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Section 1 • Introduction

During the 2023-24 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 and 18.2.1.1 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 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 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](https://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. 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 • Religious Conflicts

[Reference: Bylaws 31.1.4.1 and 31.1.4.2 in the NCAA Division I 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 on or before September 1 of each academic year in order for it or one of its student-athletes to be excused from competing on that day. The championship schedule shall be adjusted to accommodate that institution. *(Adopted: 4/22/98, Revised: 8/11/98, 10/28/99, 5/2/13)*

Individual Championships. In individual championships, an athlete must compete according to the institution's policy regarding Sunday competition (if the institution has no policy against Sunday competition, the student-athlete shall compete on Sunday if required by the schedule).

Section 11 • Team Replacement Policy

The Division I Competition Oversight Committee developed a team replacement policy considering the possibility of unforeseen circumstances impacting championship fields. The policy will be implemented in accordance with the terms set forth in the policy document available [here](#) when, despite best efforts, a team within the championship field is impeded or hindered from participating in the championship for reasons beyond its control.

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Section 1 • General Administration

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Section 1•2 National Committee

[Reference: Administration and Management in the Division I General Section, and Bylaws 31.1.1 and 31.1.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual.]

The NCAA Division I Men's Golf Championships are under the control, direction and supervision of the NCAA Division I Men's Golf Committee. **Current members of the golf committee are:**

Deedee Brown-Campbell, Texas Tech University
Jim Fee, University of South Florida
Jamie Green, Duke University
John Hauscarriague, University of California, Irvine
Ken Jones, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
John Kennaday, San Jose State University
Jon Reehoorn, Oregon State University
Brian Russell, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Joy Vrbka, Auburn University

Section 1•3 Important Dates

Sunday, Oct. 1	Schedules, tournaments and team rosters to be used for selection purposes must be registered with Scoreboard.
Tuesday, April 30	Results from spring competition due to Clippd.
Wednesday, May 1	Regional selection announcement.
Mon.-Wed., May 13-15	Regionals.
Fri.-Wed., May 24-29	National Championships at Omni La Costa Resort & Spa, Carlsbad, California; The University of Texas at Austin, host.

CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

Regionals (May 13-15)

Austin, Texas	The University of Texas Golf Club; University of Texas at Austin, host.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana	University Club; Louisiana State University, host.
Chapel Hill, North Carolina	UNC Finley Golf Course; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, host.
Rancho Santa Fe, California	The Farms Golf Club; University of San Diego, host.
Stanford, California	Stanford Golf Course; Stanford University, host.
West Lafayette, Indiana	Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex; Purdue University, host.
Finals (May 24-29)	Omni La Costa Resort & Spa, Carlsbad, California; The University of Texas at Austin, host.

DATE FORMULA

Regionals (6)	11 days before the start of the finals (Monday-Wednesday), effective 2016.
Finals	Fourth Friday in the month of May except when May 1 is a Friday. In those years, the championships will begin on the fifth Friday in the month of May.

FUTURE DATES

2025

Regionals (May 12-14)

Poplar Grove Golf Coast, Amherst, Virginia; Liberty University, host.

Gold Mountain Golf Club, Bremerton, Washington; University of Washington, host.

The Blessings Golf Club, Fayetteville, Arkansas; University of Arkansas, host.

Montreux Golf and Country Club, Reno, Nevada; University of Nevada, Reno and Reno Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority, hosts.

Karsten Creek Golf Club, Stillwater, Oklahoma; Oklahoma State University, host.

Seminole Legacy Golf Club, Tallahassee, Florida; Florida State University, host.

Finals (May 23-28)

Omni La Costa Resort & Spa, Carlsbad, California; University of Texas at Austin, host.

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Regionals (May 18-20)

University of Georgia Golf Course, Athens, Georgia; University of Georgia, host.

Bermuda Run Country Club, Bermuda Run, North Carolina; Wake Forest University, host.

Traditions Club, Bryan, Texas; Texas A&M University, College Station, host.

OSU Golf Club, Columbus, Ohio; The Ohio State University, host.

Trysting Tree Golf Club, Corvallis, Oregon; Oregon State University, host.

Ak-Chin Southern Dunes, Maricopa, Arizona; Arizona State University, host.

Finals (May 29-June 3)

Omni La Costa Resort & Spa, Carlsbad, California; University of Texas at Austin, host.

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Regionals (May 17-19)

Six regional sites TBD

Finals (May 28-June 2)

TBD

Section 1•4 Equipment

The type of equipment (i.e., clubs, balls, shoes, bags, push/pull carts, distance measuring devices) to be used will be determined by the institution or player, as long as the items conform with the Rules of Golf and the following Local Rules and Conditions that will be in effect:

- List of confirming driver headers – the Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect.
- Grooves and punch mark specifications – the Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect.
- List of conforming golf balls – the Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect.

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- One-Ball Rule – the Model Local Rule G-4 is in effect.
- Footwear – the Model Local Rule G-7 is in effect.
- Club Length – the Model Local Rule G-10 is in effect.
- Transportation – during the round, a player must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorized or later approved by the Committee.

Note: Coaches are required to wear shoes that conform with the footwear local rule (i.e., soft spikes or flat-bottom tennis shoes). Players may use non-motorized push/pull carts but these must be secured by the institution or player. Coaches may use distance-measuring devices as long as they conform with the Rules of Golf.

Section 1•5 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 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 NCAA rules, or those rules adopted by an outside organization.

The NCAA Division I Men's Golf Championships will be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Golf, the NCAA Hard Card, the NCAA Advice and Pace-of-Play Conditions (see Appendix D) and the Notice to Players specific to the golf course being played.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct (i.e., profanity, club throwing, acts of defacing the golf course). During the round, defined as from the time the player makes his first stroke until the scorecard is deemed returned to the golf committee, at the first offense of any act of unsportsmanlike conduct during the championships (regionals and finals), the student-athlete and coach will be notified immediately on the golf course and provided a warning. The offending institution's director of athletics will receive a letter from the NCAA, informing the institution that one of its student-athletes had been warned for unsportsmanlike conduct during the championships. The second offense of unsportsmanlike conduct will result in disqualification for that round, and further unsportsmanlike conducts will result in disqualification from the championships. Any unsportsmanlike conduct incurred at the regionals would be carried over to the finals. However, the committee shall have the right, without warning, to disqualify an individual for that round (or championships) for any flagrant act of unsportsmanlike conduct.

In addition to the unsportsmanlike conduct policies, coaches, administrators and student-athletes shall be subject to the misconduct policies and penalties in NCAA Bylaw 31.1.10. The golf committee may also impose other penalties deemed appropriate.

Section 1•6 Tobacco Policy

The use of tobacco by student-athletes, or team or game personnel (e.g., coaches, athletic trainers, managers and game officials), is prohibited during competition. Any student-athlete, or team or game personnel, who uses tobacco during competition shall be disqualified for the remainder of that competition.

Section 1•7 Uniforms

[Reference: Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Division I Manual.]

Contestants must wear uniforms of the same color during competition and practice. Walking or Bermuda shorts are permitted, provided they are team shorts and are of the same color. Slacks or shorts may be worn at the individual's discretion, provided they are of the same color and are considered the team uniform. If a student-athlete wears headgear during competition, it must display only an institutional, conference or NCAA logo, or no logo. If there is no logo, a coach or team member's headgear must be of an institutional color. A manufacturer's logo may appear on the side or back of the item as long as it conforms to NCAA Bylaw 12.5.5. For television purposes, it is recommended that each institution attempt to wear a uniform that reflects its school colors during the final three days of the championships. Team members are not required to wear the same headgear.

In the best interest of intercollegiate golf and the championships, participants must wear appropriate golf attire at the tournament site. All participants and coaches should have their shirts tucked in while on the golf course for practice and competition rounds. Please refer to the host institution's pretournament mailing for the definition of appropriate attire at the golf course.

LOGOS

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

Section 2 • Determination of Championship Participation

Section 2.1 Championships Format

The format for the NCAA Division I Men's Golf Championships is determined by the golf committee, subject to the approval of the Division I Competition Oversight Committee.

REGIONALS

Six 54-hole regional tournaments will be conducted to determine the 30 qualifying teams and six individuals not on those qualifying teams who will compete in the finals.

Thirteen teams and 10 individuals not on those teams will compete at each of three regionals while the other three regionals will have 14 teams and five individuals not on those teams. The low five teams and the low individual not on those teams will advance to the finals. Playoffs and tiebreakers, as set forth in [Appendix A](#), will be used, if necessary, to determine advancement to the finals. The games committee will do everything possible to complete 54 holes within the scheduled three-day period.

If a minimum of 36 holes cannot be completed, the Men's Golf Committee will select the regional's representatives to the finals, taking into consideration 18-hole scores and other selection criteria.

Before a regional tournament round, a team may substitute a sixth player for any member of the team, provided that:

- The NCAA Division I Golf Committee or the NCAA Rules Official is notified of the substitution at least 10 minutes before that team member's starting time.
- The sixth player is an eligible member of the institution's team.

Note: When a team has substituted a sixth player, no further substitutions may be made by the team for that round. The team member that was substituted for becomes the sixth player and the team is limited to that player, if the team wishes to substitute a player before any subsequent regional tournament round.

Beginning in 2024, official NCAA awards will be presented to the regional team champion.

FINALS

All 30 teams and six individuals will complete 54 holes of stroke play. Following 54 holes of competition, the top 15 teams along with the top nine individuals not on an advancing team will advance for one additional day of stroke play to determine the top eight teams for match-play competition and the 72-hole stroke-play individual champion. The top eight teams after 72 holes of play will be placed into a bracket with the No. 1 seed playing the No. 8 seed, the No. 2 seed playing the No. 7 seed, the No. 3 seed playing the No. 6 seed and the No. 4 seed playing the No. 5 seed in match play. Ties for the top 15 teams and the top nine individuals, as well as for the top eight teams in match play, will be broken by a sudden-death playoff, or if necessary, by the established non-sudden-death tiebreaking procedure set forth in [Appendix A](#).

In team match-play competition, a total of five points will be available with one point being awarded for each individual match. Winning teams will advance to the semifinals and subsequently, the finals. The first team to win three points within the team match will advance, or in the case of the final match, be declared the national champion. Once a team has won three individual matches, any remaining individual matches will be halted at that point.

The Division I Men's Golf Committee will determine match-play lineups using the same method employed at the Presidents Cup matches. The higher-seeded team (as determined through the 72-hole stroke-play portion), "Team 1," will have the first choice of putting a player on the board for Match No. 1. The opposing team, "Team 2," will then name its player for Match No. 1. Team 2 will then name its player for Match No. 2, and Team 1 will name its player for Match No. 2. The process will continue in an "S" curve until the players for all five matches are named. However, Team 1 may defer in the selection process and permit Team 2 to begin the overall selection process.

Pairings for the quarterfinals will be determined following the completion of the 72-hole stroke-play competition and the crowning of the individual champion. Pairings for the team semifinals and finals will be determined following the completion of the previous match-play round.

Pairings for both the stroke-play and match-play portions of the finals can be found at [ncaa.org](https://www.ncaa.org) on the NCAA Division I Men's Golf page. Ties for such pairing positions will be broken according to the non-sudden-death tiebreaking procedures set forth in [Appendix A](#).

The games committee will do everything possible to complete 72 holes and each match during the match-play portion of the championships. However, the committee reserves the right to modify pairings for weather.

Beginning in 2024, official NCAA awards will be presented to the top two teams and first 15 individuals.

Before a championships round (stroke play or match play), a team may substitute a sixth player for any member of the team, provided that:

- a. The NCAA Division I Golf Committee or the NCAA Rules Official is notified of the substitution at least 10 minutes before that team member's starting time.
- b. The sixth player is an eligible member of the institution's team.

Note 1: When a team has substituted a sixth player, no further substitutions may be made by the team for that round. The team member that was substituted for becomes the sixth player and the team is limited to that player, if the team wishes to substitute a player before any subsequent championships round.

Note 2: Unless a team chooses to substitute a sixth player before a match-play draw, the team's five players that played in the previous round will be used for the draw.

TRAVEL PARTY

An institution may not compete with more than five contestants, but may bring a sixth player as a substitute. Please refer to the NCAA Travel Policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found on the [NCAA website](#). Transportation expenses and per diem shall be paid only for the championships and not for the regionals.

Section 2•2 Results

The NCAA Division I Men's Golf Committee will use Scoreboard by Clippd to assist with a computerized score-reporting system. As a result, it will be necessary for institutions to submit a team roster to Scoreboard by Clippd and register regular-season tournaments according to the following procedure:

1. All tournaments must be registered not later than Oct. 1. Institutions that fail to meet the deadline and wish to have the tournament registered will be assessed a monetary fine. Complete schedules need to be submitted by Oct. 1.
2. For any tournament results to be considered for selection purposes, the tournament host must properly submit the results to Scoreboard by Clippd within two (2) days of the completion or it may be assessed a monetary fine.
3. Results for tournaments completed April 30 should be sent via email to Scoreboard by Clippd.
4. If a regular-season tournament is to be played according to a format different from the standard four out of five, four out of six or five out of six, the tournament director must submit the format to NCAA staff or to a member of the golf committee not later than Nov. 29. Effective with the 2006-07 year, the format of five players playing together was approved and those results will be used for selection purposes.
5. Match play is an approved format for regular-season events and those results will be used for selections. However, match play should follow the following procedures:
 - The only allowable formats are Team Match Play and Team Medal Match Play.
 - Team Match Play is defined as one player from opposing teams playing each other in straight match play. Each team may consist of five to nine players.

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- Team Medal Match Play is defined as one player from opposing teams playing each other in medal play, with the lower 18 hole score winning. Each team may consist of five to nine players.
 - Players may only play by themselves and cannot have a partner within their individual match (e.g., no partners are allowed to play formats such as alternate shot, best ball, scramble).
 - No JV teams can play and no individuals' matches that are not part of the team can be counted.
 - One team has to win the match. There cannot be a tie. Breaking a tie can either be by playoff or a predetermined method.
 - Matches must have a minimum of five individual matches and a maximum of nine individual matches.
6. Institutions that fail to fully register may be assessed a monetary fine.
7. For any regular-season competition to be considered for selection purposes, the competition must be conducted on a golf course that meets the following minimum yardage relative to par:
- Par 70 - 6,100 yards
 - Par 71 - 6,300 yards
 - Par 72 - 6,500 yards

For information about reporting results and tournament registration, contact the Scoreboard by Clipd staff at support@clipd.io.

SCORING

Scorecards shall be kept in strict accordance with Rule 6-6 of the USGA's "Scoring in Stroke Play" and shall be returned promptly upon completion of play.

A daily team score is computed by totaling the lowest scores of four of the five team members. The final team score is determined by totaling each daily score.

For the match-play portion of the championships, there will be a total of five points available in each match. The first team to win three points will advance to the next round, or in the case of the final match, be declared the national champion. Once a team has won three points, any remaining individual matches shall be halted.

Section 2•3 Selection Information

AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

Thirty conferences have been granted automatic qualification for the 2024 regionals:

American Athletic Conference	Mid-American Conference
ASUN Conference	Missouri Valley Conference
Atlantic 10 Conference	Mountain West Conference
Atlantic Coast Conference	Northeast Conference
Big 12 Conference	Ohio Valley Conference
Big East Conference	Pac-12 Conference
Big Sky Conference	Patriot League
Big South Conference	Southeastern Conference
Big Ten Conference	Southern Conference
Big West Conference	Southland Conference
Colonial Athletic Association	Southwestern Athletic Conference
Conference USA	The Summit League
Horizon League	Sun Belt Conference
The Ivy League	West Coast Conference
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Western Athletic Conference

Section 2•4 Selection Criteria

SELECTION REQUIREMENTS

To be considered during the at-large selection process, a team must have participated in a minimum of eight contests and must have an overall Division I won-lost record of .500 or better.

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 3.2.4.5) 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.

The following criteria shall be employed by a governing sports committee in selecting participants for NCAA championships competition [Bylaw 31.3.3; Criteria for Selection of Participants]:

- Won-lost record;
- Strength of schedule; and
- Eligibility and availability of student-athletes for NCAA championships.

In addition to Bylaw 31.3.3, the Men's Golf Committee has received approval from the Division I Competition Oversight Committee to consider the following criteria in the selection of at-large teams for the men's golf championships in priority order:

PRIMARY CRITERIA

- NCAA ranking indexes;
- Head-to-head results;
- Stroke differential;
- Results versus common opponents;
- Overall won-lost record; and
- Strength of schedule.

Any changes to a team's schedule after Oct. 1 need to be approved by the Division I Men's Golf Committee. Any team that withdraws from a regularly scheduled tournament after Oct. 1 or cancels a scheduled tournament will incur losses to each team in the field. However, should a tournament be canceled for reasons beyond the teams' control, the team will not incur any penalties.

Also, an institution may not compete in separate tournaments on the same date of competition with both events counting toward selections. Should an institution choose to do this, one team will automatically be declared an "A" team while the other will be a "B" team. The "B" team results will not count toward selections as an at-large team.

The ranking system compiled by Clippd shall include all conforming tournament results for all Division I teams. It is critical that the results for every tournament be submitted. For junior varsity contests, the institution must inform the host and Clippd in writing before the tournament that its junior varsity program will participate. Junior varsity team scores should not appear on the tournament results form. Individual results must be reported to Clippd. Failure to report such information shall result in a monetary fine and a letter of reprimand.

Regional Selection. The committee will select 81 teams and 45 individuals for regional competition, including automatic qualifiers (30) and at-large teams (51). Conference individual medalists, if not selected on a participating team, will receive an exemption as an individual. Three of the six regionals will have 13 teams and 10 individuals while the other three regionals will have 14 teams and five individuals. The primary goal will be to equally weigh each field. The golf committee will be sensitive to geographic proximity and travel concerns in attempting to attain this goal. Five teams and the low individual not on an advancing team from each regional shall advance to the finals.

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Appendix A • Tiebreak Procedures

Tie-Break Procedures

Individual and Team Tie-breaking Procedures

Teams. Ties shall be broken during a sudden-death playoff counting all five scores. If there are two or more teams involved in a playoff, the shotgun format listed below should be used. The games committee will determine the playoff holes. During regionals, the games committee may use either of the sudden death playoff procedures for two teams as listed below, if course conditions and time permits. Also, the team playoff will be conducted first if any players involved would also be in a playoff in the case of a tie for individuals advancing.

Sudden-Death Playoff Procedures

Teams will draw for positions (for use at regionals only, if time permits). For a two-team playoff, the winner of the draw shall have the option of the A or B positions set forth below. For a playoff involving more than two teams, the teams shall assume the drawn letter position (A, B, C, etc.) set forth below.

Two teams (A & B; tee off alternately)					
#5A	#5B	#4A	#4B	#3A	Playoff Hole #1
#3B	#2A	#2B	#1A	#1B	Playoff Hole #1

SHOTGUN FORMAT

If a shotgun start is necessary, the scoring procedure will be an aggregate of all five scores until a winner is determined (*used to determine top 15 teams for final day of stroke play, as well as top 8 for match play*).

for match play).

Two teams			
A #5	B #5	playoff hole 5	
A #4	B #4	playoff hole 4	
A #3	B #3	playoff hole 3	
A #2	B #2	playoff hole 2	
A #1	B #1	playoff hole 1	
Three Teams			
A #5	B #5	C #5	playoff hole 5
A #4	B #4	C #4	playoff hole 4
A #3	B #3	C #3	playoff hole 3
A #2	B #2	C #2	playoff hole 2
A #1	B #1	C #1	playoff hole 1

Four Teams					
A #5	B #5	C #5	D #5	playoff hole 5	
A #4	B #4	C #4	D #4	playoff hole 4	
A #3	B #3	C #3	D #3	playoff hole 3	
A #2	B #2	C #2	D #2	playoff hole 2	
A #1	B #1	C #1	D #1	playoff hole 1	
Five teams					
A #5	B #5	C #5	D #5	E #5	playoff hole 5
A #4	B #4	C #4	D #4	E #4	playoff hole 4
A #3	B #3	C #3	D #3	E #3	playoff hole 3
A #2	B #2	C #2	D #2	E #2	playoff hole 2
A #1	B #1	C #1	D #1	E #1	playoff hole 1
Coaches will have the ability to determine starting hole assignments for their student-athletes. These selections must be completed no more than ten minutes following the conclusion of play. If not completed within the required timeframe, players will be assigned by the numbered position they held at the start of the tournament.					
The format in pairings for a playoff of six teams or more shall be consistent with the foregoing format as determined by the games committee.					

Non Sudden-Death Tie-Breaking Procedure

For pairings purposes and for situations in which a sudden-death playoff cannot be completed, the following system shall be used to break ties, except as provided elsewhere when ties need not be broken at the championships:

Teams

1. First tiebreaker – cumulative total of the non-counting scores.
2. Second tiebreaker – cumulative total of the lowest player score from each round.
3. Third tiebreaker – cumulative total of the second lowest player score from each round.
4. Fourth tiebreaker – cumulative total of the third lowest player score from each round.
5. Fifth tiebreaker – cumulative total of the fourth lowest player score from each round
6. Sixth tiebreaker – revert to original seeding of teams.

Individuals (within a team)

When a tie exists within a team, the individual with the lowest team position will be given the later tee time.

Individuals (not within a team)

1. Low score of the most recent round.

2. Low score of the next previous round.
3. Revert to original seeding of individuals.

The foregoing procedure will also be used if a cut becomes necessary at any time after the completion of the second round of play at the championships.

Finals Site: Advancing Regional Teams

The advancing teams and individuals will be placed into their initial team pairings at the national championship through the use of a revised ranking which will be run after all regional competition has completed.

Finals Site: Advancing Regional Individuals (not on an advancing team)

If after completion of regional play and prior to the day before the first practice round at the finals site, an individual is unable to compete at the finals due to extenuating circumstances the committee will use the current regional tournament tie-breaking procedures for individuals in the order listed, minus the use of the playoff option to fill the field.

Per NCAA Bylaw 31.1.4.1, the Division I Men's Golf Committee will adjust accordingly the competition event schedule along with the pairings and tee times in order to accommodate a team/individual(s) representing a school that has a written policy against competition on a particular day for religious reasons.

Appendix B • Sport Information

MEMORANDUM TO COACHES

Coaches named as advice givers are outside influences and are not treated as part of the player's side. However, a player is responsible for certain actions of another person, including his advice giver, under Rule 1.3c(1). A penalty may apply when:

- The player's advice giver takes an action that would breach the Rules if taken by the player or caddie and that advice giver does so at the player's request or while acting with the player's authority, such as the player asking the advice giver to stand in a location on or close to an extension of the player's line of play to help the player with his alignment, in breach of Rule 10.2b(4).
- The player sees his advice giver about to take an action concerning the player's ball or equipment that he knows would breach a Rule if taken by the player or caddie and does not take reasonable steps to object or stop it from happening, such as the advice giver taking an action to improve the conditions affecting the player's stroke, in breach of Rule 8.1a.

The Committee trusts that all players and advice givers respect the principle of obeisance to the Rules, proper conduct and fair play in the spirit of the game.

Appendix C • Sport Sponsorship

CONFERENCE	INSTITUTION	ACTIVE_STATUS
American Athletic Conference	University of Alabama at Birmingham	
American Athletic Conference	East Carolina University	
American Athletic Conference	Florida Atlantic University	
American Athletic Conference	University of Memphis	
American Athletic Conference	The University of North Carolina at Charlotte	
American Athletic Conference	University of North Texas	
American Athletic Conference	Rice University	
American Athletic Conference	University of South Florida	
American Athletic Conference	Southern Methodist University	
American Athletic Conference	Temple University	
American Athletic Conference	University of Texas at San Antonio	
American Athletic Conference	Wichita State University	
ASUN Conference	Austin Peay State University	
ASUN Conference	University of Central Arkansas	
ASUN Conference	Eastern Kentucky University	
ASUN Conference	Florida Gulf Coast University	
ASUN Conference	Jacksonville University	
ASUN Conference	Kennesaw State University	Reclass FCS to FBS
ASUN Conference	Lipscomb University	
ASUN Conference	University of North Alabama	
ASUN Conference	University of North Florida	
ASUN Conference	Stetson University	
Atlantic 10 Conference	Davidson College	
Atlantic 10 Conference	University of Dayton	
Atlantic 10 Conference	Fordham University	
Atlantic 10 Conference	George Mason University	
Atlantic 10 Conference	George Washington University	
Atlantic 10 Conference	La Salle University	
Atlantic 10 Conference	Loyola University Chicago	
Atlantic 10 Conference	University of Rhode Island	
Atlantic 10 Conference	University of Richmond	
Atlantic 10 Conference	St. Bonaventure University	
Atlantic 10 Conference	Saint Joseph's University	
Atlantic 10 Conference	Virginia Commonwealth University	
Atlantic Coast Conference	Boston College	
Atlantic Coast Conference	Clemson University	
Atlantic Coast Conference	Duke University	
Atlantic Coast Conference	Florida State University	
Atlantic Coast Conference	Georgia Institute of Technology	
Atlantic Coast Conference	University of Louisville	
Atlantic Coast Conference	North Carolina State University	
Atlantic Coast Conference	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	
Atlantic Coast Conference	University of Notre Dame	
Atlantic Coast Conference	University of Virginia	
Atlantic Coast Conference	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	
Atlantic Coast Conference	Wake Forest University	
Big 12 Conference	Baylor University	
Big 12 Conference	Brigham Young University	
Big 12 Conference	University of Central Florida	
Big 12 Conference	University of Cincinnati	
Big 12 Conference	University of Houston	
Big 12 Conference	Iowa State University	

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Big 12 Conference	University of Kansas	
Big 12 Conference	Kansas State University	
Big 12 Conference	University of Oklahoma	
Big 12 Conference	Oklahoma State University	
Big 12 Conference	Texas Christian University	
Big 12 Conference	Texas Tech University	
Big 12 Conference	University of Texas at Austin	
Big 12 Conference	West Virginia University	
Big East Conference	Butler University	
Big East Conference	University of Connecticut	
Big East Conference	Creighton University	
Big East Conference	DePaul University	
Big East Conference	Georgetown University	
Big East Conference	Marquette University	
Big East Conference	Seton Hall University	
Big East Conference	St. John's University (New York)	
Big East Conference	Villanova University	
Big East Conference	Xavier University	
Big Sky Conference	California State University, Sacramento	
Big Sky Conference	University of Idaho	
Big Sky Conference	University of Northern Colorado	
Big Sky Conference	Weber State University	
Big South Conference	Charleston Southern University	
Big South Conference	Gardner-Webb University	
Big South Conference	High Point University	
Big South Conference	Longwood University	
Big South Conference	Presbyterian College	
Big South Conference	Radford University	
Big South Conference	University of South Carolina Upstate	
Big South Conference	Winthrop University	
Big Ten Conference	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	
Big Ten Conference	Indiana University, Bloomington	
Big Ten Conference	University of Iowa	
Big Ten Conference	University of Maryland, College Park	
Big Ten Conference	University of Michigan	
Big Ten Conference	Michigan State University	
Big Ten Conference	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	
Big Ten Conference	University of Nebraska, Lincoln	
Big Ten Conference	Northwestern University	
Big Ten Conference	The Ohio State University	
Big Ten Conference	Pennsylvania State University	
Big Ten Conference	Purdue University	
Big Ten Conference	Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick	
Big Ten Conference	University of Wisconsin-Madison	
Big West Conference	California Polytechnic State University	
Big West Conference	California State University, Fullerton	
Big West Conference	California State University, Northridge	
Big West Conference	University of California, Davis	
Big West Conference	University of California, Irvine	
Big West Conference	University of California, Riverside	
Big West Conference	University of California, Santa Barbara	
Big West Conference	University of Hawaii, Manoa	
Big West Conference	Long Beach State University	

Coastal Athletic Association	Campbell University	
Coastal Athletic Association	College of Charleston (South Carolina)	
Coastal Athletic Association	University of Delaware	
Coastal Athletic Association	Drexel University	
Coastal Athletic Association	Elon University	
Coastal Athletic Association	Hofstra University	
Coastal Athletic Association	Monmouth University	
Coastal Athletic Association	North Carolina A&T State University	
Coastal Athletic Association	University of North Carolina Wilmington	
Coastal Athletic Association	Towson University	
Coastal Athletic Association	William & Mary	
Conference USA	Jacksonville State University	Reclass FCS to FBS
Conference USA	Liberty University	
Conference USA	Louisiana Tech University	
Conference USA	Middle Tennessee State University	
Conference USA	New Mexico State University	
Conference USA	Sam Houston State University	Reclass FCS to FBS
Conference USA	University of Texas at El Paso	
Conference USA	Western Kentucky University	
Horizon League	Cleveland State University	
Horizon League	University of Detroit Mercy	
Horizon League	Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis	
Horizon League	Northern Kentucky University	
Horizon League	Oakland University	
Horizon League	Purdue University Fort Wayne	
Horizon League	Robert Morris University	
Horizon League	University of Wisconsin-Green Bay	
Horizon League	Wright State University	
Horizon League	Youngstown State University	
Independent	University of Hartford	Reclass DI to DIII
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Canisius College	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Fairfield University	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Iona University	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Manhattan College	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Mount St. Mary's University	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Niagara University	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Rider University	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Siena College	
Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference	Saint Peter's University	
Mid-American Conference	Ball State University	
Mid-American Conference	Bowling Green State University	
Mid-American Conference	Central Michigan University	
Mid-American Conference	Eastern Michigan University	
Mid-American Conference	Kent State University	
Mid-American Conference	Miami University (Ohio)	
Mid-American Conference	Northern Illinois University	
Mid-American Conference	Ohio University	
Mid-American Conference	University of Toledo	
Missouri Valley Conference	Belmont University	
Missouri Valley Conference	Bradley University	
Missouri Valley Conference	Drake University	
Missouri Valley Conference	University of Evansville	

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Missouri Valley Conference	Illinois State University	
Missouri Valley Conference	Missouri State University	
Missouri Valley Conference	Murray State University	
Missouri Valley Conference	University of Northern Iowa	
Missouri Valley Conference	Southern Illinois University at Carbondale	
Missouri Valley Conference	Valparaiso University	
Mountain West Conference	Boise State University	
Mountain West Conference	California State University, Fresno	
Mountain West Conference	Colorado State University	
Mountain West Conference	University of Nevada, Las Vegas	
Mountain West Conference	University of Nevada, Reno	
Mountain West Conference	University of New Mexico	
Mountain West Conference	San Diego State University	
Mountain West Conference	San Jose State University	
Mountain West Conference	U.S. Air Force Academy	
Mountain West Conference	Utah State University	
Mountain West Conference	University of Wyoming	
Northeast Conference	Binghamton University	
Northeast Conference	Fairleigh Dickinson University, Metropolitan Campus	
Northeast Conference	Howard University	
Northeast Conference	Long Island University	
Northeast Conference	University of Maryland Eastern Shore	
Northeast Conference	Merrimack College	
Northeast Conference	North Carolina Central University	
Northeast Conference	Sacred Heart University	
Northeast Conference	Saint Francis University (Pennsylvania)	
Northeast Conference	Wagner College	
Ohio Valley Conference	University of Arkansas at Little Rock	
Ohio Valley Conference	Chicago State University	
Ohio Valley Conference	Eastern Illinois University	
Ohio Valley Conference	Morehead State University	
Ohio Valley Conference	Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	
Ohio Valley Conference	Tennessee State University	
Ohio Valley Conference	Tennessee Technological University	
Ohio Valley Conference	University of Tennessee at Martin	
Ohio Valley Conference	Western Illinois University	
Pac-12 Conference	University of Arizona	
Pac-12 Conference	Arizona State University	
Pac-12 Conference	University of California, Berkeley	
Pac-12 Conference	University of California, Los Angeles	
Pac-12 Conference	University of Colorado, Boulder	
Pac-12 Conference	University of Oregon	
Pac-12 Conference	Oregon State University	
Pac-12 Conference	University of Southern California	
Pac-12 Conference	Stanford University	
Pac-12 Conference	University of Utah	
Pac-12 Conference	University of Washington	
Pac-12 Conference	Washington State University	
Patriot League	Bucknell University	
Patriot League	Colgate University	
Patriot League	College of the Holy Cross	
Patriot League	Lafayette College	
Patriot League	Lehigh University	

Patriot League	Loyola University Maryland	
Patriot League	U.S. Military Academy	
Patriot League	U.S. Naval Academy	
Southeastern Conference	University of Alabama	
Southeastern Conference	University of Arkansas, Fayetteville	
Southeastern Conference	Auburn University	
Southeastern Conference	University of Florida	
Southeastern Conference	University of Georgia	
Southeastern Conference	University of Kentucky	
Southeastern Conference	Louisiana State University	
Southeastern Conference	University of Mississippi	
Southeastern Conference	Mississippi State University	
Southeastern Conference	University of Missouri, Columbia	
Southeastern Conference	University of South Carolina, Columbia	
Southeastern Conference	University of Tennessee, Knoxville	
Southeastern Conference	Texas A&M University, College Station	
Southeastern Conference	Vanderbilt University	
Southern Conference	East Tennessee State University	
Southern Conference	Furman University	
Southern Conference	Mercer University	
Southern Conference	The University of North Carolina at Greensboro	
Southern Conference	Samford University	
Southern Conference	University of Tennessee at Chattanooga	
Southern Conference	Western Carolina University	
Southern Conference	Wofford College	
Southland Conference	Bryant University	
Southland Conference	Houston Christian University	
Southland Conference	University of the Incarnate Word	
Southland Conference	Lamar University	
Southland Conference	University of New Orleans	
Southland Conference	Nicholls State University	
Southland Conference	Southeastern Louisiana University	
Southwestern Athletic Conf.	Alabama A&M University	
Southwestern Athletic Conf.	Alabama State University	
Southwestern Athletic Conf.	University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff	
Southwestern Athletic Conf.	Florida A&M University	
Southwestern Athletic Conf.	Prairie View A&M University	
Southwestern Athletic Conf.	Southern University, Baton Rouge	
Southwestern Athletic Conf.	Texas Southern University	
Sun Belt Conference	Appalachian State University	
Sun Belt Conference	Arkansas State University	
Sun Belt Conference	Coastal Carolina University	
Sun Belt Conference	Georgia Southern University	
Sun Belt Conference	Georgia State University	
Sun Belt Conference	James Madison University	Reclass FCS to FBS
Sun Belt Conference	University of Louisiana at Lafayette	
Sun Belt Conference	University of Louisiana Monroe	
Sun Belt Conference	Marshall University	
Sun Belt Conference	Old Dominion University	
Sun Belt Conference	University of South Alabama	
Sun Belt Conference	The University of Southern Mississippi	
Sun Belt Conference	Texas State University	
Sun Belt Conference	Troy University	

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The Ivy League	Columbia University-Barnard College	
The Ivy League	Cornell University	
The Ivy League	Dartmouth College	
The Ivy League	Harvard University	
The Ivy League	University of Pennsylvania	
The Ivy League	Princeton University	
The Ivy League	Yale University	
The Summit League	University of Denver	
The Summit League	University of Missouri-Kansas City	
The Summit League	University of Nebraska Omaha	
The Summit League	University of North Dakota	
The Summit League	North Dakota State University	
The Summit League	Oral Roberts University	
The Summit League	University of South Dakota	
The Summit League	South Dakota State University	
West Coast Conference	Gonzaga University	
West Coast Conference	Loyola Marymount University	
West Coast Conference	University of the Pacific	
West Coast Conference	Pepperdine University	
West Coast Conference	University of San Diego	
West Coast Conference	University of San Francisco	
West Coast Conference	Santa Clara University	
West Coast Conference	Saint Mary's College of California	
Western Athletic Conference	Abilene Christian University	
Western Athletic Conference	California Baptist University	
Western Athletic Conference	Grand Canyon University	
Western Athletic Conference	Seattle University	
Western Athletic Conference	Southern Utah University	
Western Athletic Conference	Stephen F. Austin State University	
Western Athletic Conference	University of Texas at Arlington	
Western Athletic Conference	The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	
Western Athletic Conference	Utah Valley University	

Appendix D • Local Rules, Conditions and Other Information



LOCAL RULES AND TERMS OF THE COMPETITION SPRING 2024 NCAA MEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and The R&A govern play and where applicable, by the following Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. Complete text of Rules and Local Rules may be found in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, effective January 2023. Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty. See NCAA Notice to Players and NCAA Golf Pre-Championships Manual for additional Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. If a player in a team competition breaches a Rule that results in disqualification, the effect will be to disqualify the player for that round only. Exception: NCAA serious misconduct, in which it is up to the Committee.

OUT OF BOUNDS - Defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of the white stakes or fence posts.

PENALTY AREAS - When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out of bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR - Defined by white lines. Ground under repair also includes French drains, which are trenches filled with rocks or stones and newly trenched areas, including grass-covered cables. See Temporary Power Lines and Cables. Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage, including areas where spectators or other traffic has combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, but only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an obstruction, such an area is part of the obstruction.

RELIEF FROM SEAMS OF CUT TURF - If a player's ball is in the general area and the ball lies in or touches a seam of cut turf or a seam interferes with the player's area of intended swing, the player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. But interference does not exist if the seam only interferes with the player's stance. All seams within the area of cut turf are treated as the same seam in taking relief. This means that if a player has interference from any seam after dropping the ball, the player must proceed as required under Rule 14.3c(2) even when the ball is within one club-length of the reference point.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS - Include plastic bumpers on roads and paths, and mats secured to the ground with spikes when the bumpers or mats cover cables.

WHITE-LINED AREAS TYING INTO ARTIFICIALLY SURFACED ROADS AND PATHS - White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

WOOD CHIPS AND MULCH - Are loose impediments.

INTEGRAL OBJECTS - Include cables, rods, wires or wrappings when closely attached to trees, artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas or in or adjacent to bunkers, and bunker liners when in their intended position. **Note:** The Committee may treat an exposed bunker liner, not in its intended position, to be ground under repair. But interference does not exist if a bunker liner only interferes with the player's stance.

TEMPORARY LINES AND CABLES - The Model Local Rule F-22 is in effect.

TEMPORARY IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS - The Model Local Rule F-23 is in effect.

LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS - The Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect.

GROOVE AND PUNCH MARK SPECIFICATIONS - The Model Local Rule G-2 is in effect.

LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS - The Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect.

ONE BALL RULE - The Model Local Rule G-4 is in effect.

PROHIBITING USE OF MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION - The Model Local Rule G-6 is in effect. A player who will play, or has played, under penalty of stroke and distance is always authorized to ride on motorized transportation.

PROHIBITING USE OF CERTAIN TYPES OF SHOES - The Model Local Rule G-7 is in effect.

PROHIBITING USE OF AUDIO AND VIDEO DEVICES - The Model Local Rule G-8 is in effect.

REPLACING CLUB THAT IS BROKEN OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED - The Model Local Rule G-9 is in effect.

PROHIBITING USE OF CLUBS LONGER THAN 46 INCHES - The Model Local Rule G-10 is in effect.

MODIFICATION OF PENALTY UNDER RULE 3.3b(2) FOR MISSING PLAYER OR MARKER CERTIFICATION - The Model Local Rule L-1 is in effect.

USE OF CADDIE PROHIBITED - The Model Local Rule H-1.1 is in effect.

ADVICE - See separate memorandum to players and coaches on people who may give advice.

PACE OF PLAY - See separate memorandum to players for pace of play policy.

STOPPING AND RESUMING PLAY - A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signaled by one prolonged note of a siren or horn. All other suspensions will be signaled by three consecutive notes of a siren or horn. In either case, resumption of play will be signaled by two short notes of a siren or horn. See Rule 5.7b. **Note:** All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing might result in disqualification.

RESTRICTIONS ON PRACTICE BEFORE OR BETWEEN ROUNDS - Rule 5.2 is modified in this way: In match play or stroke play, a player must not practice on the competition course before or between rounds, other than on the designated practice areas. Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 5.2.

RESTRICTION ON PRACTICE OR TESTING BETWEEN THE PLAY OF TWO HOLES - In stroke play only, a player must not make any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the hole just completed, or test the surface of that putting green by rubbing the putting green or rolling a ball (This includes D-II's stroke play medal/match).

WHEN COMPETITION IS FINAL - The competition is final when the trophy has been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Committee. The result of a match is final when the Head Rules Official has confirmed the result of the match.



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Terms of the Competition-Substitution

Regional Championship

Prior to a Regional Championship round, a team may substitute a sixth player for any member of the team, provided that:

- a. The NCAA Golf Committee or the NCAA Rules Committee is notified of the substitution at least 10 minutes prior to that team member's starting time.
- b. The sixth player is an eligible member of the institution's team.

Note: When a team has substituted a sixth player, the substitution becomes final 10 minutes prior to that team member's starting time and no further changes may be made by the team for that round. However, prior to the 10 minute mark, the team may withdraw the substitution by notifying the NCAA Golf Committee or NCAA Rules Committee and may substitute for another player as provided above.

The team member that was substituted for, becomes the sixth player and the team is limited to that player, if the team wishes to substitute a player prior to any subsequent Regional Championship round.

Championship

Prior to a Championship round (stroke play or match play), a team may substitute a sixth player for any member of the team, provided that:

- a. The NCAA Golf Committee or the NCAA Rules Committee is notified of the substitution at least 10 minutes prior to that team member's starting time.
- b. The sixth player is an eligible member of the institution's team.

Note 1: When a team has substituted a sixth player, the substitution becomes final 10 minutes prior to that team member's starting time and no further changes may be made by the team for that round. However, prior to the 10 minute mark, the team may withdraw the substitution by notifying the NCAA Golf Committee or the NCAA Rules Committee and may substitute for another player as provided above.

The team member that was substituted for, becomes the sixth player and the team is limited to that player, if the team wishes to substitute a player prior to any subsequent Championship round.

Note 2: Unless a team chooses to substitute a sixth player prior to a match play draw, the team's five players that played in the previous round will be used for the draw.



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MEMORANDUM TO COACHES AND PLAYERS

ADVICE LOCAL RULE

Each team may name two advice givers whom players on the team may ask for or receive advice from during a round. When a player is competing only as an individual, including a player from a team competing in an individual play-off, the player may name one advice giver whom the player may ask for or receive advice from during a round, with a maximum of two advice givers per institution.

Each team or individual must identify the advice giver to the Committee before players on the team or an individual asks for or receive advice from the advice giver. The advice giver must be designated by their institution's athletic department to perform coaching duties. And, the advice giver must wear the identification band, when provided. The team or individual may change its advice giver during the round, but must tell the Committee when it is doing so.

A team's advice giver must only give advice to, and ask advice from, players on their team and the team's other advice giver, and must not ask for advice from any other representative of their institution, any other advice giver or any other outside influence. When a player is competing as an individual, the player's advice giver must only give advice to the player and must not ask advice from any other representative of their institution, any other advice giver or any other outside influence. If an advice giver asks advice from someone not allowed, the Committee may revoke their position.

An advice giver is an outside influence and is not treated as part of the player's side. However, under Rule 10.2b(4) "Restricted Area for Caddie Before Player Makes Stroke", when applying this Rule the advice giver is treated the same as a caddie and a breach by the advice giver results in a penalty to the player.

Under the other Rules of Golf a player is not subject to a penalty for the actions of the advice giver that breaches a Rule unless the advice giver does so at the player's request or while acting with the player's authority, or if the player sees the advice giver about to take an action concerning the player's ball or equipment that they know would breach the Rules if taken by the player and does not take reasonable steps to object or stop it from happening (see Rule 1.3c(1)).

The Committee trusts that all players and advice givers respect the principle of obedience to the Rules, proper conduct and fair play in the spirit of the game.



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Local Rule

Distance-Measuring Device or Compass for Advice Giver

An advice giver may use of a distance-measuring device or compass to gather information on distance or direction.

During a round, if an advice giver uses a distance-measuring device to measure elevation changes, or uses a device to interpret distance or directional information (such as using a device to get a recommended line of play or club selection based on the location of the player's ball), the advice giver's position may be revoked.

Note: Player Penalties:

- During a round, if a player asks for and is given these elevation changes that were measured by a distance-measuring device or distance or directional information that was interpreted by a device from any person (including an advice giver) and knew the elevation changes were measured or the information was interpreted during the round, the player gets the penalty under Rule 4.3a(1).
- During a round, if a player is given these elevation changes that were measured by a distance-measuring device or distance or directional information that was interpreted by a device from any person (including an advice giver), that was measured or interpreted during the round, the player gets no penalty. **Exception:** If the player knew the elevation changes were measured or the information was interpreted, during the round, and knew this would breach the Rules if measured or interpreted by the player, if possible, the player must try to stop that person from giving the information. If the player does not do so, he is treated as asking for the information and gets the penalty under Rule 4.3a(1).



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Player Pace of Play Information

In an effort to address slow play, the NCAA has adopted a group pace of play policy for the NCAA D-I Men's Regionals and Championship. This policy monitors each group as they complete each of the four checkpoints. Since adopted, this group pace of play policy has had a positive result in reducing the length of rounds. The following items are to help you better understand and adapt to the policy.

- Each group will be given a fixed amount of time in which to play 4 or 5 holes within each of the four checkpoints. Times will be reflected on the score cards. Each group will be required to complete each checkpoint hole based on the allocated time or within 14 minutes of the group ahead.
- Checkpoints will normally be located at the 4th, 8th, 13th and 17th putting greens. A checkpoint will be considered missed if: The hole is not completed (flagstick in the hole or last ball lifted from hole, whichever comes last) within the allocated cumulative time and the group has not completed the hole within 14 minutes of the group ahead. If a group misses a checkpoint all players within the group will be informed by the checkpoint official as follows:
 - 1st missed checkpoint – *warning
 - 2nd missed checkpoint – liable to a one stroke penalty
 - 3rd missed checkpoint – liable to a two stroke penalty
 - 4th missed checkpoint – liable to disqualification

* If a group clears the 3rd checkpoint and has not missed any other checkpoints, but is out of position at the 4th checkpoint or final hole, each player in the group is liable for a one stroke penalty if in the Committee's view a reasonable effort was not made by the players to complete their round within the allotted time for the final checkpoint. This is to prevent such a group to slow play the last five holes of the round.

- As long as you keep up with the group ahead of you (within 14 minutes) your group will never be in jeopardy of being out of position. Always look ahead – not behind.
- Be aware of the checkpoint holes. In the following situations your group may be in danger of missing the checkpoint:
 - If your group reaches the tee of a par 3 checkpoint hole and the group ahead has finished the hole.
 - If your group fails to clear the tee of a par 4 checkpoint hole prior to the group ahead finishing the hole.
 - If your group reaches the tee of a par 5 checkpoint hole and the group ahead is on the putting green.
 This is the time to let your group know the situation and to expedite play of the hole.

- If a group is out of position and may become liable to penalty, a rules official may monitor the group's play. This rules official is looking at each player for the following:
 - How long it takes the player to get to his ball.
 - When it's the players turn to play, how long does it take him to make the stroke.
 - Any other actions the player takes to expedite or delay play.

This information will be critical during a review when determining if a player was delayed by another player or players in the group.

- If a group is liable to penalty, the players in the group may request a review before signing and returning his score card. A review will be successful only if there is evidence the player was:
 - delayed by the Committee
 - delayed because of a circumstance beyond control of the player or group
 - delayed because of another player in the group
 And this is what caused the group to miss the checkpoint(s).

- Review and application of the penalty will only occur after the round. Discussion of the situation with the checkpoint official will only cause further delay of the group. If a player is concerned about a non-responsive (slow) player in his group, he should request a rules official to monitor the group in case the group is or becomes liable to penalty under this policy.
- Decisions made by the Pace of Play Committee are final and no further review is available.



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Pace of Play Policy-Stroke Play

When a group is **out of position** at any checkpoint the players in the group are liable to penalty under these guidelines. Players in a group that has missed one or more checkpoints will be liable to penalty according to the following schedule of penalties pending final determination of whether a breach or breaches of these guidelines have occurred:

Checkpoints will be on completion (flagstick in the hole or the last ball lifted from the hole, whichever comes last) of the 4th, 8th, 13th and 17th holes.

- 1st missed checkpoint* – warning
- 2nd missed checkpoint – liable to a one stroke penalty
- 3rd missed checkpoint – liable to a two stroke penalty
- 4th missed checkpoint – liable to disqualification

* If a group clears their 3rd checkpoint and has not missed any checkpoints, but is out of position at their 4th checkpoint or their final hole, each player in the group is liable for a one-stroke penalty, if in the Committee's view, a reasonable effort was not made by the players to complete their 4th checkpoint or their final hole within the allotted time.

Definition of "Out of Position"

FIRST GROUP (off the 1st and 10th holes): The first group is out of position if they take more than the allotted time to finish a checkpoint hole (see below checkpoint time table). Unless the group, when playing their second nine, is within 14 minutes the last group off the opposite nine.

FOLLOWING GROUPS: A following group is out of position if it:

- (a) Takes more than the allotted time to finish a checkpoint hole and
- (b) Completes play of a checkpoint hole more than 14 minutes after the preceding group completed play of that hole.

Check-Points:

In groups of 3, play of the hole must be completed in the following amount of time.

Hole #	4 / 13	8 / 17	13 / 4	17 / 8
Time allotted	1:08 / 1:06	2:06 / 2:09	3:32 / 3:41	4:35 / 4:39

Group Out of Position

When a group is out of position at a checkpoint, it will be notified by a checkpoint official.

When a group has been notified of a missed checkpoint, that group is expected to regain its position before reaching the next checkpoint. If that group reaches the next checkpoint out of position or any future checkpoint out of position, each player in the group may incur the applicable penalty for a breach of these guidelines.

Any group that is out of position may be monitored by a referee.

A player concerned about a non-responsive (slow) player in his group, who is delaying play, should request a referee to monitor the group in case the group is or becomes liable to penalty under these guidelines.

Final Determination Regarding Breach / Review Process

Before returning his score card, a player who is liable for penalty during his round may consult with the Pace of Play Committee to determine if he has incurred a penalty under these guidelines. The Pace of Play Committee will determine that a player who has been found to be out of position is not in breach of these guidelines only if:

- (a) The player was delayed by the Committee; or
- (b) The player was delayed by a circumstance beyond control of the player or the group; or
- (c) The player was delayed by another player in the group.

A player who was out of position during his round and who elects not to consult with the Pace of Play Committee to determine whether he was in breach of these guidelines is treated to be in breach of these guidelines and incurs a penalty or penalties according to the above schedule of penalties.

If a player or group incurs a penalty, penalties are to be applied to the checkpoint hole where the breach occurred.

Decisions made by the Pace of Play Committee are final and no further review is available.

PACE OF PLAY TIME CHART OMNI LA COSTA-CHAMPIONS COURSE-GROUPS OF 3-FIRST TEE																		
Hole #	1	2	3	4*	5	6	7	8*	9	10	11	12	13*	14	15	16	17*	18
Par	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	4	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	4
Time Allotted	15	16	17	20	13	15	18	12	17	18	21	17	13	17	17	12	17	19
Total Time	0:15	0:31	0:48	1:08	1:21	1:36	1:54	2:06	2:23	2:41	3:02	3:19	3:32	3:49	4:06	4:18	4:35	4:54

PACE OF PLAY TIME CHART OMNI LA COSTA-CHAMPIONS COURSE-GROUPS OF 3-TENTH TEE																		
Hole #	10	11	12	13*	14	15	16	17*	18	1	2	3	4*	5	6	7	8*	9
Par	4	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	3	4
Time Allotted	15	21	17	13	17	17	12	17	19	20	16	17	20	13	15	18	12	17
Total Time	0:15	0:36	0:53	1:06	1:23	1:40	1:52	2:09	2:28	2:48	3:04	3:21	3:41	3:54	4:09	4:27	4:39	4:56



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Omni La Costa-Champions Course
Pace of Play Policy-Match Play

Out of Position

FIRST MATCH: The first match to start will be considered out of position if, at any time during the round, the group is behind the prescribed schedule as detailed on the Pace of Play Time Chart.

FOLLOWING MATCH: Any following match will be considered out of position if it (a) is taking more than the allotted time to play and (b) reaches the tee of a par-3 hole and the preceding group has cleared the next tee; reaches the tee of a par-4 hole and the putting green is clear; or reaches the tee of a par-5 hole when the preceding group is on the putting green. Both (a) and (b) must apply for a group to be out of position.

Pace of Play Penalties – Match Play

An out of position match may be monitored and timed. Anytime a match is being monitored and timed, the players will be notified of such timing by a referee. The following are the penalties, in sequence, for any player in a match being timed who takes more than the allocated time (see below) to play a stroke after timing of the player's stroke starts:

- 1st breach – warning
- 2nd breach – one stroke penalty
- 3rd breach – loss of hole
- 4th breach – disqualification

Timing

Maximum time allocated per stroke is 40 seconds.

The timing will start when the player has had sufficient time to reach the ball, it is his turn to play and he is able to play without interference or distraction. Time taken to determine distance and to select a club will count as the time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, timing will start after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace the ball, repair damage that interferes with the line of play and move loose impediments on the line of play. Time spent looking at the line of play from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

NOTE 1: The Committee reserves the right, at any time, to monitor or time a group/match when the Committee deems it necessary.

NOTE 2: Players should also be aware that the Committee may assess a "bad time" to a player in a match that is out of position if the player makes no effort to help his match get back in position. An example of this would be a player who delays play between strokes.

NOTE 3: Bad times and the application of penalties in the same round will be carried forward until the round is completed. A player will not be penalized if he has a second bad time before being advised of the earlier bad time.

NOTE 4: Pace of Play penalties are not subject to appeal.

Pace of Play Charts

PACE OF PLAY TIME CHART																		
OMNI LA COSTA-CHAMPIONS COURSE-MATCH PLAY-FIRST TEE																		
Hole #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Par	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	4	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	4
Time Allotted	13	14	14	17	11	13	15	10	15	16	18	15	11	15	15	10	15	16
Total Time	0:13	0:27	0:41	0:58	1:09	1:22	1:37	1:47	2:02	2:18	2:36	2:51	3:02	3:17	3:32	3:42	3:57	4:13

PACE OF PLAY TIME CHART																		
OMNI LA COSTA-CHAMPIONS COURSE-MATCH PLAY-TENTH TEE																		
Hole #	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Par	4	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	3	4
Time Allotted	13	18	15	11	15	15	10	15	16	18	14	14	17	11	13	15	10	15
Total Time	0:13	0:31	0:46	0:57	1:12	1:27	1:37	1:52	2:08	2:26	2:40	2:54	3:11	3:22	3:35	3:50	4:00	4:15