extent permitted by law, the Associated Entities do not make any warranty, implied or express, that any services for the Event or the Venue will be provided with due care and skill or that any materials provided in connection with the Event will be fit for the purpose for which they are supplied;
- that entry to the Venue is subject to the Conditions of Entry and Conditions of Sale available at any IHRA Australia Sanctioned Facility.
- and acknowledge that the Associated Entities warn you that there are risks associated with attending or participating in the Event and using the Venue including the risk that you may suffer harm, including psychological trauma, personal injury (including illness), death or damage to property, as a result of:
 - (a) motor vehicles (or parts of them) colliding with other motor vehicles, persons or property;
 - (b) debris hitting persons or property;
 - (c) acts of violence and other harmful acts (whether intentional or inadvertent) committed by persons attending or participating in the Event; and
 - (d) the unsuitability or failure of facilities, including safety barriers and fencing, at the Venue to prevent harm.
- that you accept the full indemnity conditions as displayed at the entrance to the Venue and acknowledge that motorsport is dangerous and accept the risks associated with attending or participating in the Event.

Driver/Owner/Entrant

B/T N^o _____

Surname: _____ Given name(s): _____

Residential Address: _____

Vehicle (Make/Model etc.): _____

I/We hereby certify my/our acceptance of the above rules and conditions of entry and that all declarations on this form are true and correct. I/We also acknowledge that I/we have read, acknowledge and agree to adhere to all current Burnout Rules and Regulations as applicable for this Event. I/We further acknowledge that if I/we fail to adhere to any of the Burnout Rules and Regulations as applicable for this Event, including failure to follow directions of fire marshals or track officials, I/we will be refused further participation in the Event without refund and also that I may render myself liable to tribunal action and/or further penalties and my/our signature below indicates my/our full understanding and acceptance of this undertaking.

Signature of Driver/Owner/Entrant: _____ Date: _____

Passenger (Must be 16 years of age or older [proof may be required])

P No: _____

Surname: _____ Given name(s): _____

Residential Address: _____

Passenger's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registration Use Only

Registration Officials Name: _____ Registration Official's Signature _____

Registration official's name: _____ Registration official's signa _____

Scrutineering Use Only

Vehicle has been scrutineered as per driver's original Event entry form Passenger's clothing and seat belt(s) approved

Passenger's helmet approved T & P entry & wristband numbers correct and marked clearly on front / rear windscreens

Scrutineer's Name: _____ Scrutineer's Signature: _____



EMERGENCY INCIDENT RESPONSE POLICY

TRACK INCIDENT PROCEDURE

In the event of an accident/incident occurring on the racing surface all media live feeds are immediately required to be shut down.

APPROVED PERSONAL

- Fire and Resue
- Ambulance / Paramedics
- Meeting Director
- IHRA Australia Personal
- Track Event Manager
- Track Officials
- Venue Security
- Approved Track / IHRA photographer ONLY (accreditation required – Hi Vis vest)

RESPONSE PROCEDURE

- In all instances Fire and Rescue will have total control over the vehicle's status once vehicle has been deemed safe. Paramedics, if required, can enter incident scenes.
- If driver is still in the vehicle, then Fire and Rescue and Paramedics will work on removing driver.
- If driver has exited the vehicle, then the paramedics will evaluate driver.

MEETING DIRECTOR

Meeting Director will take over the scene and designate duties for officials, he/she will always work closely with IHRA Stewards. Meeting Director and security are required to seal off area and only allow designated personnel to be on scene. Meeting Director is to allow one crew member to be on scene to help with vehicle, all other crew members are to be on the outside of the racing surface.

Meeting Director and Fire and Rescue to fill out track incident report, and lodge back to track management by the conclusion of the event.



IHRA STEWARDS DUTIES

- When there is an accident, get to the scene as quickly as you can, take as many photos as possible of the accident.
- Complete an incident/accident report ASAP while it is fresh in your mind.
- Make sure that only the correct personnel are at the accident scene.
- Communicate with the tracks Meeting Director while at the scene.
- The Meeting Director may ask you if you would like the vehicle to put in the shed for further evaluation.
- Confer with IHRA Chief Steward if there are any other duties to perform.
- If the driver has been cleared from the ambulance, it is mandatory for the driver to undertake a breather test before being released.
- Inspect the helmet and look for any marks from the accident. You have the right to hold the helmet and have a senior IHRA steward / Technical Inspector to examine the helmet.
- Advise the Meeting Director / Clean-up crew that IHRA Australia have finished at the accident scene.
- Your IHRA Australia duties are always priority.

MANDATED DUAL NETS

IF NET/S HAVE BEEN COMPROMISED AND REQUIRE REPLACING:

- Dual Net Impact Record Sheet must be completed with a copy sent to IHRA Technical and to be put on file.

PIT AREA INCIDENT / ACCIDENT

IF FIRE AND RESCUE / AMBULANCE ARE REQUIRED THE AREA MUST SECURED BY TRACK SECURITY

- Meeting Director to perform duties.
- IHRA Australia stewards to perform duties.



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ENGINE SEALING & TAGGING PROGRAM

Venue: _____ Date: _____

Team Owner: _____

Competitors Name: _____ Race No: _____

Professional Supercomp Performance Bike Class Designation: _____

ENGINE

Bore: Stroke: Capacity:

Engine ID No 1: Engine ID No 2:

Tag No 1: Tag No 2:

Date Issued: _____ Date Re-Checked: _____

IMPORTANT NOTICE

It is an offence to tamper with or attempt to damage or break the seal in which an IHRA Australia official has attached to the engine.

Evidence of tampering may result in a disqualification being handed down from competition IHRA Australia, National Championship events of up to 12 months if deemed necessary.

Please Note: Any class that requires an engine or component to be tagged and sealed must comply prior to event Mandatory. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

Competitor / Crew Name:

Competitor / Crew Signature:

IHRA SFI Official:

IHRA SFI Official Signature:



BREATH TESTING

EVENT: _____

DATE: _____

	RACE Nº	NAME	TEST READING 1	RE-TEST 15 min	PASS / FAIL	Stewards Initials
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STEWARDS NAME: _____



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EVENT PROTEST FORM

Tax Invoice

PROTEST FEES Sportsman \$300.00 Professional \$1000.00

EVENT: _____

DATE: _____

I (Name of Competitor): _____ RACE No: _____

Of (Address): _____

PROTEST THE FOLLOWING:

The Protest Fee is attached \$300.00 (Sportsman) \$1000.00 (Professional)

Dismantling Fee \$150.00 (Sportsman) \$500.00 (Professional)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

IHRA Australia STEWARD USE ONLY

Received by (IHRA Australia Steward): _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ Fee Paid: \$300.00 (Sportsman) \$1000.00 (Professional)

Cash YES NO Card Receipt No (Square): _____

Result of Protest: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____



EVENT STEWARD SPOT CHECK

EVENT: _____

RACE №	NAME	LICENCE LOGBOOK	FRONTAL HEAD RESTRAINT	HELMET STANDARD	HARNESS EXPIRY	CHUTE CABLE	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING STANDARD	UNDERWEAR BALACLAVA	ARM RESTRAINTS WINDOW NET	FIRE BOTTLE EXPIRY	ROLL CAGE PADDING
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STEWARD Name: _____



STEWARD EVENT / TRACK INCIDENT REPORT

TRACK DETAILS

Track: Date:

Event: Event Level:

VEHICLE DETAILS

Driver / Rider

Class Licence Type

Licence No. Tech Inspection Date

Tech Sticker No. Scrutineer

INCIDENT DETAILS

Time of Incident

DESCRIPTION OF WHAT HAPPENED

Facts only - Do not document personal opinion

LIST NAMES OF ANY PARTIES INJURIES AS A RESULT OF THE INCIDENT *Include Contact Numbers*

1 2

3 4

LIST NAMES OF PERSONS WHO WITNESSED THE INCIDENT *Include Contact Numbers*

1 2

3 4

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS



STEWARDS EVENT / TRACK INCIDENT REPORT

PROCESS DETAILS

- Breath Test Conducted
- Was Hospitalisation Required
- Illicit Substance Test Conducted
- Photos Taken

Name of Hospital

- IHRA Head Office Notified
- Reported to Track Management

Track Contact Name

LIST ANY INJURIES SUSTAINED

WAS AN IHRA STEWARDS HEARING CONDUCTED

- Yes
- No

OUTCOME OF HEARING

HAS AN IHRA TRIBUNAL BEEN RECOMMENDED

- Yes
- No

EVENT REPORT COMPLETED BY:

Name:

Position:

Credential No:

Signature: _____ Date: _____



HANDY FORMULAS

Engine Displacement

Displacement = Bore x Bore x Stroke x **No. of Cylinders** – (Bore & Stroke in inches)

8 Cylinders – Bore x Bore x Stroke x 6.2832 = Cubic Capacity

6 Cylinders – Bore x Bore x Stroke x 4.7124 = Cubic Capacity

4 Cylinders – Bore x Bore x Stroke x 3.1416 = Cubic Capacity

For other numbers of cylinders = (No. of Cylinders x 0.7854

Supercharger Overdrive

Overdrive % =

$((\text{Bottom Pulley Tooth Count} \div \text{Top Pulley Tooth Count}) - 1) \times 100$

(eg. $((54T \div 26T) - 1) \times 100 = 107\%$

$((54 \div 26 = 2.07) - 1 = 1.07) \times 100 = 107\%$

Metric Conversion

Cubic Inches = Cubic Centimetres x 0.06102

Kilograms/litre = Pounds per cube x 27.679904593

Cubic Centimetres = Cubic Inches x 16.3870

1 Inch = 25.4 millimetres

1 Metre = 3.2808 feet

1 kilogram = 2.2046 Pounds

Miles per Hour = 1.61 kilometres per Hour

1 Litre = 1000cc

1 Imp Gallon = 4.546 litres

1 mm = 0.03938 inches

1 foot = 0.3048 metres = 12 inches

1 pound = .45359 kilograms = 16 ounces

Kilometres per Hour = 0.62 Miles per Hour

1 US Gallon = 3.785 litres

Race Formulas

One Quarter of a Mile = 402.33 metres = 1320 feet

$\frac{1}{4}$ mile ET = $\frac{1}{8}$ mile ET x 1.57

1000ft ET = $\frac{1}{4}$ mile ET \div 1.2

$\frac{1}{8}$ mile ET = $\frac{1}{4}$ mile ET \div 1.57

RPM = (mph x gear ratio x 336) \div tyre diameter

MPH = (rpm x tyre diameter) \div (gear ratio x 336)

Gear Ratio = (rpm x tyre diameter) \div (mph x 336)

Tyre Diameter = (mph x gear ratio x 336) \div rpm



IHRA Australia Incident Notification & Response Policy

Effective Date: September 2025

Applies To: All IHRA Australia-sanctioned events, staff, competitors, contractors, and volunteers

1. Purpose

To ensure timely, transparent, and compliant reporting of any incident involving injury, abuse, or misconduct affecting IHRA Australia staff, competitors, or spectators. This policy supports safety, accountability, and continuous improvement across all sanctioned activities. It reinforces IHRA Australia’s commitment to protecting the wellbeing of everyone present at events — whether participating, officiating, or attending — and ensures that all incidents are handled with professionalism, urgency, and care.

2. Scope

This policy applies to:

- Physical injuries sustained during competition, event operations, or official duties
- Allegations or confirmed cases of verbal, physical, or sexual abuse
- Psychological harm or harassment
- Any incident requiring medical attention, hospitalization, or law enforcement involvement
- All individuals present at IHRA Australia-sanctioned events, including staff, competitors, volunteers, contractors, and spectators

3. Definitions

- Notifiable Incident: As per WHS legislation, includes death, serious injury/illness, or dangerous occurrences
- Abuse: Includes physical assault, sexual misconduct, verbal threats, harassment, or neglect
- Competitor: Any person participating in IHRA-sanctioned racing activities
- Staff: Includes IHRA officials, stewards, technical inspectors, volunteers, and contractors
- Spectator: Any individual attending an IHRA-sanctioned event in a non-participatory role

4. Notification Timeframes

Incident Type	Initial Notification to IHRA Australia	Report Submission
Death or life-threatening injury	Immediately (within 1 hour)	Within 24 hours
Serious injury requiring hospitalization	Within 2 hours of awareness	Within 24 hours
Abuse (physical, verbal, sexual, neglect)	Within 2 hours of awareness	Within 24 hours
Psychological harm or harassment	Within 4 hours of awareness	Within 48 hours
Minor injury (first aid only)	End of event day	Within 72 hours



5. Reporting Procedure

1. Immediate Action:

- Ensure safety and medical response
- Secure the incident site (if applicable)
- Notify IHRA Australia National Technical Director or designated Safety Officer

2. Initial Notification:

- Via phone, radio, or secure messaging
- Include: name, role, nature of incident, location, time, and immediate actions taken

3. Written Report:

- Use IHRA Incident Report Form
- Submit via secure email or IHRA portal
- Include witness statements, medical documentation, and any relevant footage or data

6. Investigation & Follow-Up

- IHRA will initiate a formal review within 48 hours of receiving the report
- Findings may result in:
 - Safety recommendations
 - Disciplinary action
 - Policy amendments
 - Referral to external authorities (e.g., police, WHS regulators)

7. Responsibilities

- Event Directors & Stewards: Ensure compliance and facilitate reporting
- Technical Inspectors: Document and preserve technical evidence
- Medical & Safety Officers: Provide treatment and incident summaries
- All Staff, Competitors & Spectators: Cooperate fully with investigations

8. Confidentiality & Support

- All reports are handled with strict confidentiality
- IHRA offers access to counselling and support services for affected individuals
- Retaliation against reporters or witnesses is strictly prohibited

9. Related Documents

- IHRA Australia Code of Conduct
- IHRA Australia Substance Abuse Policy
- WHS Incident Notification Fact Sheet
- IHRA Incident Report Form (latest version)



INCIDENT ATTENDANCE CHECK LIST

Incident Attendance Check List

- Scene Marked
- All witnesses identified
- Driver's Breath Tested
- Injured Person Treated
- Witnesses Identified
- Vehicles Examined
- Photographs/Video taken
- All involved parties identified
- Time Card Obtained
- Ambulance attended (Hospital)
- FESA attended (What Station)
- Position of controls noted

Vehicle Checks

- Lighting
 - Brakes
 - Seat Belt
 - Tyres
 - Water Leaks
 - Helmet
 - Steering
 - Oil Leaks
 - Any defects
- Notes (*Of all relevant conversations*)
- Incident Report submitted



INCIDENT DO'S and DON'TS

When anyone is injured during and IHRA Australia sanctioned event, and whether attention is given by a track official, medical personnel or another assigned or authorised person, both the injured party and the situation should be evaluated and stabilised. Regardless of the circumstances and the people involved, there are a number of do's and don'ts to keep in mind while making sure the injured party is looked after. They include:

- | | |
|-------|--|
| DON'T | Accept or even suggest fault for the incident |
| DON'T | Make any promises or guarantees about anything |
| DON'T | Make any payment or offer of payment or say any medical or other expenses will be paid. |
| DON'T | Give out any information about IHRA Australia insurance coverage. |
| DON'T | Recommend a medical facility unless told to do so. |
| DON'T | Display any attitude of boredom, nuisance or impatience. |
| DON'T | Argue or patronisingly agree with any disagreeable statement by the injured person. |
| DON'T | Leave the person unattended until they have transferred to the care of medical personal or released at their own request. |
| DON'T | Fail to observe and record any important or relevant circumstances. |
| DON'T | Hesitate to correct any hazardous situation (e.g. wet spot) as soon as reasonable after attending to a person. |
| DO | Give respect and appropriate attention to the stricken person. |
| DO | Assist with obtaining and recording the relevant information about the incident on the appropriate Report Forms. |
| DO | Take photographs or video the area and any vehicle or structure or device involved. |
| DO | Contact security and other designated personnel so that an investigation and warranted controls / remedies can be started without unnecessary delay. |
| DO | Ask the person for their version of what happened and record the details in his or her own words if possible. (you can voice record). |
| DO | Note in the report if the person is noticeably upset or complaining about the cause of his or her incident. |
| DO | Give respect to any complaint. If warranted, offer to "check with the insurer" and get back to them "after talking with a knowledgeable person" |



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LANE CHOICE

In the first round of racing, lane choice will go the competitor in each pairing with the higher qualifying position. For subsequent rounds,

Professional	Lower ET from previous round
Performance	In order of furthest under then closest to IHRA Australia National Record
Sportsman	Lower "dial in" for round in question
Sportsman Super Gas	Lower ET from previous round, at or over class minimum

Lane choice must be claimed before competitors are in the hands of the starter.

Note: Sportsman Classes. All bye runs will be run at the back of the field.



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LICENCE DECLARATION FORM

Venue: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ Suburb: _____

State: _____ Postcode: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

I do hereby declare that I am the holder of a current IHRA Australia Drag Racing Licence at the following level and that there are no outstanding infringements

LICENCE TYPE (Please Tick)

Professional Exhibition Performance Sportsman Junior

Licence No: _____ Expiry Date: _____

Reason for not presenting the logbook at this event: (Please print)

I understand that if any of the above information is found to be false, I render myself liable to a \$330.00 fine and/or 3 months suspension, and any Points/Records attained will not be counted.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Logbook owner must sign

IHRA STEWARD / TRACK OFFICIAL to Complete

NAME: _____ CREDENTIALS No _____
Please Print

SIGNED: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Declaration Valid: Yes No DATE: _____



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MEDICAL EXEMPTION FORM

SECTION 1: Competitor Details

FULL NAME: _____
IHRA LICENCE Nº _____ EVENT: _____ DATE: _____
DATE OF BIRTH: _____ CONTACT NUMBER: _____
EMAIL: _____

SECTION 2: Previous Medical Form Details

Last Medical Expiry Date: _____

SECTION 3: Reason for not having a current Medical

SECTION 4: Exemption Request

I hereby request a 14-day exemption from submitting a new Medical and Physical Declaration Form, based on the following:

- My previous form is less than six (6) months out of date.
 - I confirm that no changes have occurred in my medical condition or physical capability.
 - I understand that this exemption is temporary and that I must submit an updated form within the 14-day period.
- I acknowledge that failure to comply may result in suspension from future IHRA Australia events.

SECTION 5: Declaration

I declare that the information provided above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that IHRA Australia reserves the right to revoke this exemption at any time.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE:

IHRA Australia Steward:

Full Name: _____ Credentials Nº: _____

Signature: _____



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NATIONAL RECORD CERTIFICATION

EVENT DETAILS

TRACK: _____ EVENT: _____ DATE: _____

VEHICLE DETAILS

Class: _____ Engine Make: _____ Body Type: _____

Fuel Type: _____ Engine Type: _____ Capacity: _____ C.I. or CC _____

Engine Sealed: Yes No Aspirated Supercharged Turbocharged Nitrous Oxide

DRIVER DETAILS

Name: _____ State: _____ Licence N° _____

RECORD DETAILS – ELAPSED TIME

Race Distance

1/8 Mile

1000ft

¼ Mile

Old Record

New Record

Back Up 1%

RECORD DETAILS – TERMINAL SPEED

Race Distance

1/8 Mile

1000ft

¼ Mile

Old Record

New Record

Back Up 1%

ENGINE

INTERNAL MEASUREMENTS

Bore Diameter

Stroke

N° Cylinders

Capacity

WEIGHT VERIFICATION

Required Weight

Actual Weight

IHRA Australia Official: _____ Signature: _____

Uploaded to website: Yes No

Sent to Head Office: Yes No



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PENALTY

FINE

1.1	Failure to wear helmet	\$200.00
1.2	Failure to wear Front Head Restraint	\$200.00
1.3	Failure to wear Arm Restraints	\$200.00
1.4	Failure to wear ALL required Safety Equipment	\$500.00
1.5	Removal of any Safety Equipment whilst still on Racing Surface	\$250.00
1.6	Failure to remove Parachute Safety Retaining Devices	\$250.00
1.7	Failure to Deploy Parachute when required (above 150mph)	\$250.00
1.8	Competitor displaying unsafe driving practices	\$500.00
1.9	Hot Area, Failure to observe safe practices	\$500.00
2.0	Tender Vehicles / Passengers, failure to be properly seated	\$100.00
2.1	Tender Vehicles / Standing on Bumpers or Running Boards whilst Towing	\$100.00
2.2	Tender Vehicles / Sitting on Tailgate	\$100.00
2.3	Tender / Paddock / Golf Buggies incorrect use by unauthorised person(s)	\$100.00
2.4	Jack Stands required, wheels are off the ground	\$100.00
2.5	Driver / Rider must be at the controls whilst engine is running	\$100.00
2.6	Fuel / Incorrect Handling or Storage in the pit area	\$500.00
2.7	Start Line / Pit / Paddock, Failure to observe Safe Practices	\$500.00
2.8	Failure to obey instructions from IHRA Stewards / Track Officials	\$500.00
2.9	Failure to obey Meeting Director / Chief Starter / Head IHRA Steward	\$1,000.00
3.0	False Declaration of Competitor Audit Declaration (CAD) Form	\$1,000.00
3.1	False Declaration of Licence / Medical Application Forms	\$2,000.00
3.2	False Declarations	\$2,000.00
3.3	Transmission Containment not fitted	\$500.00
3.4	Lower Engine Containment device not fitted	\$500.00
3.5	Glycol based Coolant used	\$250.00
3.6	Safety Harness out of date	\$500.00
3.7	Fire System out of date	\$500.00
3.8	Failure to report for Fuel Checking	\$200.00
3.9	Failure to report for Vehicle / Bike weighing	\$200.00
4.0	Tampering with Competitor / Crew wrist band	\$1,000.00
4.1	Launching Vehicle / Bike anywhere other the start line	\$1,000.00
4.2	Using Traction Control if not class compliant	\$15,000.00

Please Note: All penalties will be written in the vehicles Logbook. Second time offenders will face IHRA Australia Sanction, penalties and monetary fines will apply. Once a competitor is under investigation their licence will be suspended, with all licence privileges being put on hold, until an outcome has been resolved.

Failing a Random Drug and Alcohol Test: Please refer to the IHRA Australia Substance Abuse Policy

SUSPENSION OF COMPETING PRIVILAGES

Below is a list of penalties including monetary fines and membership/licence suspensions

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------|
| • Continual breach of above penalties | Max \$3000.00 Up to 2 years ax |
| • Unsafe Practices in Pit Area | \$3000.00 Up to 2 years Max |
| • Failing a Random Drug and Alcohol Test | \$5000.00 Up to 5 years Max |
| • Abuse to any IHRA Employee/Steward/Tech Inspector/Track Officials | \$10000.00 Up to 5 years Max |
| • Abuse / aggressive behavior to another competitor/crew | \$10000.00 Up to 10 years Max |
| • To Breach the IHRA Australia Social Media Policy | \$10000.00 Up to 10 Years Max |
| • Physical Abuse to Officials/Competitor/crew | \$15000.00 Up to Life Ban |



IHRA AUSTRALIA PRIVACY POLICY

IHRA Australia is committed to delivering high-quality motorsports services and ensuring the privacy of all participants, officials, partners, and stakeholders. This Privacy Policy outlines our ongoing obligations in respect to how we manage your Personal Information, in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 and the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs).

A full copy of the APPs is available from the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner: www.oaic.gov.au

WHAT IS PERSONAL INFORMATION and WHY DO WE COLLECT IT?

Personal Information is any information or opinion that identifies an individual. Examples include:

- Full names
- Addresses
- Email addresses
- Phone and facsimile numbers

WE COLLECT THIS INFORMATION THROUGH VARIOUS CHANNELS INCLUDING:

- Event registrations and interviews
- Correspondence (email, phone, facsimile)
- Our website: www.ihra.com.au
- Publicly available sources
- Third-party motorsports platforms and publications

WE COLLECT PERSONAL INFORMATION PRIMARILY TO:

- Deliver motorsports services and event communications
- Provide updates to participants and stakeholders
- Manage incident reporting, licensing, and compliance
- Conduct marketing and promotional activities

You may opt out of marketing communications at any time by contacting us in writing.

SENSITIVE INFORMATION

SENSITIVE INFORMATION INCLUDES DATA SUCH AS:

- Racial or ethnic origin
- Political or religious beliefs
- Trade union or professional memberships
- Criminal records or health information

IHRA AUSTRALIA WILL ONLY USE SENSITIVE INFORMATION:

- For the purpose it was collected
- For a directly related secondary purpose
- With your explicit consent
- Where required or authorised by law



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THIRD PARTIES

Where practical, we collect Personal Information directly from you. In some cases, we may receive information from third parties (e.g., sanctioning bodies, affiliated clubs, or media). We will take reasonable steps to ensure you are informed when this occurs.

DISCLOSURE of PERSONAL INFORMATION

YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION MAY BE DISCLOSED:

- To third parties with your consent
- Where required or authorised by law (e.g., regulatory bodies, law enforcement)

SECURITY AND RETENTION

We take reasonable steps to protect your Personal Information from misuse, loss, and unauthorised access. When no longer needed, we will securely destroy or de-identify your data. However, most information is retained in client or event files for a minimum of 7 years to comply with motorsports governance and auditing standards.

ACCESS and SECURITY

You may request access to your Personal Information or ask for corrections. IHRA Australia does not charge for access requests but may apply an administrative fee for copies. Identification may be required to protect your data.

MAINTAINING ACCURACY

We aim to keep your Personal Information accurate and up to date. If you believe any information we hold is incorrect, please notify us promptly so we can update our records.

POLICY UPDATES

This Privacy Policy may be updated periodically and will be available on our website.

COMPLIANTS and ENQUIRIES

For any questions or concerns regarding this Privacy Policy, please contact:

IHRA Australia – International Hot Rod Association

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Phone: 07 5324 1360

Email: admin@ihraaustralia.com.au

Web www.ihra.com.au



IHRA Australia Procedural Protest & Disciplinary Code

Revised: – Effective September 2025

Issued by IHRA Australia – National Technical Director

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1. Overview

The Race Director or Technical Committee present at any IHRA Australia-sanctioned event shall have the authority to disqualify any organisation, automobile, or participant from competition. IHRA Australia and its officials reserve the right to publicise any disqualification. Disqualified parties shall have no legal or equitable right of action against IHRA Australia or its officials for such publication.

Aggravated or flagrant violations shall be referred to a three-member Executive Committee, which holds authority to suspend or permanently expel individuals or organisations. This authority extends beyond race-day infractions to include any conduct on or off the drag strip.

Appeals must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days of penalty issuance, accompanied by a non-refundable AUD \$500 filing fee. IHRA Australia shall determine whether an appeal is granted. If granted, hearings will be held at a venue nominated by IHRA Australia. Only directly involved parties may participate.

IHRA Australia reserves the right to publish appeal outcomes without liability. Any party initiating litigation against IHRA Australia or its sanctioned facilities shall be suspended from competition and restricted areas until resolution. Outstanding financial obligations may result in licence suspension and offset against future prize monies.

Disqualification may result in forfeiture of points and awards. Technical infractions—including illegal engine displacement, refusal of inspection, or safety violations—may result in suspension and point forfeiture. Passing technical inspection does not exempt competitors from compliance.



Protest Fees

- Details of the Protest must be lodged in writing with the IHRA Australia Steward with a \$300.00 (Sportsman Classes) \$1000.00 (Professional Classes) protest fee, on the prescribed form prior to the close of the Meeting, and the Steward must accept the Protest and act upon it. Allegations will not be discussed or acted on until a formal protest has been lodge.
- If practical, and an IHRA Australia Steward in discussion with the Meeting Director (depending on who determines the issue) may deliver a finding on the spot, and providing the Protest is not frivolous, and the decision is accepted by all parties, the \$300.00 (Sportsman Classes) \$1000.00 (Professional Classes).
- Fee may be refunded and the matter will be regarded as being finalised.
- Should any dismantling of a vehicle be involved, the Protestor shall lodge a bond of \$150.00 (Sportsman Classes) \$500.00 (Professional Classes) in addition to the Protest fee, to cover costs of dismantling. Should the matter raised in the Protest prove to be correct, the bond and Protest fee may be returned to the Protestor and the cost of dismantling may be borne by the party in breach.
- If the Protest is not proved, then the Protestor may suffer forfeiture of the Protest fee and bond fee. Orders for payment of monies including refunds will be made at the sole discretion of the Steward determining the issue.
- If the bond fee is inadequate to cover cost of the dismantling, the balance, determined by the Steward after consultation, will be borne by the Protestor, if the Protest is not proved, or alternatively, the person in breach, where the Protest is proved, The amount will be considered “monies due to IHRA Australia”
- If a Protest is considered by the Steward to be frivolous, or if the author of the Protest has acted in bad faith, he or she will suffer forfeiture of the protest fee.
- Notification of the decision of the Steward or Meeting Director shall be made verbally if the Protestor is present at the time of the determination of the Protest, or if he or she is not present they shall be notified in writing by letter posted to he / she last known place of abode. The Protestor will be deemed to have received the letter the day after it is posted.
- If the Protestor is not satisfied with the findings of the IHRA Australia Steward of Meeting Director, or if appropriate action is not taken in accordance with the finding, the Protestor may appeal this decision, in which a Tribunal Hearing. Leave to appeal to and IHRA Australia Tribunal will be allowed or disallowed at the sole discretion of the relevant IHRA Australia Officer.
- All awards, points allocations and / or records will remain pending, upon the outcome of a Protest or Appeal, and will be held until finalisation and presented according to the final decision.



2. Breach of Rules – Tribunal Offenses

The following actions constitute breaches subject to Tribunal proceedings:

- Bribery or attempted influence of officials
- Fraudulent entry or participation
- Any fraudulent conduct
- Acts prejudicial to IHRA Australia or drag racing
- False testimony or failure to attend Tribunal proceedings
- Non-payment of monies owed to IHRA Australia
- Conduct contrary to IHRA Australia Rules
- Disobedience of official orders
- Negligent or reckless actions causing harm or damage
- Threats, violence, or abusive behaviour
- Failure to produce required documentation

Alleged breaches may be formally charged and adjudicated under IHRA Australia Tribunal procedures.

3. IHRA Australia Stewards Hearing

Minor infringements may be penalised immediately by IHRA Australia Stewards. Serious allegations may trigger a formal Stewards Hearing.

Panel Composition

- Regional Championship or higher: Senior Official + 1 Steward
- National (Open) / Pro Am: Senior Official + 2 Stewards
- Other events: Single Steward

Hearing Procedure

- Convened promptly
- Adequate notice provided
- Defendant may call witnesses and must present their case personally
- Default judgement only if proper notice was given
- Senior Steward holds casting vote in tied decisions
- Written findings signed by panel members
- Decision delivered in writing with right to appeal



- Organisers notified of event impact

4. Constitution of Tribunals

Appeal Tribunal

Appeals must be lodged within fourteen (14) days of notification. Leave to appeal is at the discretion of:

- Divisional Senior Steward (for Protest, Stewards, Investigation outcomes)
- IHRA Australia Senior Representatives (for Disciplinary Tribunal outcomes)

Grounds for Appeal

- Decision against weight of evidence
- Decision contrary to law
- Decision beyond legal authority
- Excessive penalty

Procedure

- Chair announces authority and purpose
- Parties may stipulate facts
- Appellant presents case first
- Respondent cross-examines and presents rebuttal
- Final addresses by both parties
- Tribunal deliberates and delivers written judgement
- Includes reasons, appeal rights, and fee disposition
- Costs may be awarded
- Judgement provided to all parties
- Chair declares proceedings closed

5. Investigation Tribunal



Convened to investigate matters nominated by IHRA Australia. May receive evidence, hear witnesses, amend competition results, impose penalties, or refer to Disciplinary Tribunal.

Procedure

- Chair announces authority and terms of reference
- Tribunal determines hearing format
- Assesses rule breaches and may adjourn for formal charges
- May amend competition results
- Written judgement delivered with reasons and appeal rights
- Recommendations may be included
- Judgement provided to all parties
- Chair declares proceedings closed

6. Disciplinary Tribunal

Convenes to hear formal charges of rule breaches. Charges laid by Divisional Senior Steward and served within fourteen (14) days.

Procedure

- Chair announces authority and purpose
- Accused may object to panel members
- Charges read and plea entered
- Prosecution presents evidence and witnesses
- Defence presents rebuttal and witnesses
- Final addresses by both parties
- Tribunal determines guilt and announces finding
- Penalty determined and announced
- Written judgement includes reasons, appeal rights, and recommendations
- Judgement provided to all parties

Notes

- Location: Preferably in Division of incident; relocation at discretion of Senior Steward or Managing Director
- Mitigation: Defendant may present mitigating circumstances post-verdict
- Notification: Written outcome within seven (7) days



- Objection: Proven bias results in upheld objection
- Representation: Independent advocates allowed; legal counsel not permitted
- Publication: IHRA Australia may publish outcomes without liability
- Natural Justice: Fair hearing principles must be upheld
- Timing: Tribunals ideally held within twenty-eight (28) days
- Panel: Three members from a pool of six, impartial and qualified

7. Penalties

Types of Penalties

- Warning / Reprimand: Verbal or written
- Fines: Imposed by various authorities

Authority	Maximum Fine (AUD)	GST Applicable
Stewards of a Meeting	\$15,000	Yes
IHRA Australia Tribunal	\$35,000	Yes
Division Senior Steward	\$75,000	Yes
CEO	\$100,000	Yes
(Administrative Penalty)	\$50,000	Yes
Illegal Traction Control Use	\$15,000	Yes
Illegal Fuel Use	\$2,000	Yes
Continual Breach of Logbook Offences	\$5,000	Yes

Fines must be paid before further participation. Proceeds go to a special fund for Tribunal operations, trophies, or other designated purposes.

Disqualification

May be recommended by officials. Results in exclusion from competition, forfeiture of awards, and loss of entry fees.



8. Suspension

Authority and Enforcement

Suspension begins immediately upon Tribunal decision. Applies to individuals and vehicles. Breach of suspension terms results in automatic six-month extension.

Indicative Suspension Periods

Offense	Maximum Suspension
Failure to present vehicle for inspection	Up to 3 months
Incorrect class capacity declaration (within specs)	Up to 3 months
Incorrect class capacity declaration (outside specs)	Up to 6 months
Illegal fuel use	Up to 6 months
Possession/use of banned chemicals	Up to 12 months
Illegal performance-enhancing modifications	Up to 6 months
Alcohol consumption with measurable breath reading	Up to 6 months
Presence of banned substances	Up to 3 years
Bringing IHRA Australia into disrepute	Up to 12 months
Use of reactive traction control systems	Up to 12 months
Continual Breach of Logbook Offences	Up to 12 months

Suspension of Penalty

Tribunals may suspend penalties for a specified period. If a subsequent offense occurs, IHRA Australia may activate the suspended penalty.

Leave to Appeal

Appeals must be lodged within fourteen (14) days with a AUD \$2,500 bond to the IHRA Australia CEO. Penalties are stayed upon receipt. Tribunal location is at CEO's discretion.

Failure to Proceed

Failure to pursue appeal restores original decision. Appeal fee is forfeited and costs may be imposed.

END OF POLICY



INTERNATIONAL HOT ROD ASSOCIATION

REQUIREMENT FOR NATIONAL RECORD SETTING

PROFESSIONAL ELIMINATION RACING

ET and MPH can be set during Qualifying or Eliminations.

All passes require a 1% back up pass.

PROFESSIONAL ALL RUN FORMAT

ET and MPH can only be set during the three rounds of racing.

All passes require a 1% back up pass.

Note: *Records cannot be reset in a testing or sighting pass.*

PERFORMANCE RACING

Performance racers can set **MPH** records in Qualifying or Racing.

ET records can only be set during eliminations.

All passes require a 1% back up pass.

SPORTSMAN RACING

Sportsman racers can set ET and MPH records in Qualifying or Racing.

All passes require a 1% back up pass.

ALL CLASSES

Runs bettering the current National Record and not backed up within 1% will be used to back up a slower run that betters the current National Record.

CLAIMING A NATIONAL RECORD

Any racer claiming a National Record must present the vehicle/bike to an IHRA official immediately after the run for classification, Fuel and Weight verification testing, with time card to verify the claim.

Note: National Record Setting can only be achieved at a National Championship Series Round.

ROLLOUT MEASUREMENT



The start line staging beam system has a standard rollout tolerance that needs to be maintained between the Pre-Stage beams, and the Stage and Guard beams. This procedure should be carried out prior to the commencement of an IHRA Australia Event using the 22-inch rollout testing wheel.

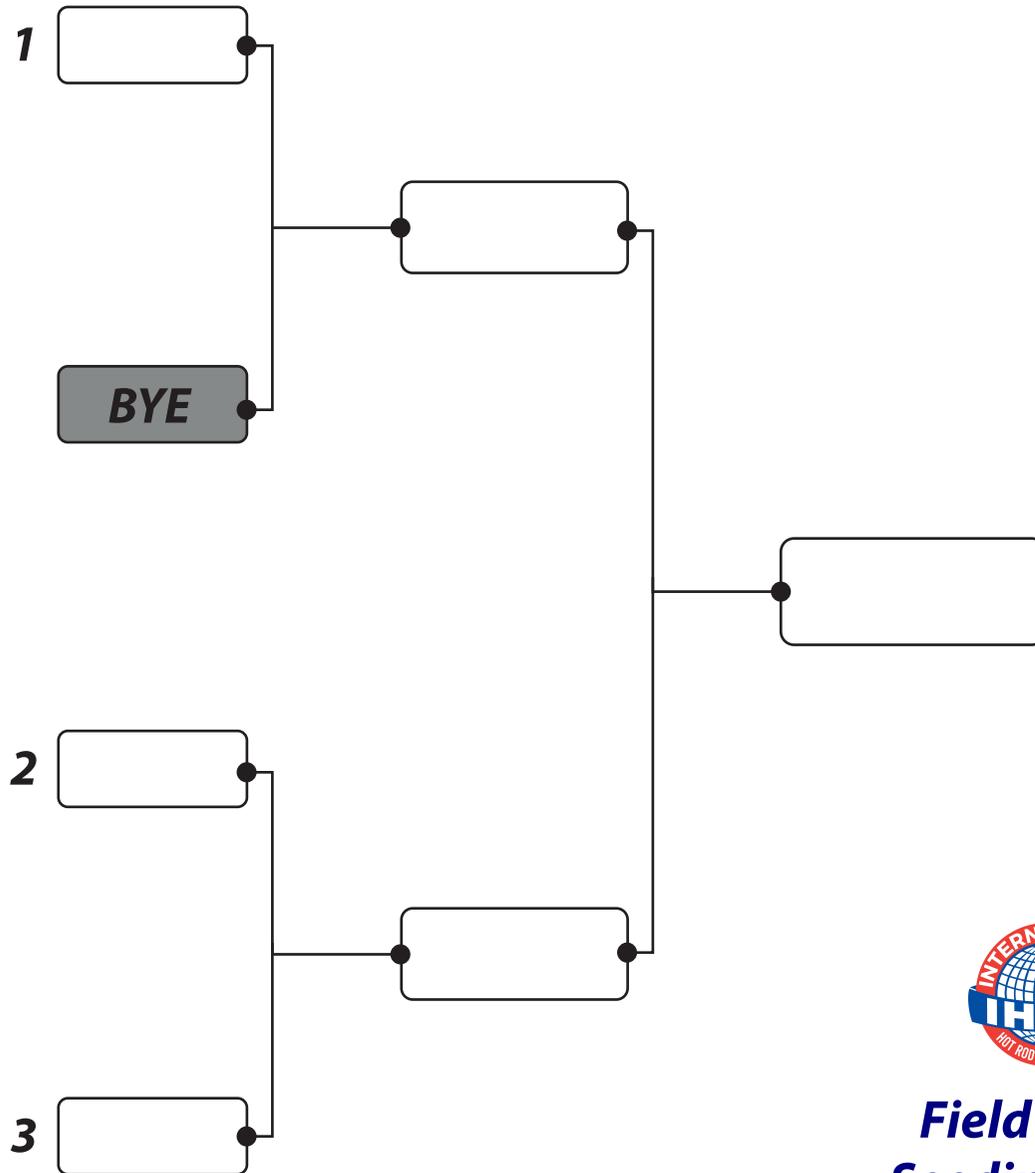
There is no set height that the beams “need” to be set above the racing surface. They need to be low enough to accommodate any vehicle conforming to the minimum ground clearance of 3 inches (75mm) at the front of the vehicle.

- The Stage Beam is to be 16 inches (406mm) before the Guard Beam in each lane.
- The Pre-Stage Beam is to be 7 inches (178mm) before the Stage Beam in each lane.

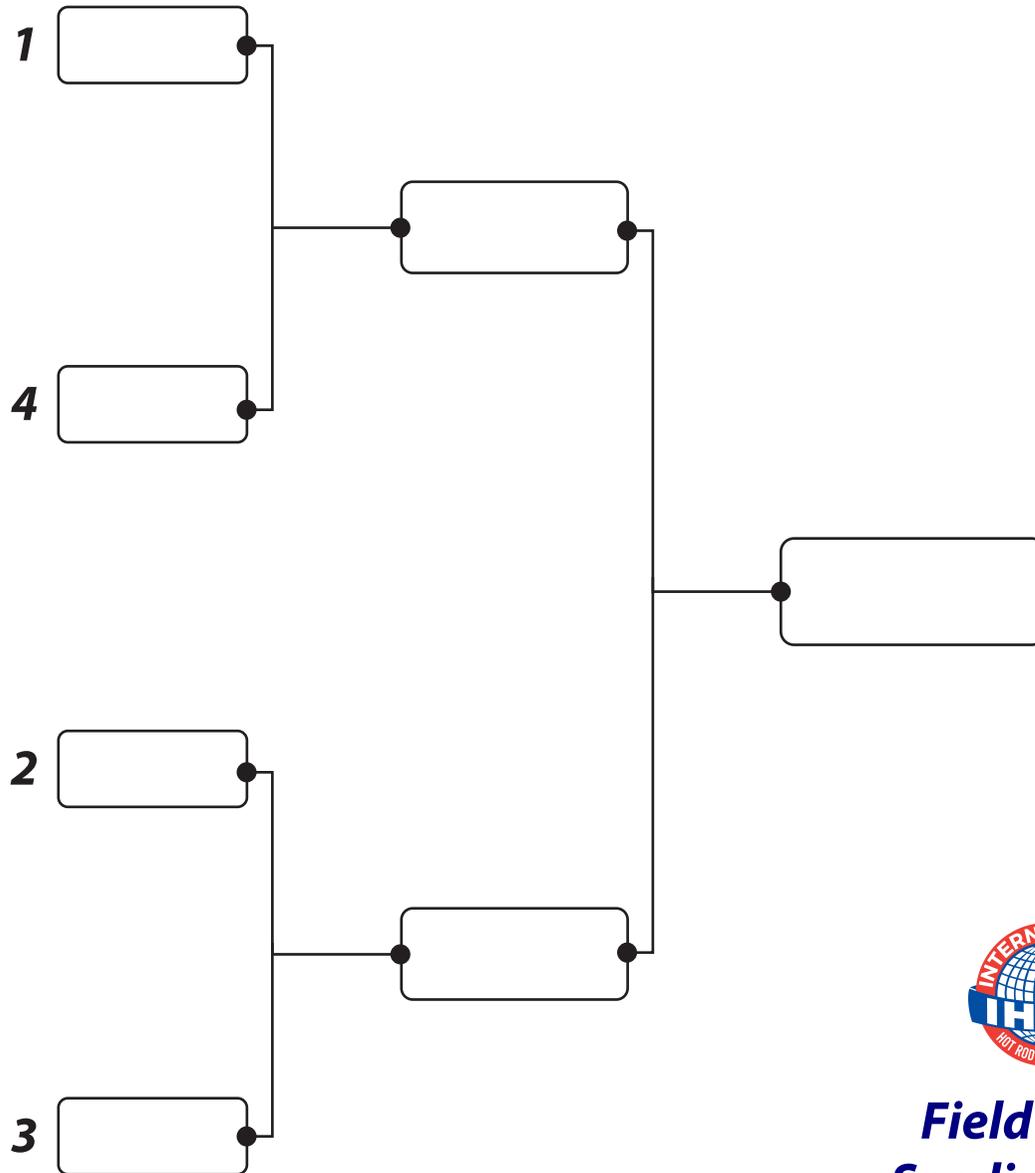
Using the IHRA Australia 22-inch rollout testing wheel, check each lane at three points across the start line. Move the wheel towards the Stage beam, simulating the front tyre of a vehicle. Mark the track with chalk at the point the Stage light come on the Christmas Tree. Continue moving the wheel forward until the Stage light turns off, marking that place with chalk.

The measurement should be between 11.5 inches and 12-inches (292mm and 304mm). If required, photocell heights should be adjusted by track technicians to give as consistent a measure as possible across both lanes.

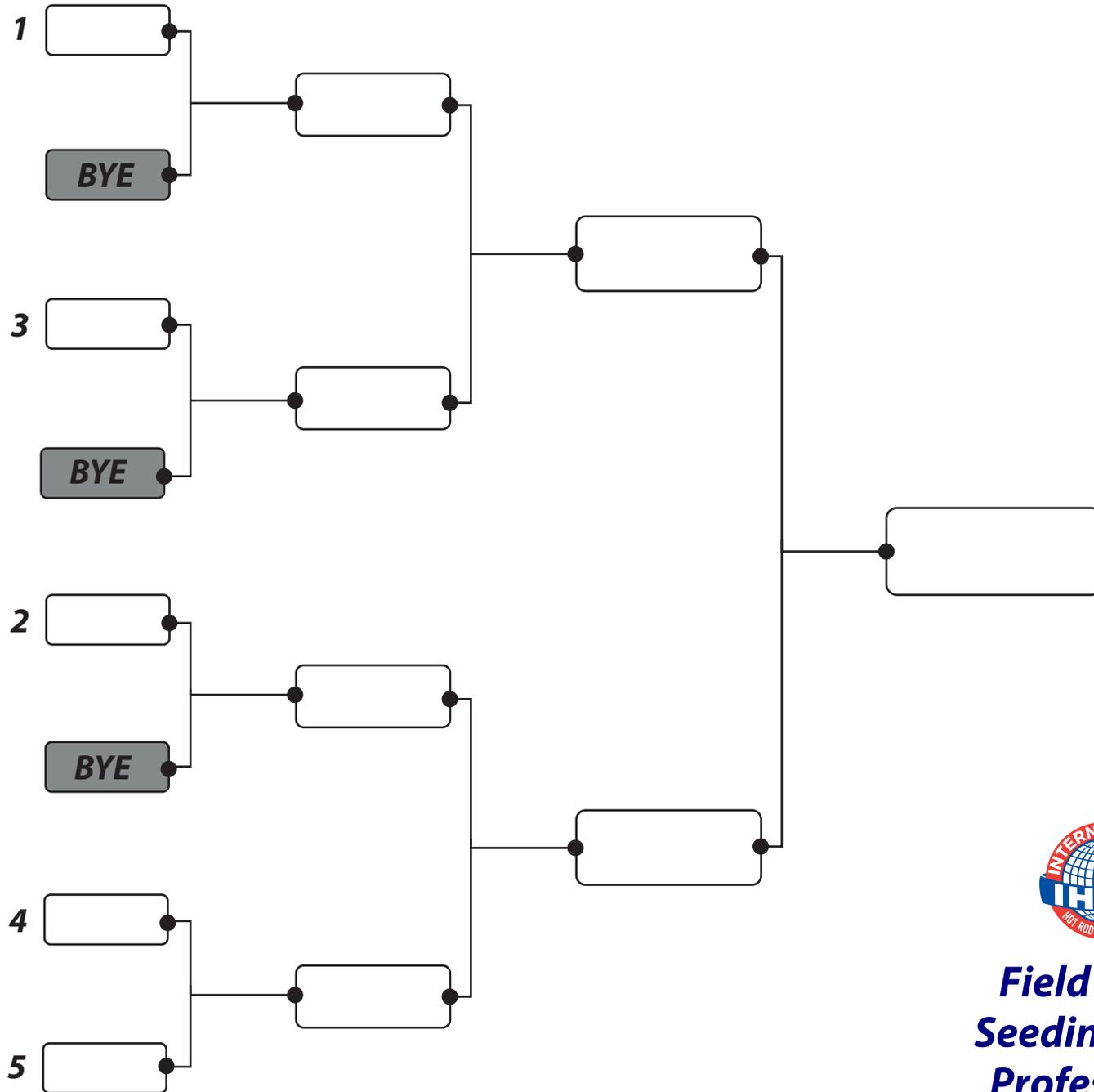
Checking of rollout should be done prior to starting the event. Involving track start line staff with the measuring process is encouraged. Once competitors have had the opportunity to stage and leave the start line the rollout should not be changed.



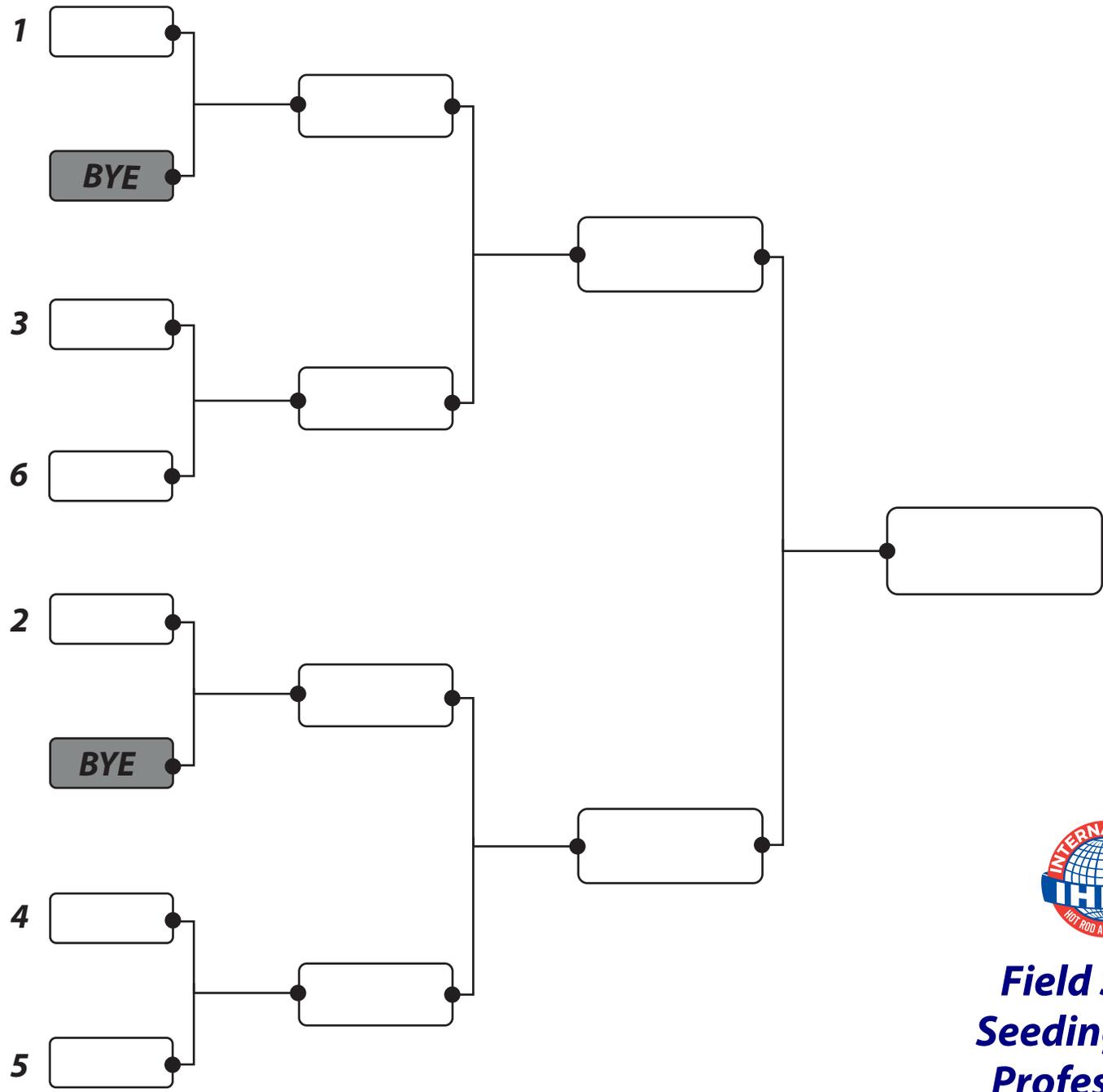
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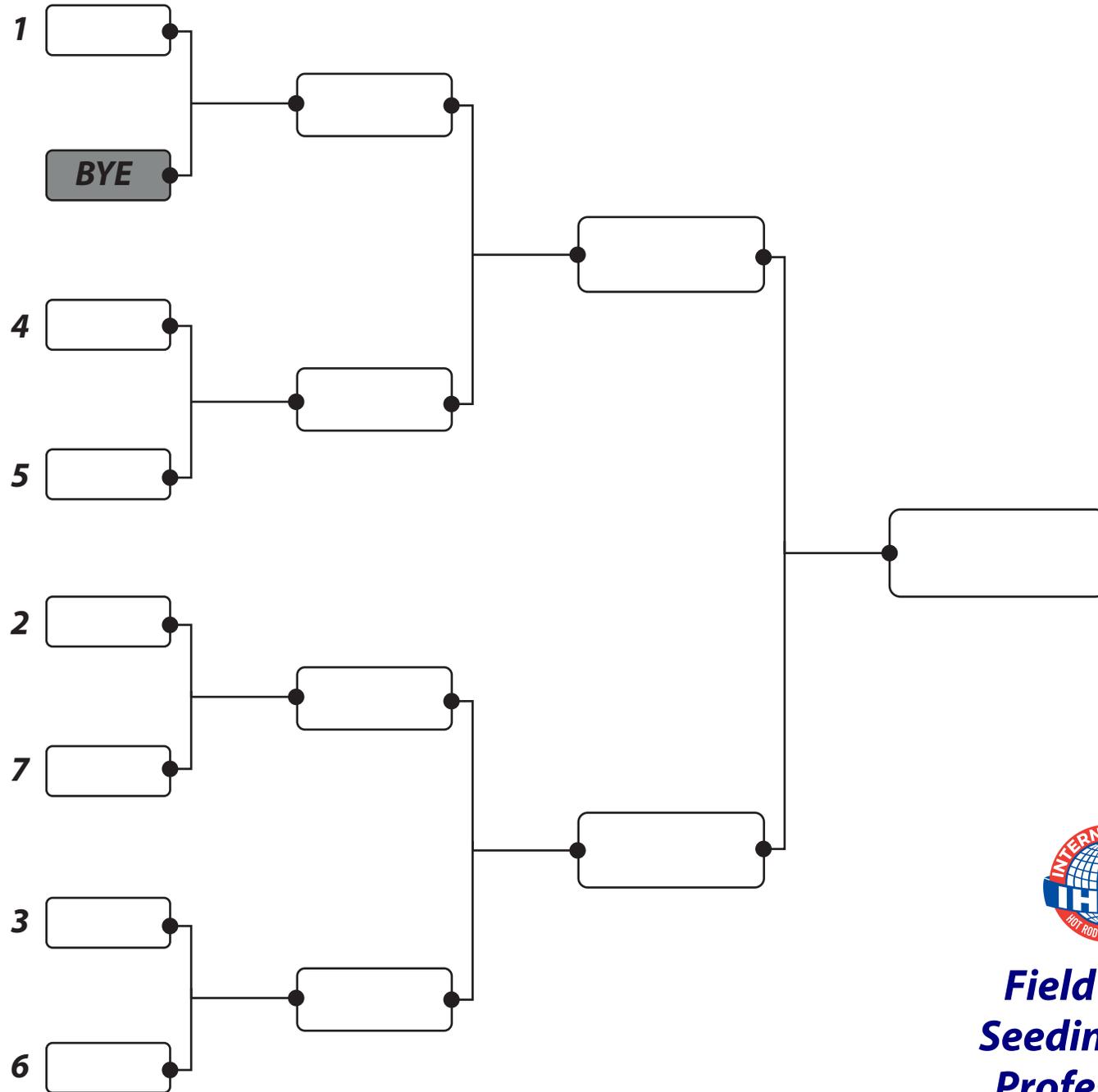
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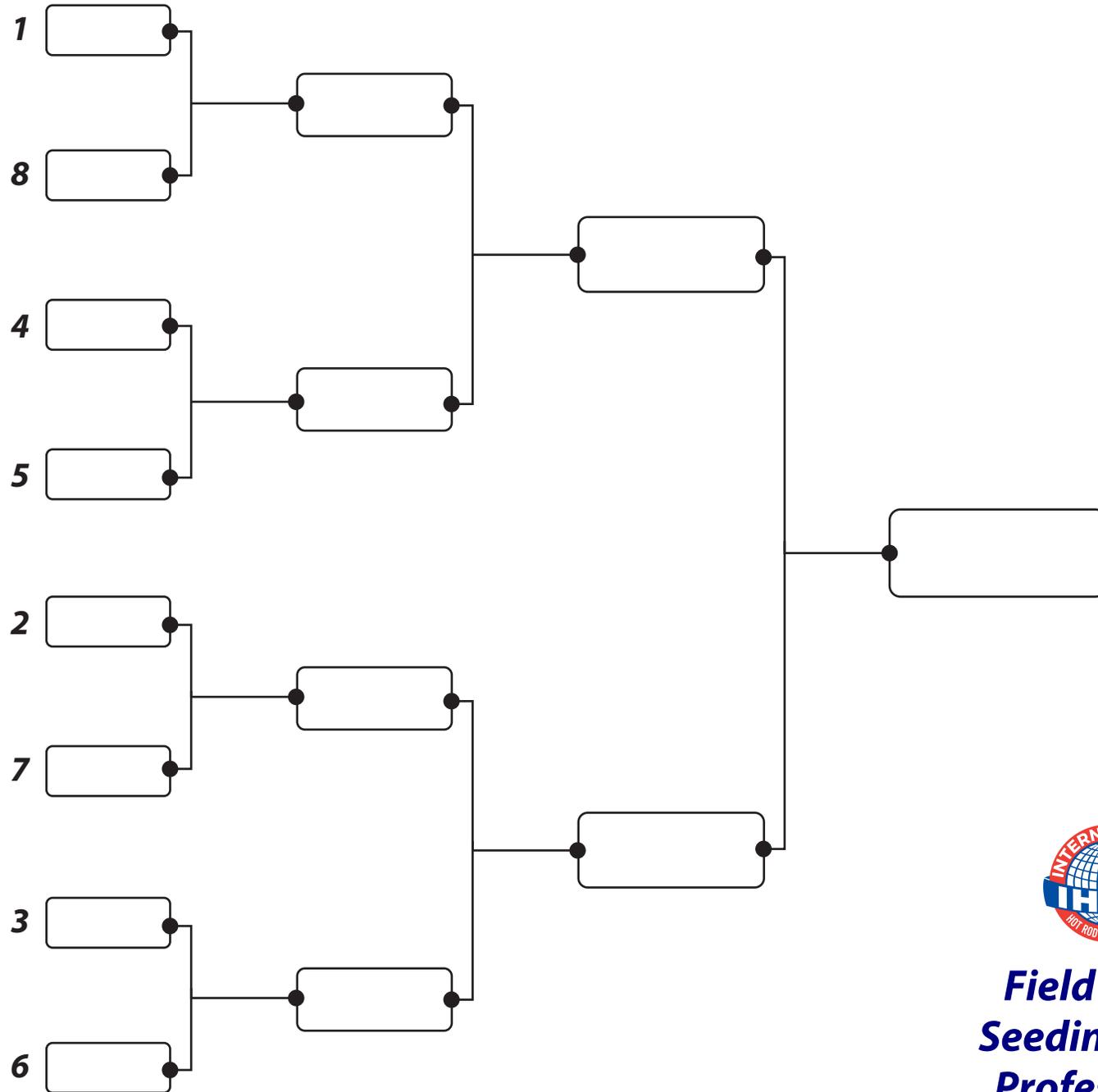
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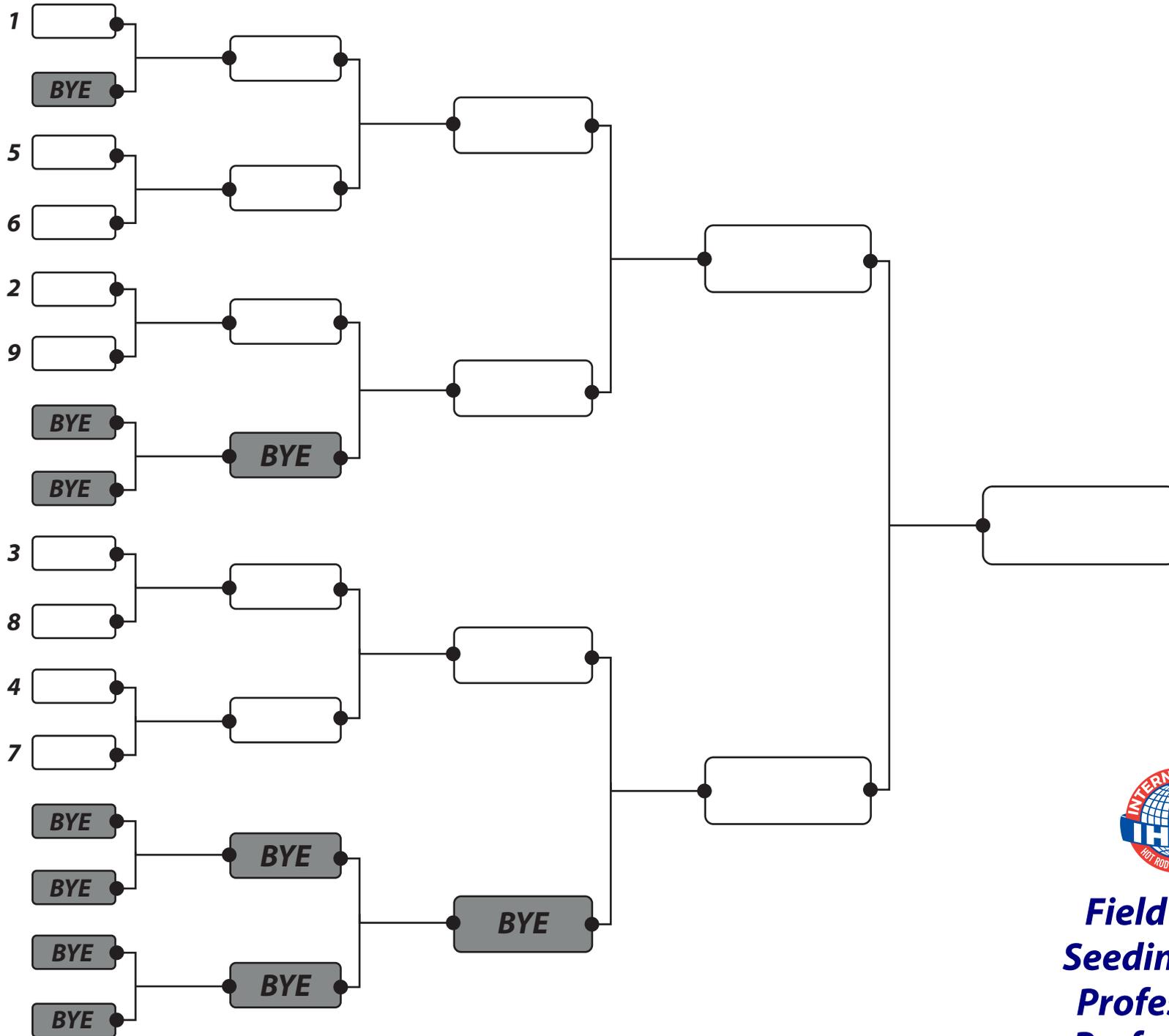
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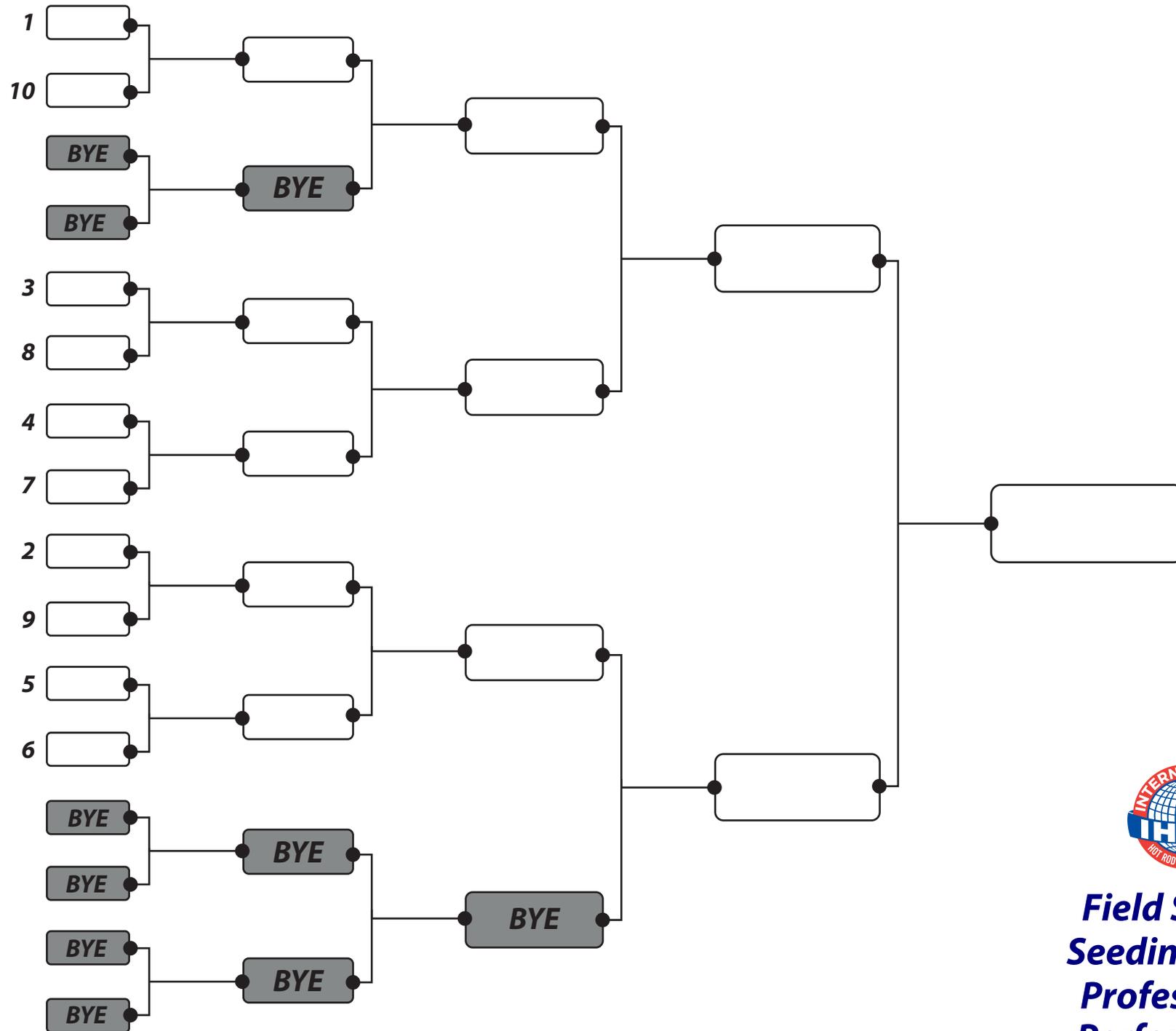
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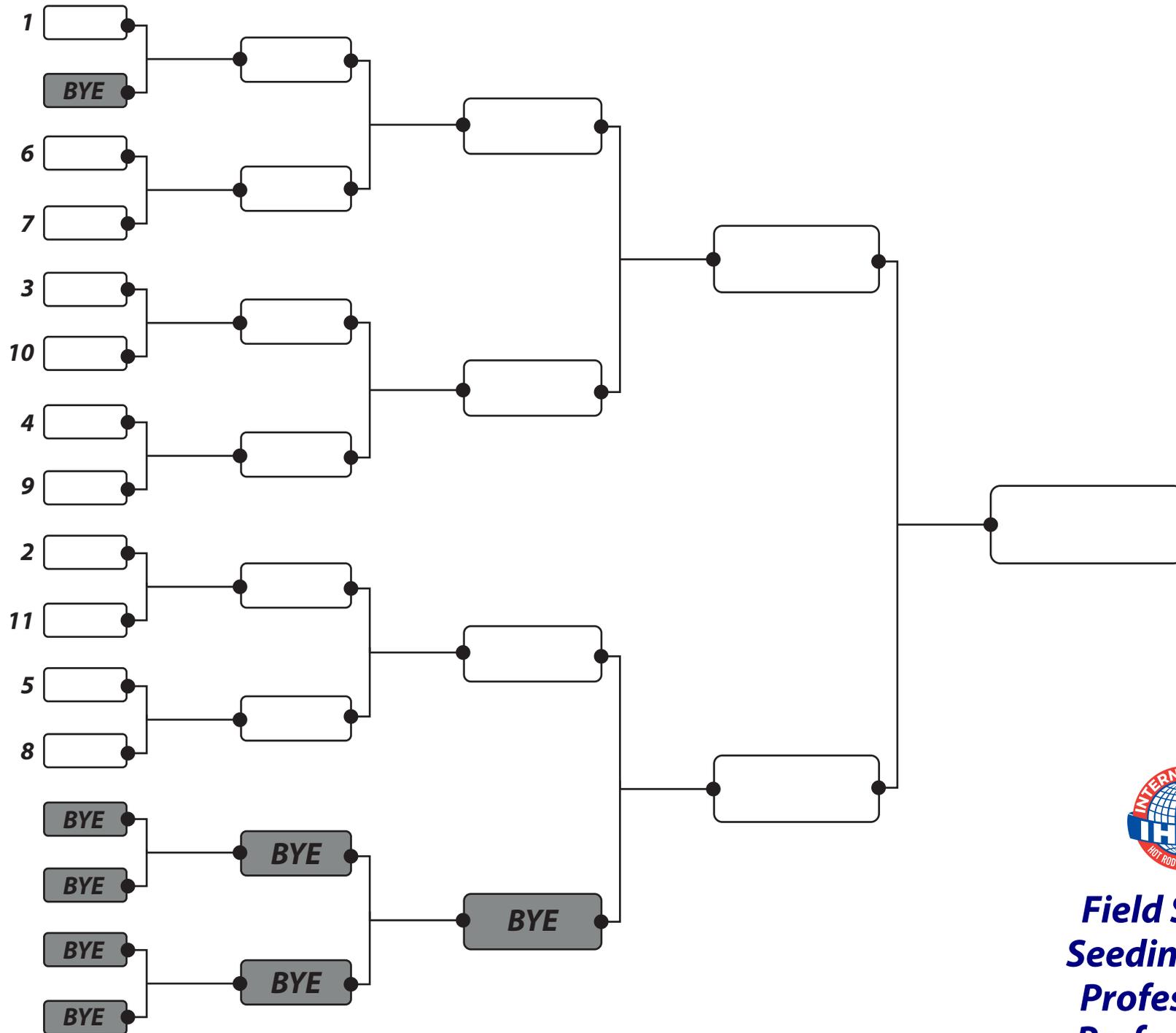
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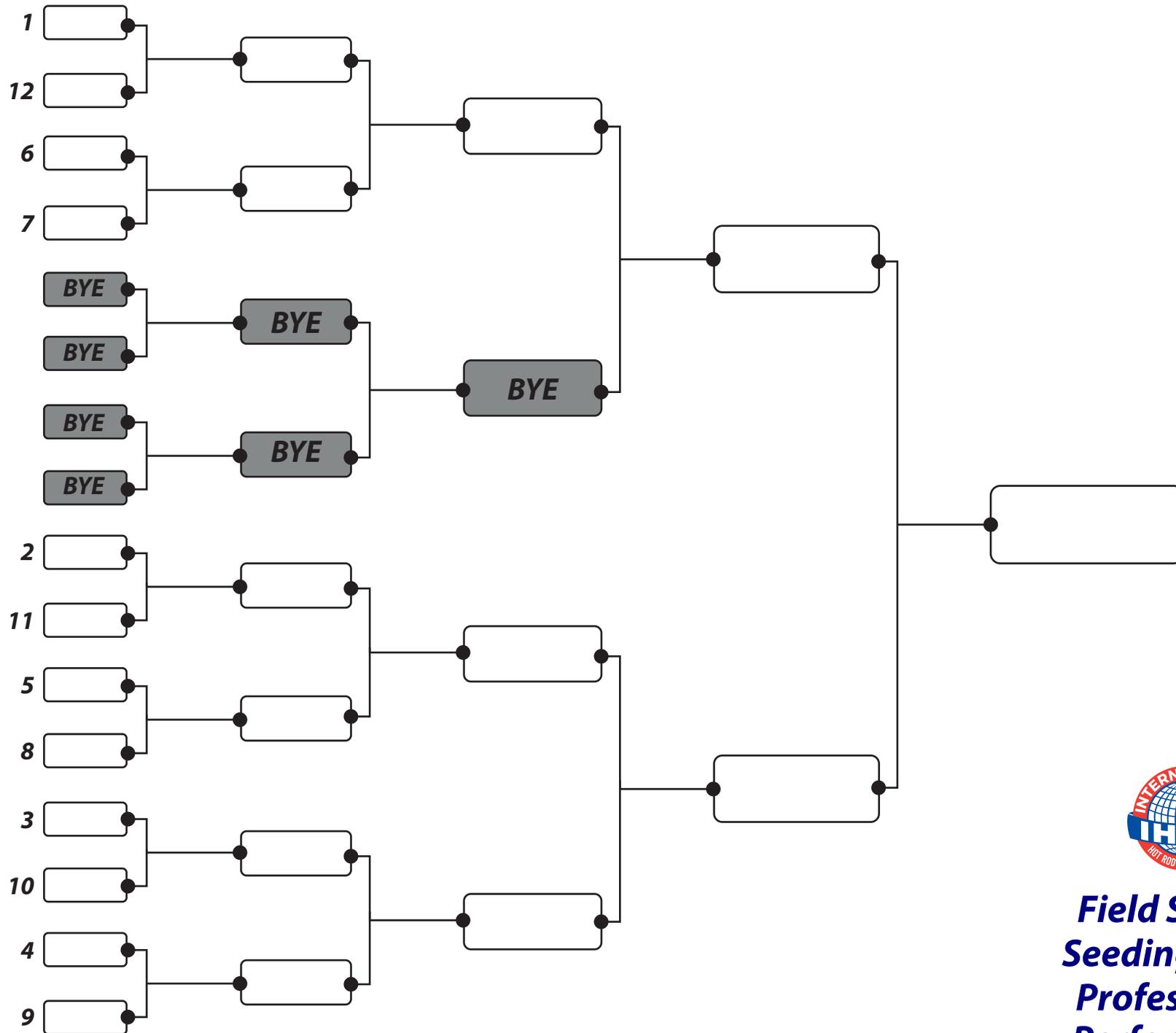
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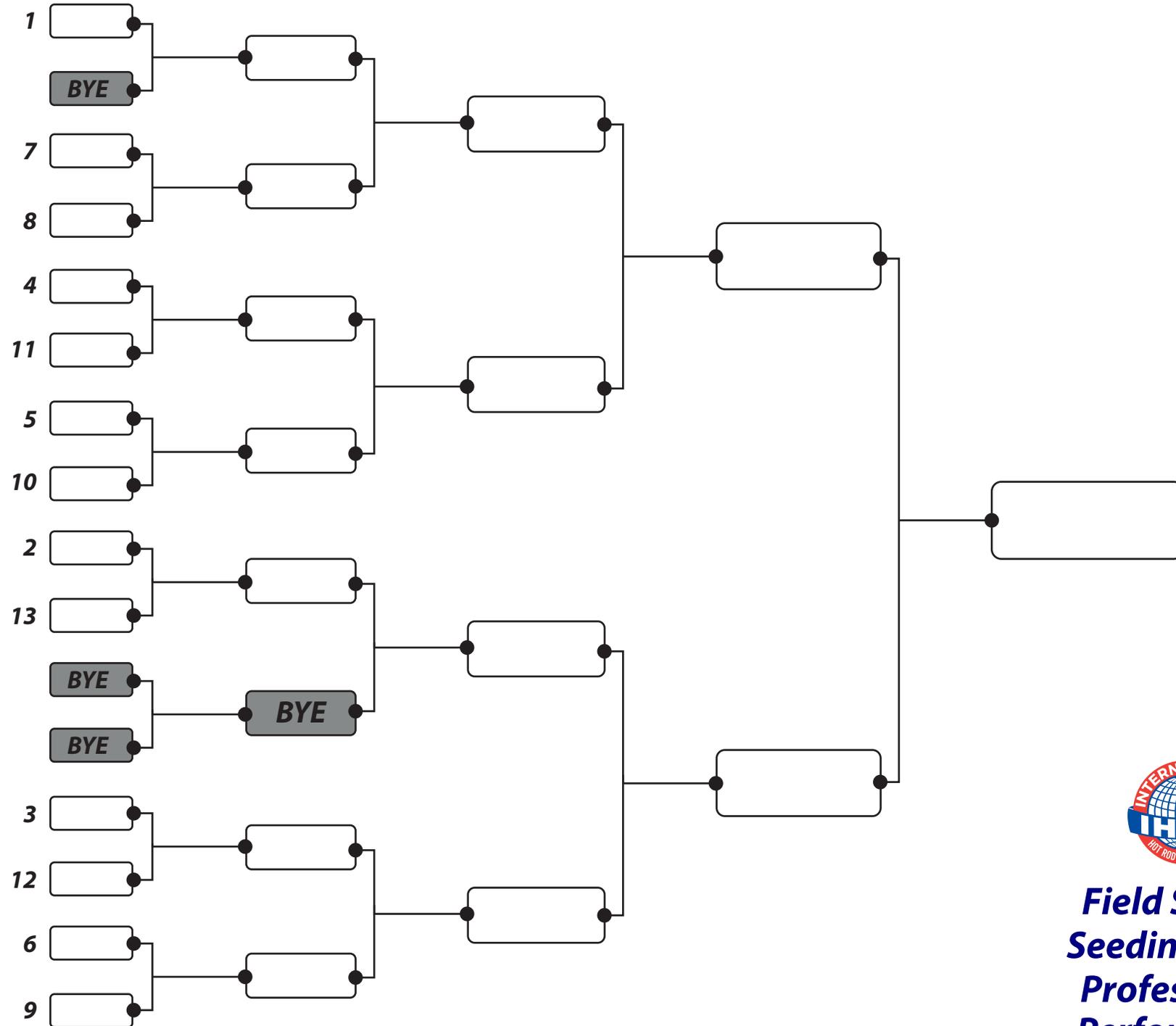
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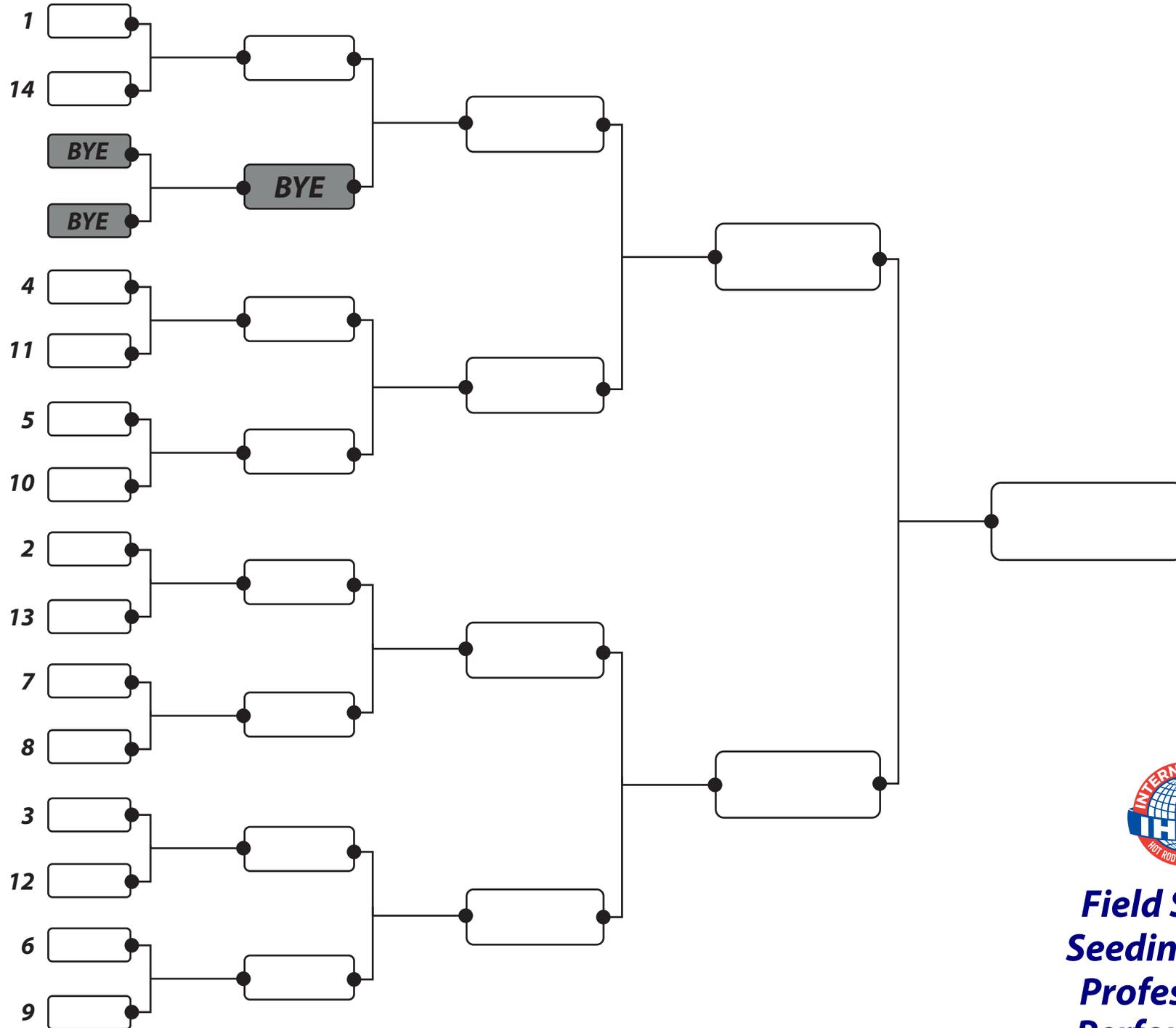
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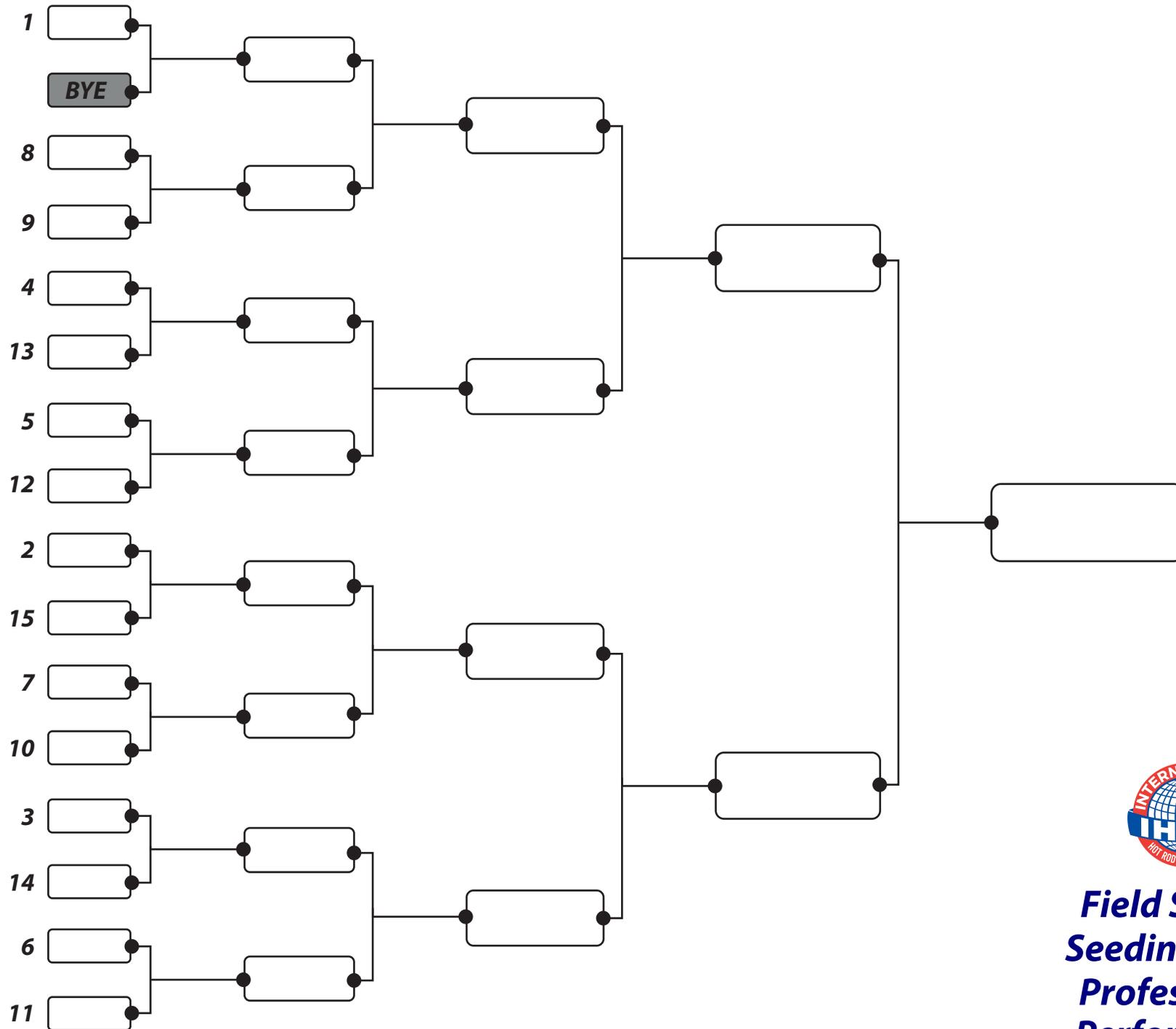
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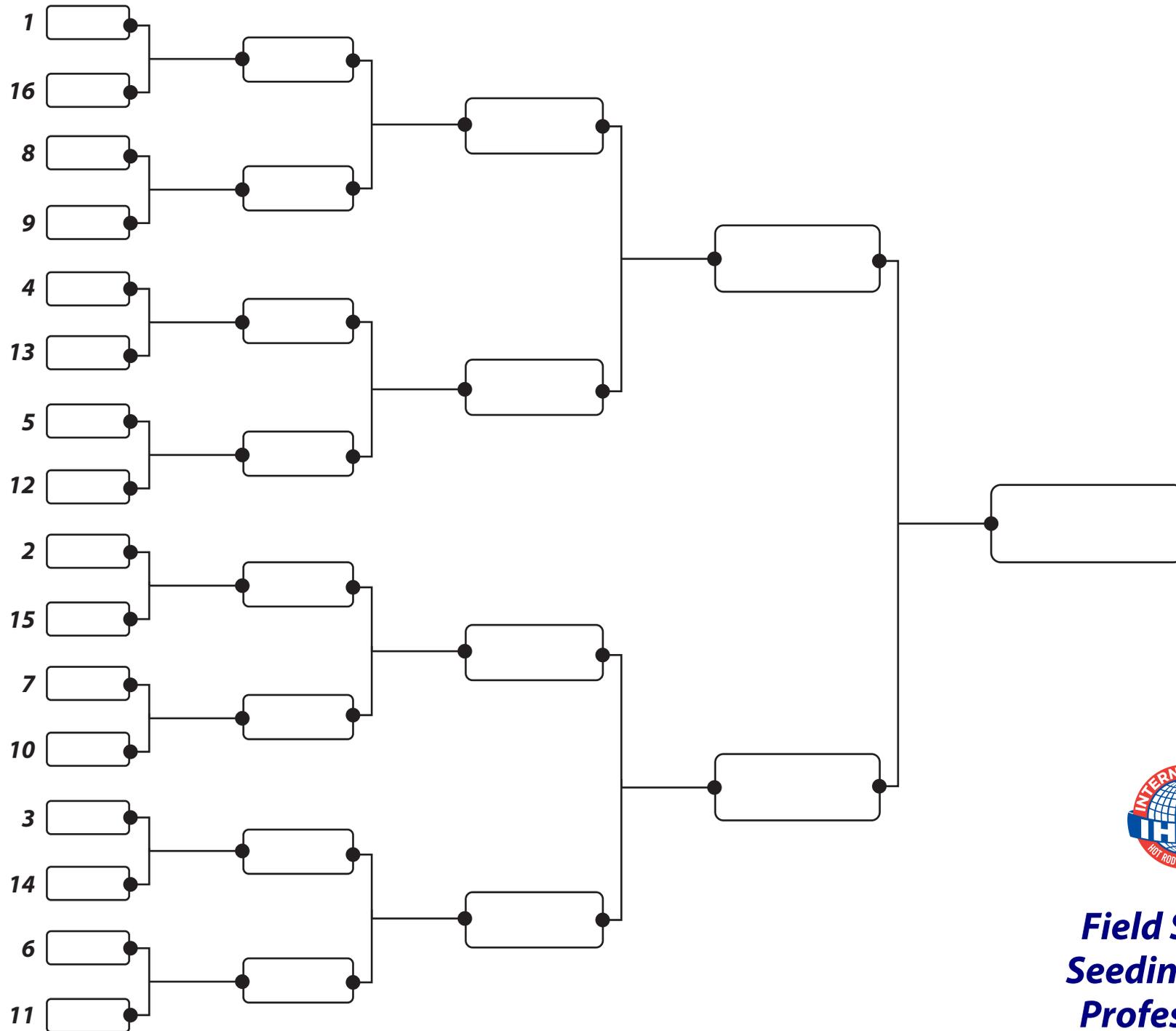
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Compulsory Qualifier

Eliminations

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Final

ET 1

Decides
1st and 2nd
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ET 2

Consolation
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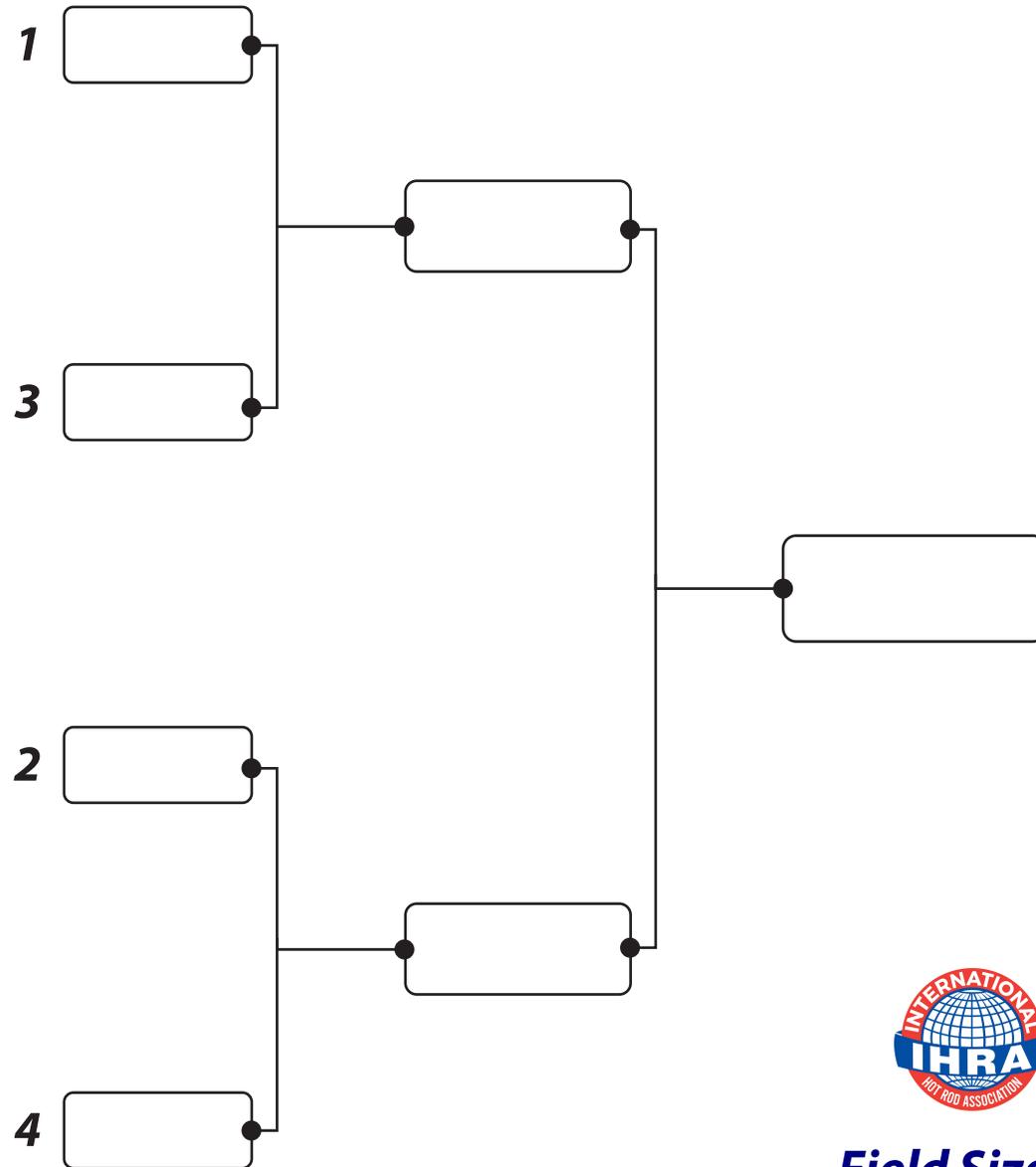
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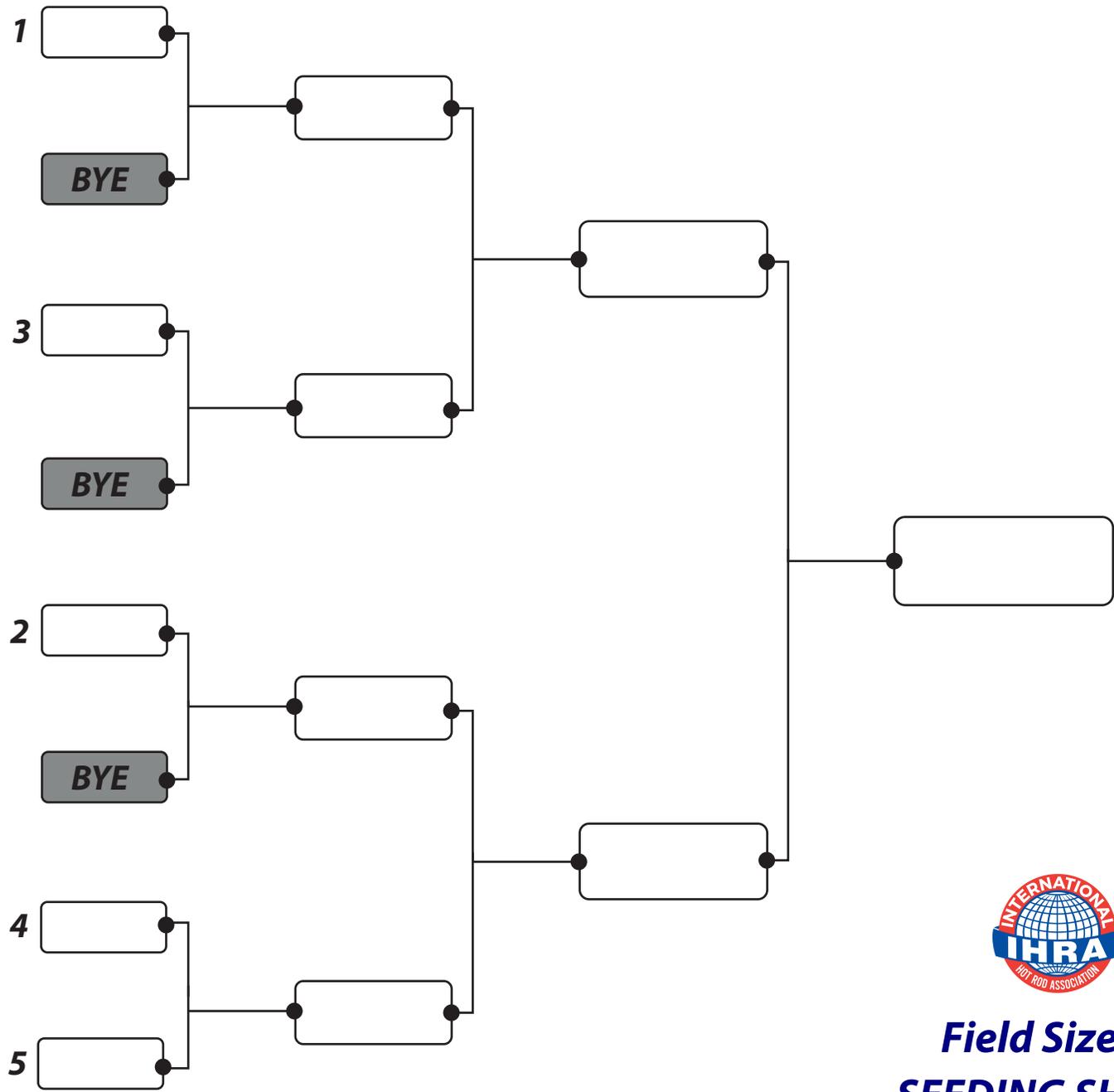
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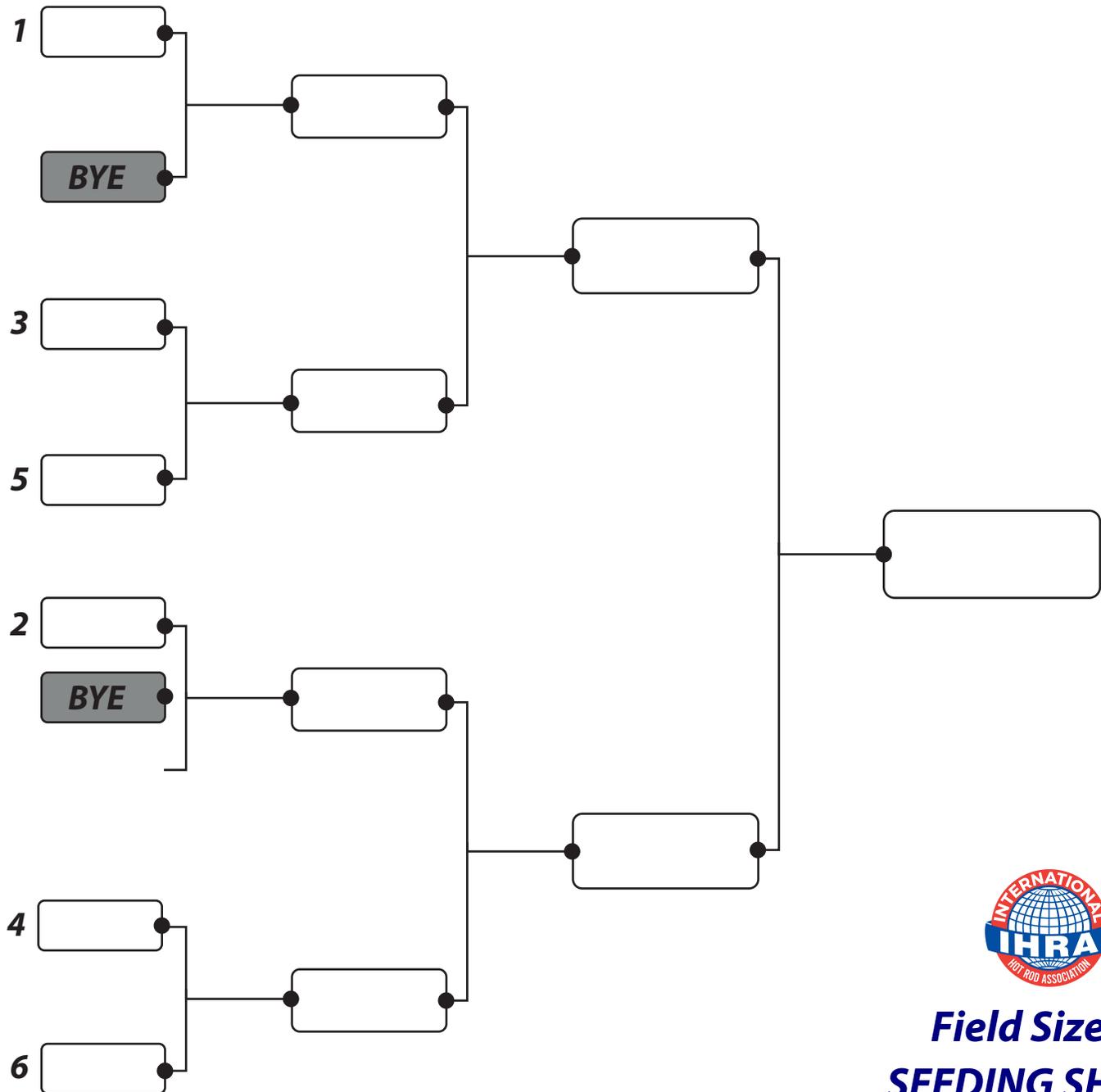
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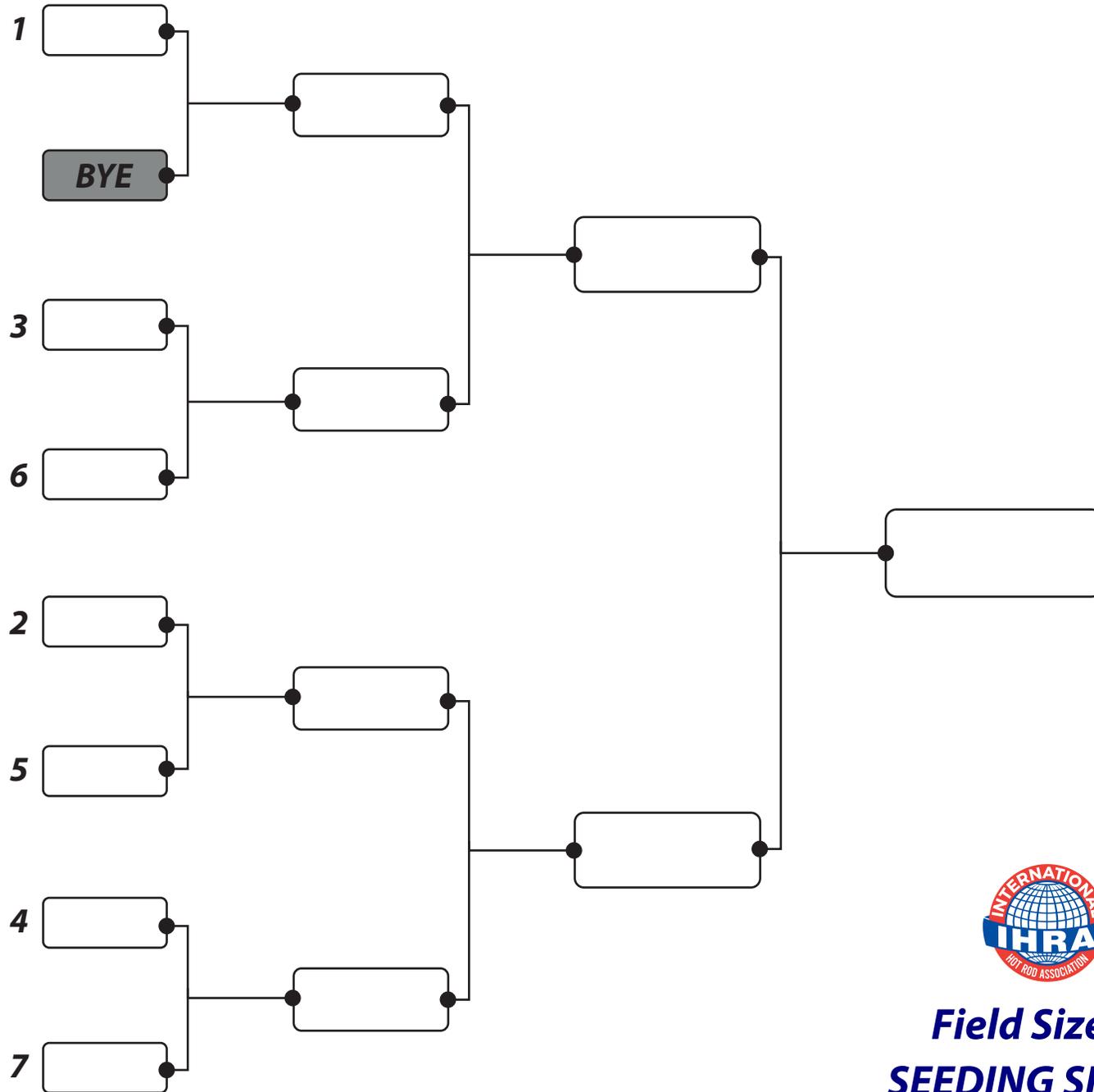
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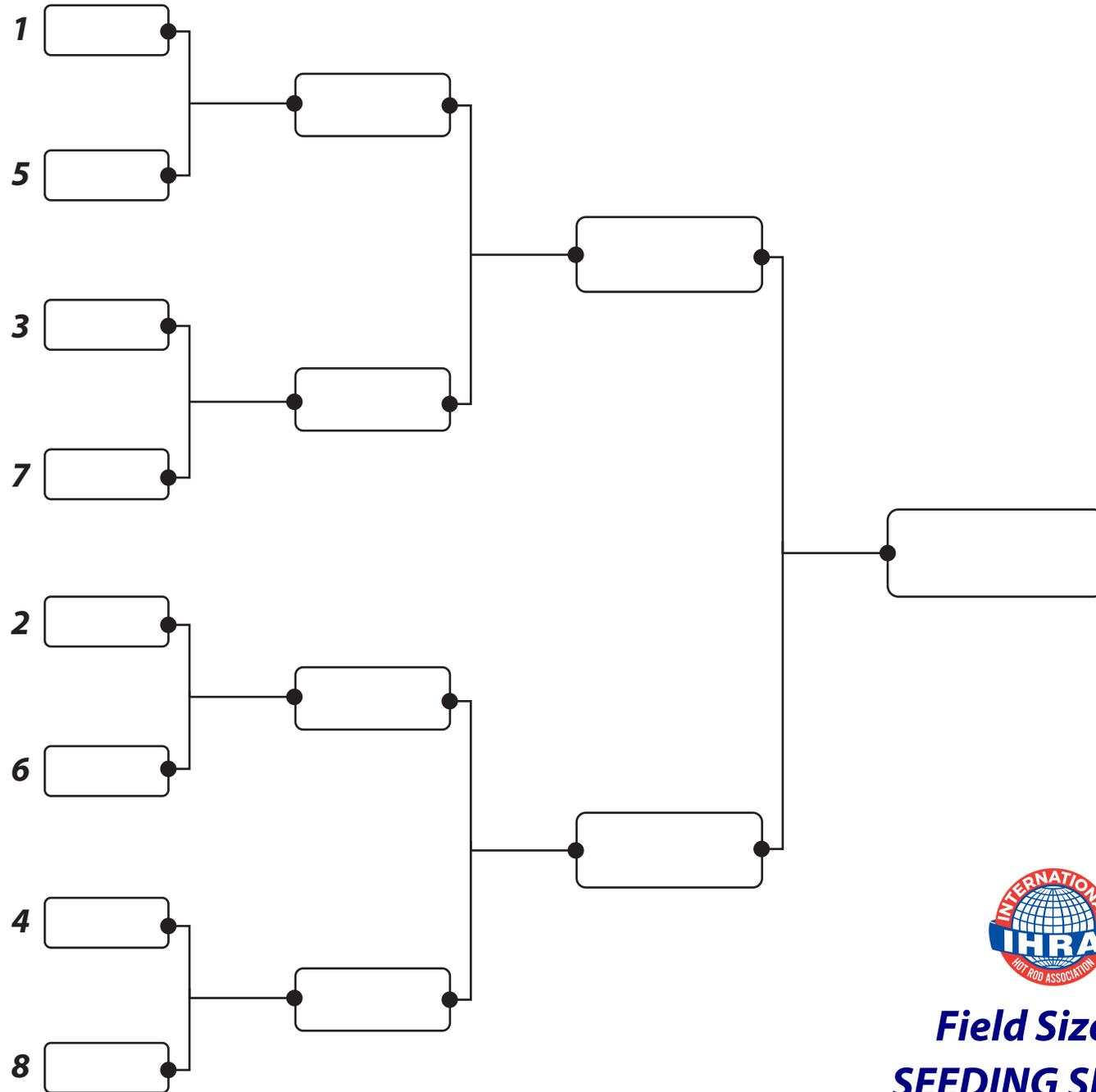
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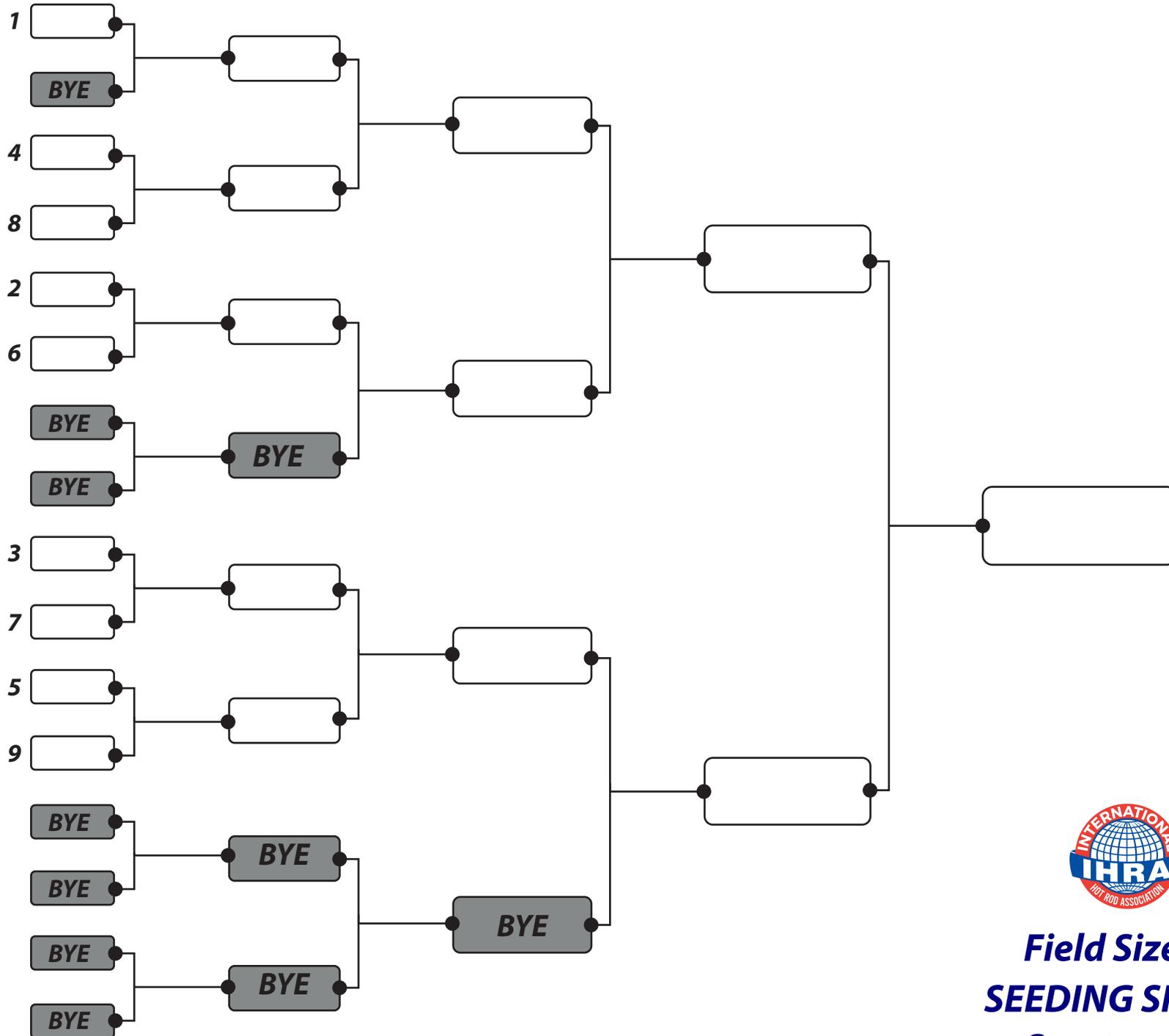
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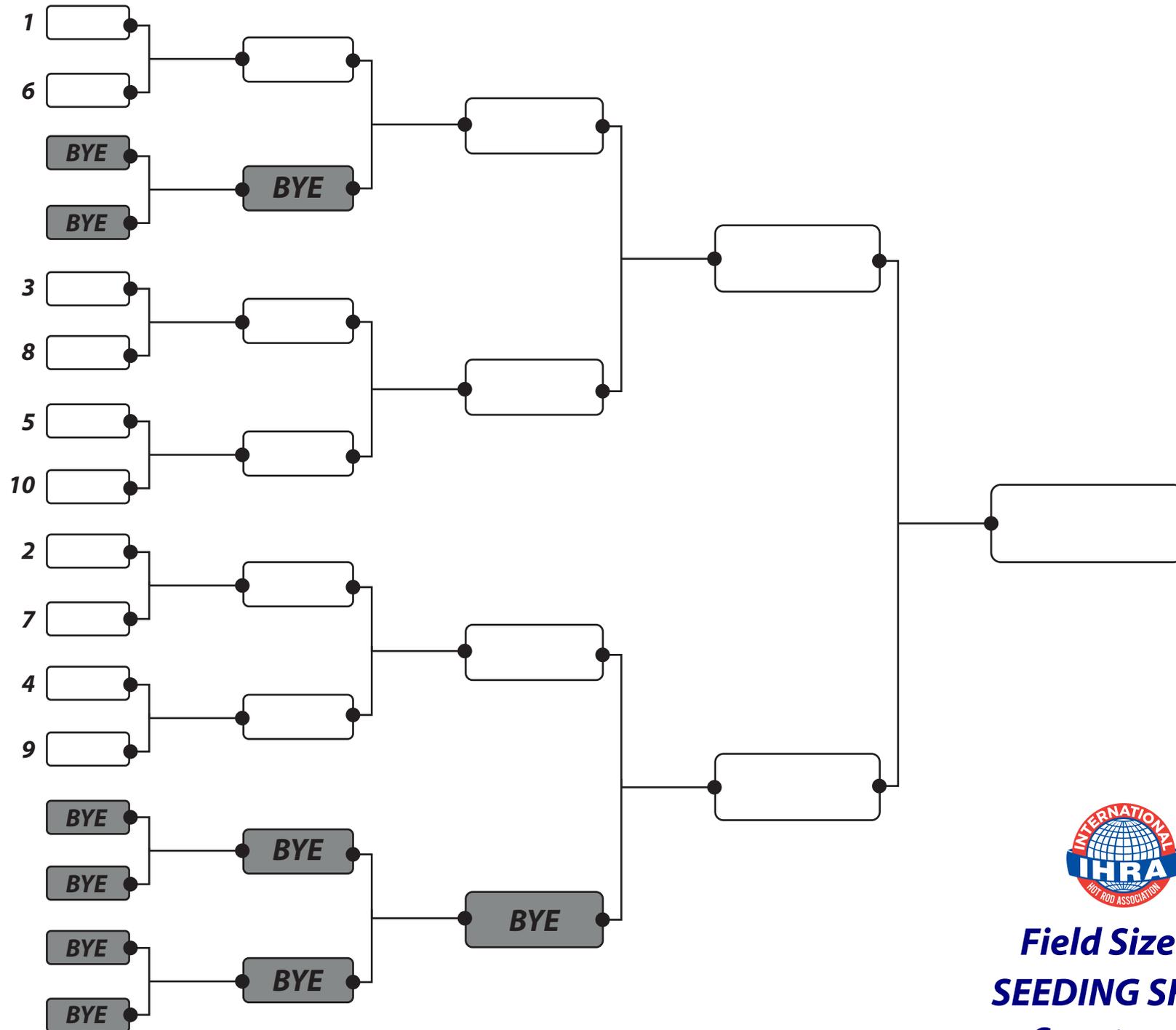
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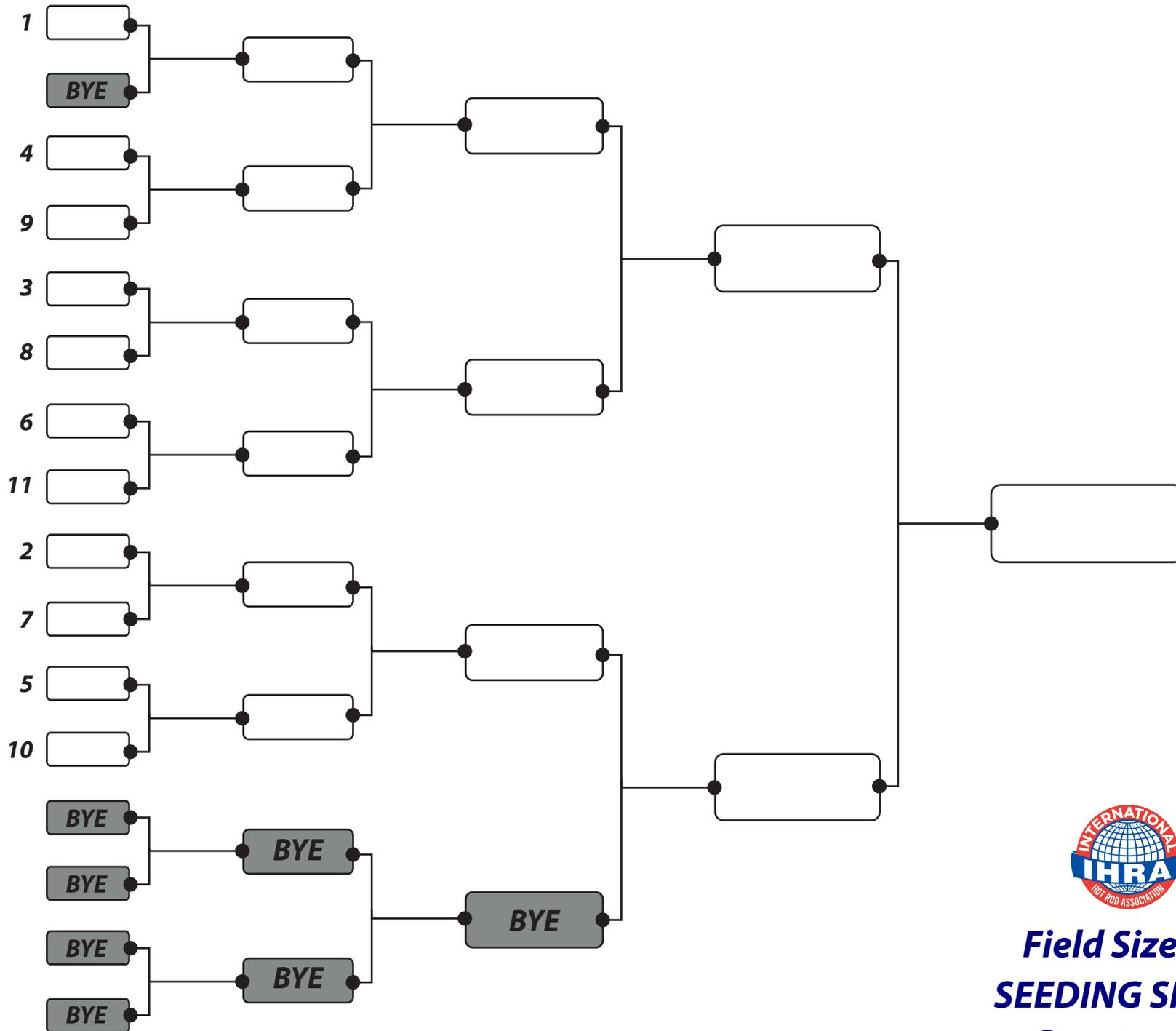
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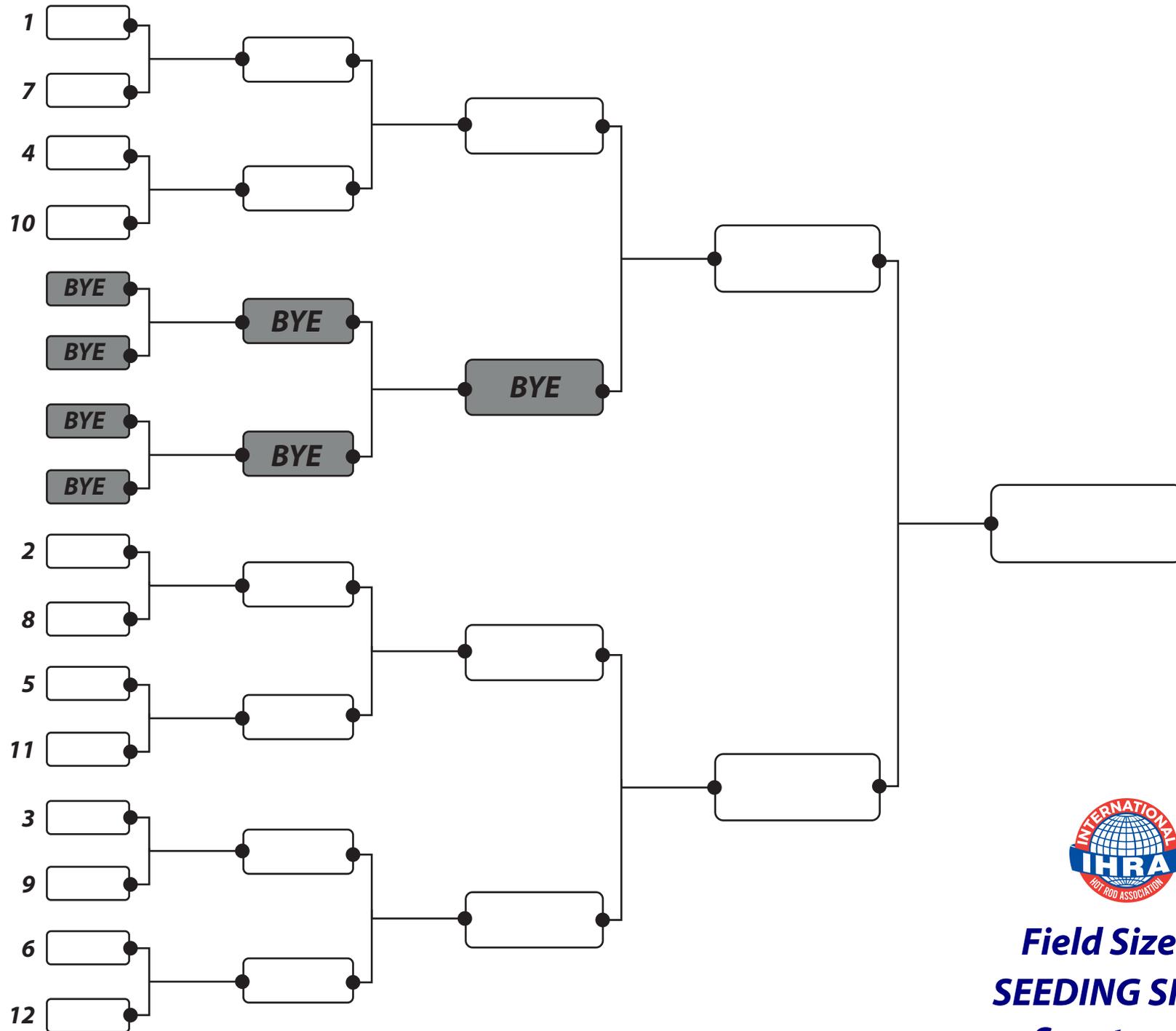
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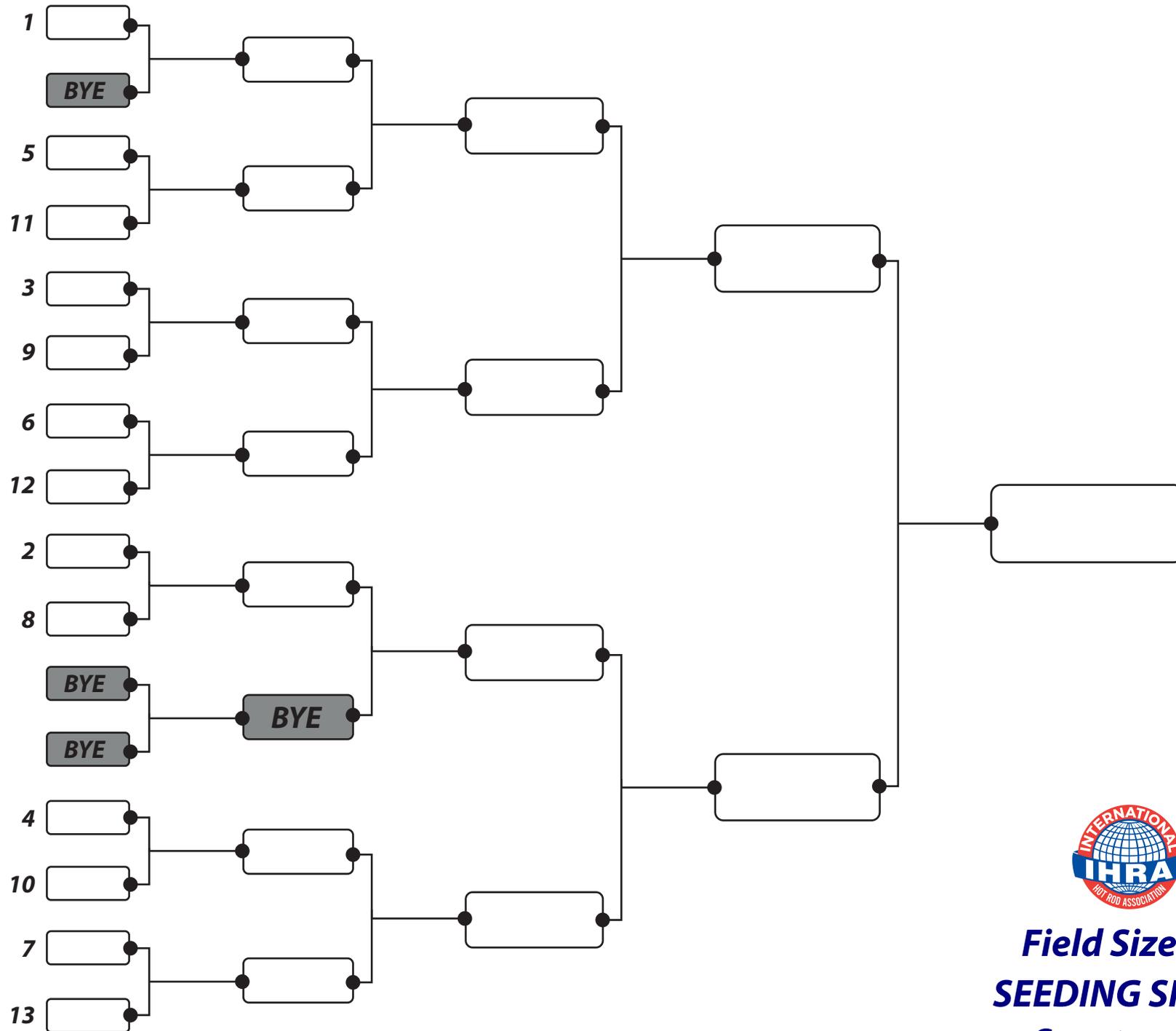
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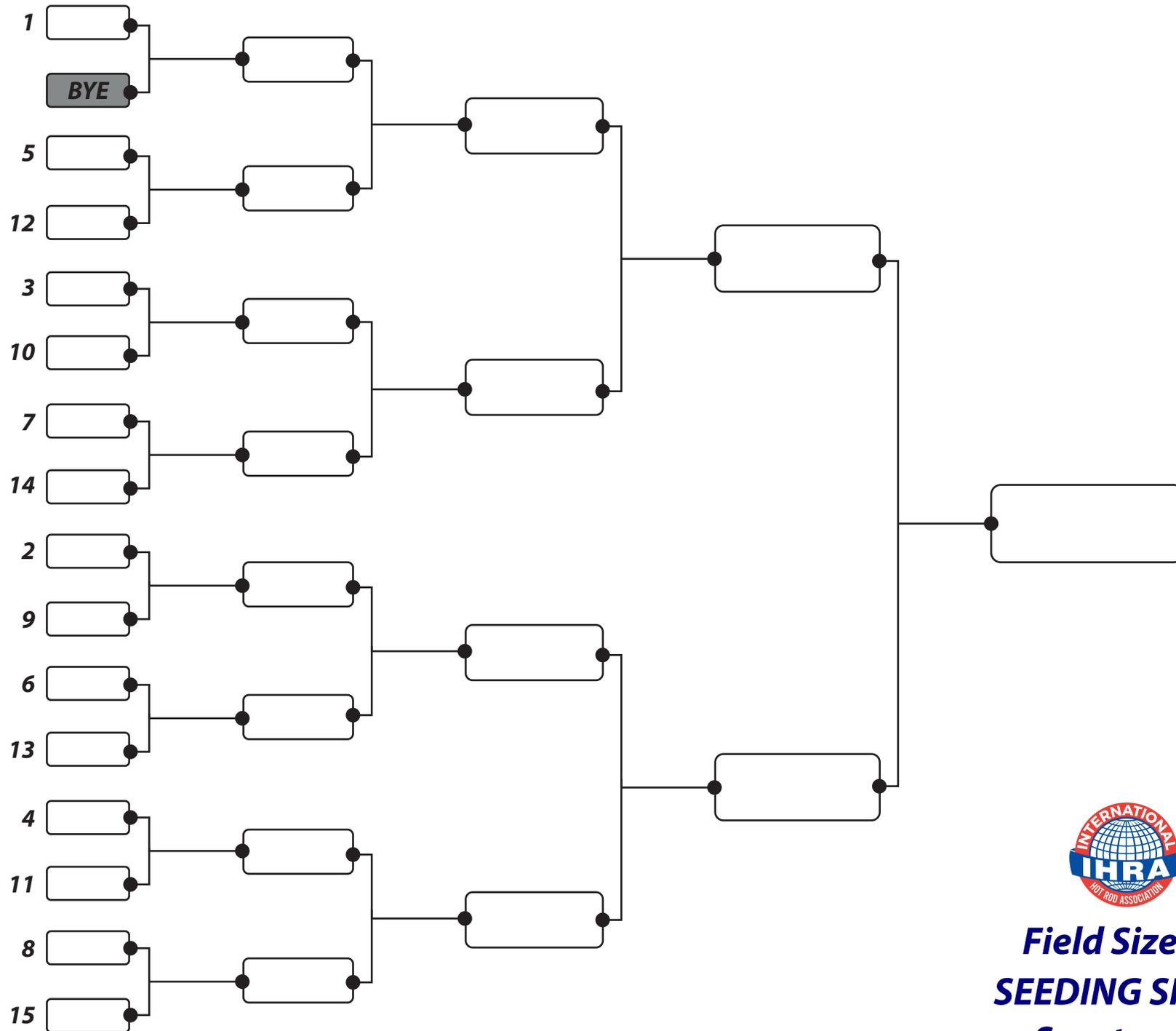
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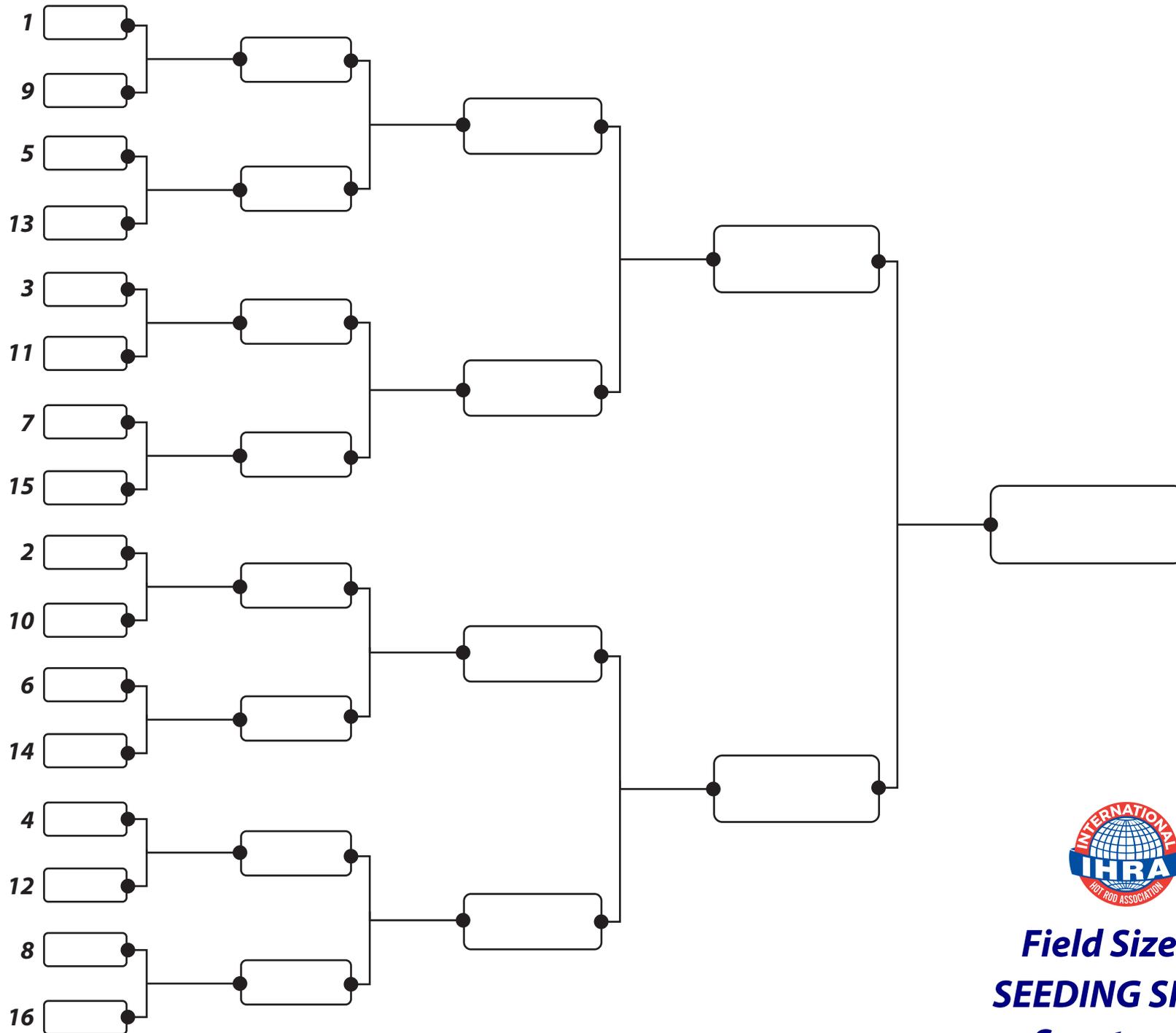
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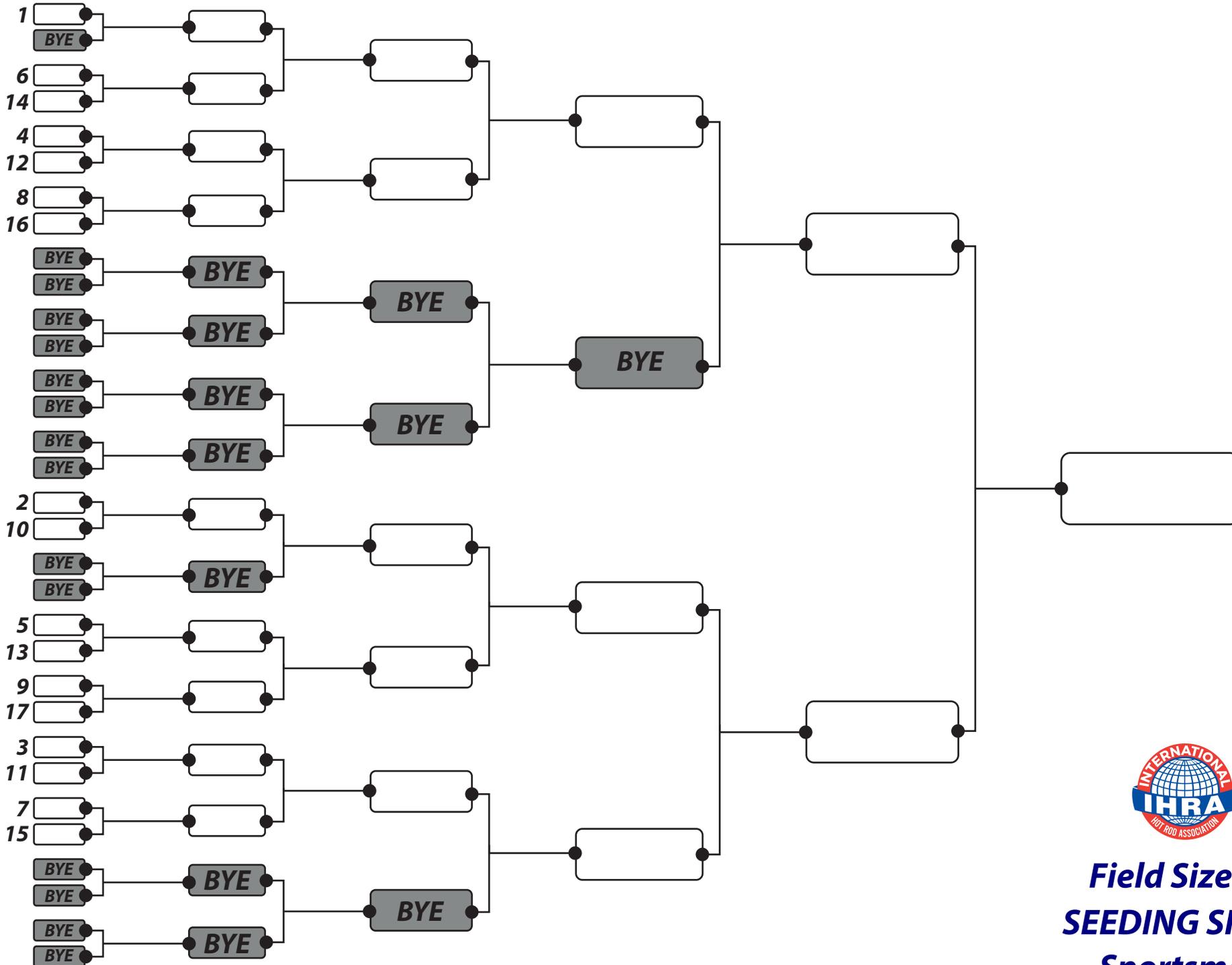
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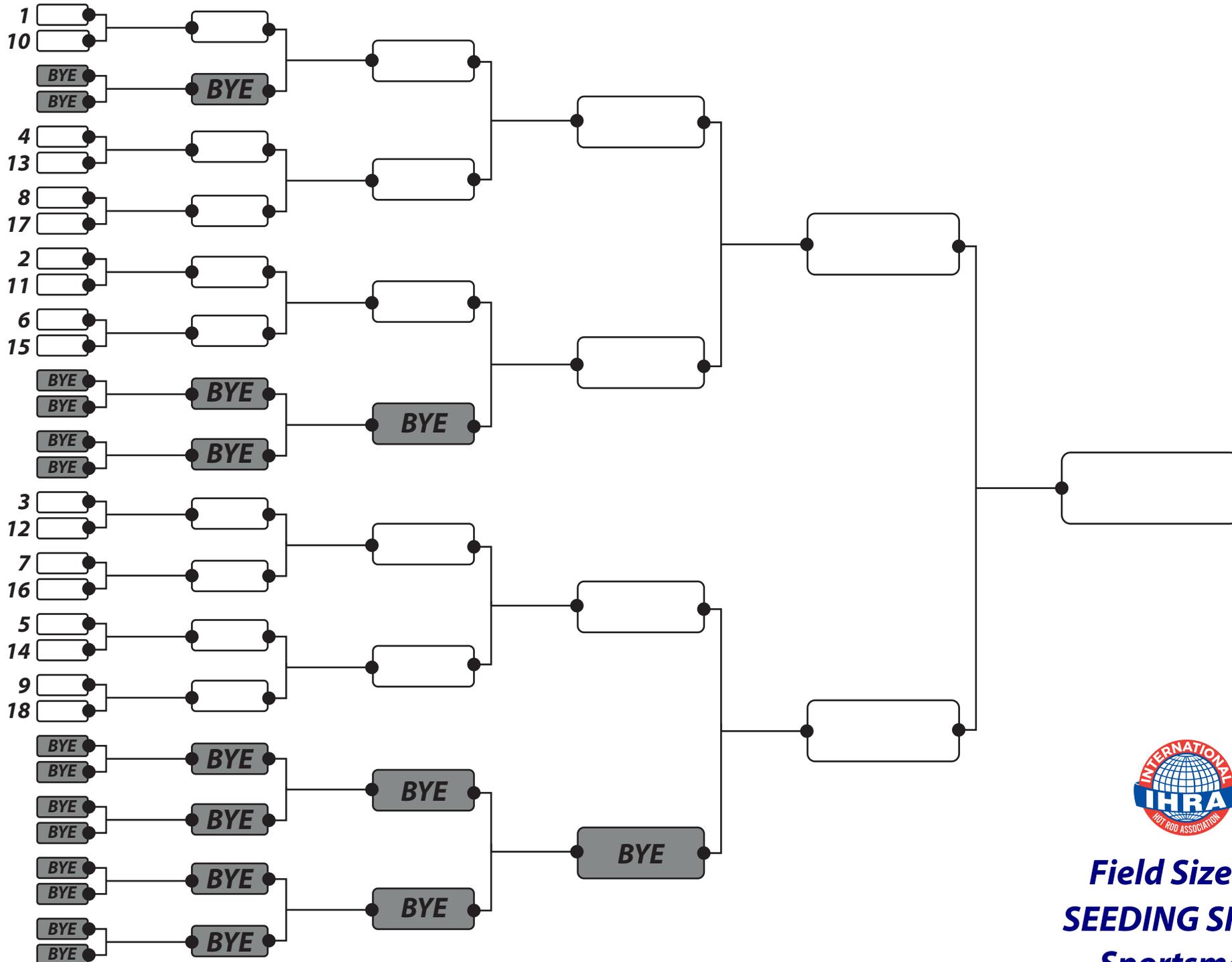
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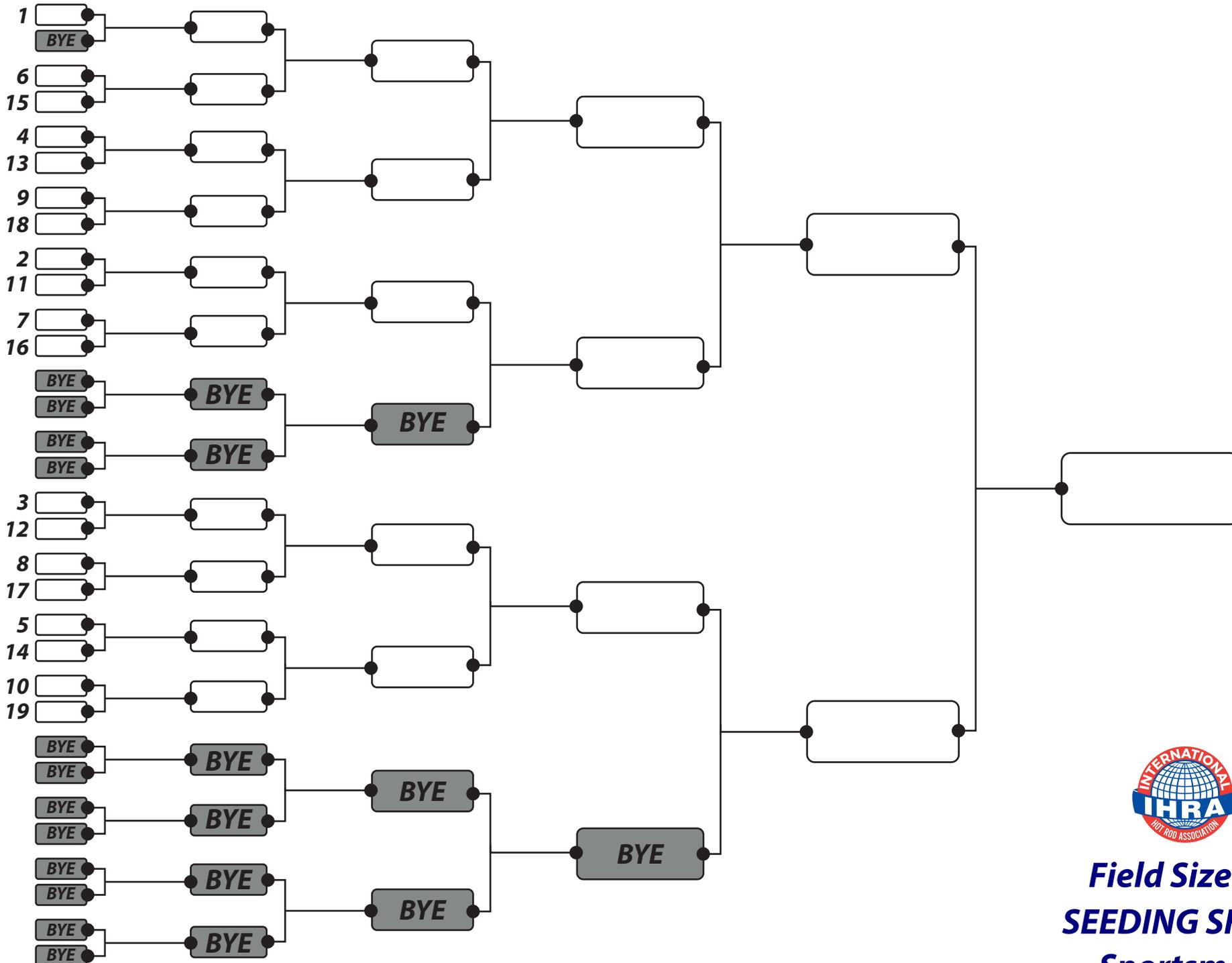
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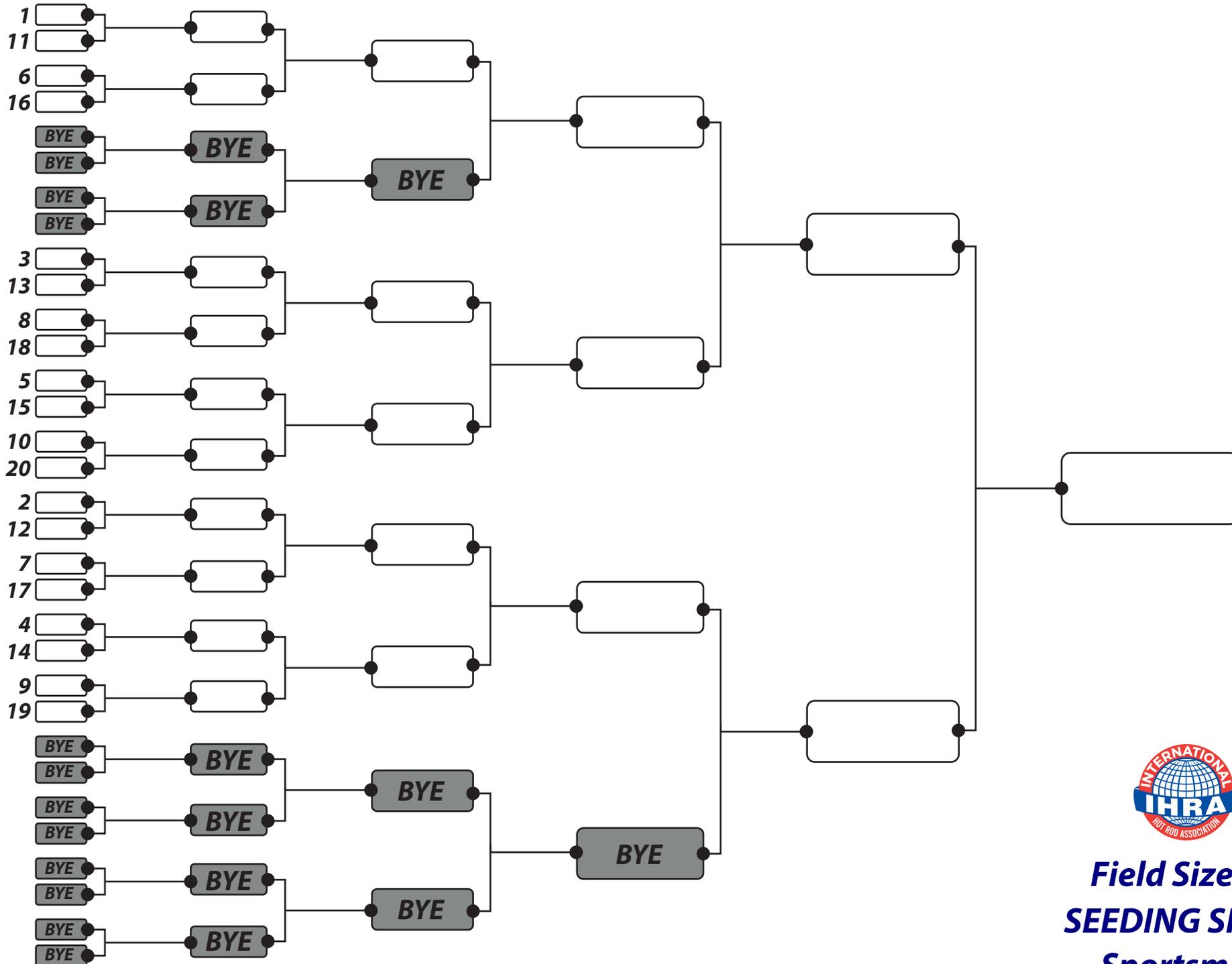
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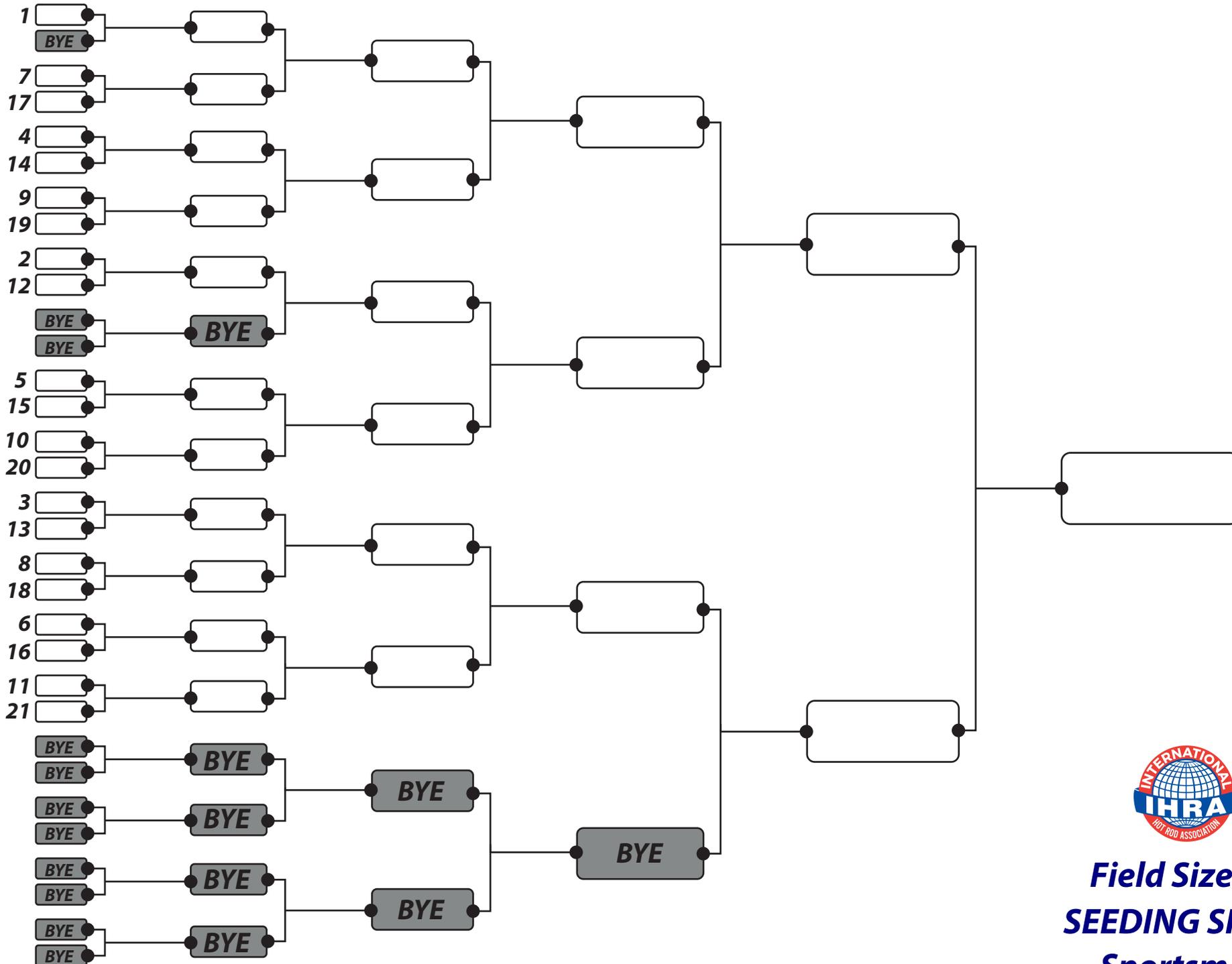
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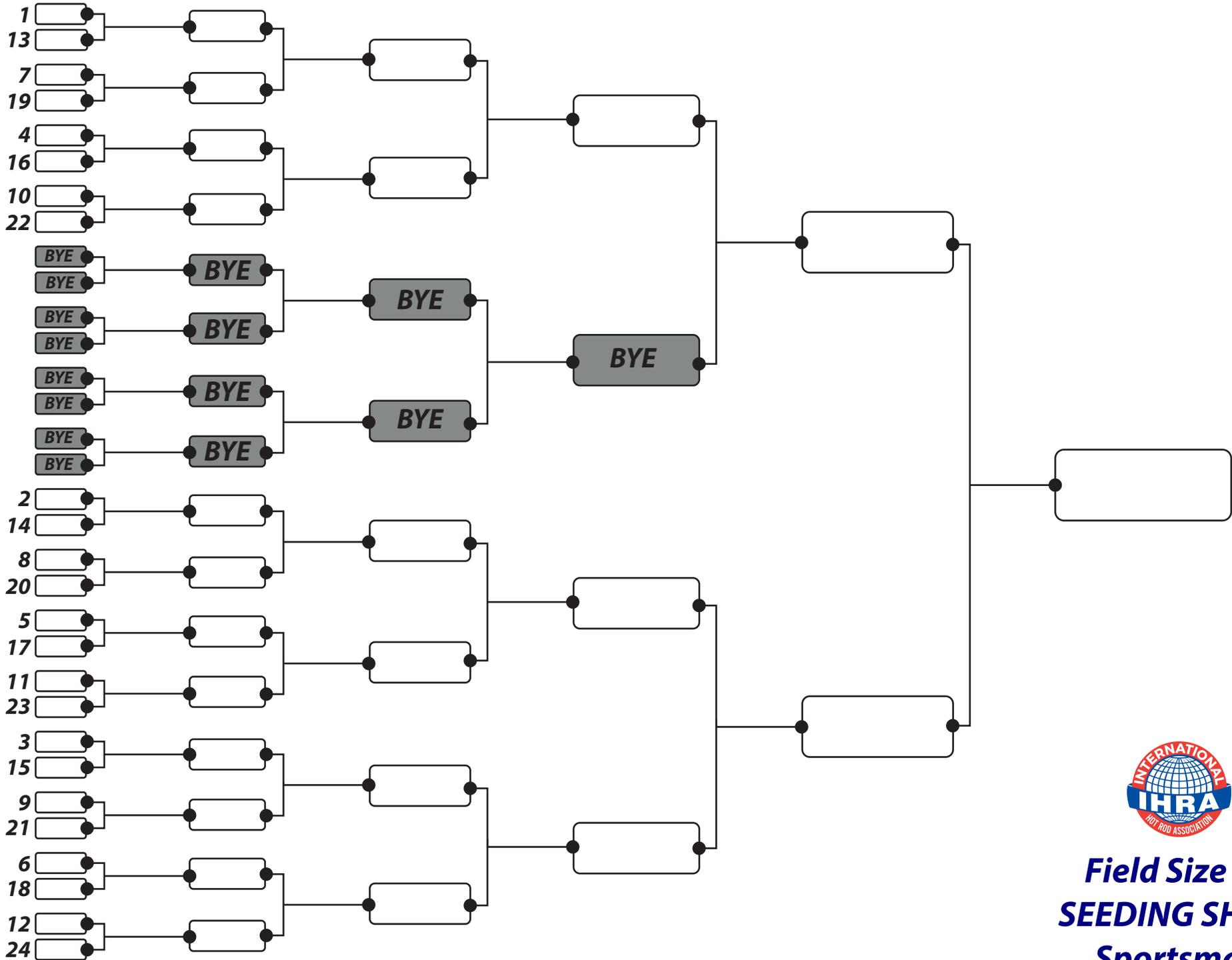
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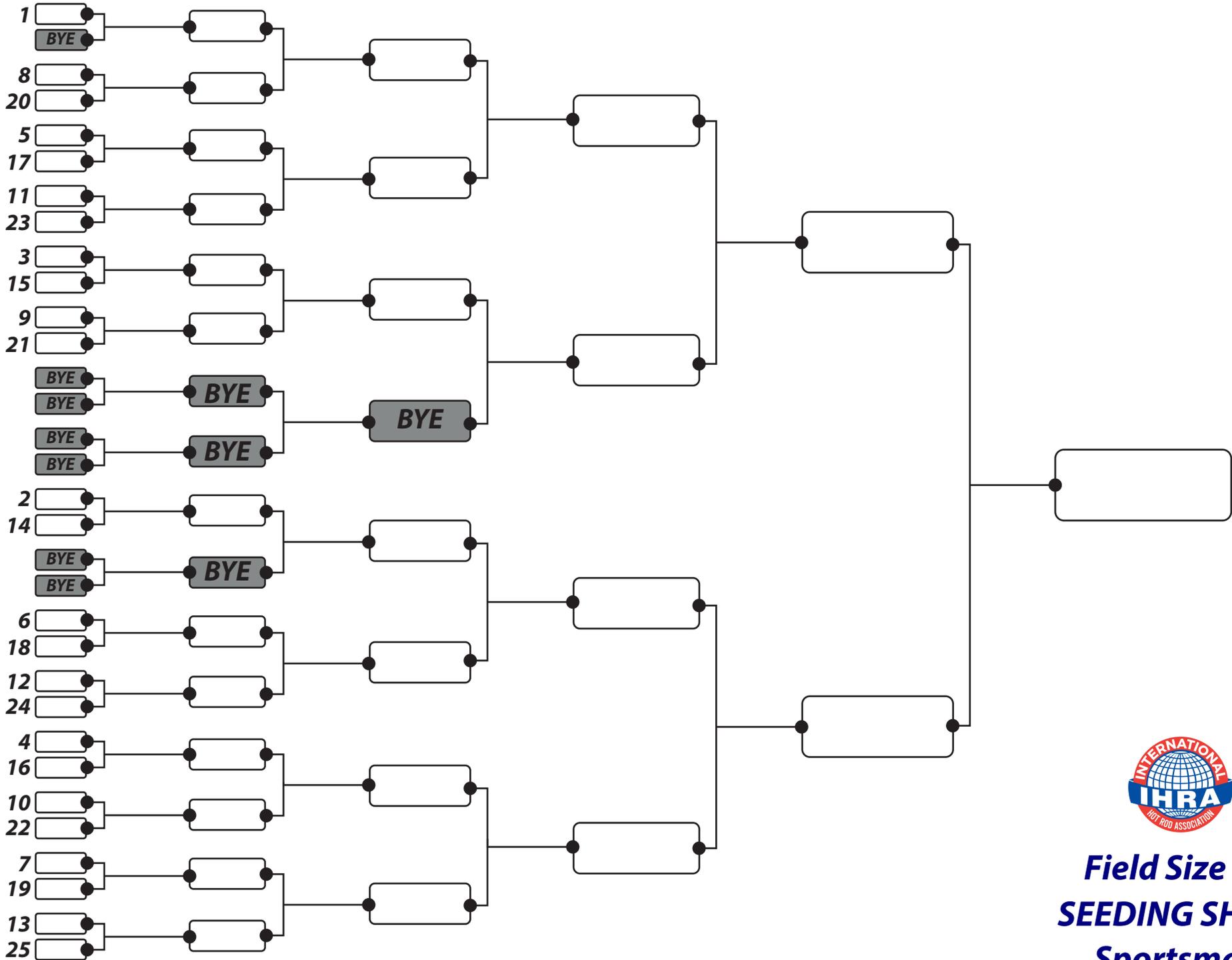
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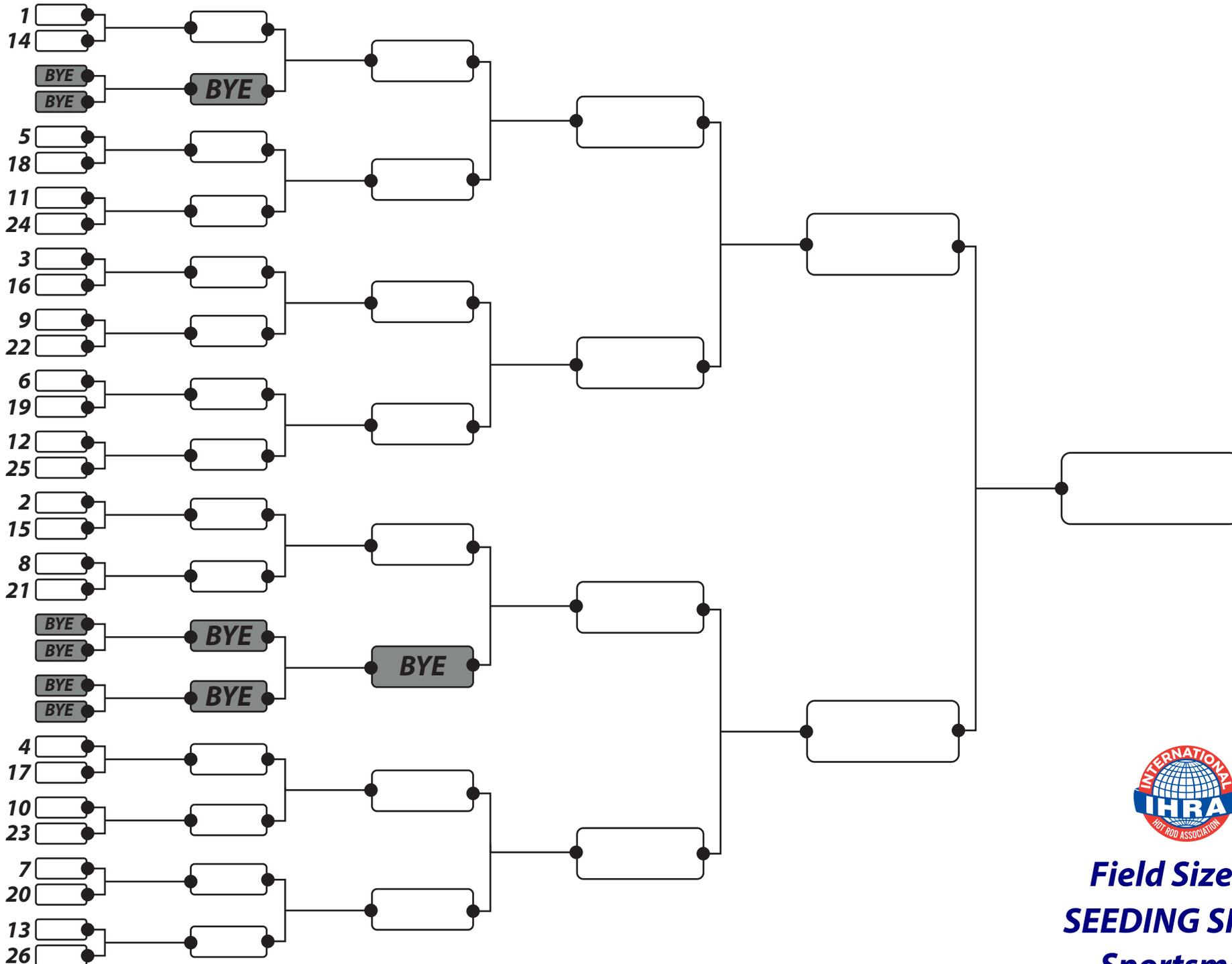
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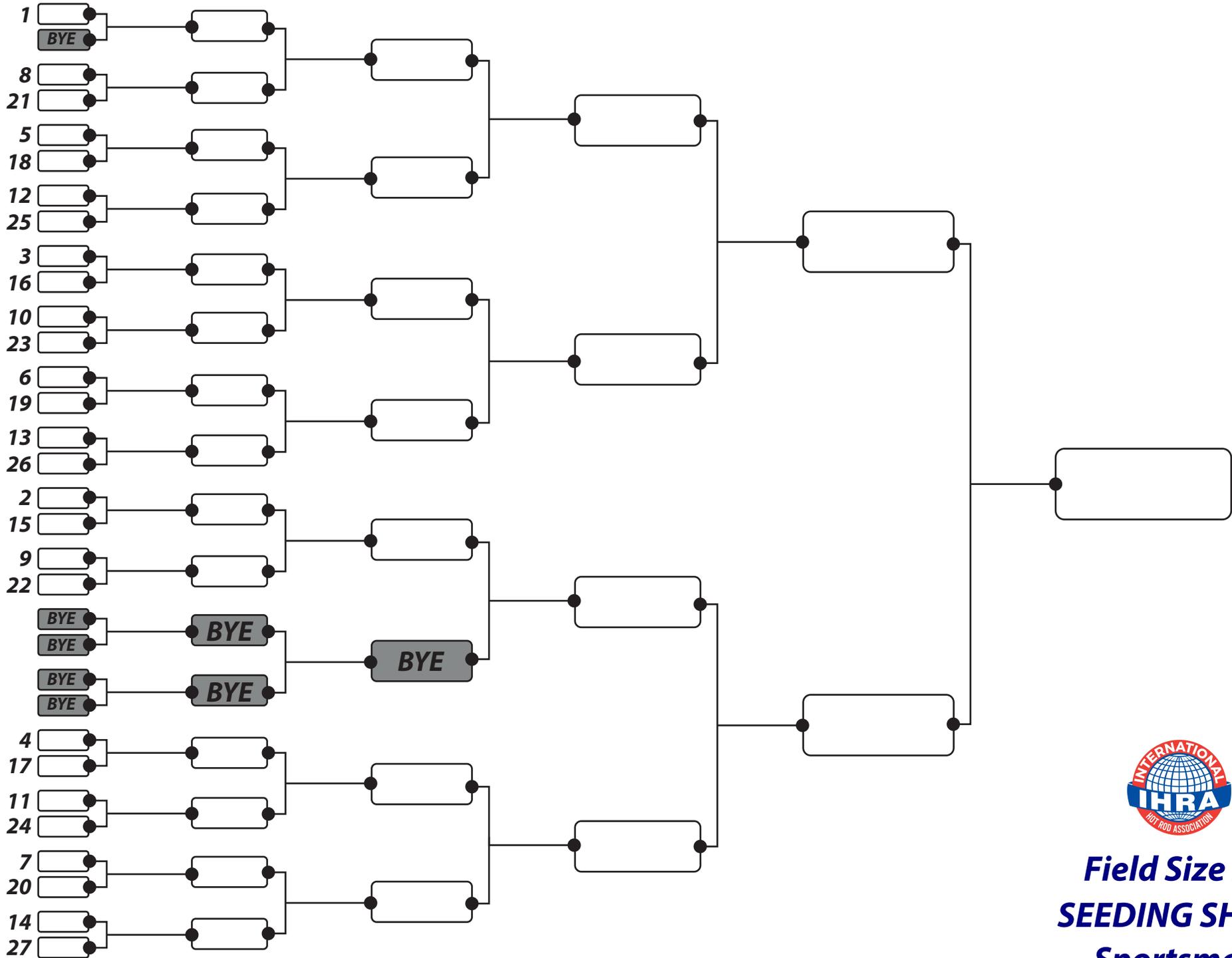
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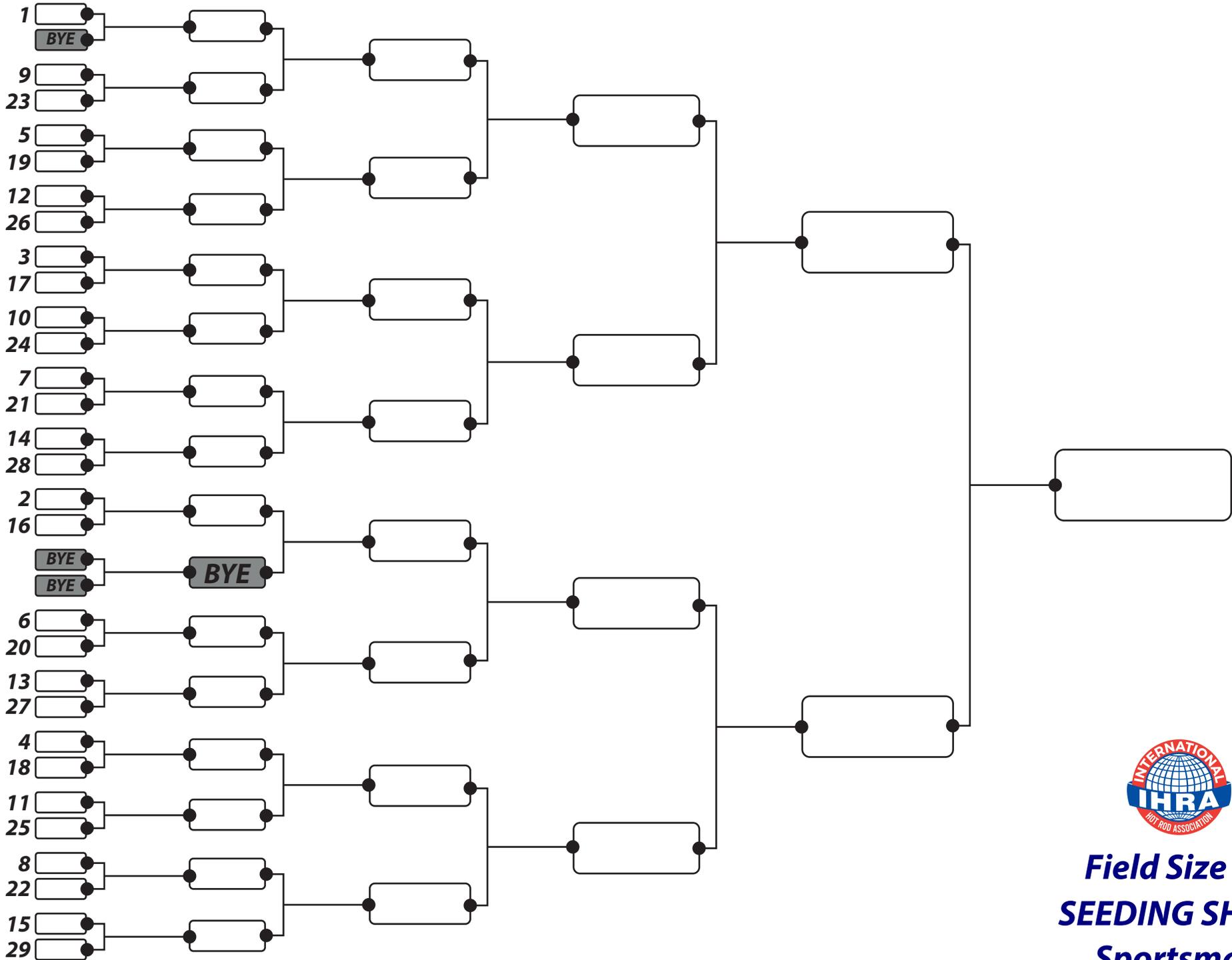
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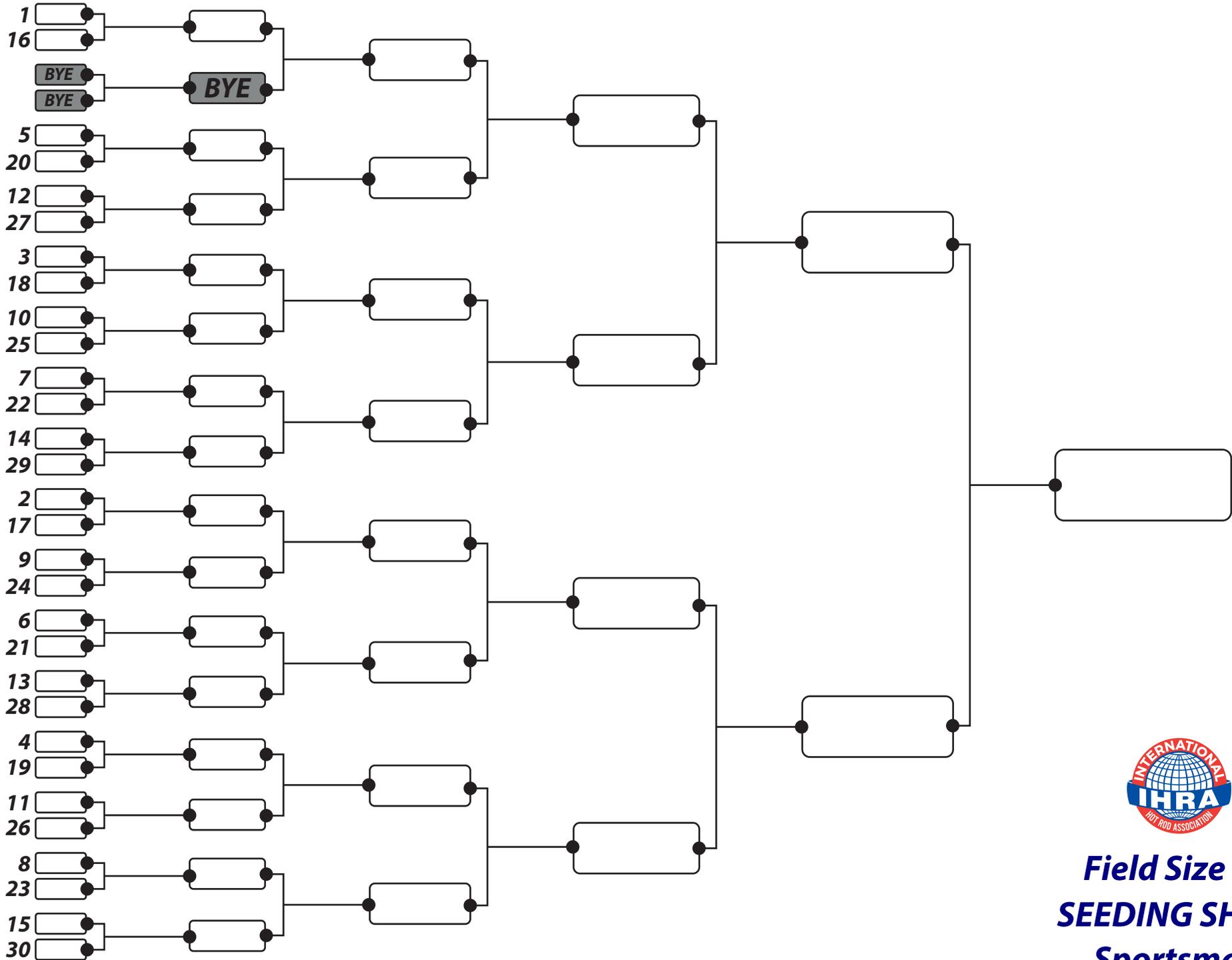
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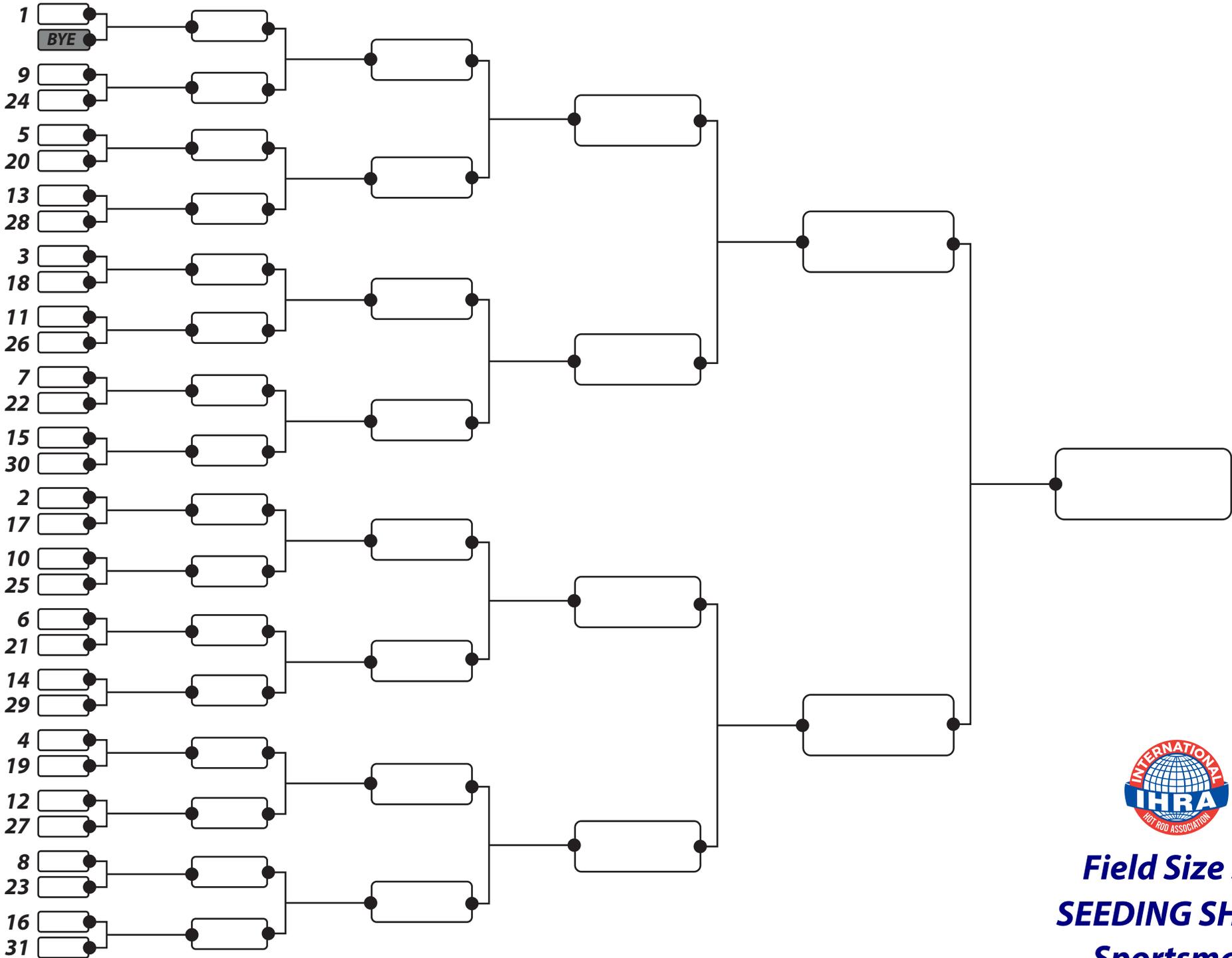
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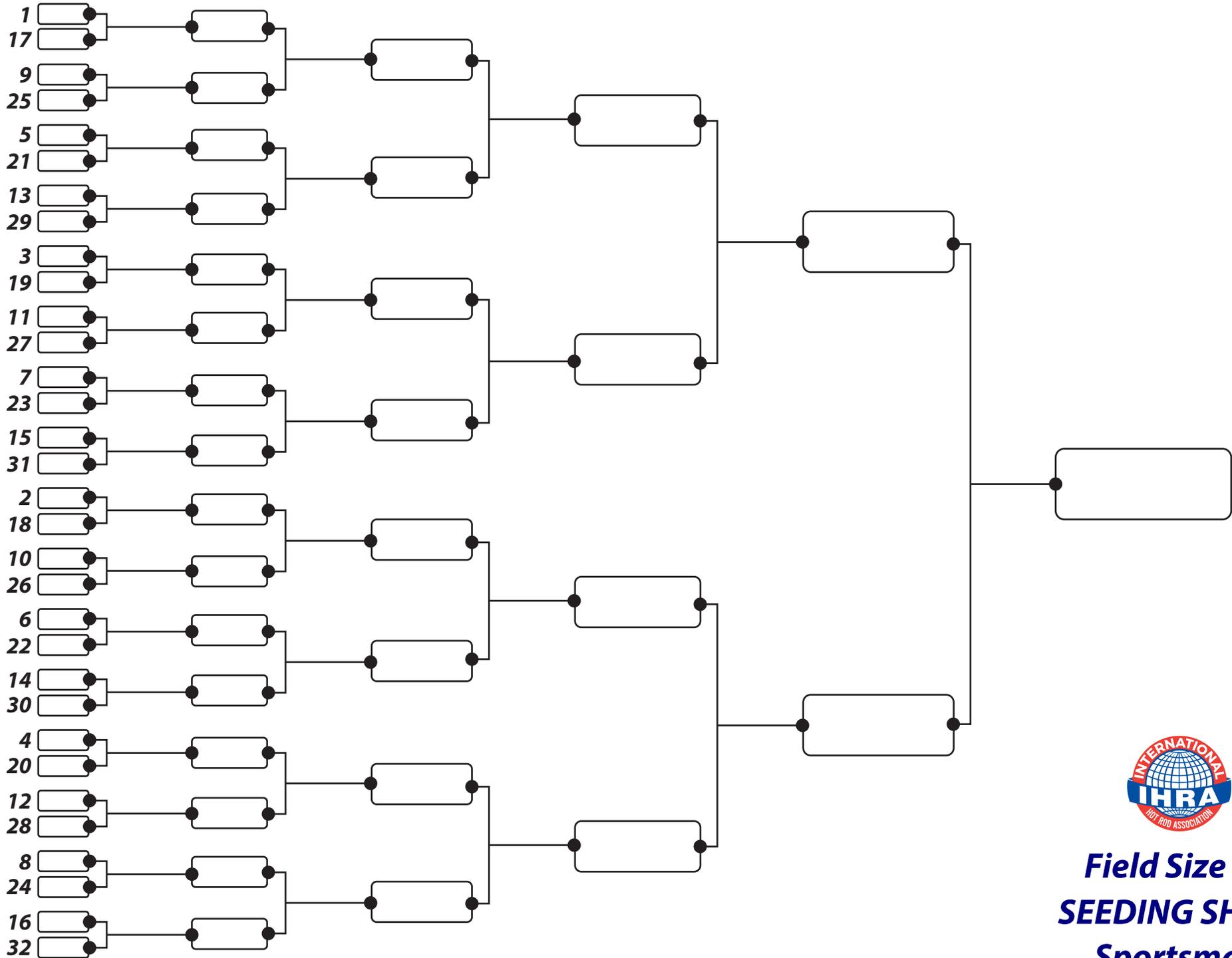
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IHRA AUSTRALIA SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

INTRODUCTION

Social Media plays a significant role in the professional and personal lives of those involved in Australian motorsports. It offers powerful tools to connect with fans, share content, and build community around Drag Racing.

IHRA Australia recognises the value of Social Media in promoting the sport and strengthening relationships with racers, officials, sponsors, and fans. This policy sets the standard for responsible online engagement across all motorsports sectors, with IHRA Australia leading by example.

PURPOSE

This policy promotes the responsible use of Social Media to protect the reputation of IHRA Australia. It ensures that online content referencing IHRA Australia, racing events, competitors, officials, or administrators reflects the values of professionalism, respect, and integrity.

SCOPE

This policy applies to:

- IHRA Australia Sanctioned Facilities
- Officials, Contractors, Sponsors, Competitors, Team Personnel
- NDRC Personnel and Accredited Media Representatives

It covers all forms of Social Media, including but not limited to:

PLATFORM TYPE	EXAMPLES
Social/Business Networking	Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter
Content Sharing	YouTube, Flickr
Forums & Blogs	Reddit, Motorsport Boards, Personal Blogs
Review & Voting Sites	Google Reviews, Polls, Fan Voting Platforms
Collaborative Platforms	Wikipedia, Discord, Slack

Any online activity that may impact IHRA Australia or the motorsports community is subject to this policy.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- The internet is not anonymous—assume all posts are traceable.
- Personal and professional boundaries are blurred online.
- Respect IHRA Australia’s brand, intellectual property, and stakeholder relationships.
- Uphold values of respect, integrity, inclusiveness, excellence, and safety.



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SPECIFIC USAGE GUIDELINES

When engaging in Social Media as an IHRA Australia representative or affiliate:

Do:

- Be professional and family-friendly in tone and content
- Clearly state that personal opinions do not represent IHRA Australia
- Respect copyright and privacy laws
- Remove content upon request if it involves others without consent
- Correct your own mistakes promptly

Don't:

- Use offensive, discriminatory, or bullying language
- Post confidential or sensitive information about IHRA Australia or events
- Share images or videos without proper consent
- Use IHRA Australia branding to endorse products, causes, or political views
- Engage in online arguments or antagonistic behaviour

CONSIDERATION TOWARDS OTHERS

- Always seek consent before posting photos or videos from IHRA Australia events.
- Avoid sharing content that could breach the Privacy Act or copyright laws.
- Respect requests to remove content involving others.

™ BRANDING and INTELLECTUAL

IHRA Australia trademarks (logos, branding elements) must not be used in personal Social Media unless incidental and respectful. All usage must comply with the IHRA Australia Media Accreditation Agreement.

ACCREDITED MEDIA & TEAM REPRESENTATIVES

IHRA Australia will appoint a communications lead to oversee official content. All media representatives must:

- Ensure posts are positive, accurate, and family-friendly
- Treat all posts as public commentary
- Avoid disclosing personal or sensitive information
- Refrain from misleading or defamatory statements
- Respect copyright and fair use standards

IHRA Australia reserves the right to monitor and moderate posts across its platforms.



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BREACH of POLICY

Violations may result in disciplinary action under the IHRA Australia Code of Conduct, including:

- Verbal or written warnings
- Suspension or cancellation of competition privileges
- Fines or bans from venues and events

SOCIAL MEDIA TIP SHEET

- Think before you post—would you say it live on mic?
- Avoid posting under the influence or when emotionally charged
- Don't engage with trolls or antagonists
- Uphold IHRA Australia's values in every post
- Be the first to correct your own errors
- When in doubt, ask someone you trust



STEWARDS EVENT DUTIES

Scrutineering Shed & IHRA Track Office

- Fuel Checking
- Vehicle Weighing
- Vehicle compliance and classifying
- Issuing Day/Event Licences
- Tribunal Issues
- General IHRA Duties

Staging Lanes

- Pre-race vehicle spot-checking
- Random Breath Testing
- Electronic data inspections – ignitions and logging

Startline

- Oversee startline and staging infringements
- Crew safety and awareness
- Oversee racing infringements

Braking Area and Turnaround

- Post-race spot checking
- Safety and ET/MPH parachute deployment
- Electronic data inspections – ignitions and logging

Pits

- Spot safety checks
- Technical compliance issues
- Random Breath Testing



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IHRA AUSTRALIA STEWARDS STANDING ORDERS

OVERVIEW

All stewards of IHRA Australia are expected to observe the highest possible standards of behavior, ethics and integrity as a condition of their appointment.

CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT

- A Trainee Steward may only be appointed by IHRA Australia after completing a Stewards Level 2 Test.
- Once completing Stewards Level 2 Test. He or She will be assessed by the IHRA Technical Director and IHRA Australia Head Office.
- Trainee Stewards will undergo training by appointed Tracks Chief Steward.
- After officiating at a minimum generally six months at National level or higher at their home track, or a period of discretion of the Chief Steward and successfully completing the Stewards Level 3 assessment test within 12 months.
- A Chief Steward may be appointed by another Chief Steward and IHRA Australia Head Office.
- Seniority of the Stewards will be determined by the Tracks Chief Steward / IHRA Australia Head Office, so that an Acting Chief Steward is available where required.
- Stewards may be required to attend Tribunals regarding any explanations of incidents, procedures or interpretations.

AUTHORITY

- The Chief Steward will have seniority over other Stewards within their Division.
- All Division Chief Stewards will have accredited National Steward Authority.
- All Stewards are responsible to the relevant Divisions Chief Steward, who in turn is responsible to IHRA Australia.
- A Steward will only have authority in his or her home Division, unless otherwise approved by IHRA Australia or requested by the National Technical Director.
- A Steward shall have NO authority when competing. IHRA Australia Stewards must not participate as crew members or racers, without approval from the Chief Steward of the relative division.
- A Steward may impound any vehicle involved in an accident during an event. The vehicle will only be released when the Chief Steward or appointed Senior Steward is satisfied that an adequate inspection has taken place

IDENTIFICATION

- Stewards will be issued with credentials by IHRA Australia, clearly showing their name, the date of expiry, and a current photograph.
- When on duty, the Steward must wear the specified uniform
- Casual Stewards will receive uniforms and credentials on the day of the event, must be approved by IHRA Australia.



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TERM OF APPOINTMENT

- There is no fixed term of appointment.
- Termination of service as a Steward will be affected by one of the following methods.
 1. Resignation
 2. Determination of IHRA Australia Head Office
 3. As a result of Tribunal Proceedings

AVAILABILITY

- IHRA Australia Stewards who participate with the regular roster are expected to be available for a minimum of 60% of IHRA Australia sanctioned events, to be reviewed on an annual basis with the Divisions Chief Steward.
- IHRA Australia Stewards who participate on a casual basis will be rostered as negotiated with the Divisions Chief Steward.
- IHRA Australia shirts and credentials will be issued on the day to IHRA Australia casual Stewards.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

- Where a breach of the Standing Orders is alleged, a Tribunal will be appointed by IHRA Australia. A chairperson will be appointed by IHRA Australia. IHRA Australia will also appoint two IHRA Australia Tribunes.

IHRA AUSTRALIA APPOINTMENT / ASSESSMENT

- A Stewards Level 2 Test will be forwarded and completed.
- A Stewards Level 2 Test will be completed by using the IHRA Australia Supplementary Rules App, which can be downloaded for all mobile devices at the Android App Store and the Apple App Store.
- Once the Level 2 Test has been marked by the National Technical Director, he/she will be notified with a passport photo sent so Trainee Credentials can be issued.
- New Trainee Stewards will then be put into contact with the Divisions Chief Steward so Training can commence.
- Further Assessment Exams will take place annually.
- The period of Trainee status is at the discretion of the Chief Steward and is generally 6 months. The period depends on the level of Race Meetings within that Division.
- Once established, Stewards accreditation will be issued biannually each December.
- Stewards will be always kept up to date by visiting www.ihra.com.au/Technical
- Newsletters will be sent from the National Technical Director via email on a regular basis.
- Event competitors and crew expect IHRA Australia Stewards to deliver an educated answer to their enquiries. The accreditation process is intended to ensure a reasonable level of knowledge and competency, with the result being fair and consistent application of the IHRA Australia regulations.



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JURISDICTION

- Generally, a Stewards jurisdiction is restricted to his or her home Division, except where that official has been invited to work at an event outside their Division, or is accredited at the National Steward level.
- A Steward has no authority when competing or crewing at an event.
- A Steward may be appointed as a National Steward at the discretion of the IHRA Australia office, giving jurisdiction in all Divisions.
- A Professional Category Steward may be appointed by the IHRA Australia office from among existing Nationals Stewards, working in conjunction with the Chief Steward in the relevant Division. The Professional Category will be the first point of contact for competitors. IHRA Australia Officials or Track Officials where Profession Category matters are concerned.

NOTE: *A breach of this code of conduct policy by any steward will result in disciplinary action being taken.*



IHRA AUSTRALIA SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

Applicable to All Covered Individuals in Australian Drag Racing

SCOPE of APPLICATION

This policy applies to all “Covered Individuals,” defined as:

1. Holders or applicants for an IHRA Australia competition licence
2. Non-licenced competitors participating in IHRA-sanctioned events
3. Crew chiefs and team crew members
4. Team owners present on-site who are involved in vehicle preparation or operation
5. IHRA Australia officials and employees in safety-sensitive roles
6. Track officials and employees in safety-sensitive roles

PURPOSE and OBJECTIVES

IHRA Australia is committed to promoting safety, integrity, and fairness in Drag Racing. The legitimate use of substances is restricted to those prescribed and supervised by a physician for clinically justified reasons.

By applying for an IHRA licence or participating in IHRA events, individuals consent to substance testing as required by IHRA Australia or its designated Independent Drug Program Administrator (IDPA).

IHRA Australia aims to:

- Prevent the use of prohibited substances in Drag Racing
- Educate participants on substance-related risks
- Support testing and educational programs administered by the IDPA
- Impose effective sanctions for violations

IHRA AUSTRALIA COMMITMENTS

- Provide accurate membership data to the IDPA
- Support IDPA testing operations
- Ensure policy accessibility to competitors, officials, and health practitioners
- Collaborate with the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) on substance-related offences
- Permit investigation and disciplinary action under this policy
- Restrict disclosure of alleged violations unless:
 - Determined by an IHRA Tribunal, or
 - Decided by the IHRA Technical Officer or CEO not to refer to Tribunal



OFFENCES

A violation occurs when a prohibited substance is detected in body tissue, fluids, or expired air unless:

- The substance is used for a therapeutic purpose (see below), or
- Exceptional circumstances apply

Other violations include:

- Refusal to provide a sample upon request
- Trafficking or assisting in trafficking of prohibited substances
- Aiding another person's violation
- Admission, charge, or conviction of relevant offences outside IHRA events
- Conduct damaging to the sport's reputation

Any participant formally charged with an illegal drug offence will be suspended pending legal adjudication. Conviction results in permanent exclusion from IHRA activities.

THERAPEUTIC USE & EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

A substance is considered therapeutic if:

- Written approval was granted prior to testing by a recognised Medical Assessor
- Sample levels align with approved use

A reasonable Medical Practitioner confirms its benefit for a diagnosed condition
Exceptional circumstances apply only when substance presence was genuinely beyond the individual's control (e.g., hospitalisation). Inadvertent use or ignorance is not valid. The burden of proof lies with the individual.

TESTING PROTOCOLS

Testing complies with:

- AS/NZS 3547:1997 (Breath Alcohol Devices)
- AS/NZS 4308 (Urine Testing)
- AS/NZS 4760 (Oral Fluid Testing)

Types of testing:

Random Selection: Conducted before event qualification ends. Voluntary participants who test positive may withdraw without penalty.

Reasonable Suspicion: Triggered by suspected influence or post-incident involving injury/property damage



PENALTIES & TRIBUNAL ACTION

- A positive test result immediately prohibits further event participation
- Licence must be surrendered for review
- Restricted area access is revoked

First Offence

- Confidential referral for counselling/treatment
- Non-compliance escalates to second offence
- Evidence of completion required for reinstatement

Second Offence

- Minimum one-year suspension
- \$1500 fine
- Mandatory counselling/treatment
- Tribunal review required

Third Offence

- Indefinite suspension pending Tribunal action
- Tribunal may consult the Medical Advisory Panel (MAP)

DEFINITIONS

TERM	DEFINITION
IHRA Australia	International Hot Rod Association Australia
IDPA	Independent Drug Program Administrator
MAP	Medical Advisory Panel
ASC	Australian Sports Commission
AIS	Australian Institute of Sport
CAS	Court of Arbitration for Sport
CEO	Chief Executive Officer of IHRA Australia
Competitor	Any participant in IHRA motor racing activity
Official	Non-competitor involved in IHRA event operations
Prohibited Substance	Any substance banned under IHRA Policy
Sample	Biological fluid, expired air, or tissue for analysis
Testing	Requesting, collecting, and analysing a sample
Trafficking	Manufacturing, distributing, prescribing, or facilitating prohibited substance use



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SUPERCHARGER OVERDRIVE CALCULATIONS

Most supercharged classes are subject to overdrive limits. The more overdrive, the more power an engine can make. So these limits need to be strictly enforced. Please refer to class regulations for individual limits.

The normal method of calculation is to count the teeth and work out the overdrive mathematically. Use a marker to count the number of teeth on the blower pulley and on the crank pulley. Verify that the number you have counted is what the competitor believes is fitted.

Divide the top pulley count by the bottom pulley count

Bottom Pulley 54 Teeth $54 \div 26 = 2.076923$
 Top Pulley 26 Teeth Subtract 1 from the result $1.076923 - 1$ 107%

Note: Overdrive calculations not to be Rounded Up or Down

In some cases larger diameter pulleys using the same tooth count, but with incorrect pitch have been used to deliver greater overdrive. Check the consistency where the tooth engages between the teeth on the pulley and the belt. If the teeth and the belt. If the teeth on the pulley don't perfectly engage with the belt on both top and bottom pulleys, investigation is required. Both pulleys should maintain specifications identified by commercial manufacturers.

Reference tables of correct pulley tooth counts and overdrives on the following pages.

11mm Tooth Chart

		BLOWER PULLEY TOOTH COUNT																		
		43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25
CRANKSHAFT PULLEY TOOTH COUNT	49	14.0	16.7	19.5	22.5	25.6	28.9	32.4	36.1	40.0	44.1	48.5	53.1	58.1	63.3	69.0	75.0	81.5	88.5	96.0
	50	16.3	19.0	22.0	25.0	28.2	31.6	35.1	38.9	42.9	47.1	51.5	56.3	61.3	66.7	72.4	78.6	85.2	92.3	100.0
	51	18.6	21.4	24.4	27.5	30.7	34.2	37.8	41.7	45.7	50.0	54.5	59.4	64.5	70.0	75.9	82.1	88.9	96.2	104.0
	52	20.9	23.8	26.8	30.0	33.3	36.8	40.5	44.4	48.6	52.9	57.6	62.5	67.7	73.3	79.3	85.7	92.6	100.0	108.0
	53	23.3	26.2	29.3	32.5	35.9	39.5	43.2	47.2	51.4	55.9	60.6	65.6	71.0	76.7	82.8	89.3	96.3	103.8	112.0
	54	25.6	28.6	31.7	35.0	38.4	42.1	45.9	50.0	54.3	58.8	63.6	68.8	74.2	80.0	86.2	92.9	100.0	107.7	116.0
	55	27.9	31.0	34.1	37.5	41.0	44.7	48.6	52.8	57.1	61.8	66.7	71.9	77.4	83.3	89.7	96.4	103.7	111.5	120.0
	56	30.2	33.3	36.6	40.0	43.6	47.4	51.4	55.6	60.0	64.7	69.7	75.0	80.6	86.7	93.1	100.0	107.4	115.4	124.0
	57	32.6	35.7	39.0	42.5	46.1	50.0	54.1	58.3	62.9	67.6	72.7	78.1	83.9	90.0	96.6	103.6	111.1	119.2	128.0
	58	34.9	38.1	41.5	45.0	48.7	52.6	56.8	61.1	65.7	70.6	75.8	81.3	87.1	93.3	100.0	107.1	114.8	123.1	132.0
	59	37.2	40.5	43.9	47.5	51.3	55.3	59.5	63.9	68.6	73.5	78.8	84.4	90.3	96.7	103.4	110.7	118.5	126.9	136.0
	60	39.5	42.9	46.3	50.0	53.8	57.9	62.2	66.7	71.4	76.5	81.8	87.5	93.5	100.0	106.9	114.3	122.2	130.8	140.0
	61	41.9	45.2	48.8	52.5	56.4	60.5	64.9	69.4	74.3	79.4	84.8	90.6	96.8	103.3	110.3	117.9	125.9	134.6	144.0
	62	44.2	47.6	51.2	55.0	59.0	63.2	67.6	72.2	77.1	82.4	87.9	93.8	100.0	106.7	113.8	121.4	129.6	138.5	148.0
	63	46.5	50.0	53.7	57.5	61.5	65.8	70.3	75.0	80.0	85.3	90.9	96.9	103.2	110.0	117.2	125.0	133.3	142.3	152.0
	64	48.8	52.4	56.1	60.0	64.1	68.4	73.0	77.8	82.9	88.2	93.9	100.0	106.5	113.3	120.7	128.6	137.0	146.2	156.0
	65	51.2	54.8	58.5	62.5	66.7	71.1	75.7	80.6	85.7	91.2	97.0	103.1	109.7	116.7	124.1	132.1	140.7	150.0	160.0
	66	53.5	57.1	61.0	65.0	69.2	73.7	78.4	83.3	88.6	94.1	100.0	106.3	112.9	120.0	127.6	135.7	144.4	153.8	164.0
	67	55.8	59.5	63.4	67.5	71.8	76.3	81.1	86.1	91.4	97.1	103.0	109.4	116.1	123.3	131.0	139.3	148.1	157.7	168.0
	68	58.1	61.9	65.9	70.0	74.3	78.9	83.8	88.9	94.3	100.0	106.1	112.5	119.4	126.7	134.5	142.9	151.9	161.5	172.0
69	60.5	64.3	68.3	72.5	76.9	81.6	86.5	91.7	97.1	102.9	109.1	115.6	122.6	130.0	137.9	146.4	155.6	165.4	176.0	
70	62.8	66.7	70.7	75.0	79.5	84.2	89.2	94.4	100.0	105.9	112.1	118.8	125.8	133.3	141.4	150.0	159.3	169.2	180.0	
71	65.1	69.0	73.2	77.5	82.0	86.8	91.9	97.2	102.9	108.8	115.2	121.9	129.0	136.7	144.8	153.6	163.0	173.1	184.0	
72	67.4	71.4	75.6	80.0	84.6	89.5	94.6	100.0	105.7	111.8	118.2	125.0	132.3	140.0	148.3	157.1	166.7	176.9	188.0	
73	69.8	73.8	78.0	82.5	87.1	92.1	97.3	102.8	108.6	114.7	121.2	128.1	135.6	143.3	151.7	160.7	170.4	180.8	192.0	



14mm Tooth Chart												
	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24
30	-14.3	-11.8	-9.1	-6.3	-3.2	0.0	3.4	7.1	11.1	15.4	20.0	25.0
31	-11.4	-8.8	-6.1	-3.1	0.0	3.3	6.9	10.7	14.8	19.2	24.0	29.2
32	-8.6	-5.9	-3.0	0.0	3.2	6.7	10.3	14.3	18.5	23.1	28.0	33.3
33	-5.7	-2.9	0.0	3.1	6.5	10.0	13.8	17.9	22.2	26.9	32.0	37.5
34	-2.9	0.0	3.0	6.3	9.7	13.3	17.2	21.4	25.9	30.8	36.0	41.7
35	0.0	2.9	6.1	9.4	12.9	16.7	20.7	25.0	29.6	34.6	40.0	45.8
36	2.9	5.9	9.1	12.5	16.1	20.0	24.1	28.6	33.3	38.5	44.0	50.0
37	5.7	8.8	12.1	15.6	19.4	23.3	27.6	32.1	37.0	42.3	48.0	54.2
38	8.6	11.8	15.2	18.8	22.6	26.7	31.0	35.7	40.7	46.2	52.0	58.3
39	11.4	14.7	18.2	21.9	25.8	30.0	34.5	39.3	44.4	50.0	56.0	62.5
40	14.3	17.6	21.2	25.0	29.0	33.3	37.9	42.9	48.1	53.8	60.0	66.7
41	17.1	20.6	24.2	28.1	32.3	36.7	41.4	46.4	51.9	57.7	64.0	70.8
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CRANKSHAFT PULLEY TOOTH COUNT



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Timing System

Minimum required as a national level or higher

Timers in each lane must be triggered separately by a photo electric beam/cell at the start line and switched off similar separate devices at the finish line. Elapsed Time and Terminal Speeds must be accurate to .01 seconds and .01 miles per hour and must be available to competitors in written or printed form. The start line display referred to as the Christmas tree should be located 38 to 40 feet (11.6 to 12.1 metres) from the start line, on the track centreline. The centre of the pre-stage globe should be 90 inches (2.2 metres) from the ground. A three-amber system with a .4 second sequence is required for handicap competition, and readout should be used to display index or dial-ins used. The use of light emitting diodes is permitted where the appropriate delay factor is built into the system.

Otherwise, incandescent globes are mandatory in all positions on the Christmas tree. Divider boards preventing the sighting of the amber light package outside the staged competitor's lane are required for all handicapped competitors. A "Pro Start" facility using a .4 second sequence is also required for "heads – up "or "fixed index" competition. Foul start must be indicated by a red light at the bottom of the Christmas tree in the lane which they first occur, triggered by the timing system if the timer starts before the green light shows. Reaction times for each competitor must be displayed and reported using zero (.000) as a base.

Handicap facilities, accurate to 0.01 seconds are required.

Pre Stage Beam will be located 7 inches (178mm) before the Stage Beam in each lane. Its only purpose is to show the competitor that the vehicle's front wheel is approaching the stage beam by illuminating pre-stage light at the top of the Christmas tree.

Stage Beam will be located 16 inches (406mm) before the Guard Beam in each lane; it indicates that the vehicle is in the correct position for the start. The stage light at the tip of the Christmas tree should be activated when the leading edge of the vehicle's front wheel breaks the Stage Beam. The Stage Beam also serves to start the ET timers as the wheel clears the beam and activates the red "foul" light in the event of the wheel clearing that beam prior to the green light showing.

Guard Beam will be located at the start of the Timed Distance; the Guard Beam ensures that no vehicle has an excessive amount of roll-out (movement required to leave the Stage Beam). If the Guard Beam is broken at the same time as the Stage Beam, and the starting sequence has been initiated, the timers and the red "foul" light will be activated if the green light is not showing. All interval increments and quarter-mile finish lines are measured from the Guard Beam.

The Elapsed Time Beam will be located at the Finish Line in each lane, at the exact race distance from the Guard Beam. It indicates which competitor reached the finish line first and stops the timers. Elapsed times must be available to competitors in written or printed form.

Speed Trap beams will be located over a 66ft (20.12m) distance prior to the Finish Line, using photocells to measure the Terminal Speed of the vehicle in each lane, independently of the Elapsed Time. Terminal Speeds must be available to competitors in written or printed form.



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Photocell Heights are as below:

Beam height must be low enough to accommodate 3-inch (76mm) clearance ruling at the start line. The roll-out at the start line should be 11.5 to 12 inches (290 to 305mm) for both lanes, measured with the 22-inch (560mm) measurement device. The 60-foot beam should be mounted at a height of 10 inches (250mm), with other internal, speed trap and finish line beams at 5 inches (125mm). All beams should be parallel and apart from the start line, all fittings on the racing or braking surfaces should be the "breakaway" type (foam blocks for example for interim times).

Level Two Grade Timing System may be utilised at lower event level

Staging must be indicated by a light at the top of the Christmas tree in each lane, triggered by a photo electric beam/cell near the start line acting on the front wheel of the vehicle. Where a guard beam is not used this point will be the start line. The use of light emitting diodes is permitted where the appropriate delay factor is built into the system. Otherwise, incandescent globes are mandatory in all positions on the Christmas tree. Handicap facility is optional. Where used a minimum of three amber lights, operating sequentially at four tenths of a second intervals, must precede the green light. Divider boards preventing the sighting of the amber light package outside the staging competitor's lane is required for all handicap competitors. Timers in each lane must be triggered separately by a photo electric beam/cell at the start line, and switched off by similar, separate devices at the finish line.

Elapsed times must be available to competitors in written or printed form. Foul start must be indicated by a red light at the bottom of the Christmas tree in the lane in which they first occur, triggered by the timing system if the timers start before the green light shows. Where available reaction time for each competitor must be displayed and reported using zero (.000) as a base. Terminal speed measurement is optional.



TRACK GRADING & SPECIFICATIONS

SPECIFICATIONS

IHRA Drag Racing events are a timed distance competition run over set distances.

- One quarter of a mile (1320 feet – 402.34 meters)
- One thousand foot (1000 feet – 304.8 meters)
- One eighth of a mile (660 feet – 201.17 meters)

RECOMMENDED TRACK SPECIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

¼ mile 1320ft (402.34m) or 1000ft (304.8m): The track should be at least 3,000ft (914m) long from the starting line to end of the paved surface. A 200ft (61m) long sand trap at the end of the paved surface with a dual safety catch net installed.

1/8th mile 660ft (201.17m): The racetrack must be at least 1,800ft (548m) long from the starting line to the end of the paved surface. A 200ft (61m) long sand trap at the end of the paved surface with a safety catch net installed.

Track width should be minimum of 50ft (15m) to 60ft (18); the track should remain the same width the entire length of the racing and braking surface.

The racing surface must be smooth of road quality construction and be made of concrete, hot mix asphalt or sealed bitumen. All joints must be blended so no irregular edges or shoulders are present. The breaking/shut down area should be a continuation of the racing surface and consistent with the racing surface material. A surface tolerance of plus or minus one-tenth of an inch is desired or 6mm rise or fall over a ten-meter distance. All other rises and falls should not exceed 1%

Approved concrete barriers 2.30ft (700mm) in height from the racing surface to the top of the barrier) on both sides of the competition area, from the water box to the end of the competition area and extending the entire length of the return roadside are required.

Additional barriers may be required in other areas were deemed necessary for reasonable protection of spectators and participants. Retaining walls must be installed immediately adjacent to the racing surface. There are no openings on the retaining walls. Heavy steel gates for emergency access are permitted provided they are parallel and securable with the ability to withstand high impact.



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Return roads should have adequate room for the turning circles of the longest competing vehicles to comfortably exit the racing or breaking surface. The surface should be sealed at a minimum width of 10ft (3m) with access to the pit/paddock and staging lane area. It is advised that there be 2 emergency exit points between the finish line and the final turnout area to accommodate emergency safety vehicles, these must remain in a protected location with ease of access.



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VEHICLE LOGBOOK DECLARATION FORM

Venue: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Mobile: _____

I hereby declare that I am the holder of a current IHRA Australia Logbook for the vehicle identified below. A current Vehicle Technical Inspection has been completed and successfully passed for this vehicle. I further declare that there are no technical infringements recorded in the Logbook that would render the vehicle ineligible for competition at this time.

Vehicle Type: _____ Class: _____

Race No _____ Logbook Exp Date: _____

Tech Sticker SERIAL # _____ Confirmed Yes No

Reason for not presenting the logbook at this event: (Please print)

Acknowledgement of Extended Scrutineering and Penalties

I understand that my vehicle will be subject to an Extended Scrutineering Programme Audit prior to participating in the event for which this Declaration has been submitted. I further acknowledge that if any information provided herein is found to be false or misleading, I may be subject to a penalty of \$330.00 and/or a suspension of up to three (3) months. Any Points or Records attained during the event will be deemed invalid and will not be counted.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Logbook owner must sign

IHRA STEWARD / TRACK OFFICIAL to Complete

NAME: _____ CREDENTIALS No _____
Please Print

SIGNED: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Declaration Valid: Yes No DATE: _____