



2021-22 Approved Baseball Rules Change

The following rules changes were approved by the NCAA Baseball Rules Committee and the Playing Rules Oversight Panel. This rules change will be added to the electronic version of the 2021 and 2022 NCAA Baseball Rules Book. This rules change will be incorporated into the printed rules book during its next publication before the 2023 season.

Rule	Rule change and rationale
5.2.f. 5.4.e	<p data-bbox="363 488 1812 597">To permit the use of an exclusively one-way electronic communication device from the dugout to the field for the purpose of relaying the pitch or play call. The use of an in-ear communication device shall be limited to the defensive position of the catcher.</p> <p data-bbox="363 646 1812 831">Rationale: This recommendation is intended to provide teams with the ability to relay the pitch or play call to the field in a discrete and efficient manner to improve the pace of the game and maintain the integrity of a team's signs. The use of electronic communication devices has been approved through an experimental rule for the last four seasons and has received positive feedback from those conference who have participated.</p>