

NCAA POWER INDEX DII FIELD HOCKEY

NPI WEIGHTS					
Win%/SOS	H/A Win/Loss	QWB	QWB Multiplier	Overtime	Minimum Retained Wins
25/75	1.1/0.9 (Reg) 1.0/1.0 (Post)	53.00	0.5	100/0	7.5+

Rationale.

- Winning Percentage/Strength of Schedule.**
 The committee set the NPI at 25/75 to reflect their philosophy on how much weight should be placed on wins versus the quality of those wins—promoting strong scheduling while also emphasizing performance against that schedule.
- Home/Away – Win/Loss Weights.**
 The committee set a home/away multiplier based on home field advantage during the regular season. The home team won roughly 54% of the time according to the last three years of data, which supports the need for weighting. There will be no weight during the postseason since, historically, the locations of postseason games are either neutral or determined by seeding.
- Quality Win Base.**
 The committee set the base value at 53.00 based on the last three years of data and trying to choose a value that was equal to or approximately one-third of the sponsorship's NPI numbers.
- Quality Win Base Multiplier.**
 The committee decided to keep the multiplier at 0.5 after reviewing how changes to the value would affect outcomes. They felt that 0.5 struck the right balance—providing teams with meaningful quality-win bonuses without making them excessive, while still encouraging teams to schedule top opponents to earn those bonuses.
- Overtime Weight.**
 The committee did not add any weight to overtime games.
- Minimum Retained Wins.**
 The committee established a minimum of 7.5+ retained wins. This threshold primarily affects the highest-ranked teams, so they reviewed the average number of regular-season games played and examined how many games teams would retain if no minimum were required. Because most teams were already keeping seven or more games, the goal was to set a standard that brought all teams to a similar baseline without raising it so high that teams would be penalized simply because the lower tier of their conference was less competitive.

Resources.

- [NPI Frequently Asked Questions and Reference Guide](#)

