



## NCAA PLAYING RULES UPDATES FOR SPORTS WITH NON-NCAA RULES SOURCES

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<p>Commercial/Nonprofit Trademarks/Logos Rules Uniforms/Apparel/Equipment and Playing Surfaces Non-NCAA Championship Competition*</p>	<p>Effective August 1, 2026, commercial logos on student-athletes' uniforms/apparel and equipment are permitted for Division I institutions. Per the bylaws, manufacturer logo size for DI is 4-square inches; manufacturer logo size for DII and DIII is 2¼ square inches. Placement of commercial logos on uniforms/apparel is within the NCAA playing rules. All playing surface rules are within the NCAA playing rules.</p> <p>The most up-to-date information on Commercial and Nonprofit Trademarks/Logos Rules are available below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Division I and National Collegiate Commercial And Nonprofit Trademarks/Logos Rules Summary</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Divisions II and III Commercial and Nonprofit Trademarks/Logos Rules Summary</a></li></ul> <p><i>*NOTE: For national collegiate sports, playing surface rules are for all divisions; student-athletes' uniform and equipment rules are applicable to Division I institutions only per NCAA DI bylaws (placement of logos for uniforms/apparel within playing rules). Commercial logos are <u>not</u> permitted on student-athletes' uniforms/apparel and equipment for DII and DIII institutions.</i></p>
<p>Commemorative/Memorial Uniform Patches Supporting Racial and Social Justice</p>	<p>In an effort to allow student-athletes the opportunity to use the uniform to voice their opinions and/or express support of racial and social justice, PROP reviewed the current uniform rules across all sports. Although the rules currently vary from sport-to-sport, PROP voted to direct all playing rules committees to implement the following policies for all sports effective with the 2020-21 seasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• As authorized by the institution or conference, allow a commemorative/memorial patch (e.g., names, mascots, nicknames, logos, and marks intended to celebrate or memorialize persons, events, or other causes).</li><li>• The patch must not exceed 4-square inches and must be placed on the front or sleeve of the uniform and may not interfere with any required markings.</li><li>• While not all team members are required to wear the patch, the patch must be identical for those who choose to wear the patch.</li><li>• As authorized by the institution or conference, allow other names/words intended to celebrate or memorialize persons, events, or other causes on the back of the jersey/uniform where the player name is traditionally located. The names/words may vary by team member.</li></ul>