



***PRECHAMPIONSHIP
2026-27 MANUAL***

NCAA General Administrative Guidelines

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Section 1 • Introduction

During the 2026-27 academic year, the Association will sponsor 94 national championships – 43 for men, 49 for women and two for both men and women. Of the men's championships, four 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, 10 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 Prechampionship 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 94 championships, while the remaining sections are sport specific.

Section 1.1 Definitions

Prechampionship Manual. Resource for institutions to prepare for the championship.

Administrative Meeting. Prechampionship 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.

Nonpredetermined 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).

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 eligible to participate 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 and 18.2.1 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Division II Championships Committee Policy 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. Additionally, this survey will be accessible via QR code found on the back of NCAA-issued championship credentials.

We also 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 on-site.

Section 4 • Elite Scholar-Athlete™ Award

The Elite Scholar-Athlete 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 competing at the finals site. 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 [Health, Safety & Performance 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: Bylaw 22.4.1 in the NCAA Division I Manual, 17.1.10 Bylaw in the NCAA Division II Manual and 12.5.3 Bylaw 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: (Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)

(a) 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 (Revised: 1/10/95)

(b) 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 four square inches in area (i.e., rectangle, square, parallelogram) including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. (Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95, 7/21/26 effective 8/1/26)

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. NCAA Travel policies are updated annually and can be found online [here](#). Please reference Appendix A of the travel policies for reimbursable travel party numbers. 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 within a regular-season that emphasizes regional competition and minimizes missed class time; and to provide representation in NCAA championship competition by allocating berths to eligible conferences and at-large 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•3 Important Dates

Monday, Oct. 5	NPI release.
Thursday, Oct. 8	NPI release.
Monday, Oct. 12	NPI release.
Thursday, Oct. 15	NPI release.
Monday, Oct. 19	NPI release.
Thursday, Oct. 22	NPI release.
Monday, Oct. 26	Daily rankings through selections.
Monday, Nov. 2	Deadline for institutions to submit proposed budgets to host preliminary rounds of the championship.
Sunday, Nov. 8	Selection and notification of teams that will be participating in the championship.
Monday, Nov. 9	Conference call with first- and second-/third-round participants, committee representatives and host institution personnel. Final published ranking.
Wednesday, Nov. 11	First-round games.
Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 14 & 15	Second- and third-round games.
Monday, Nov. 16	Conference call with semifinalists, NCAA championship manager, committee chair and host institution personnel.
Friday & Sunday, Nov. 20 & 22	Semifinals and final.

CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

First rounds (12 sites)	Wednesday, Nov. 11, on the campus of one of the competing institutions.
Second and third rounds (four sites)	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 14 and 15, on the campus of one of the competing institutions.
Semifinals and Championship	Friday and Sunday, Nov. 20 and 22, hosted by William Smith College at McCooey Field in Geneva, New York.

DATE FORMULA

The championship semifinals and final are scheduled for the Friday-Sunday before Thanksgiving. Second- and third-round games are held the weekend before the finals; and first-round games are held the Wednesday before the second- and third-round games.

NOTE: A Friday-Saturday format will be followed for second- and third-round games when a participating institution has a policy, documented with the NCAA, against competition on Sunday for religious reasons.

FUTURE DATES

2027

First rounds (12 sites)	Wednesday, Nov. 10, on the campus of a competing institution.
Second and third rounds (four sites)	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 13 and 14, on the campus of a competing institution.
Semifinals and finals	Friday and Sunday, Nov. 19 and 21, hosted by Middlebury College at Kohn Field in Middlebury, Vermont.

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First rounds (12 sites)	Wednesday, Nov. 8, on the campus of a competing institution.
Second and third rounds (four sites)	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 11 and 12, on the campus of a competing institution.
Semifinals and finals	Friday and Sunday, Nov. 17 and 19, hosted by TBD.

Section 1•4 Equipment

Penn Monto is the official provider for game balls during the championship. The Penn Monto smooth ball or the Kookaburra dimple ball will be provided for all games, depending on the surface. The color of the game ball will be white, unless both competing coaches and the games committee agree to use a different color game ball with approval of the NCAA Field Hockey Committee.

Preliminary-round hosts are required to use the Kookaburra dimple ball during postseason if they:

- Have an astro/carpet surface. The surface is not required to be watered to use the dimple ball.
NOTE: Artificial turf will not have the ability to use the dimple ball.
- As a reminder, the host must notify the NCAA of their surface ball requirement via the bid deadline in the bid portal (approximately one week prior to selection Sunday).
- Host must provide 80 total dimple practice balls of the same type, (minimum 40 per team warmup, preferred 75 per team).
- The opposing team(s) should be provided with the same amount of practice balls as the home team. Teams can bring their own practice balls. There is no limit on the amount of practice or warmup balls that can be used.
- The NCAA will provide a dozen game balls per game at all sites (smooth or dimple).
- If the host has an artificial turf, host is required to use the smooth ball.
- Host must provide 75 smooth practice balls per team.
- The opposing team(s) should be provided with the same amount of practice balls as the home team. Teams can bring their own practice balls. There is no limit on the amount of practice or warmup balls that can be used.
- If a host does not meet the game and practice ball requirements, they will not be eligible to host a preliminary round.
- The championship final site will use the Kookaburra dimple ball, if the semifinals and finals are being played on an astro/carpet surface.
- The NCAA will continue to provide all game balls and practice balls (75 per team) for the final site.
- The announced final sites for 2026 and 2027 are astro surfaces.

Section 1•5 Rules

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.6 in the NCAA Manual.]

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 in which the Association follows rules that are 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 that are not played in accordance with the NCAA rules, or those rules adopted by an outside organization.

The NCAA Divisions I, II and III Field Hockey Championships will be conducted according to international field hockey rules and the NCAA rules modifications. See [Appendix C](#) for the 2026 NCAA rules modifications.

Section 1•6 Uniforms

[Reference: Bylaw 12.5.3 in the NCAA Manual.]

Participants in the championship shall wear exclusively the official uniform of their institution in competition and during related ceremonies. **The uniform worn by the designated home team must be predominantly dark in contrast to the away team. The uniform worn by the designated away team must be predominantly light. Uniform colors should be shared on the participating team call or the administrative meeting depending on the round.** Those

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uniform colors must be approved by the umpire crew the day before the game, with final approval by the National Coordinator of Officials. **In the event that the colors are not contrasting colors, the away team will be required to change and confirm their new colors the day before the game.** The color of the socks and/or shin guards must be consistent with team uniform colors and of a contrasting color of the opposing team. All colors must be in contrast to the opposing team's sock colors. It is the responsibility of the designated away team to wear socks and/or shin guards in clear contrast to those worn by the home team. In the event that the colors are not of contrasting colors, the away team will be required to change.

The designated home team will be the higher ranked team via the NPI on selection Sunday for the entirety of the championship.

LOGOS

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

Section 2 • Determination of Championship Participation

Section 2•1 Championship Format

START TIMES

Starting times will be established by the NCAA Division III Field Hockey Committee after consultation with the host institution. Whenever possible, teams should be given 24 hours of recovery time between games. Games shall be played as:

First round – Start time between 1 and 2 p.m. on fields without lights and between 1 and 6 p.m. on fields with lights. If the visiting team is traveling 250 miles or more, the start time must be between 1 and 4 p.m. Potential hosts must submit their preferred times when submitting a bid. Host may request a deviation from game time parameters, but it must be submitted before the bid deadline with the committee providing approval. The time submitted for each scenario will be the time placed on the bracket. Game time changes after the bracket reveal are permitted for weather or extenuating circumstances and must be approved the Division III Field Hockey committee.

Second round – 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. local time. The host will play in the first game of the day in the second round. A host may request to play in the second game, but the request should be submitted by the bid deadline to be considered.

Third round – 1 p.m. local time.

Any request to deviate from these start times (not including weather related request) must be submitted by the bid deadline and the NCAA Division III Field Hockey committee will approve the change prior to Selection Sunday.

The committee shall determine starting times and match-up order for the semifinals and final games. For this year's championship, those times are:

- Friday, Nov. 20 – Semifinal games, 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Eastern time.
- Sunday, Nov. 22 – Championship game, 12 p.m. Eastern time.

The Division III Field Hockey Committee reserves the right to alter proposed game times.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Every effort will be made to complete championship play, including holding competition on a subsequent day. Teams should be prepared to remain at a site an additional night if necessary. The games committee, in conjunction with the umpires, with approval from the Division III Field Hockey Committee, will determine if a game will be postponed or canceled. The procedure to be followed in the event that a game is delayed because of weather should be outlined before the start of the game. If a game cannot be completed on the initial field, the games committee, with approval of the Division III Field Hockey Committee, has the authority to authorize completion of the game at the approved alternate site. Teams should be prepared with footwear for any playing surface (i.e., natural grass, artificial surface). If it becomes impossible to play a tournament game, the Field Hockey Committee is authorized to determine which team or teams shall advance based off the inclement weather policy outlined below:

All games shall be completed to the end of regulation, overtime or shootout, if needed. If play is stopped before a game is completed, the game shall resume from the point of interruption.

Every attempt should be made to complete competition by the scheduled competition date.

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;
2. In order to complete competition, it would be necessary to begin a game after 9 p.m.; or
3. Completing competition would require a team to play two full games in one day.

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NOTE: A team may be required to complete a suspended game and play up to one additional game in the same day. On the rain date, a team may be required to play two games in one day.

If competition has to be extended to the additional day, it must be completed without starting a game after 9 p.m. that day.

If play is suspended before a game can be completed and competition at that round ceases, see the inclement weather advancement formula outlined below.

First Round

If inclement weather limits play, every effort has been made to complete competition by Thursday and competition cannot be completed by Thursday, the team that will advance to the second round will be based on the following:

- If the game has been played past 75% completion, the team winning the game will advance.
- If the game has been played past 75% completion, and the game is tied, the higher seeded team via the NPI ranking will advance.
- If the game has not been played to 75% completion, the higher seeded NPI team will advance no matter the score.

Second Round

If inclement weather limits play, every effort has been made to complete competition and competition cannot be completed by Sunday, the team that will advance to the third round will be based on the following:

- If the game has been played past 75% completion, the team winning the game will advance.
- If the game has been played past 75% completion, and the game is tied, the higher seeded team via the NPI ranking will advance.
- If the game has not been played to 75% completion, the higher seeded NPI team will advance no matter the score.

Third Round

If inclement weather limits play, every effort has been made to complete competition by and competition cannot be completed by Monday, the team that will advance to the semifinal will be based on the following:

- If the game has been played past 75% completion, the team winning the game will advance.
- If the game has been played past 75% completion, and the game is tied, the higher seeded team via the NPI ranking will advance.
- If the game has not been played to 75% completion, the higher seeded NPI team will advance no matter the score.

Semifinal Round

If inclement weather limits play, every effort has been made to complete competition by and competition cannot be completed by Saturday, the team that will advance to the final will be based on the following:

- If the game has been played past 75% completion, the team winning the game will advance.
- If the game has been played past 75% completion, and the game is tied, the higher seeded team via the NPI ranking will advance.
- If the game has not been played to 75% completion, the higher seeded NPI team will advance no matter the score.

TRAVEL PARTY

[Reference: Per Diem and Transportation in the Division III General Section.]

Please refer to the NCAA Travel Policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found online at ncaa.org. For the Division III Field Hockey Championship, the official travel party is 29 people and the official squad size is 24.

Section 2•2 Results

All host sites should use Stat Crew programs to submit statistics for the contests. At the end of each game or day of competition, a packed file from each regional/championship contest must be sent to ncaastats@ncaa.org and Jeff Williams (jwilliams@ncaa.org) at the national office. These files should be sent immediately following each contest or day of competition.

SCORE REPORTING

The score-reporting and stats-reporting processes are combined for Division III field hockey. Schools will submit all schedule and results information to the NCAA statistics site, and this information then will be imported into the NCAA Power Index for use by the sports committees. Specific instructions and reporting deadlines will be communicated to SIDs in a memo from the media coordination and statistics staff. For questions regarding the reporting process, please contact Jeff Williams (jwilliams@ncaa.org).

Section 2•3 Selections Information

CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY/AVAILABILITY

[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in the Division III General Section and Bylaw 31 in the NCAA Manual.]

Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. In accordance with Bylaw 3.2.4.3, 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 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 championships competition [see Bylaw 31.2.1.5]. For the field hockey championship, the championship manager must be notified by Friday, Nov. 8.

ETHICAL BEHAVIOR BY COACHES

Members of the coaching profession have certain inherent obligations and responsibilities to the profession, to the student-athletes and to all those with whom they come into contact in the field. Coaches are expected to be role models who conduct themselves with integrity and high ethical standards at all times.

The words and actions of a coach carry tremendous influence, particularly on the young people under his or her direction. It is thus imperative that he or she demonstrates and demands high principles of sportsmanship and ethical behavior.

Therefore, coaches must:

1. Always place the safety and welfare of student-athletes above the value of a win and above any personal prestige or glory.
2. Ensure that the coaching staff and all others associated with the program treat the student-athletes under their control with fairness and respect.
3. Remember that they are on public display and that their conduct reflects on the image of their respective institutions.
4. Teach their student-athletes strict adherence to the rules and regulations of the sport, the institution and other governing bodies to which they are responsible.

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- 5. Firmly establish with their student-athletes the standards of acceptable conduct.
- 6. Treat opponents and assigned officials with respect and demand that student-athletes do the same, instilling in their student-athletes the importance of respect and sportsmanship over winning.
- 7. Ensure that student-athletes understand that taunting, intimidating and baiting opponents is unacceptable behavior and will not be tolerated.
- 8. Monitor their coaching staff and student-athletes to ensure that they do not use profane and vulgar language while representing the institution.
- 9. Ensure, along with institutional administration, that fans are reminded of the expectations of sportsmanship and respect for officials and opponents and their supporters.

ALLOCATION OF BERTHS

The field hockey championship provides for a 28-team tournament. The 28-team field will consist of two selection pools: AQs and at-large berths. AQ berths will be allocated to automatic qualifying conferences. The criteria for receiving automatic qualification are outlined in Bylaw 31.3.4 of the 2026-27 NCAA Division III Manual. At-large berths will be reserved for all remaining institutions not receiving an AQ.

The following berths have been allocated for the 2026 championship: Automatic Qualifiers - 18; At-Large - 10. This will remain subject to change until the selection of teams.

After the determination of the automatic berths, the committee will determine the at-large via the highest 10 remaining teams in the NCAA Power Index on Sunday, Nov. 8 after all games are complete.

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

A listing of the regions appears in [Appendix B](#).

AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

[Reference: Bylaws 31.3.4 and 31.3.5 in the NCAA Manual.]

The following 18 conferences have been awarded berths (Pool A) in the 2026 championship:

Centennial Conference	Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth
Collegiate Field Hockey Conference	Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom
Conference of New England	New England Small College Athletic Conference
Empire 8	New England Women’s and Men’s Athletic Conference
Great Northeast Athletic Conference	New Jersey Athletic Conference
Landmark Conference	North Coast Athletic Conference
Liberty League	Old Dominion Athletic Conference
Little East Conference	State University of New York Athletic Conference
Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference	United East

IN-REGION COMPETITION

- 1. All competition within an institution’s defined region.
- 2. All competition within a 500-mile radius from one institution to another.
- 3. All competition within an institution’s membership geographical region (Bylaw 4.13.1.1).
- 4. All conference games.

The TES mileage calculator will be used to confirm distances from campus to campus.

This program is available on the travel page of [ncaa.org](#).

PARTICIPATION PROCEDURES

Conference Call Schedule

Mandatory telephone conferences will be held Monday, Nov. 9 for teams participating in first- and second-/third-round games; and Monday, Nov. 16, for the teams advancing to the semifinals. Competing teams' directors of athletics (or their designated representatives) and coaches must participate on the call.

A representative of the host institution, the games committee chair and the NCAA championship manager or NCAA game representative also will participate on the calls.

The calls have been scheduled for:

- Monday, Nov. 9, 11 a.m. Eastern time – First-round participants.
- Monday, Nov. 9, 1 p.m. Eastern time – Second-/third-round participants.
- Monday, Nov. 16, 11 a.m. Eastern time – Semifinals participants.

Conference call-in information will be provided to participating institutions before the scheduled conference calls by the host tournament director or the NCAA site representative.

Drug Testing

[Reference: Drug Testing in the Division III General Section and Bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Manual.]

Student-athletes who compete in these championships may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with Bylaws 18.4.1.5 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.

Lineup

A lineup for each team must be submitted to the NCAA representative 30 minutes before the start of each game. After the lineup is submitted, no replacements will be permitted for any reason. An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not promptly conform to it shall automatically forfeit the competition. There shall be no inordinate delay of the competition to allow the institution to conform to the rule. Rosters may change between games.

Meetings

[Reference: Misconduct in the Division III General Section and Bylaw 31.1.8 in the NCAA Manual.]

A participating teams call and an administrative meeting will be held before each round of the competition to review any administrative matters that may be necessary. The games committee for preliminary-round games consists of the NCAA site representative, tournament director, other necessary host institution personnel and administrator from each participating institution. If the traveling team is not traveling with an administrator, a member of the coaching staff can participate in the games committee. It is recommended that the individuals from the host institution who are in charge of facilities and media attend the games committee meeting. The administrative meeting will include the lead umpire, the NCAA site representative, the games committee and a member of the coaching staff of each participating team and will acquaint the coaches of the competing teams with the provisions of Bylaw 31.1.8, which prescribes conditions under which a student-athlete or representative of an institution may be disqualified from further participation in the competition for reasons of misconduct.

Preliminary-Round Practice

For all preliminary rounds, if any team is practicing the day before the games, practices will be limited to 75 minutes on the game field, weather permitting. If no visiting team is practicing at the game site, the home team may use the field for its regularly scheduled practice time. All practices should be completed not later than 4 p.m. on fields without lights and not later than 6:30 p.m. on fields with lights, unless mutually agreed upon by the host institution and visiting team(s). If this is not possible for all teams, a practice field will be available to all teams. Practice times must be approved by the NCAA representative at each site. For the first round, the host should select their practice time, and work with the traveling team to provide a practice time that works for their schedule. If the practice time opportunity provided does not work for the traveling team in the first round, the site representative will get approval of practice times from the Division III Field

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Hockey committee. If a team requests a walkthrough on the day of the first-round game, the team should be permitted on the game field for 30 minutes. The home team is also permitted for the same allotment of time, if requested. All first-round game day practices must be completed at least 90 minutes before the scheduled start time of warmup.

For second- and third-round sites, the host will confirm their practice time on the Monday call and the three additional practice times should be provided on the call by the hosts. Immediately after all three teams advance from their respective first-round games, the tournament director and site representative should send an email and confirm practice times. The highest-ranked NPI team advancing to the second round will select first, followed by the next highest-ranked NPI team. The lowest NPI ranked team will receive the remaining slot. Practice selections must be made within one hour of all three teams advancing to assist in travel planning for advancing teams. **No practices on the game field are allowed on the day of competition at second-/third-round and semifinal/final sites.**

Practice time/schedule can be altered if agreed upon by the participating teams, the NCAA site representative and the tournament director with approval of the Division III Field Hockey Committee. Teams are limited to the times to which they are scheduled, unless all teams agree on additional time and it is equal amongst teams.

Teams will not be allowed to practice on the competition field earlier than the day before the first day of competition. Teams may make arrangements to practice at an alternate facility two days before the competition, but the host institution is not obligated to assist with these arrangements.

Final site practice guidelines will be shared in the participant manual and on the participating team call.

Pregame Warmup

All teams are guaranteed a minimum of 45 minutes of warmup on the game field with the preference of 60 minutes when time allows. Interaction with the umpires before the game can only occur at the scorer's table with an NCAA representative and both coaches present. Once the countdown clock or the warmup has started, teams must stay on their designated side of the field. Full-field run-arounds during the warmup period are not permitted.

Scouting (Live)

Live scouting of potential opponents is not permissible during any round of the championship (by any institutional staff member or person with athletics department interests), other than at the four-team site at which a team is competing.

Squad Size and Team Benches

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.5 in the NCAA Manual.]

Teams participating in the championship are limited to a maximum of 24 players on the squad size that are eligible to compete. After the lineup is submitted (not later than 30 minutes before game time), no replacements will be permitted for any reason. An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not promptly conform to it shall automatically forfeit the competition. There shall be no inordinate delay of the competition to allow the institution to conform to the rule.

Bench areas will include student-athletes, team personnel and institutional staff only. The people shall be comprised of the following:

- 24 (squad size) student-athletes in uniform.
 - Only the designated 24 student-athletes are eligible to compete in the competition.
 - The designated 24 student-athletes may be switched in-between games.
- Any student-athlete over the 24 may be in uniform and in the bench area but is not eligible to compete in that game.
- Any additional team personnel.

The games committee will issue all credentials during or before the administrative meeting.

For all rounds of the competition, the home team shall be designated via the higher seed and shall wear the predominantly dark uniform and utilize the designated home team's bench that is utilized during the regular season. The away team shall wear a predominately light uniform and utilize the opposite bench. Please reference the uniform section for more specifics on uniform policies during the championship as they are different than the regular season policies.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Please refer to the NCAA Travel Policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies are located on the NCAA website at ncaa.org.

Lodging

The host institution will make local reservations for the competing teams and advise them of the arrangements. Failure of an institution to make arrangements could damage the institution's chance to host in the current year and in future years. Each competing participating institution is obligated to confirm or cancel the accommodations. Additional hotel accommodations may be reserved upon the request of the participating teams. If an institution does not wish to stay at the designated hotel, it must obtain a written release of the reserved rooms from the hotel management or use the rooms for persons accompanying the official party. Failure to make satisfactory arrangements may result in the institution paying for a night of hotel fees at two separate places on the same night.

At least 20 nonsmoking, double/double or queen/queen rooms should be reserved for each participating team. King rooms with soft pullouts do not suffice as double/double rooms. It is a preference that team hotels have a meeting room that can accommodate the team be within 30-45 minutes of the venue. Room rates, as with hotel quality and location, should be comparable for all visiting teams. Hosts are expected to secure room rates that are in line with the per diem rate. Hotels with internal doors and beds (i.e., no pullouts) are the only permissible lodging options. The host institution will make local reservations for the competing teams upon submitting its bid and when selected will advise teams of the arrangements. Umpires may be housed in the same hotel as the competing teams; however, the preference is to house the umpires in a separate hotel.

Section 2•4 Selection Criteria

[Reference: Selection of Participants in the Division III General Section and Bylaws 31.01.2, 31.01.3 and 31.3 in the NCAA Manual.]

SELECTION REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for selection, 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.

Bylaw 31.3.4.1.1 – 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.

PRIMARY CRITERIA

At-large teams will be selected using the [NCAA Power Index \(NPI\)](#), the system that houses the division's statistical data and objectively applies the selection criteria to the data based on the sport committee's established weighted criteria. NPI is a combination of the following: winning percentage; strength of schedule; home-away multiplier; quality win bonus; and overtime results (when applicable). Teams will be selected not later than Sunday, Nov. 8.

NPI will determine the at-large teams selected to the championship after the Automatic Qualifiers (AQ) have been designated.

Field Hockey's NPI dials are as follows:

- Win%/SOS: 20(Win%)/80 (SOS)
- Home/Away Win/Loss: 1.1/.9
- QWB: 52.5
- QWB Multiplier: .5
- Overtime: 100/0
- Minimum Wins: 6.5

COUNTABLE GAMES

For selection and/or ranking purposes, the field hockey committee only will consider games that include four periods of 15 minutes each, with ties played off by using up the entire championships tiebreaker procedure, including shootouts. Games terminated because of rules modification 6.3 also are countable games. Games played against mixed teams and club teams will not be counted for rankings and selections. If a game is suspended, it is not countable until finished (from point of suspension) before the selection call in order to be counted for selection purposes.

Section 2•5 Site Selection

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.3 in the NCAA Manual.]

The Division III Championships Committee has prioritized the site-selection criteria in the following order for Division III championships:

- a. Protection of top-four ranked teams via the NPI;
- b. Geographical location (including such factors as rotation of sites, weather, accessibility and transportation costs);
- c. Quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations; and
- d. Attendance history and revenue potential, which shall be considered necessary to assure fiscal responsibility.

Additionally, the Division III Championships Committee approved a recommendation by the Division III Field Hockey Committee to designate artificial surfaces as the preferred playing surfaces for second-/third-round and semifinal/final sites based on the findings of a field surface survey conducted in 2008. Based on all of the criteria above, the committee will consider many factors when determining preliminary-round sites.

Once selected, the top four teams will be seeded and slotted to host the second and third rounds. If a top-four seed does not put in a bid to host, they must submit their reasoning by the bid deadline. Top four teams that do not host the second and third round risk losing the bye and competing in first-round competition. Please reach out to the championship manager (ckolby@ncaa.org, 317-917-6180) as soon as possible if your institution is unable to host as a top four seed.

After assigning the top four teams, the remaining 24 teams will be grouped in clusters according to natural geographic proximity.

Teams then will 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) for the first round and potential advancement into the second round.

Teams from the same conference will not play one another in the first round.

FIELD SPECIFICATIONS

The committee has developed the following guidelines regarding field surfaces for the NCAA Division III Field Hockey Championship (note that artificial surfaces are the preferred playing surfaces for second-/third-round and semifinal/final sites):

1. **Natural Grass Surface.** The field must be a single-use field and the length of the grass should be maintained at 1/2 to 3/4 of an inch. The field size must be 100 x 60 yards and an alternate field (meeting the field surface and size requirements) must be available in the event of field condition issues.
2. **Filled Surfaces.** The field size must be 100 x 60 yards. It may be a multi-use field with various line colors that are easily distinguishable. "Blade" height should not exceed 3/4 of an inch.
3. **Artificial Nonfilled Surfaces.** Field size must be 100 x 60 yards. Lines on multi-use fields must be easily distinguishable. Surface must be cleared of debris before all practices and games, and as needed during the course of competition.

- 4. Video Review.** Hosts are highly encouraged to provide video review at preliminary rounds. Hosts must indicate their plans by the bid deadline if they plan to provide video review to ensure proper planning with the officiating crew and to ensure that participating teams are made aware of the video review setup at the site during the participating teams call. Video review requirements for hosts will be provided within the bid materials. Video review will be provided by the NCAA at the semifinal and final rounds. For all questions related to the video review, please reach out to ckolby@ncaa.org.

NOTE: The Division III Championships Committee approved the Division III Field Hockey Committee's recommendation to mandate video review as a hosting requirements for the preliminary rounds starting at the 2027 championship.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the bid process, please contact the NCAA administrator, Caleb Kolby, at 317-917-6180 or ckolby@ncaa.org.

PROSPECTIVE HOSTS

Any institution or conference interested in hosting a preliminary round of the NCAA Division III Field Hockey Championship must submit a proposed budget, respond to sport-specific questions, and ensure the institution's key contact and facility information are up to date via the Championships Bid and Host Profile portal. To submit a bid, first search for the desired championship under "championships available for bid" and select "add bid." Please reach out to ckolby@ncaa.org for assistance at any time during the bid process.

Please note the change in process that allows all member institutions to regularly and easily access their profiles by visiting 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 Championships Bid and Host Profile portal under the "budget" tab not later than 60 days after the event.

CHAMPIONSHIPS BID AND HOST PROFILE SYSTEM

The Championships Bid and Host Profile portal can be accessed at championships.ncaa.org. The deadline to submit all bid materials for this championship is Oct. 31, 2026.

As a reminder, prospective hosts' budgets should include committee/site representative's lodging expense, game officials' lodging expense, state and city taxes/fees if applicable, and any ticket fees. Committee/site representative's per diem, mileage and luggage fees will be paid by the NCAA instead of the host institution. Game officials will be reimbursed via the RQ+ system for their game fees, per diem, mileage and luggage fees.

FACILITY PROFILE

Institutions interested in hosting preliminary-round competition of the Division III Field Hockey Championship must add (or ensure accuracy of) facility information for the applicable competition venue. This information is located at championships.ncaa.org within the Championships Bid and Profile portal. Any supporting information – e.g., facility diagram, pictures – may be uploaded and attached to that facility's profile. This information will be made available to the sport committee to aid in their deliberations of prospective host sites.

KEY CONTACTS FORM

Each institution should list and then maintain its key contacts associated with each sport and the institution. Individuals can be added via the Championships Bid and Host Profile portal at championships.ncaa.org. Please complete a key contacts form for each round of competition you wish to host.

SAFETY AND SECURITY PLAN

Each facility profile should include the safety and security plan for the facility. This information can be uploaded and attached to the profile by visiting championships.ncaa.org.

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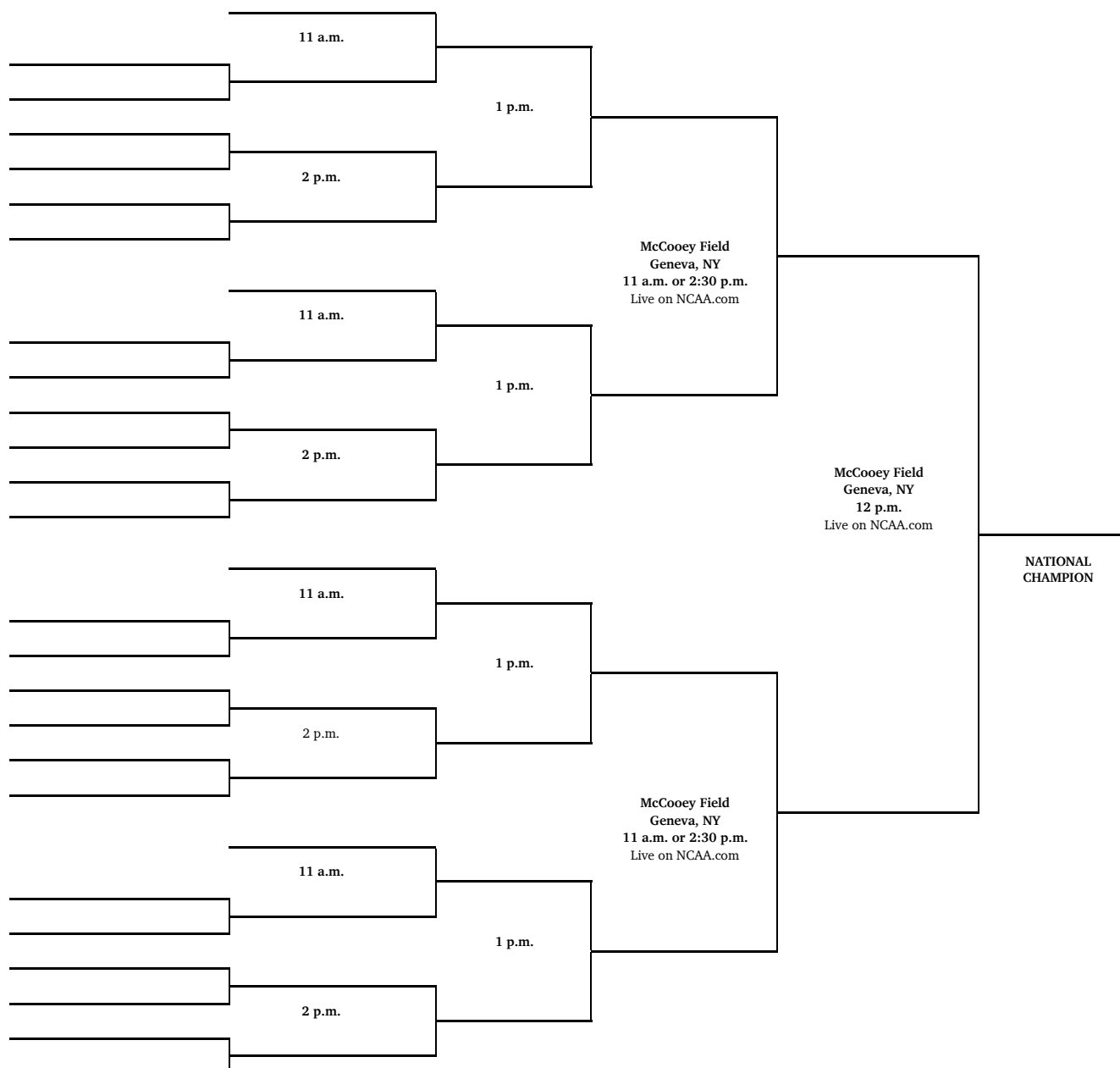
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November 15

Semifinals
November 20

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November 22



* Host Institution
Home Team
All times are Eastern time.
Information subject to change.

Appendix B • Sport Sponsorship

2026-27 NCAA Division III Field Hockey Regional Alignment Summary by Conference

REGION I

Conference of New England (8) Endicott College Gordon College Johns & Wales University (Providence) Nichols College Roger Williams University University of Hartford University of New England Western New England University AQ – Conference Championship	Great Northeast Athletic Conference (10) Colby-Sawyer College Dean College Elms College Lasell University New England College Regis College (Massachusetts) Rivier University Saint Joseph's College (Maine) Simmons University University of Saint Joseph (Connecticut) AQ – Conference Championship
New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (10) Babson College Clark University (Massachusetts) Massachusetts Institute of Technology Mount Holyoke College Salve Regina University Smith College Springfield College Wellesley College Wheaton College (Massachusetts) Worcester Polytechnic Institute AQ – Conference Championship	

Total number of schools in Region I – 28
Total eligible schools in Region I – 28

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REGION II

Little East Conference (8) Eastern Connecticut State University Keene State College Plymouth State University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth University of Southern Maine Vermont State University Castleton Western Connecticut State University University of Massachusetts Boston AQ – Conference Championship	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (6) Bridgewater State University Fitchburg State University Framingham State University Salem State University Westfield State University Worcester State University AQ – Conference Championship
New England Small College Athletic Conference (11) Amherst College Bates College Bowdoin College Colby College Connecticut College Hamilton College Middlebury College Trinity College (Connecticut) Tufts University Wesleyan University (Connecticut) Williams College AQ – Conference Championship	Independent (3) Husson University Thomas College University of Maine, Farmington

Total number of schools in Region II – 28

Total eligible schools in Region II – 28

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REGION III

Empire 8 (11) Alfred University Elmira College Hartwick College Houghton College Keuka College Nazareth University Russell Sage College St. John Fisher University State University of New York Brockport State University of New York at Geneseo Utica University AQ - Conference Championship	Liberty League (8) William Smith College Ithaca College Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Skidmore College St. Lawrence University Union College (New York) University of Rochester Vassar College AQ- Conference Championship
State University of New York Athletic Conference (5) Salisbury University State University of New York at Cortland State University of New York at Morrisville State University of New York at Oneonta State University of New York at Oswego AQ- Conference Championship	

Total number of schools in Region III – 24

Total eligible schools in Region III – 24

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REGION IV

Independent (2) Manhattanville University Saint Francis University*	Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom (9) Arcadia University Delaware Valley University DeSales University Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham King's College (Pennsylvania) Lebanon Valley College Marywood University Misericordia University Stevens Institute of Technology AQ – Conference Championship
New Jersey Athletic Conference (8) Kean University Montclair State University Ramapo College Rowan University Stockton University State University of New York, New Paltz The College of New Jersey William Paterson University of New Jersey AQ – Conference Championship	United East (7) Cedar Crest College Gwynedd Mercy University Immaculata University Lancaster Bible College Penn State Harrisburg St. Mary's College of Maryland Wilson College AQ – Conference Championship

Total number of schools in Region IV – 26

Total eligible schools in Region IV – 25

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REGION V

Centennial Conference (11) Bryn Mawr College Dickinson College Franklin & Marshall College Gettysburg College Haverford College Johns Hopkins University McDaniel College Muhlenberg College Swarthmore College Ursinus College Washington College (Maryland) AQ – Conference Championship	Landmark Conference (10) Catholic University Drew University Elizabethtown College Goucher College Juniata College Lycoming College Moravian University Susquehanna University University of Scranton Wilkes University AQ—Conference Championship
Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth (9) Albright College Alvernia University Eastern University Hood College Messiah University Neumann University Stevenson University Widener University York College (Pennsylvania) AQ – Conference Championship	

Total number of schools in Region V – 30

Total eligible schools in Region V – 30

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REGION VI

Collegiate Field Hockey Conference (6) Centre College Concordia University Wisconsin Marian University (Wisconsin) Rhodes College University of Mary Washington University of the South AQ – Conference Championship	Independent (2) Christopher Newport University Meredith College
North Coast Athletic Conference (11) Allegheny College Denison University DePauw University John Carroll University Kenyon College Oberlin College Ohio Wesleyan University Transylvania University Washington and Jefferson College The College of Wooster Wittenberg University AQ – Conference Championship	Old Dominion Athletic Conference (9) Batten University Bridgewater College (Virginia) Eastern Mennonite University Randolph-Macon College Roanoke College Shenandoah University Sweet Briar College University of Lynchburg Washington and Lee University AQ – Conference Championship

Total number of schools in Region VI – 28

Total eligible schools in Region VI – 28