



NCAA National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship Executive Summary

Dates

- April 25*, 27 – 29, 2029
- April 24*, 26 – 28, 2030
- April 23*, 25 – 27, 2031

*The championship provides for a field of eight teams; however, there is currently one opening round game (with the possibility of two) prior to the championship. The host venue shall be available to host the opening round game(s) the Wednesday prior to the championship, as well as the finals.

Facility Requirements

- The minimum depth of the water shall be 2 meters (6.5 feet) or 2.13 meters (7 feet) in facilities that were built after January 1, 1990.
- Team benches must be on the side opposite the scorer's table, unless permanent structural facility restrictions prevent such location.
- Minimum of two team locker rooms are required (four is preferred) to accommodate at least 16 student-athletes.
- Two locker rooms ideally for the game officials to accommodate four individuals.
 - If all officials are the same gender, then one locker room will suffice.
- Separate meeting spaces for athletic training, media (space for 20), interviews (space for 20), and two separate rooms for drug testing.
- A warm-up pool in close proximity to the competition venue is preferred.
- The facility must be available for practices on Tuesday the week of the championship.

Lodging Requirements

- Separate hotels are needed for the NCAA, officials, and participating teams.
 - Game officials and teams may not stay in the same hotel.
 - It may be permissible for game officials to be assigned to the same property as the NCAA headquarters hotel.
- All hotels shall be in proximity (ideally within walking distance) from the venue.
- The team hotel(s) must be of comparable quality and distance from venue.
- The hotel should provide complimentary meeting space for teams.





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Hotel Room Blocks									
Block	# of Hotels	Service Level	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Notes
Teams	2	Full-Service	60	120	120	120	60	30	May use single hotel
Headquarters	1	3-4 Star	2	7	14	18	21	21	NCAA staff/committee, media, others
Officials	1	3-4 Star	-	4	8	8	8	8	May stay at HQ hotel
TOTAL			62	131	142	146	89	59	-

Attendance History

- Paid attendance and ticket prices over the past four championships.

Year	Location	Attendance	All-Session Ticket Prices
2022	University of Michigan	1,537	\$50
2023	University of the Pacific	2,356	\$70
2024	University of California, Berkeley	1,538	\$70
2025	Indiana University (Indianapolis, IN)	1,187	\$75

Average Expenses

- Average expenses over the past three championships.

Expense Category	Expense 3-Year Average
Promotion	\$1,000
Ticket Expenses	\$400
Facility	\$17,000
Personnel	\$24,000
Entertainment	\$24,000
Equipment	\$4,000
Officiating	\$4,000

