



NCAA DII MEN'S AND WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

FAQs

USE OF SUBSTITUTIONS AT CONFERENCE TOURNAMENTS

1. **Can a team bring a substitute player to a conference tournament?** Yes. Institutions are permitted to travel with one or more potential substitutes to the conference tournament in addition to their designated five or six-player line-up.
2. **When must the substitute be designated?** The substitute must be listed on the lineup form that is submitted by the close of registration, prior to the start of the tournament. Once the tournament begins, only one officially designated substitute per team is eligible to compete once they are subbed in.
3. **How does a substitution work during the tournament?** A coach may substitute the alternate into the lineup at least 10 minutes prior to that team member's starting time. When a team has substituted a sixth player, no further substitutions may be made by the team for that round.
4. **Can a substitute play the competition course if a player is not posting an official score to the conference tournament?** No. Substitutes may only participate when officially inserted into the team lineup. If they are not in the lineup 10 minutes prior to that team members' starting time, they cannot compete in the competition round. Any additional players beyond those in the lineup may play, but they will not be eligible to sub in for the remaining rounds since they are not a substitute by true definition. For example, in a 5-count-4 scoring tournament, if a team brings eight players to the tournament, the three additional players may play, but once any of those three players play, they cannot be subbed in at any point in the tournament since they are not a true "sub". In a 6-count-5 scoring tournament, if a team brings seven players to the tournament, the additional player may play, but once the additional player plays they cannot be subbed in at any point in the tournament since they are not a true "sub". In a 6-count-4 scoring tournament, if a team brings seven players to the tournament, the additional player may play, but once the player plays they cannot be subbed in at any point in the tournament since they are not a true "sub".
5. **Can a substitute use the practice facilities and play in the practice round?** Yes. Should institutions bring substitutes, that player(s) may use the practice facilities during the tournament and is allowed to participate in the team's practice round. During competition, the substitute(s) will act as a spectator and must follow spectator guidelines for the rest of the round.
6. **How many times can a team use its substitute?** The substitute may be used for one or multiple rounds, but only in place of one of the original five players (or six players, if using a 6-count-5 or 6-count 4 format). A team may not exceed five team players in the lineup for any given round (or six players, if using a 6-count-5 or 6-count 4 format).
7. **What happens if a player is injured or ill during a round?** If a player cannot complete the round due to injury or illness, the team must finish the round with five or four scores. The substitute may be entered into the lineup for the next round, but not during the current round.
8. **Does the substitute's score count toward the team total?** Once substituted into the lineup, the substitute's score is treated the same as any other player's score and may count toward the team's five or four scoring rounds.



9. **What scoring formats are approved for rankings and selection purposes?** The only approved formats are 6-count-4, 6-count-5, and 5-count-4. Any format outside of these is not approved for rankings or selection purposes (e.g., 5-count-4 with competing individual subbed into team play).
10. **If an individual competes as an individual at the start of the round, can they be substituted into the team lineup later?** No. An individual designated as an individual at the start of the round must remain an individual. They are not considered a substitute due to the original designation and since they were not sitting out, they are not considered a substitute.