



*2019 DIVISION III*  
**BASEBALL**  
**CHAMPIONSHIP**

***PRE-CHAMPIONSHIP***  
***2018-19 MANUAL***

# NCAA General Administrative Guidelines

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# Section 1 • Introduction

During the 2018-19 academic year, the Association will sponsor 90 national championships – 42 for men, 45 for women, and three for both men and women. Of the men's championships, three are National Collegiate Championships, 13 are Division I championships, 12 are Division II championships and 14 are Division III championships. Of the women's championships, six are National Collegiate Championships, 12 are Division I championships, 13 are Division II championships and 14 are Division III championships. The combined men's and women's championships are National Collegiate Championships.

The Pre-Championship Manual will serve as a resource for institutions to prepare for the championship. This manual is divided into three sections: General Administrative Guidelines, Sport-Specific Information, and Appendixes.

The first section applies to policies applicable to all 90 championships, while the other two sections are sport-specific.

## Section 1•1 Definitions

**Pre-championship Manual.** Resource for institutions to prepare for the championship.

**Administrative Meeting.** Pre-championship meeting for coaches and/or administrators.

**Appendixes.** Any supplemental documents to be provided and distributed through the various resources.

**Championship Manager.** The NCAA staff member(s) responsible for the operational oversight of the championship.

**Games Committee.** The committee assigned to supervise the conduct of each championship session at a specific site. For finals sites, the games committee is typically the NCAA national committee.

**NCAA National Committee.** The sport committee with direct oversight responsibilities for the championship.

**Non-predetermined Sites.** Those sites that are selected to host at the time of the participant/team selections announcement.

**Playing Rules.** The rules under which the competition will be conducted.

**Predetermined Sites.** Those sites that are selected to host before the participant/team selections announcement.

**Preliminary Rounds.** The rounds of the championship before the final or championship round.

**Regional Alignment.** The geographic location of institutions or regional advisory committees.

**Schedule of Events.** Official event schedule – includes all required activities (e.g., practices, banquets, etc.).

**Selection Criteria.** Policies and procedures in place to guide the team selection process.

**Site Selection Criteria.** Policies and procedures in place to guide the site selection process.

**Squad Size.** Number of student-athletes per team allowed to dress in uniform and participate at the championship.

**Tournament Physician.** The physician designated by the host institution/conference to serve as the chief medical advisor for the championship.

## Section 2 • Championship Core Statement

The championships and alliances staff strives to administer competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner so that the experience of the student-athlete is paramount.

This is attained by:

**Ensuring** student-athletes' optimal experience.

**Executing** championship events reflecting appropriate quality and values to/for stakeholders — student-athletes, coaches, administrators, member institutions, sport committees, fans, broadcast partners and corporate champions/partners.

**Coordinating** all aspects of the championship in an efficient, effective manner through common operating policies and practices, using internal and external resources.

**Integrating** championships with broadcast and corporate relationships in a manner that maintains the integrity of the championship.

**Assuring** effective management of the business aspects of the operation.

**Enhancing** the assets of the NCAA and their value by collaborating with internal and external expertise to achieve heightened exposure (e.g., community programs, fan events, banquets, anniversaries, etc.).

## Section 3 • Concussion Management

*[Reference: Concussion Management in Constitution 3.2.4.18 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Constitution 3.3.4.16 in the NCAA Division II Manual, and Constitution 3.2.4.16 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

The NCAA has adopted legislation that requires all active member institutions to have a concussion management plan for their student-athletes. Traveling institutions shall follow their concussion management plan while participating in NCAA championships. If a participating team lacks appropriate medical staff to activate its concussion management plan, the host championship concussion management plan will be activated.

The legislation notes, in part, that a student-athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be removed from athletics activities (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) and evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions; a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion is precluded from returning to athletics activity for at least the remainder of that calendar day; and medical clearance for return to athletics activity shall be determined by the team physician or the physician's designee from the student-athlete's institution. In the absence of a team physician or their designee, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and will determine medical clearance. Within the rules of the sport and policies established for the championship, medical staff should have access to the injured student-athlete without interference (e.g., coach).

A concussion is a brain injury that may be caused by a blow to the head, face, neck or elsewhere on the body with an "impulsive" force transmitted to the head. Concussions can occur without loss of consciousness or other obvious signs. A repeat concussion that occurs before the brain recovers from the previous one (hours, days or weeks) can slow recovery or increase the likelihood of having more severe and/or long-term problems. In rare cases, repeat concussions can result in brain swelling, permanent brain damage and even death.

For further details, please refer to the [NCAA Sports Sport Science Institute website](#) for additional guidance.

## Section 4 • Conduct

### Section 4•1 Certification of Eligibility/Availability

*[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in Constitution 3.2.4 and Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 31.2.1.7.1, 31.2.1.7.1.2 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Constitution 3.3.4 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaws 31.2.2 and 31.2.1.5 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. Member institutions are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes before the beginning of each academic year and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition.

Member institutions are reminded to notify the NCAA national office before the selection date for each championship of any student-athlete who may have participated in regular-season competition but subsequently is determined to be ineligible or unavailable for NCAA championship competition.

#### DISCOVERY OF INELIGIBILITY OF A STUDENT-ATHLETE AFTER SELECTION

If an institution fails to report an ineligible student-athlete and the omission is not discovered until after the institution is selected to participate in the championship, necessitating the institution's withdrawal from the championship, that withdrawal shall be considered as one of the years of ineligibility, provided another institution participates in the championship in place of

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the disqualified institution. If the discovery of the ineligible student-athlete occurs so near the beginning of the championship that the governing sport committee does not have a reasonable period of time to replace the disqualified institution in the bracket, that fact shall be taken into consideration in determining the number of years the disqualified institution shall be ineligible to participate.

### Section 4•2 Drug Testing

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*[Reference: Bylaws 18.4.1.4 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Divisions I and II Manual and Bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

Student-athletes who compete in NCAA championships may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with Bylaws 18.4.1.4 (Divisions I and II), 18.4.1.5 (Division III) and 31.2.3, and may be determined to be ineligible as a result thereof. Only student-athletes who have consented in writing to such testing are initially eligible for these championships; and thereafter, student-athletes who are tested shall remain eligible only if they test negative.

### Section 4•3 Honesty and Sportsmanship

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Individuals employed by (or associated with) a member institution to administer, conduct or coach intercollegiate athletics and all participating student-athletes shall act with honesty and sportsmanship at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institutions and they, as individuals, shall represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports.

### Section 4•4 Misconduct/Failure to Adhere to Policies

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#### MISCONDUCT

Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship, which discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics. Each games committee shall hold an administrative meeting with the representatives of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct.

#### FAILURE TO ADHERE TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

A governing sport committee may assess a financial penalty against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing the administration of the competition. This includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with the procedures and deadlines for submitting scores, score sheets, schedules, rosters and entry/march-in forms for qualification and other materials necessary for the efficient administration of the competition. [Click here](#) to see the full misconduct/failure to adhere to policies and procedures outline.

### Section 4•5 Sports Wagering Policy

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Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur or professional team or contest. Examples of sports wagering include, but are not limited to, the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; internet sports wagering; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize.

The current NCAA legislation against sports wagering prohibits NCAA student-athletes, member institutions' athletics staff and non-athletics staff with athletics responsibilities, and conference office staff from participating in sports wagering activities or providing information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics practice or competition in a sport in which the NCAA conducts championship competition, in bowl subdivision football and in emerging sports for women.

A wager is any agreement in which an individual or entity agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt, dinner, etc.) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value.

## STUDENT-ATHLETES

A student-athlete found in violation of the prohibition against knowingly participating in any sports wagering activities or providing information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activity that involves intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition shall be ineligible for further intercollegiate competition, subject to appeal to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for restoration of eligibility.

## POSTSEASON

In championships in which a bracket format is used, student-athletes, coaches and administrators may not participate in bracket competitions when there is both a required entry fee and an opportunity to win a prize. Student-athletes and administrators may participate under current NCAA rules in bracket contests when there is no entry fee but a possibility of winning a prize. Some NCAA member schools, however, have chosen to ban student-athletes from participating in these types of bracket contests.

## HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES

On May 16, 2018, the Board of Governors voted to suspend the NCAA championships policy related to sports wagering and to allow for championships to be hosted in locations regardless of whether a state is considering, or has legalized, sports wagering. The board's decision provides championship location continuity as states contemplate whether to allow legalized sports betting.

## Section 4•6 Student-Athlete Experience Survey

After each championship, institutional administrators, coaches and student-athletes will be asked to participate in a post-event survey intended to capture feedback on their recent championship experience. Institutional administrators and coaches will receive an email containing a link to the survey and will be asked to ensure participation from all student-athletes.

## Section 5 • Elite 90™ Award

The Elite 90 award was created to recognize the true essence of the student-athlete by honoring the individual who has reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level in his or her sport, while also achieving the highest academic standard among his or her peers. The award is presented in every sport, every division, and goes to the student-athlete who has the highest cumulative grade-point average of all student-athletes on all teams competing at the finals site. Each institution that has at least one student-athlete qualify for the final round/site is eligible to nominate a student-athlete for the award. One student-athlete per championship will receive the award, and the announcement of the winner will be made at the finals site.

Institutions that wish to nominate a student-athlete must do so through an online nomination process. To receive more information or access the online form and submit a nomination, go to [ncaa.org](http://ncaa.org).

## Section 6 • Fan Travel

NCAA Travel provides an easy and affordable way for family and fans to follow their favorite student-athlete(s) and team(s) as they participate in NCAA championships competition. Travel arrangements completed through NCAA Travel help support NCAA student-athletes. Please direct your fans to [NCAA.com/travel](http://NCAA.com/travel) to search and book online hotel, car and air travel, all in one easy transaction.

## Section 7 • Logo Policy

*[Reference: Bylaws 12.5.4, 31.1.7 and 31.1.8 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaw 12.5.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]*

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A student-athlete may use athletics equipment or wear athletics apparel that bears the trademark or logo of an athletics equipment or apparel manufacturer or distributor in athletics competition and pre- and postgame activities (e.g., celebrations on the court, pre- or postgame press conferences), provided the following criteria are met:

1. Athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, helmets, baseball bats and gloves, batting or golf gloves, hockey and lacrosse sticks, goggles and skis) shall bear only the manufacturer's normal label or trademark, as it is used on all such items for sale to the general public; and
2. The student-athlete's institution's official uniform (including numbered racing bibs and warm-ups) and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, head bands, T-shirts, wrist bands, visors or hats, swim caps and towels) shall bear only a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed 2-1/4 square inches in area (rectangle, square, parallelogram) including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The student-athlete's institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel shall not bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's trademark/logo that is in addition to another trademark/logo that is contrary to the size restriction.

## Section 8 • Research

It is essential that all research efforts be coordinated by a single entity within the national office structure in order to ensure maximum efficiency and quality, avoid unnecessary duplication of effort on the part of staff and membership, allow the NCAA to prioritize research efforts given the limited time and resources of our members and adhere to federal guidelines on the responsibilities of researchers to properly protect research participants from harm.

For the purpose of this policy, "research" is defined as any systematic collection of data for the purpose of drawing generalized conclusions.

Any proposal to conduct research must be submitted to the NCAA research staff for review at least six weeks before the project begins. Research to be conducted during NCAA championships or related events, and which involves competing student-athletes or attendees, is also subject to review. This includes all research, including that conducted by or under the direction of any employee, contractor or paid consultant of the NCAA. It also includes any research conducted by other persons, but funded totally or in part by the NCAA. Any research that detracts from the student-athlete experience or requires physical activity may not be permitted at the championships (preliminary rounds and finals sites). The NCAA retains sole discretion as to whether to allow such research.

Examples of activities considered research include: Conducting surveys of athletics administrators, college presidents, faculty, coaches and student-athletes; leading an organized focus group; funding an outside study under the auspices of the NCAA; conducting market research at championship events; secondary analysis of data originally collected by the NCAA

from people for other purposes; any systematic collect data from the membership or other entities; etc.

## Section 9 • Division III

### Section 9•1 Division III Philosophy

The Division III championships philosophy is to field the most competitive teams possible while minimizing missed class time; to emphasize regional competition in regular-season scheduling; and to provide representation in NCAA championship competition by allocating berths to eligible conferences, independent institutions and a limited number of at-large teams, realizing that this may be done at the expense of leaving out some championship-caliber teams.

### Section 9•2 Commencement Conflicts

If an institution's commencement conflicts with participation in the championship, it shall inform the NCAA championship manager in writing one week before the selection date for the governing sport committee to consider an accommodation and a change to the championship schedule.

The following guidelines apply to commencement requests:

- Applies to team sports only.
- The governing sport committee, in consultation with participating institutions, may reschedule the game on the nearest possible date.
- Does not apply to predetermined finals sites.
- The governing sport committee shall make a good-faith effort to accommodate participating institutions in non-predetermined preliminary-round contests with multiple teams participating at the same site..

## Section 9•3 Religious Conflicts

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**Institutional Policy.** If a participating institution has a written policy against competition on a particular day for religious reasons, it shall inform the NCAA national office before May 1 of the preceding academic year to be excused from competing on that day. The notification shall be valid for a period of two years. The championship schedule shall be adjusted to accommodate that institution, and such adjustment shall not require its team or an individual competitor to compete before the time originally scheduled.

**Individual Championships.** In individual championships, a student-athlete must compete according to the institution's policy regarding Sunday competition (i.e., if the institution has no policy against Sunday competition, the student-athlete shall compete on Sunday if required by the schedule).



# Division III Baseball

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Matt Husted	Wheaton College (Illinois)	College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin
Nathan Roling	Simpson College	American Rivers Conference
Eric Cruise	Ripon College	Midwest Conference
Bill Kurich	Webster University	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Pat Bloom	Washington University in St. Louis	University Athletic Association
<b>MID-ATLANTIC REGION</b>		
<b>Paul Murphy, chair</b>	<b>Gwynedd Mercy University</b>	<b>Atlantic East Conference</b>
Frank Leoni	Marymount University	Atlantic East Conference
Stan Exeter	Ursinus College	Centennial Conference
Phil Shallenberger	Cairn University	Colonial States Athletic Conference
Mike LaRosa	Widener University	Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth
Pete Egbert	Misericordia University	Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom
Adam Sheibley	Elizabethtown College	Landmark Conference
Dean Glus	The College of New Jersey	New Jersey Athletic Conference
<b>MIDEAST REGION</b>		
<b>Bret Butler, chair</b>	<b>University of Pittsburgh, Bradford</b>	<b>Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference</b>
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Steve Sakosits	Earlham College	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference
Chad Fitzgerald	Heidelberg University	Ohio Athletic Conference
Craig Rainey	Adrian College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association
Mike Deegan	Denison University	North Coast Athletic Conference
Joe Schaly	Thiel College	Presidents' Athletic Conference
<b>MIDWEST REGION</b>		
<b>Aaron Rushing, chair</b>	<b>Carleton College</b>	<b>Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference</b>
Brian Raabe	Bethel University	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Mike Stawski	Concordia University of Chicago	Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference
Grant Harding	University of Minnesota, Morris	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference
Kevin Tomasiewicz	University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

NAME	INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE
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<b>NEW YORK REGION</b>		
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Fran Elia	State University of New York at Cortland	Skyline Conference
Joe Mandile	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	State University of New York Athletic Conference
		City University of New York Athletic Conference
<b>SOUTH REGION</b>		
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DJ Conville	Huntingdon College	USA South Athletic Conference
Chris Francis	Virginia Wesleyan University	Old Dominion Athletic Conference
Jeff Cleanthes	Rhodes College	Southern Athletic Association
<b>WEST REGION</b>		
<b>Frank Pericolosi, chair</b>	<b>Pomona-Pitzer Colleges</b>	<b>TBD</b>
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Brian Billings	Pacific University (Oregon)	Northwest Conference
Scott Laverty	Chapman University	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Mike Diaz	Centenary University (Louisiana)	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference

## Section 1•4 Important Dates

<b>Wednesday, April 24</b>	Regional Ranking No. 1.
<b>Wednesday, May 1</b>	Regional Ranking No. 2.
<b>Wednesday, May 8</b>	Regional Ranking No. 3.
<b>Monday, May 13</b>	Regional Ranking No. 4 Championship Selections

### CHAMPIONSHIP DATES AND SITES

#### Regionals: Friday-Sunday, May 17-19

(58 teams, 13 regionals with four teams (double elimination), three regionals with two teams (best of five series))

#### Super Regionals: Friday-Saturday, May 24-25

(16 teams, eight super regionals with two teams (best of three series))

#### Finals: Friday-Tuesday/Wednesday, May 31-June 4/5 (Eight Teams)

**Site-Hosted by:** Perfect Game Field at Veterans Memorial Stadium, Cedar Rapids, Iowa;  
Co-hosted by the American Rivers Conference

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<b>Regionals (16)</b>	Friday-Sunday the weekend before Super Regionals
<b>Super Regionals (8)</b>	Memorial Day Weekend (Friday and Saturday)
<b>Finals</b>	Friday-Tuesday (Wednesday / "If necessary" game) the weekend following Super Regionals

### FUTURE DATES OF COMPETITION (PRACTICE DAYS WILL BE ONE DAY PRIOR TO START OF REGIONALS, SUPER REGIONALS AND FINALS)

<b>Selections</b>	May 11, 2020	May 17, 2021	May 16, 2022
<b>Regionals (All sites TBD)</b>	May 15-17, 2020	May 21-23, 2021	May 20-22, 2022
<b>Super Regionals</b>	May 22-23, 2020	May 28-29, 2021	May 27-28, 2022
<b>Finals</b>	May 29-June 3, 2020 (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)	June 4-9, 2021 (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)	June 3-8, 2022 (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)

## Section 1•5 Division III Commencement Conflict Policy

If an institution's commencement conflicts with participation in the championship, it shall inform the NCAA championship manager in writing one week prior to the selection date for the governing sports committee to accommodate a request to alter the championship schedule.

The following guidelines apply to commencement requests:

- Applies to team sports only.
- The governing sports committee, in consultation with participating institutions, would reschedule the game on the nearest possible date if a participating school has a conflict.
- Does not apply to predetermined finals sites.

The governing sports committee shall make a good faith effort to accommodate participating institutions in non-predetermined preliminary-round contests with multiple teams participating at the same site.

## Section 1•6 Division III Philosophy

The Division III championships philosophy is to field the most competitive teams possible while minimizing missed class time; to emphasize regional competition in regular-season scheduling; and to provide representation in NCAA championship competition by allocating berths to eligible conferences, independent institutions and a limited number of at-large teams, realizing that this may be done at the expense of leaving out some championship-caliber teams.

## Section 1•7 Equipment

The Rawlings R1NCAA baseball has been selected as the official baseball for all games in the three NCAA championship tournaments.

The appropriate number of balls will be sent to all tournaments. The balls will be shipped to the director of athletics or tournament director at the host institution, or delivered by the NCAA representative.

Each team must furnish its own practice balls.

## Section 1•8 Rules

Per NCAA Bylaw 17.30, member institutions shall conduct all of their intercollegiate competition in accordance with the playing rules of the Association in all sports for which the NCAA develops playing rules.

For those sports where the Association follows rules developed by other governing bodies and modified by the governing sports committee, the adopted playing rules shall be used. The governing sports committee will not consider any results for selection purposes not played in accordance with the NCAA rules books, or those rules adopted by an outside organization.

**Seats for Nonplaying Teams and NCAA Personnel.** Hosts should make every effort to reserve seats for nonplaying teams as long as they are participants in the championship competition. These seats should be covered, if possible, and should be located in the first rows behind home plate.

**Speed Guns.** Use of speed guns by participants is prohibited.

**Length of Game – Halted Game Rule.** All games shall be nine innings. If play has been stopped before nine innings have been completed, the halted-game rule (Rule 5-8) shall be used.

[Note: The 10-Run Rule – Rule 5-7-b-(4) – shall not be used for the championship.]

**Protest Procedure.** The following protest procedure shall be used in all tournaments:

1. Any protest by the coach of a competing team must be made at the time of the action or incident that caused the protest and before play is resumed;
2. If the game ends (legal contest) in a protestable situation, the offended team has 20 seconds to voice its protest intentions;
3. All protests must be made to the umpire-in-chief; however, if he is not working the game, the home plate umpire shall receive the protest;
4. No protest shall be allowed that involves a judgment decision by an umpire; and
5. All protests must be ruled upon immediately by the games committee. The committee shall confer with the umpires before making its decision, and the chair shall make a written report to the chair of the NCAA Division III Baseball Committee.

**Tobacco Products.** The use of all tobacco products is prohibited by student-athletes and game personnel (e.g., coaches, umpires, trainers, managers) during practice sessions and game competition. The use of tobacco products during other championship activities, such as banquets, autograph sessions, press conferences and postgame interviews, is prohibited. Violations of this regulation shall be dealt with by the appropriate sports committee in accordance with Rule 3-10 of the NCAA Baseball Rules and the misconduct provisions of Bylaw 31.1.10.

**Films and Still Photographs.** The videotaping or filming of an opponent's game is not permitted. If in-person scouting occurs, the individual(s) shall pay the regular admission price. Institutions are permitted to videotape championship competition by their teams or the individual student-athletes for archival, coaching or instructional purposes. Each institution is permitted to use one camera and may videotape only that portion of the competition in which it participates. The videotapes may not be used for any commercial purposes. An institutional representative shall contact the event coordinator at the host site to arrange for camera space at that site. The host institution shall provide a comparable location for both competing teams.

## Section 1•9 Uniforms

Competing teams shall have both light- and dark-colored jerseys and light- and dark-colored stockings available. In preliminary-round competition, the home team must wear a uniform in clear contrast with the visiting team. In case of conflict, the home team must wear white- or light-colored uniforms. For the semifinals and final, the games committee will determine the home teams. Student-athletes competing in the championship shall wear the official uniform of their institution in competition and related ceremonies. This applies to warm-ups and competitive uniforms.

### LOGOS

Refer to [General Administrative Guidelines, Section 7](#).

### DETERMINATION OF HOME TEAMS AT REGIONALS AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

For first-round games during regional competition when teams are seeded, the highest-seeded team shall be designated as the home team. If there are no seeds, the home team shall be determined by a coin flip. In subsequent games, the home team shall be determined according to a formula applied by the games committee. For the regional or national championship games, if one of the championship game teams is undefeated, it will be designated as the home team for the first game. The "if necessary" game will be determined by a coin flip. The home team in game one will call the flip. If both teams have one loss, the home team will be determined by coin flip. In determining which of two teams in any non-championship game will be the home team, the games committee or the committee representative shall designate the home team using the following guidelines:

- The institution that has been the home team the fewer number of times in that particular tournament.
- If the two teams are equal in this respect but unequal in the number of times they were the visitor, then the team that has been the visitor more often will be designated the home team.
- If the two teams are equal in the number of times that they have been home and visitor, the games committee or the committee representative shall observe the following procedures in the order stated:
  - a. If the two teams have met previously in that particular tournament, the visitor in the previous game shall be the home team in the game in question (Exception: In a two-team tournament where both teams have been the home team twice, the fifth game will be determined by coin flip);
  - b. The team that was visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were visitors in their preceding games; or
  - c. If the above procedures do not resolve the matter, the home team shall be determined by coin flip, with the higher seed calling the flip.

### DETERMINATION OF HOME TEAMS AT SUPER REGIONALS

A coin toss will determine the home team in games one and three (if necessary). The loser of the coin flip will be home in game number two.

# Section 2 • Determination of Championship Participation

## Section 2•1 Championship Format

**Championship Structure.** The championship provides for a maximum field of 58 teams. Thirteen regional sites will have four teams competing and three regional sites will have two teams competing. The four-team regionals will use a double-elimination format. The two-team regionals will use a best of five series. Eligible conference champions shall qualify automatically.

The 16 teams advancing from regionals will compete in a two-team, best-of-three tournament at eight super regional sites.

Winners of the eight super regionals tournaments will qualify for the double-elimination championship in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The final two teams will compete in a best-of-three series to determine the national champion ([Appendix A](#)).

**Regionals.** All regional tournaments will be conducted for a two- or three-day period. Regionals will begin Friday, May 17. (Competition will be conducted Thursday-Saturday at regional sites with a team that has a no-Sunday play policy and the inclement weather formula will be adjusted accordingly.) Every attempt should be made to complete regional competition by the Sunday before super regionals. Competition may be scheduled one additional day if: (1) weather or unforeseen circumstances prevent the completion of competition on the originally scheduled final day of competition; or (2) completing competition would require a team to play three games in one day. (Note: A team may be required to complete a halted game and play up to two additional games in the same day.) A team may be required to play three games in one day on the rain date (Monday) to complete competition. If exceptions (e.g., weather) preclude the completion of competition by Monday, the advancing team will be determined based on the inclement weather formula in this section. If the regional representative cannot be determined on the field of play by Monday, May 20, one team will be selected by the committee.

### REGIONAL FORMATS - FOUR-TEAM (THREE DAYS)

<b>Day 1: Game 1</b>	No. 1 seed vs. No. 4 seed
<b>Game 2</b>	No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed
<b>Day 2: Game 3</b>	Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2
<b>Game 4</b>	Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2
<b>Game 5</b>	Winner Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4
<b>Day 3: Game 6</b>	Winner Game 4 vs. Winner Game 5
<b>Game 7</b>	Winner Game 6 vs. Loser Game 6 (if necessary)

### REGIONAL FORMATS - TWO-TEAM (TWO OR THREE DAYS)

<b>Day 1: Game 1</b>	No. 1 seed vs. No. 2 seed
<b>Game 2</b>	No. 2 seed vs. No. 1 seed
<b>Day 2: Game 3</b>	No. 1 seed vs. No. 2 seed
<b>Game 4 (if necessary)</b>	No. 2 seed vs. No. 1 seed
<b>Day 3: Game 5 (if necessary)</b>	No. 1 seed vs. No. 2 seed

#### Game times for four-team regionals:

DAY 1	WITH LIGHTS	WITHOUT LIGHTS	DAY 2	WITH LIGHTS	WITHOUT LIGHTS	DAY 3	WITH LIGHTS	WITHOUT LIGHTS
G - 1	11 A.M.	10 A.M.	G - 3	11 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	G - 6	11 A.M.	11 A.M.
G - 2	2:30 P.M.	1:30 P.M.	G - 4	2:30 P.M.	NOON	G - 7	45 MINS. FOLLOWING	45 MINS. FOLLOWING
			G - 5	6 P.M.	3:30 P.M.			



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### Game times for two-team regionals:

DAY 1	WITH LIGHTS	WITHOUT LIGHTS	DAY 2	WITH LIGHTS	WITHOUT LIGHTS	DAY 3	WITH AND WITHOUT LIGHTS
G - 1	11 A.M.	10 A.M.	G - 3	11 A.M.	10 A.M.	G - 5	NOON
G - 2	45 MINS. FOLLOWING	45 MINS. FOLLOWING	G - 4	45 MINS. FOLLOWING	45 MINS. FOLLOWING		

**Super Regional.** Super regionals will be conducted for a two-day period beginning Friday, May 24. Game 1 will be played on the first day; Game 2 (and Game 3, if necessary) will be played on the second day. Every attempt should be made to complete super regional competition by the Saturday before the NCAA Division III Baseball Championship. Competition may be scheduled one additional day if: (1) weather or unforeseen circumstances prevent the completion of competition on the originally scheduled final day of competition; or (2) completing competition would require a team to play three games in one day. (Note: A team may be required to complete a halted game and play up to two additional games in the same day. Teams may be required to play three games in one day on the rain date to complete competition.)

### Game times for super regionals:

DAY 1	WITH & WITHOUT LIGHTS	DAY 2	WITH & WITHOUT LIGHTS
G - 1	NOON	G - 2	11 A.M.
		G - 3	45 MINS. FOLLOWING

## METHOD OF DETERMINING REGIONAL/SUPER REGIONAL CHAMPION IF PLAY CANNOT BE COMPLETED

The committee reserves the right to revise the game schedule because of inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances.

**Four-team Regionals.** If inclement weather limits play, every effort has been made to complete competition by Sunday and competition cannot be completed by Monday, the team that will advance to the super regional will be based on the following:

<b>0 games played</b>	Highest seed
<b>1 game played</b>	Highest seed
<b>2 games played</b>	Highest undefeated seed
<b>3 games played</b>	Highest undefeated seed
<b>4 games played</b>	Highest undefeated seed
<b>5 games played</b>	Highest undefeated seed
<b>6 games played</b>	Winner of Game 6 unless each team has one loss (i.e., the teams are tied), then: 1) Head-to-head competition 2) Highest remaining seed

**Two-team Regionals.** If inclement weather limits play, every effort has been made to complete competition by Sunday and competition cannot be completed by Monday, the team that will advance to the super regional will be based on the following:

<b>0 games played</b>	Highest seed
<b>1 game played</b>	Winner of game 1
<b>2 games played</b>	If each team has a loss, the highest seed
<b>3 games played</b>	Winner of 2/3 games
<b>4 games played</b>	If each team has two losses, the highest seed

**Super Regional.** If exceptions (e.g., weather) preclude the completion of competition by Sunday, the advancing team will be determined based on the inclement weather formula in this section.

<b>0 games played</b>	Highest seed
<b>1 game played</b>	Winner of Game 1
<b>2 games played</b>	If each team has a loss, the highest seed

For all rounds of competition, the committee will do its best to make sure that no team plays more than two games in a day, barring unforeseen circumstances.

**Championship Finals.** The eight winners of the competitions will advance to the championship series. The championship finals bracket, including dates and game times, may be found in [Appendix A](#).

## CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*Cedar Rapids, Iowa – All times Central*

### Wednesday, May 29

Teams arrive

### Thursday, May 30

<b>8 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.</b>	Coaches meeting
<b>9:40 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.</b>	Team practices
<b>6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.</b>	Team barbecue
<b>7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.</b>	Championship ceremony

### Friday, May 31

<b>10 a.m.</b>	Game No. 1
<b>1:15 p.m.</b>	Game No. 2
<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Game No. 3
<b>7:45 p.m.</b>	Game No. 4

### Saturday, June 1

<b>10 a.m.</b>	Game No. 5
<b>1:15 p.m.</b>	Game No. 6
<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Game No. 7
<b>7:45 p.m.</b>	Game No. 8

### Sunday, June 2

<b>10 a.m.</b>	Game No. 9
<b>1:15 p.m.</b>	Game No. 10
<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Game No. 11
<b>7:45 p.m.</b>	Game No. 12

### Monday, June 3\*

See Championship Series Schedule

### Tuesday, June 4\*

See Championship Series Schedule

### Wednesday, June 5\*

See Championship Series Schedule (If necessary)

## CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES SCHEDULE\*

*Championship series doubleheaders – Second game starts 30 minutes following the conclusion of the first game.*

### If no pool “If necessary” games needed

#### Monday, June 3

Noon Game No. 1 – Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #1, Best-of-Three Series)

#### Tuesday, June 4

11 a.m. Game No. 2 – Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #2, Best-of-Three Series)

TBD Game No. 3 – “If necessary,” Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner  
(Game #3, Best-of-Three Series)

### If one pool needs “If necessary” game

#### Monday, June 3

Noon Game No. 13 – Pool A or Pool B “If necessary” game

#### Tuesday, June 4

11 a.m. Game No. 1 – Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #1, Best-of-Three Series)

TBD Game No. 2 – Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #2, Best-of-Three Series)

#### Wednesday, June 5

11 a.m. Game No. 3 – “If necessary,” Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner  
(Game #3, Best-of-Three Series)

### If both pools need “If necessary” game

#### Monday, June 3

Noon Game No. 13 – Pool A “If necessary” game

3:30 p.m. Game No. 14 – Pool B “If necessary” game

#### Tuesday, June 4

11 a.m. Game No. 1 – Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #1, Best-of-Three Series)

TBD Game No. 2 – Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #2, Best-of-Three Series)

#### Wednesday, June 5

11 a.m. Game No. 3 – “If necessary,” Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner  
(Game #3, Best-of-Three Series)

## TRAVEL PARTY/TEAM ROSTER/SQUAD SIZE

*[Reference: Official Traveling Party, Per Diem and Transportation in the General Section.]*

No changes may be made in a team roster for any reason. This procedure will also be followed at the finals, although the same players need not be designated for regional and finals competition. Travel party is 30. Each team will be permitted a maximum roster of 33 (35 with inclusion of two medical personnel) persons in the dugout, including 25 eligible players in uniform, coaching staff in uniform and other personnel performing game functions, including two medical personnel (doctor, trainer, etc.). If two medical personnel are not used, nonmedical personnel may not be substituted. Nonuniformed personnel may not participate in pregame warmups or game-type functions.

An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not conform to it promptly automatically shall forfeit the competition. This is not an “appeal play;” further, there shall be no inordinate delay of the contest to allow the institution to conform to the rule. There will be no exceptions regarding the “Squad Size” section.

## Section 2•2 Results

### SCORE REPORTING

The score-reporting and stats-reporting processes are now combined for Division III baseball. Schools will submit all schedule and results information to the NCAA statistics site (<http://web1.ncaa.org/stats/StatsSrv/login>), and this information will then be imported into the score-reporting system for use by the sports committees. Specific instructions and reporting deadlines will be communicated to SIDs in a memo from the media services staff. For questions regarding the reporting process, please contact Sean Straziscar ([sstraziscar@ncaa.org](mailto:sstraziscar@ncaa.org) or 317-917-6122).

## Section 2•3 Selections Information

Pairings and Site Selection. Once automatic qualifiers are identified and the Pools B and C teams are selected, the following guidelines should be followed:

- Once selected, teams will be grouped in clusters according to natural geographic proximity. Teams will then be paired according to geographic proximity. A team may be moved to numerically balance the bracket if geographic proximity is maintained. Teams should be paired and eligible sites should be selected according to geographic proximity (within 500 miles).
- Teams may be seeded on a regional basis using the regional selection criteria. However, geographic proximity takes precedence over seeding.
- Teams from the same conference do not have to play one another in the first round as long as geographic proximity is maintained.

*[Reference: Annual Forms in this handbook and Bylaws 31.01.2, 31.01.3 and 31.3 in the Division III NCAA Manual.]*

The NCAA Baseball Committee will follow Bylaw 31.3.3 in selecting at-large participants.

Regular-season conference standings and/or conference postseason competition shall be considered by the committee when selecting at-large teams.

**Regular-Season Contests.** At the time the game is scheduled, both teams shall agree whether the game is to be counted for purposes of won-lost records and team and individual statistics. A game will be counted by both teams as an official contest unless both teams agree in writing before the game that it is to be an exhibition contest. If it is an exhibition contest, the team and the individual statistics and records cannot be counted for either team. In any event, the contest or exhibition remains countable as a contest for the purpose of Bylaw 17.2.1. Further, all games will be of regulation length.

Coaches should be aware of the application of Bylaw 14.2.4.1 (seasons of competition). Any participation by a student-athlete against outside competition, however limited, shall constitute a season of competition.

No games played during the fall will be included in a team's won-lost record and statistics.

### ALLOCATION OF BERTHS

**Pool Information.** As required by the selection principles, the following berths have been allocated for the 2018-19 championship:

Pool A-40, Pool B-2, Pool C-16

The Division III Baseball Committee will select teams to the championship based on the following selection principles:

- After the determination of the automatic (Pool A) berths, the committee will determine the Pool B selections followed by the Pool C selections.
- Pool B will comprise independent institutions and institutions that are members of conferences that do not meet the requirements for automatic qualification. Pool C will be reserved for institutions from automatic-qualifying conferences that are not their conference champions and the remaining teams in Pool B. The number of berths available for Pool B institutions is determined by dividing the number of institutions eligible in Pool B by the access ratio for Pool A (total number of institutions in conferences with automatic qualification divided by the number of Division III conferences with

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automatic qualification). Pool B = (number of independents and non-qualifying conference members) divided by (the access ratio for Pool A) — with the result truncated to the nearest whole number (e.g., 5.61 truncates to 5).

- Berths from Pool B and Pool C will be selected on a national basis, using regional selection criteria. There will be no predetermined regional allocations for Pools B and C.

### AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

The 40 conferences granted automatic qualification for the 2018-19 championship from Pool A are as follows:

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	New England Collegiate Conference
American Rivers Conference	New England Small College Athletic Conference
American Southwest Conference	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference
Capital Athletic Conference	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Centennial Conference	North Atlantic Conference
College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin	North Coast Athletic Conference
Colonial States Athletic Conference	North Eastern Athletic Conference
Commonwealth Coast Conference	Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference
Empire 8	Northwest Conference
Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Ohio Athletic Conference
Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Old Dominion Athletic Conference
Landmark Conference	Presidents' Athletic Conference
Liberty League	Skyline Conference
Little East Conference	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Southern Athletic Association
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference
Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom	State University of New York Athletic Conference
Midwest Conference	USA South Athletic Conference
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference

### AT-LARGE SELECTION/IN-REGION COMPETITION

To be considered during the at-large selection process (Pools B or C), an institution must play at least 70 percent of its competition against Division III in-region opponents, unless a waiver has been approved by the Division III Championships Committee. In-region competition consists of the following:

- All competition within an institution's defined sports region.
- All competition within an institution's geographical region (Constitution 4.13.1).
- All competition within a 500-mile radius from one institution to another.
- All conference competition.
- All out-of-region contests conducted during one institutional vacation period (i.e., spring break) for sports with a spring NCAA championship (Bylaw 31.3.2.3).

The NCAA Travel Expense System mileage calculator will be used to confirm distance from campus to campus. (<https://web1.ncaa.org/TES/exec/TES/exec/miles>).

#### Bylaw 31.3.3.1 – Countable Competition.

For NCAA team-championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Constitution 3.2.4.4) of United States four-year, degree-granting institutions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.

### REGIONAL ALIGNMENT

Each Division III baseball team is assigned to one of eight geographic "evaluation" regions. The primary criteria used for ranking and selection is based on how a team performs against other Division III "in-region" teams. In addition, results

versus Division III opponents within 500 miles or less of a team's campus, but outside its assigned geographic region, will be considered "in-region" and part of the primary selection/ranking criteria. All conference competition is considered in-region. And finally, the championships committee has expanded the definition of an in-region contest to include "all competition within an institution's membership geographical region (Bylaw 4.13.1.1)." The country is divided into four membership regions. For most institutions, the change in definition should result in an expanded list of potential in-region opponents.

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

Information about the Division III travel policies for baseball can be found on the NCAA membership website at: <http://www.ncaa.org/championships/travel/championships-travel-information>.

## Section 2•4 Selection Criteria

### PRIMARY CRITERIA

The primary criteria emphasize regional competition (all contests leading up to NCAA championships); all criteria listed will be evaluated (not listed in priority order).

- Win-loss percentage against Division III opponents.
- Division III head-to-head competition.
- Results versus common Division III opponents.
- Results versus ranked Division III opponents as established by the rankings at the time of selection.
- Division III strength of schedule.
- Win-loss percentage — last 25% of the season (if applicable).

Contests versus provisional and reclassifying members in their third and fourth years shall count in the primary criteria.

Provisional and reclassifying members shall remain ineligible for rankings and selection.

**Weighted Scale.** Once the OWP and OOWP are calculated, they are to be combined on a weighted scale (e.g., 2/3 weight for OWP and 1/3 weight for OOWP) and this combined number becomes the strength of schedule.

### SECONDARY CRITERIA

If the evaluation of the primary criteria does not result in a decision, the secondary criteria will be reviewed. All the criteria listed will be evaluated (not listed in priority order). The secondary criteria introduce results against out-of-region Division III and all other opponents, including those contests versus opponents from other classifications (i.e., provisionals, NAIA, NCAA Divisions I and II).

- Non-Division III win-loss percentage.
- Results versus common non-Division III opponents.
- Non-Division III strength of schedule.

## Section 2•5 Site Selection

Any institution or conference interested in hosting a preliminary round of the 2019 NCAA Division III Baseball Championship must submit a proposed budget, facility evaluation form, key contacts form and video board questionnaire (if applicable) to be considered to host. A separate proposed budget and key contacts form must be submitted for each round that an institution or conference is interested in hosting. The highest-ranked teams will be given consideration as regional and super regional sites, assuming they meet the requirements of Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1. Institutions that do not qualify for the regional or super regional rounds of the championship will not be required to host.

Note the proposed budget form has changed slightly to allow us to collect more detailed information when relevant. The form is now an expandable/collapsible tree format with the ability to upload supporting documents. Please note the unbudgeted expenditures section has been removed in the new budget form. As part of the bid, prospective hosts must

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enter a budgeted amount for both the game officials and committee/site representatives; hosts will pay for their lodging expenses and be reimbursed by the NCAA. However, if the NCAA manages the hotel block for the game officials, the officials' lodging expenses shall be directly billed to the NCAA. The NCAA typically manages the officials' hotel block at the final site for our championships.

All bid-related forms can be accessed via the following website: <https://championships.ncaa.org>.

### FINAL FINANCIAL REPORT

*[Reference: Bylaw 31.4 in the NCAA Manual.]*

A final financial report from each championship site must be submitted via the online host reporting system to the NCAA not later than 60 days after the competition.

### FACILITY EVALUATION FORM

An online facility evaluation form must be completed by each institution interested in hosting preliminary-round competition.

If you submitted a facility evaluation form for this championship last year, the responses to a number of questions will auto-populate with information you submitted last year. Please verify or edit those responses as needed, and provide responses to all blank questions. Please refer to the Baseball Rules book for minimum field dimensions and specifications.

### KEY CONTACTS FORM

A key contacts form must be submitted for each round of the Division III Baseball Championship. The online form is available in the host reporting system.

### SAFETY AND SECURITY PLAN

Based upon a review of current and future Championships competition venues, discussions with safety and security experts, and their own expertise and knowledge, the NCAA has established a Safety and Security Advisory Group (SSAG) to develop a compilation of Best Practices for NCAA Championships, which can be found in the "Help/Other Resources" tab in the championship host portal. We urge each competition venue to take these Best Practices into account when developing its safety and security program.

As part of your bid, please submit a safety and security plan for your venue, which would be inclusive of the NCAA Championships Safety and Security Team contact information form, located in Appendix A of the [Best Practices document](#). This information should be submitted to J.P. Williams at the NCAA ([jpwilliams@ncaa.org](mailto:jpwilliams@ncaa.org)) as part of your bid to be considered for championship site selection.

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# Appendix A • Bracket

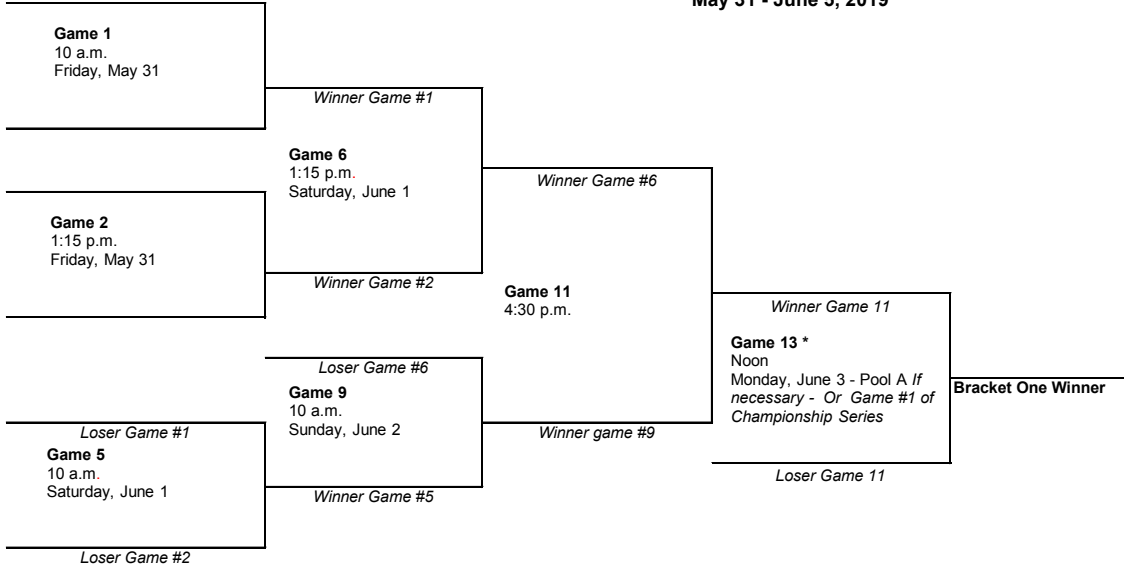


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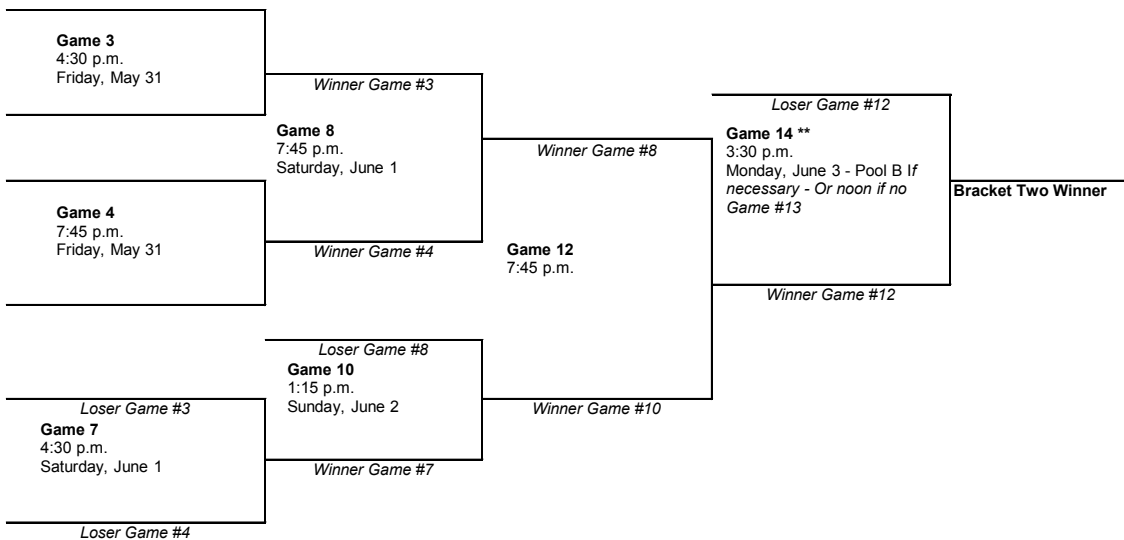
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Cedar Rapids, Iowa

\*May 31 - June 5, 2019

### BRACKET ONE



### BRACKET TWO



**Championship Series\*\*\***  
Game 1 - TBD  
Game 2 - TBD  
Game 3 - (If Necessary) TBD

**NATIONAL  
CHAMPION**

All times are Central

\*Game 13 will be necessary if the winner of Game 9 also wins Game 11. If it is the only game scheduled for that day, the game will start at Noon.

\*\*Game 14 will be necessary if the winner of Game 10 also wins Game 12. If it is the only game scheduled for that day, the game will start at Noon.

### \*\*\*Championship Series

If No If Necessary Games Needed

**Monday, June 3**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#13	Noon	Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #1, Best of Three Series)

**Tuesday, June 4**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#14	11 a.m.	Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #2, Best of Three Series)
#15	-----	If Necessary, Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #3, Best of Three Series)

\* - Game #15 will start 30 minutes following the conclusion of Game #14

If One Pool Needs If Necessary Game

**Monday, June 3**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#13	Noon	Pool A or Pool B If Necessary Game

**Tuesday, June 4**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#14	11 a.m.	Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #1, Best of Three Series)
#15	-----	Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #2, Best of Three Series)

\* - Game #15 will start 30 minutes following the conclusion of Game #14

**Wednesday, June 5**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#16	11 a.m.	If Necessary, Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #3, Best of Three Series)

If Both Pools Need If Necessary Game

**Monday, June 3**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#13	Noon	Pool A If Necessary Game
#14	3:30 p.m.	Pool B If Necessary Game

**Tuesday, June 4**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#15	11 a.m.	Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #1, Best of Three Series)
#16	-----	Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #2, Best of Three Series)

minutes following the conclusion of Game #15

**Wednesday, June 5**

<b>Game</b>	<b>Time</b>	
#17	11 a.m.	If Necessary, Pool A Winner vs. Pool B Winner (Game #3, Best of Three Series)

## Appendix B • Sport Sponsorship

### CENTRAL EVALUATION REGION

#### American Rivers Conference (9)

Buena Vista University  
 Central College (Iowa)  
 Coe College  
 University of Dubuque  
 Loras College

Luther College  
 Nebraska Wesleyan University  
 Simpson College  
 Wartburg College

AQ – Postseason

#### College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (9)

Augustana College (Illinois)  
 Carroll University (Wisconsin)  
 Carthage College  
 Elmhurst College  
 Illinois Wesleyan University

Millikin University  
 North Central College  
 North Park University  
 Wheaton College (Illinois)

AQ – Postseason

#### Midwest Conference (10)

Beloit College  
 University of Chicago  
 Cornell College  
 Grinnell College  
 Illinois College

Knox College  
 Lawrence University  
 Monmouth College (Illinois)  
 Ripon College  
 St. Norbert College

AQ – Postseason

#### St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (10)

Blackburn College  
 Eureka College  
 Fontbonne University  
 Greenville University  
 Iowa Wesleyan University

MacMurray College  
 Principia College  
 Spalding University  
 Webster University  
 Westminster College (Missouri)

AQ – Postseason

#### Pool B Institutions/Non AQ (1)

\*\*Washington University in St. Louis

### MID-ATLANTIC EVALUATION REGION

#### Atlantic East Conference (7)

Cabrini University  
 Gwynedd Mercy University  
 Immaculata University  
 Marymount University (Virginia)

Marywood University  
 Neumann University  
 Wesley College

Do not meet requirements for AQ – All teams Pool B

#### Centennial Conference (10)

Dickinson College  
 Franklin & Marshall College  
 Gettysburg College  
 Haverford College  
 Johns Hopkins University

McDaniel College  
 Muhlenberg College  
 Swarthmore College  
 Ursinus College  
 Washington College (Maryland)

AQ – Postseason

**Colonial States Athletic Conference (6)**

Cairn University  
 Centenary College (New Jersey)  
 Clarks Summit University

Keystone College  
 University of Valley Forge  
 Wilson College

AQ – Postseason

**Landmark Conference (7)**

Catholic University  
 Drew University  
 Elizabethtown College  
 Juniata College

Moravian College  
 University of Scranton  
 Susquehanna University

AQ – Postseason

**Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth (8)**

Albright College  
 Alvernia University  
 Arcadia University  
 Hood College

Lebanon Valley College  
 Messiah College  
 Stevenson University  
 Widener University

AQ – Postseason

**Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom (8)**

Delaware Valley College  
 DeSales University  
 Eastern University  
 Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham

King's College (Pennsylvania)  
 Manhattanville College  
 Misericordia University  
 Wilkes University

AQ – Postseason

**New Jersey Athletic Conference (10)**

Kean University  
 Montclair State University  
 New Jersey City University  
 Ramapo College  
 Rowan University

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Camden  
 Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Newark  
 Stockton University  
 The College of New Jersey  
 William Paterson University of New Jersey

AQ – Postseason

**North Eastern Athletic Conference (4) (Multi-Region Conference – New York and South Region)**

Lancaster Bible College  
 Penn State University, Abington

Penn State Berks College  
 Pennsylvania College of Technology

AQ – Postseason

**Capital Athletic Conference (1) (Multi-Region Conference – South Region)**

Penn State Harrisburg

**Pool B Independents / Non-AQ (1)**

College of New Rochelle

**MIDEAST EVALUATION REGION**

**Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (10)**

Alfred State College (affiliate member)  
 D'Youville College  
 Hilbert College  
 La Roche College  
 Medaille College

Mount Aloysius College  
 Penn State University, Altoona  
 Pennsylvania State University Erie, the Behrend College  
 University of Pittsburgh, Bradford  
 University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg

AQ – Postseason

**Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (10)**

Anderson University (Indiana)  
 Bluffton University  
 Defiance College  
 Earlham College  
 Franklin College

Hanover College  
 Manchester University  
 Mount St. Joseph University  
 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology  
 Transylvania University

AQ – Postseason

**Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (8)**

Adrian College  
 Albion College  
 Alma College  
 Calvin College

Hope College  
 Kalamazoo College  
 Olivet College  
 Trine University

AQ – Postseason

**North Coast Athletic Conference (10)**

Allegheny College  
 Denison University  
 DePauw University  
 Hiram College  
 Kenyon College

Oberlin College  
 Ohio Wesleyan University  
 The College of Wooster  
 Wabash College  
 Wittenberg University

AQ – Postseason

**Ohio Athletic Conference (10)**

Baldwin Wallace University  
 Capital University  
 Heidelberg University  
 John Carroll University  
 Marietta College

University of Mount Union  
 Muskingum University  
 Ohio Northern University  
 Otterbein University  
 Wilmington College (Ohio)

AQ – Postseason

**Presidents' Athletic Conference (9)**

Bethany College (West Virginia)  
 Chatham University  
 Geneva College  
 Grove City College  
 Saint Vincent College

Thiel College  
 Washington and Jefferson College  
 Waynesburg University  
 Westminster College (Pennsylvania)

AQ – Postseason

**Pool B Independents/ Non-AQ (2)**

Case Western Reserve University\*\*

Thomas More College

**MIDWEST EVALUATION REGION**

**Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (11)**

Augsburg University  
Bethel University (Minnesota)  
Carleton College  
Concordia College, Moorhead  
Gustavus Adolphus College  
Hamline University

Macalester College  
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota  
St. John's University (Minnesota)  
St. Olaf College  
University of St. Thomas (Minnesota)

AQ – Postseason

**Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (12)**

Aurora University  
Benedictine University (Illinois)  
Concordia University Chicago  
Concordia University Wisconsin  
Dominican University (Illinois)  
Edgewood College

Illinois Institute of Technology  
Lakeland University  
Marian University (Wisconsin)  
Milwaukee School of Engineering  
Rockford University  
Wisconsin Lutheran College

AQ – Postseason

**Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (9)**

Bethany Lutheran College  
The College of St. Scholastica  
Crown College (Minnesota)  
Martin Luther College  
University of Minnesota, Morris

North Central University  
Northland College  
University of Northwestern-St. Paul  
University of Wisconsin-Superior

AQ – Postseason

**Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (7)**

Findlandia University (affiliate member)  
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse  
University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh  
University of Wisconsin-Platteville

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point  
University of Wisconsin-Stout  
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Do not meet requirements for AQ – All teams Pool B

**Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (1)**

Maranatha Baptist University

**NEW ENGLAND EVALUATION REGION**

**Commonwealth Coast Conference (8)**

Curry College  
Endicott College  
Gordon College  
Nichols College

Roger Williams University  
Salve Regina University  
Wentworth Institute of Technology  
Western New England University

AQ – Postseason

**Great Northeast Athletic Conference (9)**

Albertus Magnus College  
Anna Maria College  
Colby-Sawyer College  
Johnson & Wales University (Providence)  
Lasell College

Norwich University  
Rivier University  
Saint Joseph's College (Maine)  
Suffolk University

AQ – Postseason

## DIVISION III BASEBALL

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### Little East Conference (9)

Castleton State College  
Eastern Connecticut State University  
Keene State College  
University of Massachusetts Boston  
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

Plymouth State University  
Rhode Island College  
University of Southern Maine  
Western Connecticut State University

AQ – Postseason

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### Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (8)

Bridgewater State University  
Fitchburg State University  
Framingham State University  
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts

Massachusetts Maritime Academy  
Salem State University  
Westfield State University  
Worcester State University

AQ – Postseason

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### New England Collegiate Conference (8 + 1 prov.)

Becker College  
Dean College (active 2021-22)\*  
Eastern Nazarene College  
Elms College  
Lesley University

Mitchell College  
New England College  
Newbury College  
Southern Vermont College

AQ – Postseason

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### New England Small College Athletic Conference (10)

Amherst College  
Bates College  
Bowdoin College  
Colby College  
Hamilton College

Middlebury College  
Trinity College (Connecticut)  
Tufts University  
Wesleyan University (Connecticut)  
Williams College

AQ – Postseason

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### New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (8)

Babson College  
Clark University (Massachusetts)  
Emerson College  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Springfield College  
U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
Wheaton College (Massachusetts)  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

AQ – Postseason

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### North Atlantic Conference (5) (*CUNYAC is affiliate - Multi-Region Conference – New York Region*)

Husson University  
University of Maine, Farmington  
University of Maine, Presque Isle

Northern Vermont University - Lyndon  
Thomas College

AQ – Postseason

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### Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (2)

Brandeis University\*\*

Pine Manor College

**NEW YORK EVALUATION REGION**

**Empire 8 (7)**

Elmira College  
 Houghton College  
 Ithaca College  
 St. John Fisher College

State University of New York at Canton (affiliate member)  
 Stevens Institute of Technology  
 Utica College

AQ – Postseason

**Liberty League (9)**

Bard College  
 Clarkson University  
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
 University of Rochester  
 Rochester Institute of Technology

Skidmore College  
 St. Lawrence University  
 Union College (New York)  
 Vassar College

AQ – Postseason

**North Eastern Athletic Conference (5) (Multi-Region Conference – Mid-Atlantic and South Regions)**

Cazenovia College  
 Keuka College  
 State University of New York at Cobleskill

State University of New York Polytechnic Institute  
 Wells College

**Skyline Conference (10)**

Farmingdale State College  
 Mount Saint Mary College (New York)  
 College of Mount Saint Vincent  
 Purchase College, State University of New York  
 St. Joseph’s College (Brooklyn)

St. Joseph’s College (Long Island)  
 State University of New York Maritime College  
 State University College at Old Westbury  
 U.S. Merchant Marine Academy  
 Yeshiva University

AQ – Postseason

**State University of New York Athletic Conference (7)**

College at Brockport, State University of New York  
 Plattsburgh State University of New York  
 State University of New York at Cortland  
 State University of New York at New Paltz

State University of New York at Oneonta  
 State University of New York at Oswego  
 The State University of New York at Fredonia

AQ – Postseason

**City University of New York Athletic Conference\* (5)**  
*(NAC affiliate - Multi-Region Conference – New England Region)*

Baruch College  
 John Jay College of Criminal Justice  
 Lehman College

College of Staten Island  
 The City College of New York

**Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (1)**

New York University\*\*



**SOUTH EVALUATION REGION**

**Capital Athletic Conference (7) (Multi-Region Conference – Mid-Atlantic)**

Christopher Newport University  
 Frostburg State University  
 University of Mary Washington  
 Salisbury University

Southern Virginia University  
 St. Mary's College of Maryland  
 York College (Pennsylvania)

AQ – Postseason

**North Eastern Athletic Conference (1) (Multi-Region Conference – Mid-Atlantic and New York Regions)**

Gallaudet University

**Old Dominion Athletic Conference (12)**

Bridgewater College (Virginia)  
 Eastern Mennonite University  
 Emory and Henry College  
 Ferrum College  
 Guilford College  
 Hampden-Sydney College

University of Lynchburg  
 Randolph-Macon College  
 Roanoke College  
 Shenandoah University  
 Virginia Wesleyan College  
 Washington and Lee University

AQ – Postseason

**USA South Athletic Conference (11 + 2 reclass.)**

Averett University  
 Berea College  
 #Brevard College (active 2021-22)  
 Covenant College  
 Greensboro College  
 Huntingdon College  
 LaGrange College

Maryville College (Tennessee)  
 Methodist University  
 North Carolina Wesleyan College  
 #Pfeiffer University (active 2021-22)  
 Piedmont College  
 William Peace University

AQ – Postseason

**Southern Athletic Association (8)**

Berry College  
 Birmingham-Southern College  
 Centre College  
 Hendrix College

Millsaps College  
 Oglethorpe University  
 Rhodes College  
 University of the South (Sewanee)

AQ – Postseason

**Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (1)**

Emory University\*\*

**WEST EVALUATION REGION**

**American Southwest Conference (11 + 1 prov.)**

\*Belhaven University (active 2019-20)  
 Concordia University Texas  
 East Texas Baptist University  
 Hardin-Simmons University  
 Howard Payne University  
 LeTourneau University

Louisiana College  
 University of Mary Hardin-Baylor  
 McMurry University  
 University of the Ozarks (Arkansas)  
 Sul Ross State University  
 University of Texas at Dallas

AQ – Postseason

**Northwest Conference (9)**

George Fox University  
 Lewis & Clark College  
 Linfield College  
 Pacific Lutheran University  
 Pacific University (Oregon)

University of Puget Sound  
 Whitman College  
 Whitworth University  
 Willamette University

AQ – Regular Season

**Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)**

California Institute of Technology  
 California Lutheran University  
 Chapman University  
 Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges  
 University of La Verne

Occidental College  
 Pomona-Pitzer Colleges  
 University of Redlands  
 Whittier College

AQ – Postseason

**Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (7)**

Austin College  
 Centenary College (Louisiana)  
 University of Dallas  
 Schreiner University

Southwestern University (Texas)  
 Texas Lutheran University  
 Trinity University (Texas)

AQ – Postseason

\* = Not eligible to compete in the 2019 Championship

\*\* = Member of the multi-region University Athletic Association

# = Reclassifying

## Appendix C • OWP and OOWP Calculation

### Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OWP) and Opponents' Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OOWP) Calculation Explanation

**Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OWP).** Take each opponent's regular won-lost percentage against other Division III teams (excluding the results against the team in question) and average the percentages.

**To Calculate.** Team A Schedule is as follows:

Opponent	Record	vs. Team A	Revised Record	Revised W-L Percentage
Team B	21-7	0-1	21-6	.7778
Team C	11-15	0-1	11-14	.4400
Team D	7-20	0-1	7-19	.2692
Team E	13-13	0-1	13-12	.5200
Team F	23-6	1-0	22-6	.7857
Total			74-56 (.5692)	.5585 (OWP)

**Team A's Opponents' Average Winning Percentage = .5585**

**Opponents' Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OOWP).** The strength of each opponents' schedule is measured by computing the opponents' winning percentage for each opponent, then averaging the percentages. This recognizes the fact that two opponents with similar won-lost records may have played far different schedules (in terms of strength of opponents).

**To Calculate.** Take Team B, C, D, E and F schedules and perform the same calculation as above (OWP). It is important to note that the OOWP will support the OWP (i.e., if Teams A and B have the same OWP of .5692; Team A has a OOWP of .6125 and Team B has a OOWP of .4567; it would indicate Team A has the stronger strength of schedule).

## Appendix D • Umpires

1. Four umpires shall work every championship game (regionals, super regionals and finals).
2. Five umpires shall be assigned to a four-team regional.
3. Four umpires shall be assigned to a two-team regional and the super regionals.
4. An alternate (from the local area) shall be designated at each regional site.
5. If different umpires are assigned to the continuation of a suspended game, the umpiring fee will be divided equally among the officials.

The umpires must report to the tournament supervisor one hour before the game they are to work and be on the field 15 minutes before the start of the game.

An umpire shall not work more than two games in one day except in an emergency situation.

It is recommended that the host institution for regional and finals competition provide seats for nonworking umpires.

For the championship, the games committee shall select eight umpires.

**Policies.** A sports committee or games committee may not require membership in any specific officials association as a prerequisite for selection to officiate in an NCAA meet or tournament. All umpires will be selected by the national committee in cooperation with the national umpire coordinator, who shall ensure that officials adhere to the Association's policies relating to gambling activities and drug and alcohol use. Furthermore, officials must conduct themselves in a manner befitting intercollegiate athletics. Failure to do so may result in termination of the officiating assignment.