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2022-23 MANUAL

NCAA General Administrative Guidelines

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Section 1 • Introduction

During the 2022-23 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.

Sections one through nine apply to policies applicable to all 90 championships, while the remaining 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. In any championship in which a squad limit has been established by the governing sport committee or by the bylaws, the number of eligible student-athletes in competitive uniform at the start of competition.

Tournament Physician. The physician designated by the host institution/conference to serve as the chief medical advisor for the championship event(s) to be hosted at the host venue.

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).

Section 3 • Conduct

Section 3.1 Certification of Eligibility/Availability

[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20.2.4, 31.2.1.7.1, 31.2.1.7.1.2 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaws 7.3.1.5, 31.2.1.7, 31.2.1.7.2 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaws 31.2.1.5, 31.2.1.5.2, and 31.2.2 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 3.2 Drug Testing

As part of preparation and planning to participate in championship events, member institutions are reminded and encouraged to review all applicable policy and legislative requirements pertaining to banned substances, drug testing and related eligibility requirements with their student-athletes. Student-athletes who compete in NCAA championships may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with legislation 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 3.3 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 3•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, that 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 online.

Section 3•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; mobile betting; 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) 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 where 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 where 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

It is permissible for NCAA championships to be conducted at locations in states that permit sports wagering.

Section 3•6 Student-Athlete Experience Survey

During the NCAA championships, the student-athlete experience is paramount. NCAA staff and hosts dedicate themselves to planning the best experiences for all involved. As part of our commitment to getting better, following the championship, participants will receive a survey to provide feedback on their experience and input on how championships can be improved for future NCAA student-athletes. Institutional administrators and coaches will

receive an email containing a link to the survey and will be asked to forward the survey to student-athletes. However, we understand that sometimes certain circumstances or conditions occurring during the events may require real-time consideration. When this is the case, student-athletes may reach out to their site representative or NCAA national office staff onsite.

Section 4 • Elite 90™ Award

The Elite 90 award was created to recognize the true essence of student-athletes by honoring individuals who have reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level in their sport, while also achieving the highest academic standard among their 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. For more information or to access the online form and submit a nomination, [click here](#).

Section 5 • Fan Travel

Through support from Marriott International as the Official Hotel Partner of the NCAA, NCAA championships are pleased to provide easy and affordable accommodations 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 Marriott and NCAA Travel help support NCAA student-athletes. Please direct your fans to ncaa.com/travel to search and book online hotel reservations.

Section 6 • Health and Safety

As part of preparation and planning to host and/or participate in championship events, member institutions are reminded and encouraged to review all applicable health and safety policy and legislative requirements and guidance including, among others, those relating to concussion management, catastrophic injury prevention, inclement weather and independent medical care. These requirements and related information can be found in applicable division manuals, sports playing rules and the materials located on the [NCAA Sport Science Institute website](#). In addition, a summary of some of the key health and safety considerations related to traveling to championship events can be found in the [NCAA's Guidance for Medical Care and Coverage for Student-Athletes at Away Events](#).

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 warmups) 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

In order to avoid inappropriate and unnecessary participant distraction and disruption of championship events, it is expected any data collection or other research efforts conducted at or during championship events will be coordinated through the national office, with notice and a description of any research proposal to be submitted to the NCAA research staff at least six weeks before the championships event begins.

Section 9 • Travel Party

Please refer to the NCAA travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found online [here](#). Please reference Appendix A of the travel policies for reimbursable travel party numbers.

Please reference the NCAA travel policies as they are updated annually [here](#), and the travel policies supersede all other documents.

Section 10 • Division III

Section 10•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 10•2 Commencement Conflicts

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.4.5 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

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 10•3 Gameday the DIII Way

Division III promotes an atmosphere that is a respectful and engaging educational environment through athletics, for everyone through Gameday the DIII Way. Gameday the DIII Way establishes an expectation for championship hosts, coaches, student-athletes and spectators to focus on the common standards of safety, responsiveness, dignity and experience while participating or attending a championship event. We ask that each participant and attendee be personally accountable for their actions and do their part to ensure this event is a positive reflection of Gameday the DIII Way.

Section 10•4 Religious Conflicts

[Reference: Bylaws 31.1.4.1 and 31.1.4.2 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

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 Sunday if required by the schedule).

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Section 1•4 Important Dates

Wednesday, April 26	Regional Ranking No. 1.
Wednesday, May 3	Regional Ranking No. 2.
Wednesday, May 10	Regional Ranking No. 3.
Monday, May 15	Regional Ranking No. 4 Championship Selections

CHAMPIONSHIP DATES AND SITES

Regionals: Friday-Sunday, May 19-21 (Thursday-Saturday, May 18-20 if there is a Sunday no-play) 60 teams, 14 regionals with four teams (double elimination), two regionals with two teams (best of five series)
Super Regionals: Friday-Saturday, May 26-27 16 teams, eight super regionals with two teams (best of three series)
Finals: Friday-Thursday, June 2-8 (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-Thursday the weekend following Super Regionals

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

Selections	May 13, 2024	May 12, 2025	May 11, 2026
Regionals (All sites TBD)	May 17-19, 2024	May 16-18, 2025	May 15-17, 2026
Super Regionals	May 24-25, 2024	May 23-24, 2025	May 22-23, 2026
Finals	May 31 - June 6, 2024 (Cleveland, Ohio)	May 30 - June 5, 2025 (Cleveland, Ohio)	May 29 - June 4, 2026 (Cleveland, Ohio)

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 for Regional and Super Regional play. Practice balls will be provided at the site of the finals.

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.

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 teams is undefeated, it will be designated as the home team for the first game. Teams will reverse home and away designation for the "if-necessary" game. The NCAA site representative will determine which team is heads and which team is tails. If both teams have one loss, the home team will be determined by coin toss. 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.
 - b. Exception: In a two-team tournament where both teams have been the home team twice, the fifth game will be determined by coin toss. The NCAA site representative will determine which team is heads and which team is tails.
 - c. The team that was visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were visitors in their preceding games; or
 - d. If the above procedures do not resolve the matter, the home team shall be determined by coin toss. The NCAA site representative will determine which team is heads and which team is tails.

DUGOUT DESIGNATION

During the pre-championship meeting for regionals and super regionals, the host institution must designate whether the first or third base dugout will be designated the home team dugout during the tournament. For the "if necessary" game, teams will reverse home and away designation, but remain in the same dugout and uniforms.

DETERMINATION OF HOME TEAMS AT SUPER REGIONALS AND CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES (BEST-OF-THREE SERIES)

A coin toss will determine the home team in game one. The loser of the coin toss will be home in game number two. Another coin toss will determine the home team in game three (if necessary). The NCAA site representative will determine which team is heads and which team is tails for all coin tosses.

Section 2 • Determination of Championship Participation

Section 2.1 Championship Format

Championship Structure. The championship provides for a maximum field of 60 teams. Fourteen regional sites will have four teams competing and two 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 19. (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 22, one team will be selected by the committee.

REGIONAL FORMATS - FOUR-TEAM (THREE DAYS)

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

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

Day 1: Game 1	No. 1 seed vs. No. 2 seed
Day 2: Game 2	No. 2 seed vs. No. 1 seed
Game 3	No. 1 seed vs. No. 2 seed
Day 3: Game 4 (if necessary)	No. 2 seed vs. No. 1 seed
Game 5 (if necessary)	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 & WITHOUT LIGHTS	DAY 2	WITH LIGHTS	WITHOUT LIGHTS	DAY 3	WITH LIGHTS	WITHOUT LIGHTS
G - 1	NOON	G - 2	11 A.M.	10 A.M.	G - 4	11 A.M.	10 A.M.
		G - 3	45 MINS. FOLLOWING	45 MINS. FOLLOWING	G - 5	45 MINS. FOLLOWING	45 MINS. FOLLOWING

Super Regional. Super regionals will be conducted for a two-day period beginning Friday, May 26. 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

*Game times cannot be changed without approval from the Division III baseball committee.

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.

0 games played	Highest seed
1 game played	Winner of Game 1
2 games played	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 31

	Teams arrive
6:30 p.m.	Coaches meeting

Thursday, June 1

8 - 9:30 a.m.	Administrative meeting
9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Team practices
6 - 7 p.m.	Team barbecue
7 - 8:30 p.m.	Championship ceremony

Friday, June 2

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

Saturday, June 3

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

Sunday, June 4

11 a.m.	Game No. 9
3 p.m.	Game No. 10

Monday, June 5

10 a.m.	Game No. 11
11:15 a.m.	Game No. 12
4:30 p.m.	*Game No. 13 (If-necessary)
4:30/7:45 p.m.	*Game No. 14 (If-necessary)

Tuesday, June 6

TBD	Team practices
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Wednesday, June 7

Noon	Championship Series Game No. 1
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Thursday, June 8

11 a.m.	Championship Series Game No. 2
45 mins. following	*Championship Series Game No. 3 (If-necessary)

TRAVEL PARTY/SQUAD SIZE

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

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. All student-athletes within the 33 may be in uniform, but only the 25 listed on the roster are eligible to compete in that game. Non-uniformed 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.

TEAM ROSTER

Teams will submit a roster prior to each game of competition (i.e., regionals, super regionals and the finals). Only 25 eligible players may be included on the roster. Once the game begins, no changes may be made to a team roster for any reason. Coaches may change the designated 25 individuals for each game in each round; however, the number of eligible players per game shall not exceed 25.

Section 2•2 Results

SCORE REPORTING

Schools will submit all schedule and results information to the NCAA statistics site (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.

[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 2022-23 championship:

Pool A - 41, Pool B - 2, Pool C - 17

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 41 conferences granted automatic qualification for the 2022-23 championship from Pool A are as follows:

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	New England Small College Athletic Conference
American Rivers Conference	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference
American Southwest Conference	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Atlantic East Conference	North Atlantic Conference
Centennial Conference	North Coast Athletic Conference
College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin	Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference
Colonial States Athletic Conference	Northwest Conference
Commonwealth Coast Conference	Ohio Athletic Conference
Empire 8	Old Dominion Athletic Conference
Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Presidents' Athletic Conference
Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Skyline Conference
Landmark Conference	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Liberty League	Southern Athletic Association
Little East Conference	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	State University of New York Athletic Conference
Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth	United East
Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom	USA South Athletic Conference
Midwest Conference	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
New England Collegiate 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% 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. (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 10 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: 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.

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-Conference strength of schedule.

Section 2•5 Site Selection

Any institution or conference interested in hosting a preliminary round of the 2023 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: 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.

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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 Aaron King at the NCAA (aking@ncaa.org) as part of your bid to be considered for championship site selection.

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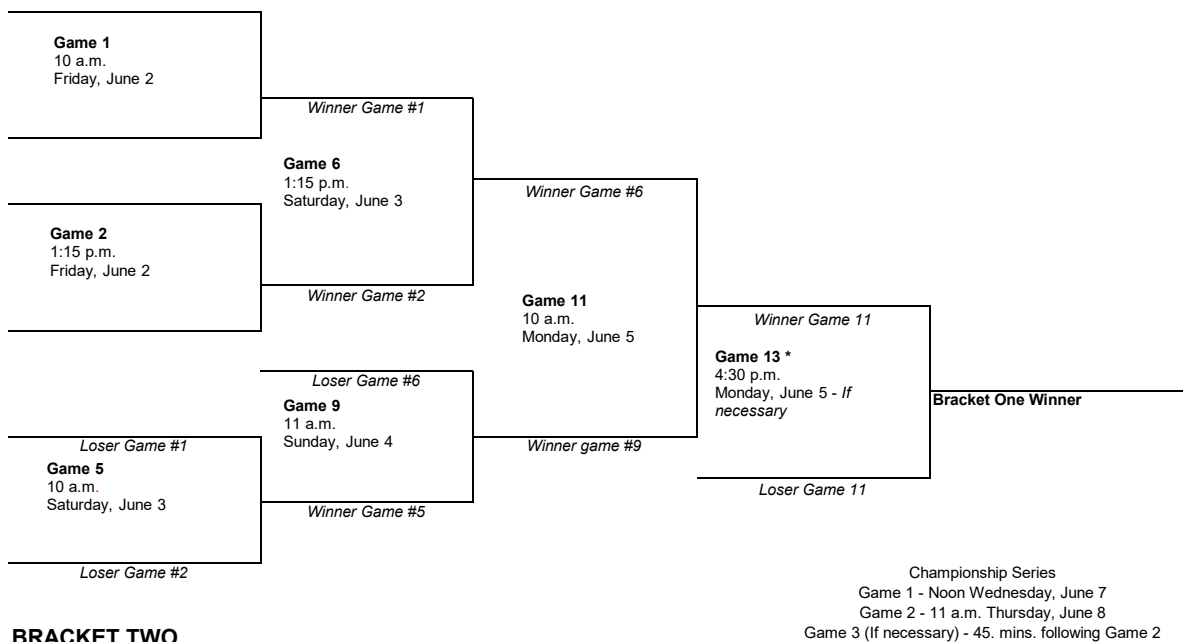
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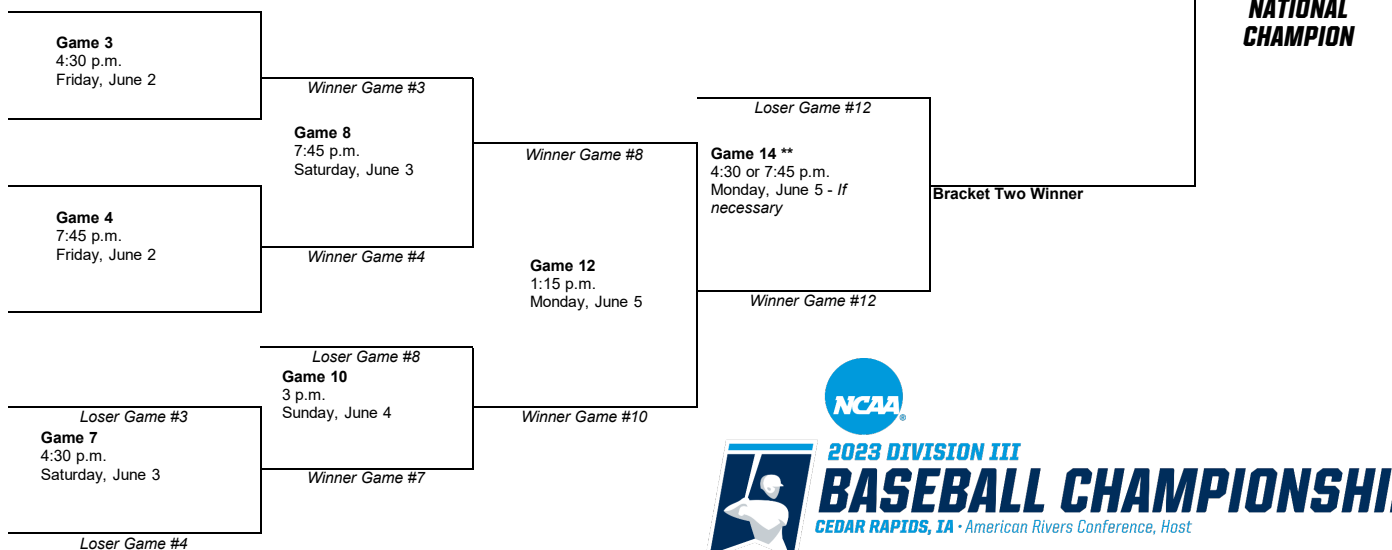


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BRACKET ONE



BRACKET TWO



ALL TIMES ARE CENTRAL

*GAME 13 WILL BE NECESSARY IF THE WINNER OF GAME 9 ALSO WINS GAME 11.

**GAME 14 WILL BE NECESSARY IF THE WINNER OF GAME 10 ALSO WINS GAME 12.

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Appendix B • Sport Sponsorship

REGION I

Great Northeast Athletic Conference (10)

Albertus Magnus College
Anna Maria College
Colby-Sawyer College
Dean College
Elms College

Johnson & Wales University (Providence)
Lasell University
Norwich University
Rivier University
Saint Joseph's College (Maine)

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 (9)

Cazenovia College
Husson University
University of Maine, Farmington
University of Maine, Presque Isle
Northern Vermont University - Lyndon

State University of New York at Canton
State University of New York at Cobleskill
State University of New York Polytechnic Institute
Thomas College

AQ - Postseason

REGION II

Commonwealth Coast Conference (9)

Curry College
Endicott College
Gordon College
Nichols College
Roger Williams University

Salve Regina University
Suffolk University
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Western New England University

AQ - Postseason

Little East Conference (9)

Castleton University
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 (4)

Eastern Nazarene College
Lesley University

Mitchell College
New England College

AQ - Postseason

Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (1)

**Brandeis University

REGION III

Empire 8 (7)

Elmira College
Houghton College
Keuka College
Medaille University

Russell Sage College
St. John Fisher College
Utica College

AQ - Postseason

Liberty League (11)

Bard College
Clarkson University
Hobart College
Ithaca College
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
University of Rochester

Rochester Institute of Technology
Skidmore College
St. Lawrence University
Union College (New York)
Vassar College

AQ - Postseason

Skyline Conference (11)

Farmingdale State College
Manhattanville College
State University of New York Maritime College
Mount Saint Mary College (New York)
College of Mount St. Vincent
Purchase College, State University of New York

St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn)
St. Joseph's College (Long Island)
State University College at Old Westbury
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Yeshiva University

AQ - Postseason

State University of New York Athletic Conference (7)

State University of New York at Brockport
State University of New York at Cortland
The State University of New York at Fredonia
State University of New York at New Paltz

State University of New York at Oneonta
State University of New York at Oswego
Plattsburgh State University of New York

AQ - Postseason

REGION IV**Middle Atlantic Conference - Freedom (9)**

Arcadia University
 Delaware Valley College
 DeSales University
 Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham
 King's College (Pennsylvania)

Lycoming College
 Misericordia University
 Stevens Institute of Technology
 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

United East (8)

Gallaudet University
 Lancaster Bible College
 Pennsylvania College of Technology
 Penn State Harrisburg

Penn State Berks College
 Penn State University, Abington
 St. Mary's College of Maryland
 Wells College

AQ - Postseason

Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (5)

Baruch College
 The City College of New York
 John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Lehman College
 **New York University

REGION V**Atlantic East Conference (7)**

Cabrini University
 Centenary University (New Jersey)
 Gwynedd Mercy University
 Immaculata University

Marymount University (Virginia)
 Marywood University
 Neumann University

AQ - Postseason

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 (7)

Cairn University
 Clarks Summit University
 Keystone College
 Rosemont College

Saint Elizabeth University
 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 (9)

Albright College
Alvernia University
Eastern University
Hood College
Lebanon Valley College

Messiah University
Stevenson University
Widener University
York College (Pennsylvania)

AQ - Postseason

Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (1)

Salisbury University

REGION VI

Old Dominion Athletic Conference (12)

Averett University
Bridgewater College (Virginia)
Eastern Mennonite University
Ferrum College
Guilford College
Hampden-Sydney College

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

AQ - Postseason

USA South Athletic Conference (8)

Brevard University
Greensboro College
Mary Baldwin University
Methodist University

North Carolina Wesleyan College
Pfeiffer College
Southern Virginia University
William Peace University

AQ - Postseason

Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (10 + 1 prov.)

Belhaven University
Berea College
#*Bob Jones University
Christopher Newport University
Covenant College
**Emory University

Huntingdon College
LaGrange College
Maryville College (Tennessee)
University of Mary Washington
Piedmont College

AQ - Postseason

REGION VII**Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (8)**

Alfred State College
 Hilbert College
 La Roche University
 Mount Aloysius College

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

AQ – Postseason

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (8)

Adrian College
 Albion College
 Alma College
 Calvin University

Hope College
 Kalamazoo College
 Olivet College
 Trine University

AQ – Postseason

North Coast Athletic Conference (9)

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 (11)

Allegheny College
 Bethany College (West Virginia)
 Chatham University
 Franciscan University of Steubenville
 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 (1)

**Case Western Reserve University

REGION VIII

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (9)

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

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

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

Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (13)

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 College
St. Norbert College
Wisconsin Lutheran College

AQ - Postseason

St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (8)

Blackburn College
Eureka College
Fontbonne University
Greenville University

Principia College
Spalding University
Webster University
Westminster College (Missouri)

AQ - Postseason

Pool B Institutions/Non-AQ (2+2 prov.)

Maranatha Baptist University
**Washington University in St. Louis

#*Asbury University
#*Mississippi University for Women

REGION IX**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

Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (11)

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

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

AQ - Postseason

Midwest Conference (9)

Beloit College
 University of Chicago (affiliate member)
 Cornell College
 Grinnell College
 Illinois College

Knox College
 Lawrence University
 Monmouth College (Illinois)
 Ripon College

AQ - Postseason

Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (8)

Bethany Lutheran College
 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 (8)

Finlandia University (Affiliate member)
 University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
 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

AQ - Postseason

REGION X

American Southwest Conference (11)

Belhaven University
Concordia University Texas
East Texas Baptist University
Hardin-Simmons University
Howard Payne University
LeTourneau University

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 (8)

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

Southwestern University (Texas)
University of St. Thomas (Texas)
Texas Lutheran University
Trinity University (Texas)

AQ – Postseason

*** = Not eligible to compete in the 2023 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. 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.