



# 2027 & 2028 NCAA MEN'S LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIPS (QUARTERFINAL SITES)

SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION









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# SECTION I: INTRODUCTION

The National Collegiate Athletic Association ("NCAA" and/or "Association") is pleased to provide to member institutions/conferences the opportunity to submit a proposal to host one or more NCAA championships.

The information contained in this document and the accompanying attachments provides the minimum bid specifications for hosting any of these championships, as well as essential information that will provide assistance in the development of a creative, comprehensive and competitive bid proposal. The NCAA awards the privilege of hosting an NCAA championship several years in advance so those communities may work collaboratively with the NCAA to create positive experiences for its student-athletes, participating institutions, fans and the community.

A member institution or member conference of the NCAA must be designated as the host institution/conference for the championship. The administration of the championship is under the authority of the respective sports committee subject to final authority from the NCAA Division I Competition Oversight Committee and Division II and Division III Championships Committees. All activities and events associated with the championship are to be approved by the sports committee.





# SECTION II: CHAMPIONSHIP STRUCTURE

DATE FORMULAS			
DI Preliminary Round (2):	Wednesday prior to first rounds		
DI First Rounds (8):	Saturday and Sunday prior to quarterfinals		
DI Quarterfinals (2)	Saturday and Sunday prior to semifinals		
DI Semifinals/Final:	Saturday and Monday of Memorial Day weekend		

Competition Dates.

(Two sites with two games each. One site hosts Saturday and one site host Sunday)

	QUARTERFINAL DATES
2027	One site Saturday, May 22, 2027 and one site Sunday, May 23, 2027
2028	One site Saturday, May 20, 2028 and one site Sunday, May 21, 2028





# CHAMPIONS WAY

# SECTION III: GENERAL FACILITY REQUIREMENTS

## FACILITY SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. The Americans with Disabilities Act, which went into effect January 26, 1992, requires that public establishments offer equal access and services to people who are physically and mentally disabled. The facility must agree that it will be in compliance with all applicable city, state or Federal regulations concerning access and seating for people with disabilities.
- 2. The host and sponsoring agency agrees that the facility shall be available for the exclusive use of the NCAA starting at noon the Thursday prior to competition through Sunday for the purpose of preparing for, practicing for and conducting the quarterfinal games. During this period of time, the facility will be clean and accessible, and playing conditions must be safe and of championship caliber. The sponsoring agency must agree that throughout the quarterfinal weekend, the facility will be lighted and heated in the standard manner, and that the scoreboards and public-address system will be in good working order.
- 3. The NCAA specifically disclaims any responsibility to investigate the safety or code compliance of the facility and parking lots or the component products, equipment, materials, designs and constructions.
- 4. The game field shall be arranged in accordance with the NCAA Men's Lacrosse Rules as far in advance as possible but not later than the Thursday prior to competition.
- 5. The facility must be modern, clean and accessible.
- 6. The facility must have a comprehensive security and evacuation plan in case of emergencies.
- 7. All seats in the facility shall be under the control of the NCAA for its exclusive use during the tournament.
- 8. The host institution will provide the NCAA with private use of a minimum of two corporate suites at the game facility prior to and during the competition, if suites exist. All suites must overlook the playing field and be as close as possible to midfield, if available, to be accessed solely by representatives of the NCAA, providing for private use by the NCAA as needed for business meetings prior to and during the competition.
- 9. At the discretion of the NCAA, practice sessions may be open to the public free of charge. Programs, merchandise and concessions may be sold in accordance with the terms hereof.
- 10. The facility must furnish the following locker room accommodations:
  - a. A minimum of four spacious locker rooms, with shower and toilet facilities, must be available for teams. Signs with the teams' names must be affixed to each respective locker room door.
  - b. Locker room space for a minimum of eight game officials.





- 11. The facility must provide the following additional space, at its expense, with all areas subject to the approval of the NCAA:
  - a. An athletic training room.
  - b. Press box media space for 50.
  - c. Media work room for 50 with appropriate lighting, heat, air conditioning and toilet facilities. In addition, monitors shall be available to carry the television broadcast and postgame interviews.
  - d. Photographer space on the field opposite benches outside the six-yard restraining lines from the sideline.
  - e. Interview area for 50 with dais, podium and audio equipment. In addition, television platforms should be available in the rear of the room.
  - f. A video distribution area adjacent to the interview area.
  - g. One area of private office space, with internet access (three lines), for use by the NCAA staff, committee or designated site representative.
  - h. A results control area containing two photocopy machines with capabilities for reproducing statistics and other material on bond paper with a minimum per copy speed of 60 per minute. The facility shall be responsible for the installation, service costs and paper for these machines during the championships. Each machine also shall include a collator and automatic stapler.
  - i. The facility shall provide Internet lines, including wireless, and as required by the NCAA at no charge.
  - j. The NCAA also requires an in-house communication system (cellular telephones or hand radios).
  - k. Two separate rooms for drug testing, each with a waiting area, toilet facilities and a minimum of 500square feet of space.
  - I. An on-site meal area for 50 television production crew members.
- 12. The facility shall provide, at its expense, tables, chairs, skirting, bunting, pipe-and-drape, and platforms for all areas described herein as required by the NCAA.
- 13. The facility shall provide 50 complimentary parking spaces in prime locations to be used at the sole discretion of the NCAA. In addition, parking for television production vehicles -- a minimum of 250 linear feet for parking, immediately adjacent and accessible to the stadium, for two 60-foot trucks.
- 14. The facility shall be responsible for and pay the costs of the coordination and installation of interior and exterior decorations provided or otherwise approved by the NCAA.





- 15. The facility shall provide, at no cost to the NCAA, sufficient electric power and a sufficient number of power outlets in broadcasting booths, in press locations and in identified working press areas for the operation and transmission of color television and radio broadcasts and for the operation of computer terminals used by the working press. Therefore, the following shall be available:
  - a. Minimum lighting requirements that can be found in the <u>NCAA Best Lighting Practices</u> lacrosse documents.
  - b. 110-volt electrical outlets in all working press areas, with the minimum requirement being one outlet for every telephone in the working press room and on press row (or two inputs for every two seats in both of these areas).
  - c. Three-phase to other areas designated by the NCAA including, but not limited to, the interview room, NCAA meeting room, NCAA suite and other special media areas.
- 16. If broadcast rights are obtained in the future, the NCAA will work with future hosts on the details of the requirements. For broadcast specific details please reference the General Section, Broadcast, Media and Internet. Please complete the power verification form and attach it with your bid (available in the bid portal).
- 17. The NCAA owns the exclusive rights to broadcast the games on television, radio, the Internet and any other form or medium now known or hereafter discovered, to record the games and broadcasts thereof and to photograph the games by means of still, videotape or other motion-picture cameras. The NCAA shall have the sole right and authority to designate usage of all broadcast, telecast and press locations, tables, and work areas.
- 18. The facility and host agree that all revenues derived from suites, including, but not limited to, revenues from tickets for suite admission and from the resale of suites, shall be added to, and form part of, the championships receipts hereunder, and that all users of the suites shall purchase tickets to access suites for attendance at all games played in the championships.
- 19. Due to the culture of men's lacrosse, the NCAA has established a re-entry policy. For days with multiple competitions only, all fans will be hand-stamped upon initial entry to the stadium. A hand-stamp and valid ticket will be required for re-entry in-between the two games. Alternate 'pass-out' options will be considered.
- 20. At no charge, the NCAA will have full access to, and control of, any and all LED and other digital signage inventory, both internal and external to the competition venue. This includes TV monitors, video screens, video walls, LED fascia, and all external signage, digital or otherwise. This includes any and all digital inventory to be made available leading up to and throughout the championship, and is inclusive of any new inventory that may be added by the venue after this bid document is signed.
- 20. The competition venue, at its expense, shall provide video boards, LED boards, video camera equipment, green screens, lighting equipment (gobos, spotlights, lighting kits, etc.), audio equipment (to include wireless microphones, boom mics, IFB's, etc.), clear com/radio communications, closed captioning, etc. for NCAA use. The NCAA shall provide and control all content displayed on the boards. The competition venue, at its expense, shall provide a full in-venue production/control room staff for all NCAA load-in and event days (e.g.,





game days, open practice days, ancillary event days). In addition, the host shall provide access to and use of control room equipment & staff prior to the Championships for any pre-production needs. Any new technologies or additional staffing resources that the competition venue possesses that are not listed in the aforementioned production requirements should also be incorporated into the in-venue production.

#### **BROADCASTING AND INTERNET**

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#### 2. Lighting

The minimum lighting conditions for the event shall be 125 foot-candles of evenly distributed light on the playing surface. The perimeter of the playing surface should have enough spill light into the spectator areas. Additional lighting information can be found <u>here</u>.

#### FOOD AND BEVERAGE CONCESSIONS

- 1. The facility shall retain, operate and control all food and beverage concession rights subject to the provisions of this section, and otherwise in this document.
- 2 The facility or its concessionaire shall provide food and beverage in all refreshment areas, restaurants and suites at costs comparable to the most favorable price for other customers during other events in the stadium.
- 3. No food, beverages or merchandise of any nature may be vended or dispensed in the seating areas. Vendors may not remain in the seating areas from the pregame introduction of players until the beginning of each intermission and from the time a team returns to the field following each intermission until the end of the game.
- 4. All specialized beverage cups used during the championships by the stadium food concessionaire shall be purchased through an NCAA licensee.
- 5. Alcoholic beverages may be sold and dispensed for consumption at NCAA DI championships and ancillary events. Refer to general bid specifications for host, venue, and concessionaire requirements, including expectations for a share of revenue derived from the sale of alcoholic beverages during the event.





# SECTION IV: EVENT HISTORY

The chart below contains information on previous hosts, attendance, and ticket price history since from 2020-23 season.

Year	Host	Attendance	Ticket Prices
2020	NA	NA	NA
2021	Hofstra University	2,021	All-Session Adult: \$38
2021	University of Notre Dame	984	All-Session Adult: \$30
2022	Ohio State University	3,202	All-Session Adult: \$25
2022	Hofstra	5,664	All-Session Adult: \$30
2023	University of Albany	4,224	All-Session Adult: \$40
2023	Navy	12,699	All-Session Adult: \$25





# SECTION V: LODGING

The NCAA has partnered with On Location to manage the NCAA Championship Housing Program and all championship housing needs. On Location serves as the housing partner for hundreds of events annually and, through strong relationships with various hotel brands, can deliver the appropriate mix of amenities, location and price for hundreds of thousands of room nights each year. Utilizing their expertise, On Location will be responsible for managing the selection and contracting process for all championship housing accommodations.

Housing will be required for all participating teams, NCAA staff, committee members, media, game officials, and other special guests as designated by the NCAA. Separate hotels are needed for the NCAA, media, officials, and participating teams unless specified otherwise by the NCAA. It may be permissible for the media or game officials to be assigned to the same property as the NCAA headquarters hotel. (Game officials and teams may not stay in the same hotel.) Efforts will be made to provide some preference to the official corporate champion/partner in the hotel category (should one exist at the time of contracting) of the NCAA. While hotels are the primary housing offerings that will be contracted, alternative options may be considered in certain situations.

Bids will be awarded contingent upon the successful negotiation of housing needs at reasonable rates. Failure to secure such reasonable rates and properties may result in rescinding of the bid award.

The host institution/conference or sponsoring agency must guarantee sufficient housing is available to meet the room block needs identified in the sport specific bid specification. Properties must meet the required service levels and be in reasonable proximity to the event venues. Rooms should not be secured or contracted nor should rates be discussed with specific properties, unless requested to do so by the NCAA.

Bid responses may highlight any recommended properties On Location should consider when contracting. Specifications should also disclose any special relationships, agreements and/or financial arrangements you may have in place with the recommended properties. On Location will take into consideration all recommendations when selecting hotels; however, guarantees cannot be made that contracts will be secured with these properties.

All hotels contracted must have experience with and understand the needs of large sports related groups. For certain championship events, additional room blocks may be required for fan travel.

The NCAA or its designees shall have the exclusive right to sell products licensed by the Association for merchandising at the selected hotels (inside and outside the premises controlled by the hotels). The hotel will provide adequate space in its lobby for such sales.

Contracted properties will be responsible for complying will all requirements in the contract terms as presented in the sample contract.







# CHAMPIONS WAY

Saturday Site:

Day/Date	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Headquarters	2	5	0	0
DI Team #1	41*	41*	0	0
DI Team #2	41*	41*	0	0
DI Team #3	41*	41*	0	0
DI Team #4	41*	41*	0	0
Officials	0	6	0	0
Total	166	175	0	0

\*One suite per team otherwise double.

Sunday Site:

Day/Date	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
Headquarters	2	5	0	0
DI Team #1	41*	41*	0	0
DI Team #2	41*	41*	0	0
DI Team #3	41*	41*	0	0
DI Team #4	41*	41*	0	0
Officials	0	6	0	0
Total	166	175	0	0

\*One suite per team otherwise double.

Note: Teams may arrive earlier or stay later than what is noted above so consideration and best efforts should be made to aid in the accommodations.

 The prospective host that is bidding on this championship agrees to all terms and conditions as outlined above in this Championship Bid Specifications Agreement. We agree to comply with all the requirements listed in this document and to administer the designated championship in accordance with the policies of the NCAA and the applicable NCAA sports committee. Prospective hosts that agree with all the requirements listed in this document for the designated championship shall signify agreement by selecting "Yes" below.

 YES
 NO
 NO with Exception

Prospective hosts who do not agree with all requirements in this document shall select either "No" or "No with Exception" and declare any issues and/or exceptions regarding the aforementioned terms. Please note: any proposed revisions to the language in this document must be specified in the bidding portal to be considered.





# SECTION VI: NCAA/HOST RESPONSIBILITY

## NCAA PROVIDES:

- 1. Transportation and per diem reimbursement for the participating teams.
- 2. Transportation, lodging (room and tax), per diem and game fee for all officials.
- 3. Lodging (room and tax) and stipend for the assignors and rules secretary.
- 4. Transportation, lodging (room and tax) and per diem for the NCAA Men's Lacrosse Committee.
- 5. Awards for the participating teams.
- 6. Branding assistance, including NCAA signage.
- 7. Official souvenir program and merchandise.
- 8. Credentials.
- 9. Funding for the host for signage and decor.
- 10. Funding for promotional and marketing efforts.
- 11. Volunteer apparel.
- 12. Lacrosse balls.
- 13. On-field hydration product.

# HOST INSTITUTION/CONFERENCE AND/OR SPONSORING AGENCY PROVIDES:

- 1. Facilities.
- 2. Key personnel all table workers and all other volunteers.
- 3. Public relations coordination.
- 4. First aid/medical services/AED on-site/ambulance on-site.
- 5. Championships hospitality.
- 6. Food/beverage concessions.





- 7. Public address system.
- 8. Support personnel ushers, ticket takers, media runners, etc.
- 9. Security.
- 10. Media room (fully equipped).
- 11. Media seating/work area with refreshments.
- 12. Tickets.
- 13. All computers, printers, video equipment, photocopy machines, internet lines, etc. necessary to administer the championships, and as may be required by the NCAA.
- 14. Appropriate directional signage within and outside the venue.
- 15. Head table personnel (e.g., public address announcers, official scorer, etc.).
- 16. Athletic training staff.
- 17. Other items as later requested by the NCAA.

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NO with Exception

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# SECTION VII: TRANSPORTATION

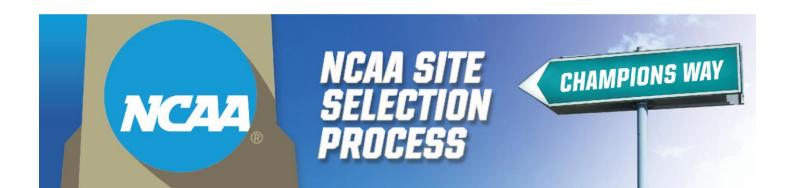
If necessary, the hosts must provide a complimentary shuttle service for various groups as provided by the NCAA. This shuttle service would include airport transportation to and from the assigned hotel for a group including, but that may not be limited to, NCAA Men's Lacrosse Committee members, officials, and NCAA staff. A shuttle service must also be provided to and from the venue and the hotel for the officials, committee, staff and VIP guests if necessary. If two parking spaces.

requirements listed in the policies of the N	this document CAA and the app ents listed in t	and to administ plicable NCAA s this document	Agreement. We agree to comply with all the ter the designated championship in accordance with sports committee. Prospective hosts that agree for the designated championship shall signify
	☐ YES		NO with Exception

# SECTION VIII: MARKETING & TICKETING POLICY/OPERATIONS

Reference the general bid specifications for details on marketing of the Division I Men's Lacrosse Quarterfinals.





# SECTION IX: TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### **Saturday Games**

#### THURSDAY

- NCAA committee and staff arrive
- Meeting with NCAA/LOC/stadium
- Walkthrough of venue(s)

#### FRIDAY

- Practice for teams
- Administrative meeting
- Media opportunities

#### SATURDAY

• Games

#### **Sunday Games**

#### FRIDAY

- NCAA committee and staff arrive
- Meeting with NCAA/LOC/stadium
- Walkthrough of venue(s)

#### SATURDAY

- Practice for teams
- Administrative meeting
- Media opportunities

#### SUNDAY

• Games





# SECTION X: ANCILLARY EVENTS

## Banquet

Currently there are no banquets or team events at the quarterfinal round.

# **Meeting Space**

During the event, the host shall provide, free of charge, meeting space for competing teams.

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# SECTION XI: VOLUNTEER NEEDS

There are over 30 volunteers needed for this event.

Area of responsibility	Number of volunteers needed	
Media Services	10	
Athletic training staff	6	
Locker room attendants	4	
Volunteer coordinators/supervisors	4	
Hospitality	3	
Game Presentation	3	

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# SECTION XII: FINANCIAL TERMS

**Guarantee** – A minimum financial guarantee of \$10,000 is required to host the Men's Lacrosse Quarterfinal. After gross receipts are determined, the NCAA will receive the established guarantee, followed by the host/LOC receiving the budgeted expenses or actual expenses, whichever is less. Once both of those obligations have been met, if there are any remaining funds, the NCAA and the host/LOC will split those 80% for the NCAA and 20% for the host/LOC.

**Concessions/Parking Revenue** – Preferred consideration shall be given to those hosts, competition venue and surrounding area/facilities that agree to provide an additional revenue share model with regards to suite lease, suite food and beverage, parking and concessions. Please note, that this is not part of the 20% of alcohol concessions required under the general bid specifications.

Expenditures Three-Year Average			
Total Expenses	\$81,895		
Promotion	\$4,783		
Tickets	\$8,669		
Facility	\$12,806		
Personnel	\$33,628		
Entertainment	\$4,236		
Equipment	\$16,678		
Officiating Expenses	\$1,095		

**Suite Revenue** – Preferred consideration shall be given to those hosts, competition venue and surrounding area/facilities that agree to provide a revenue share model with regards to suite lease, and suite food and beverage.

**Budget History** – The chart below contains the three-year average of expenditures for the championships.