



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD
AND CROSS COUNTRY COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 23, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Participation of student-athletes in 2020-21 cross country and indoor track and field.**
With the move of the cross country championships to March, the Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Committee voted unanimously to allow institutions and student-athletes to choose to participate in both cross country and indoor track and field, or to participate in just one of the sports for this winter. The committee felt it was important to allow institutions and student-athletes the flexibility and independence to choose what they felt was feasible and in the best interests of their student-athletes.

With this decision the committee also discussed and approved the declaration timeline for both championships. It will be mandatory that schools declare their programs and/or individuals for the championships in which they want to be considered for in each of the championship selection processes. Failure of schools to declare within the designated time frames will forfeit the opportunity for their programs and/or individuals to be considered in the selection process. The declaration time frame for each championship will be as follows:

- a.** Indoor Track and Field Championships declaration will open Monday, March 1, 2021 at 8 p.m. Eastern Time and close Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 3:59 p.m. Eastern Time.
- b.** Cross Country Championships declaration will open Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at Midnight Eastern Time and close Friday, March 5, 2021 at 7:59 p.m. Eastern Time.

Additionally, it should be noted that for indoor track and field the last date a qualifying performance may be achieved, with exception of conference championships, will be Sunday, February 28, 2021. The only allowable competition that may occur and be used for indoor track and field qualifying on Monday, March 1, 2021 will be that of a conference championship. The deadline for reporting all indoor track and field results to www.TFRRS.org will be Monday, March 1, 2021 at 5 p.m. Eastern Time. Marks submitted after this time will not be eligible for qualifying.

For cross country, the last date a meet can be conducted and used for selection consideration will be Friday, March 5, 2021. All results to be considered in the cross country selection

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process must be uploaded to www.TFRRS.org by no later than 7:59 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, March 5, 2021. Results submitted after this time will not be eligible for championship selection consideration.

- 2. Track and field qualifying criteria.** At this time the committee elected to not make any changes to the qualifying windows for both indoor and outdoor track and field and those windows will remain the same as the 2019-20 academic year. Additionally, the committee voted to reduce the number of required institutions that must compete at non-scored meets from five to two in light of likely COVID-19 restrictions. To provide greater flexibility within possible facility constraints the decision was also made to allow the shot put to be contested outdoors, in addition to the weight throw, and still be used toward NCAA indoor track and field championship qualification.

The last item as it relates to qualifying criteria that the committee discussed had to do with minimum events. While the three divisional committees all elected to keep the outdoor minimum number of events at 10, there is still a desire for all three divisions to have the same minimum event requirement for indoors due to the frequent interdivisional competition that occurs. The Division I committee is recommending the minimum be reduced from 10 to five. Once a final decision is made regarding indoor event minimums, an update will be provided.

Committee Chair: Milan Donley, University of Kansas, Big 12 Conference

Staff Liaison: Jeff Mlynski, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Committee September 23, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Blake Boldon, Drake University.	
Abbie Day, University of Maryland, Baltimore County.	
Milan Donley, University of Kansas.	
Jason Drake, California State University, Fresno.	
Elvis Forde, Temple University	
Sean Harris, Pac-12 Conference.	
Amy Horst, Loyola University Maryland.	
Ervin Lewis, University of North Florida.	
Ryan Orner, Xavier University.	
Connie Price-Smith, University of Mississippi.	
TJ Shelton, The Ohio State University.	
Absentees:	
Jennifer Lawlor, Monmouth University.	
Guests in Attendance:	

None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Jeff Mlynski, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.