MODIFIED CROSS-COUNTRY SCORING

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EACH TEAM HAS 1 RUNNER

- Team A runner finishes 1st
- Team B runner finishes 2nd

- Team A Score = 1 point
- Team B Score = 2 points

- Team A is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 2 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 1 RUNNER – EXAMPLE 1

- Team A runners finish 2nd and 3rd
- Team B runner finishes 1st

- Each Team has a Team Score of 5 points

- Team A Score = 2 + 3 = 5 points
- Team B Score =1 + (4) = 5 points "Ghost Score (4)"

- Who is declared the winner of the Meet?

TEAM A – 2 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 1 RUNNER – EXAMPLE 1

- Team A runners finish 2nd and 3rd
- Team B runner finishes 1st
- Each Team has a Team Score of 5 points
- Team A Score = 2 + 3 = 5 points
- Team B Score = 1 + (4) = 5 points "Ghost Score (4)"
- Who is declared the winner of the Meet?
- Based on Rule 8-2-5, Team B is the winner of the Meet as the tie is resolved by totaling the score of each Team's top finisher. Team A = 1 pt. Team B = 2 pts.
- The same would hold true if each Team had the same 2 place-finishers.

TEAM A – 2 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 1 RUNNER – EXAMPLE 2

- Team A runners finish 1st and 3rd
- Team B runner finishes 2nd

- Team A Score = 1 + 3 = 4 points
- Team B Score = 2 + (4) = 6 points "Ghost Score (4)"

- Team A is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 3 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 2 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 1

- Team A runners finish 1st, 4th, and 5th
- Team B runners finish 2nd and 3rd

- Team A Score = 1 + 4 + 5 = 10 points
- Team B Score = 2 + 3 + (6) = 11 points "Ghost Score (6)"

- Team A is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 3 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 2 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 2

- Team A runners finish 1st, 2nd, and 5th
- Team B runners finish 3rd and 4th

- Team A Score = 1 + 2 + 5 = 8 points
- Team B Score = 3 + 4 + (6) = 13 points "Ghost Score (6)"

- Team A is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 3 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 2 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 3

- Team A runners finish 3rd, 4th, and 5th
- Team B runners finish 1st and 2nd

- Team A Score = 3 + 4 + 5 = 12 points
- Team B Score = 1 + 2 + (6) = 9 points "Ghost Score (6)"

- Team B is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 4 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 3 RUNNERS

- Team A runners finish 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th
- Team B runners finish 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

- Team A Score = 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 = 22 points
- Team B Score = 1 + 2 + 3 + (8) = 14 points "Ghost Score (8)"

- Team B is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 3 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 4 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 1

- Team A runners finish 1st, 3rd, and 5th
- Team B runners finish 2nd, 4th, 6th, and 7th

- Team A Score = 1 + 3 + 5 + (8) = 17 points "Ghost Score (8)"
- Team B Score = 2 + 4 + 6 + 7 = 19 points

- Team A is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 3 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 4 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 2

- Team A runners finish 1st, 4th, and 5th
- Team B runners finish 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 7th

- Team A Score = 1 + 4 + 5 + (8)= 18 points "Ghost Score (8)"
- Team B Score = 2 + 3 + 6 + 7 = 18 points

- Who is the winner of the Meet?

TEAM A – 3 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 4 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 2

- Team A runners finish 1st, 4th, and 5th
- Team B runners finish 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 7th
- Team A Score = 1 + 4 + 5 + (8) = 18 points "Ghost Score (8)"
- Team B Score = 2 + 3 + 6 + 7 = 18 points
- Based on Rule 8-2-5, Team A is the winner of the Meet as the tie is resolved by totaling the scores of each Team's top 3 finishers. Team A = 10 pts. vs. Team B 11 pts.
- The same would hold true if each Team had the same 4 place-finishers.

TEAM A – 4 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 5 RUNNERS

- Team A runners finish 1st, 2nd, 8th, and 9th
- Team B runners finish 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th

- Team A Score = 1 + 2 + 8 + 9 + (10) = 30 points "Ghost Score (10)"
- Team B Score = 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 = 25 points

- Team B is the winner of the Meet.

TEAM A – 5 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 4 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 1

- Team A runners finish 1st, 4th, 6th, 8th, and 9th
- Team B runners finish 2nd, 3rd, 5th, and 7th

- Team A Score = 1 + 4 + 6 + 8 + 9 = 28 points
- Team B Score = 2 + 3 + 5 + 7 + (10) = 27 points "Ghost Score (10)"

- Team B is the winner of he Meet.

TEAM A – 5 RUNNERS
TEAM B – 4 RUNNERS – EXAMPLE 2

- Team A runners finish 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, and 9th
- Team B runners finish 3rd, 4th, 7th, and 8th

- Team A Score = 1 + 2 + 5 + 6 + 9 = 23 points
- Team B Score = 3 + 4 + 7 + 8 + (10) = 32 points "Ghost Score (10)"

- Team A is the winner of the Meet.

XC MODIFIED SCORING

- The following is a sample of how the scoring would occur if one of the teams has fewer than 5 runners:
- In this example, Jefferson HS only has three runners (the Jefferson 4th and 5th places are shown in parentheses).

Sample Meet	Perry HS	Jefferson HS
Runner 1	3rd	1st
Runner 2	4th	2nd
Runner 3	6th	5th
Runner 4	7th	(11th)
Runner 5	8th	(12th)
Runner 6	9th	
Runner 7	10th	
Final Score:	28	31

- Perry would be declared the winner of this dual meet.

OTHER SCENARIOS

- Team C has 6 runners and Team D has 4 runners – Assuming all of Team D's runners finished ahead of Team C's sixth runner that runner would be a displacer and Team D would be credited with a "ghost runner" that finished the race in 11th place. In any case, Team C would have a displacer and Team D would still need to be credited with a "ghost runner" that placed 11th.

- Team E has at least 7 runners and Team F has 4 runners – Team E would have 2 runners that would be displacers and Team F would have a "ghost runner" that placed 12th added to their team score.