

Division II Preliminary Round Video Streaming Requirements

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Beginning with the 2019-20 academic year, video streaming will be listed as a facility requirement in minimum bid specifications for prospective regional hosts and will be required to be implemented for preliminary-round contests in the following sports: baseball, men's and women's basketball, field hockey, football, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, softball, women's volleyball and wrestling.

Hosts must meet the following minimum standards related to video streaming:

- At least one camera must be used. However, institutions are encouraged to produce a multi-camera video stream. In addition, cell phones are not permitted as the camera source.
- Excluding wrestling, at least one broadcaster must be assigned for each contest to provide commentary in the live video stream.
- Personnel must be able to deliver neutral audio play-by-play and color commentary. (Host institutions may choose to use personnel who have announced the school's regular-season broadcasts, but those personnel must deliver a neutral commentary during the video stream.)
- Game action must be visible when competition is in progress.
- Current score, time and applicable information must be onscreen if technically possible.
- NCAA public service announcements must be used during breaks if technically possible.
- Every effort should be made to ensure that graphics are neutral and include only NCAA and NCAA participating institutions' marks. If a matchup features conference opponents, then the conference mark may be used.
- Contests must be recorded and shared with participating schools as requested.

The NCAA will not reimburse for equipment rental/purchase or production costs associated with video streaming in preliminary rounds. The NCAA will reimburse for costs associated with staffing (for example, commentators and producers). It will also reimburse for closed captioning costs that go above and beyond any pre-existing negotiated rates for schools that host a preliminary round during the 2019-20 academic year if they are required to provide closed captioning during the regular season.