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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/or 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
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

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

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

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

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.

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 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.]
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**

**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).
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Section 1•4 Important Dates

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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

DATE FORMULA

Regionals (16) Friday-Sunday the weekend before Super Regionals
Super Regionals (8) Memorial Day Weekend (Friday and Saturday)
Finals 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)

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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•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)

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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.)

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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:

- 0 games played: Highest seed
- 1 game played: Highest seed
- 2 games played: Highest undefeated seed
- 3 games played: Highest undefeated seed
- 4 games played: Highest undefeated seed
- 5 games played: Highest undefeated seed
- 6 games played: 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:

- 0 games played: Highest seed
- 1 game played: Winner of game 1
- 2 games played: If each team has a loss, the highest seed
- 3 games played: Winner of 2/3 games
- 4 games played: 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.

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<td>If each team has a loss, the highest seed</td>
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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**

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<td>Team practices</td>
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<td>6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.</td>
<td>Team barbecue</td>
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<td>7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.</td>
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**Friday, May 31**

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**Saturday, June 1**

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**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

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If one pool needs “If necessary” game

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If both pools need “If necessary” game

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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 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
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](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**


### 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
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) as part of your bid to be considered for championship site selection.
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Appendix A • Bracket

2019 NCAA Division III
BASEBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP

Neuroscience Group Field
at Perfect Game Field
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

*May 31 - June 5, 2019

BRACKET ONE

Game 1
10 a.m.
Friday, May 31
Winner Game #1

Game 2
1:15 p.m.
Friday, May 31
Winner Game #2

Game 6
1:15 p.m.
Saturday, June 1
Winner Game #6

Game 9
10 a.m.
Sunday, June 2
Winner Game #9

Game 11
4:30 p.m.
Winner Game 11

Game 13 *
Noon
Monday, June 3 - Pool A if necessary - Or Game #1 of Championship Series

Bracket One Winner

Game 14 **
3:30 p.m.
Monday, June 3 - Pool B if necessary - Or noon if no Game #13

Bracket Two Winner

BRACKET TWO

Game 3
4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 31
Winner Game #3

Game 4
7:45 p.m.
Saturday, June 1
Winner Game #4

Game 8
7:45 p.m.
Saturday, June 1
Winner Game #8

Game 10
1:15 p.m.
Sunday, June 2
Winner Game #10

Game 12
7:45 p.m.
Winner Game #12

Game 7
4:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 1
Winner Game #7

Game 5
10 a.m.
Saturday, June 1
Winner Game #5

Game 11
Winner Game 11

Winner Game #10

Winner Game #8

Loser Game #8

Loser Game #5

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.

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***Championship Series

**If No If Necessary Games Needed**

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## 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

**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

**Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (8)**
- Adrian College
- Albion College
- Alma College
- Calvin College
- Hope College
- Kalamazoo College
- Olivet College
- Trine University
- Wabash College
- The College of Wooster
- Wittenberg University

**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

**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)

**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)

**Pool B Independents/ Non-AQ (2)**
- Case Western Reserve University**
- Thomas More College
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| Norwich University                 | Saint Joseph’s College (Maine)           |
| Rivier University                  | Suffolk University                        |

Do not meet requirements for AQ – All teams Pool B
### 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

### 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

### 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

### 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

### 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

### 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

### 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)*

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AQ – Postseason

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

| Gallaudet University |

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AQ – Postseason

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

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AQ – Postseason

#### Southern Athletic Association (8)

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AQ – Postseason

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

| Emory University** |

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## 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:

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**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.