

**NCAA POWER INDEX
DII WOMEN'S LACROSSE**

NPI WEIGHTS					
Win%/SOS	H/A Win/Loss	QWB	QWB Multiplier	Overtime	Retained Wins
20/80	1.0/1.0	53.00	.500	100/0	8

Rationale.

- Winning Percentage/Strength of Schedule.** The committee reviewed data from the previous three years to reflect their philosophy of strength of schedule versus winning percentage. The committee chose an NPI value of 20/80 to emphasize the significance of quality wins. While a quality winning percentage shows success, the committee finds greater value in the difficulty of those wins to determine the overall competitiveness of teams who are being evaluated for the postseason.
- Home/Away – Win/Loss Weights.**
 The committee did not add any weight to the home/away – win/loss dial because the performance indicator was the only category that weighed such a factor from previous selection criterion. Outside of this, the committee did not emphasize on where wins were occurring but rather the quality of that win compared to their region.
- Quality Win Base.**
 The committee set the base value at 53.00 after evaluating data from the previous three years. The data showed teams qualifying as a quality win, were for the most part, in consideration of being ranked, which the committee believes is a practical standard. This also allows for a gradual dispersment of QWB throughout the rankings as opposed to putting greater emphasis on the top teams.
- Quality Win Base Multiplier.**
 The committee placed the multiplier at .500 to provide a differential for teams who earn wins against a quality opponent. The three years of data showing correlation between the QWB and the multiplier displayed a balanced approach to the quality teams and their opponents.
- Overtime Weight.**
 The committee values a regulation and overtime win as the same and therefore did not add any weight to overtime games.
- Retained Wins.**
 The committee established a minimum of 8 retained wins. This benchmark allows teams to not be impacted negatively for a team's NPI given conference game requirements. This promotes the philosophy from the winning percentage/strength of schedule breakdown to reward teams for playing a challenging schedule and showing favorable results. The committee believes retaining a minimum of 8 wins ensures a sufficient sample size from the 10 in-region game requirement and a 17-game maximum regular season schedule.

Resources.

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