



PRECHAMPIONSHIPS 2025-26 MANUAL

NCAA General Administrative Guidelines

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Section 1 • Introduction

During the 2025-26 academic year, the Association will sponsor 92 national championships – 43 for men, 47 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, eight 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 92 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.

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).

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: Bylaws 12.5.4, 31.1.7 and 31.1.8 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaw 17.1.10 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 • Division III

Section 10•1 Division III Philosophy

The Division III championships philosophy is to field the most competitive teams within a regular-season philosophy 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).

Division III Men's Golf

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Section 1.2 National Committee

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

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

David Lindholm, Williams College - Region I

Ryan Williams, Farmingdale State College - Region II

Tana Thomas, Swarthmore College - Region III

Dave Eavenson, Methodist University - Region IV

Tom Koehle, chair, Penn State University, Altoona - Region V

Andrew Delong, University of Wisconsin-Stout - Region VI

William Raleigh, Schreiner University - Region VII

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Section 1•3 Regional Advisory Committees

[Reference: Regional Advisory Committees in the Division III General Section, and Bylaw 21.4.1.4 and 21.5.1.5 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

Members of the Division III Men's Golf Committee shall appoint an advisory committee in each of their respective regions to assist in the evaluation of teams throughout the season. Members of the 2025-26 advisory committees are listed below:

NAME	INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE
REGION I		
David Lindholm, chair	Williams	NESCAC
Eric Pappas	Lesley	North Atlantic
Lauren Cupp	Hamilton	NESCAC
Travis Banga	New England Col.	Great Northeast
TBD		CNE
Darryl Konicki	Little East Conference	Little East
Zach Grenon	Worcester St.	MASCAC
REGION II		
Ryan Williams, chair	Farmingdale St.	Skyline
Matt McGarvey	RPI	Liberty League
TBD		Skyline
Barry Dear	Arcadia	MAC Freedom
TBD		Empire 8
REGION III		
Tana Thomas, chair	Swarthmore	Centennial
Bradley Kane	Ursinus	Centennial
Ryan Redfern	Susquehanna	Landmark
Rob Rowe	Lancaster Bible	United East
Jeff Groff	Allegheny	PAC
Thomas Chatfield	Hood	MAC Commonwealth
REGION IV		
Dave Eavenson, chair	Methodist	USA South
Richie Waggoner	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Old Dominion
TBD		USA South
Brian Farrer	Berry	SAA
Dave Schreyer	Huntingdon	CCS
REGION V		
Tom Koehle, chair	Penn St.-Altoona	AMCC
Andy Garcia	Capital	OAC
TBD		HCAC
Jay Christiansen	Carthage	CCIW
TBD		AMCC
Grant Wallace	Kenyon	NCAC
Brian Bolt	Calvin	Michigan Intercol.

NAME	INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE
REGION VI		
Andrew DeLong, chair	UW-Stout	WIAC
Adam Volbrecht	Wis. Lutheran	NACC
Paul Eberhardt	UW-Superior	UMAC
Will Arndt	Loras	American Rivers
Scott Moe	Gustavus Adolphus	MIAC
TBD		SLIAC
REGION VII		
William Raleigh, chair	Schreiner	SCAC
Jordan Cox	Mary Hardin-Baylor	ASC
Paul Leslie	LeTourneau	SCAC
Mitchell Fedorka	Claremont-Mudd-Scripps	SCIAC
Patrick Daugherty	Willamette	Northwest

Section 1•4 Important Dates

Wednesday, April 8	Regional advisory committees videoconference (ranking).
Thursday, April 9	National committee published ranking #1.
Wednesday, April 15	Regional advisory committees videoconference (ranking).
Thursday, April 16	National committee published ranking #2.
Wednesday, April 22	Regional advisory committees videoconference (ranking).
Thursday, April 23	National committee published ranking #3.
Thursday, April 30	National committee preselection call.
Sunday, May 3, 6 p.m. local time	Last day for competition to count with Scoreboard by Clipd.
Monday, May 4, by 10 a.m. Eastern	Regional advisory committees videoconference (ranking).
Monday, May 4, 11 a.m. Eastern	National committee championships selection call.
Monday, May 4, 4 p.m. Eastern	Announcement of championship field via news release on ncaa.com .

CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

2026 Finals – May 12-15	Mission Resort & Club, Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida; Oglethorpe University and Greater Orlando Sports Commission, hosts
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DATE FORMULA

Second Tuesday in May (Tuesday-Friday) in even-numbered years; Third Tuesday in May (Tuesday-Friday) in odd-numbered years.

FUTURE DATES

2027 Finals – May 18-21	Kingsmill Resort, Williamsburg, Virginia; Christopher Newport University, host
2028 Finals – May 9-12	Boulder Creek Golf Club, Boulder City, Nevada; University of Nevada, Las Vegas and Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, hosts

Section 1•5 Equipment

The type of equipment (i.e., balls, clubs) to be used shall be determined by the individual team and must be acceptable under USGA rules. The USGA one-ball rule (brand) will not be in effect. Golf bags must have the name or logo of the school on them.

Players and coaches will be required to use nonmetal spiked shoes during championships competition.

Electronic measuring devices calculating distance are permitted for use during both the practice rounds and the competition rounds. Devices that measure other variables (e.g., slope) are permissible and may be used only if the particular feature is turned off.

Nonmotorized push/pull carts may be used by any participant at the finals. It is up to the institution to secure the nonmotorized push/pull cart.

Section 1•6 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 III Men's Golf Championships shall be conducted according to the USGA Rules of Golf with the exceptions listed below. Rules of Golf decisions shall be final and cannot be appealed.

The NCAA rule sheet shall be used during the championships.

1. **Advice** – In accordance with the Model Local Rule H-2 of the Rules of Golf, each team may appoint two people who may give advice to members of that team provided that:
 - a. Such people are designated by the institution's athletics department to perform coaching duties and serve in that capacity on a volunteer or paid basis; and
 - b. They must be identified to the committee before giving advice; and
 - c. They must wear the identification band, when provided.

NOTE: Such people are considered outside agencies and not part of their player's side. They should give advice in a private manner that does not unduly delay play. They should give advice to, and receive advice from, only competing members of their team and not from any other representative of their team, any other team's players or coaches or any other outside agencies.

If, during a stipulated round, such people do not act in accordance with the Local Rule, their appointment is subject to revocation, and they would be required to leave the course for the remainder of the round.

2. **Unsportsmanlike Conduct – (i.e., profanity, club tossing or throwing, willful acts of defacing the golf course, use of electronic devices including iPods)** In addition to the following policies, coaches, administrators and student-athletes shall be subject to the misconduct policies described in the Division III General Section and Bylaws 31.02.3, and 31.1.8 through 31.1.9.

During the round, defined as from the time the player makes his first stroke until the scorecard is submitted, for the first offense of any act of unsportsmanlike conduct (i.e., willful acts of defacing the golf course, club throwing or breaking, abusive language, violation of the tobacco policy, or any acts contrary to the spirit of the rules of golf) during the championships, 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 any further unsportsmanlike conducts will result in disqualification for the championships. 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. Notwithstanding any penalty assessed during the round, the golf committee may impose other penalties that it deems appropriate pursuant to Bylaw 31.1.9.1 as described in the Division III General Section.

3. **Pace of Play.** USGA Rule 5.6 states "A player must not unreasonably delay play, either when playing a hole or between two holes." The rule also states "To encourage and enforce prompt play, the committee should adopt a Local Rule setting a Pace of Play Policy." Therefore, groups will be required to play at the pace of play established by the committee.

PACE OF PLAY POLICY

Maximum Allowable Time. The maximum time that the Committee considers necessary for a group to complete its round. This is expressed in a per-hole and aggregate time format on the player scorecard in stroke play and by asking a referee in match play. The hole is completed when the last player in the group removes their ball from the hole.

- Players should play at a prompt pace throughout the round.
- In Stroke Play, players are encouraged to play "ready golf" in a safe and responsible way (Rule 6.4b).
- In Match Play, players may agree to play out of turn to save time (such an agreement applies only to the stroke played out of turn and not to the entire match).

"Out of Position." A group is out of position when they reach a tee over the maximum allowable time and fail to play a stroke:

- On a par-3 before all players in the group ahead have played from the teeing area of the next hole.
- On a par-4 before all players in the group ahead have holed out.
- On a par-5 before any player in the group ahead has made a stroke on the putting green.

Warning/"On the Clock"/"Bad Time." When the Committee determines that a group is out of position, the group may either receive a warning or be put immediately on the clock (that is, to be timed) and the players will be notified by a referee.

- When warned, the group is expected to regain position with the group ahead as soon as possible. If the group does not make up time or regain position, the group will be put on the clock and informed by a referee.
- While on the clock, any player in a group who incurs a bad time will be informed as soon as possible.
- While on the clock, the Committee may assess a bad time to a player who delays play between shots or holes.
- A referee will not inform a group when it has regained its position and is no longer on the clock. A player may inquire as to the status of the group at any time.
- If the group in question regains its proper position, any previous bad times will be carried forward for the remainder of that round.
 - Regardless of position, if the Committee determines that a player(s) in the group is delaying play of their own or any subsequent group, or the competition in general (which includes a stroke play playoff or extra holes in a match): The group or individual player may be warned and/or placed on the clock by a referee at anytime.
 - If a player is observed by a Referee to take longer than 120 seconds to play a shot, they will be notified of the excessive shot time and may be timed, even though the group is in position.
 - The penalty for breach of Rule 5.6a (Unreasonable Delay of Play) may be applied.

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Time Permitted to Play a Stroke. A player is considered to have incurred a bad time when the player exceeds 40 seconds to make a stroke.

- An extra 10 seconds (for a total of 50 seconds) will be permitted for the first player to play:
 - A stroke on a par-3
 - A second stroke on a par-4 or par-5
 - A third stroke on a par-5
 - A stroke around the putting green
 - A stroke on the putting green
- The timing of a player's stroke begins when it is the player's turn to play without interference or distraction. Time spent determining yardage and other conditions, such as wind, will count as time taken for the stroke.
 - On the putting green, the actions allowed under Rule 13.1 are not included in the timing of a player's stroke, provided the player is not unreasonably delaying play. However, time spent surveying the line of play from any angle will count as time taken for the stroke.

Penalties. The following is the penalty structure for a player who receives a bad time while on the clock (timed):

BAD TIME	STROKE PLAY	MATCH PLAY
1 st bad time	Warning; No Penalty	Warning; No penalty
2 nd bad time	1 stroke penalty	Loss of hole
3 rd bad time	Additional 2 stroke penalty	Additional loss of hole
4 th bad time	Disqualification	Disqualification

Section 1•7 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•8 Uniforms

[Reference: Bylaw 12.5.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

Contestants, including the designated coach(es), must wear uniforms of the same color during competition or 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's or team members' 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 12.5.3. For television purposes, it is recommended that each institution attempt to wear a uniform that reflects its school colors during the final two rounds of the championships.

In the best interest of intercollegiate golf and the championships, participants must wear appropriate golf attire at the tournament site. 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 NCAA Division III Men's Golf Committee, subject to the approval of the Division III Championships Committee, determines the format for the NCAA Division III Men's Golf Championships.

The team and individual champions will be determined after 72 holes of play or the conclusion of the last fully completed round. Forty-three teams and 10 individuals not on one of those teams will be selected to participate in the championships. After 36 holes of competition, the field will be cut to the top 18 teams and top six individuals not on one of those teams. Ties for the cut will be broken by a sudden-death playoff or, if necessary, by the non sudden-death tiebreaking procedures set forth in [Appendix A](#).

TRAVEL PARTY

An institution may not compete with more than five contestants. 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](#).

Section 2•2 Results

The Division III Men's Golf Committee will use Scoreboard by Clippd to assist with a computerized score-reporting system. As a result, it will not be necessary for coaches to submit season results forms to the subcommittee or national office. However, it will be necessary for institutions to submit a team roster to Scoreboard by Clippd. In addition, tournament hosts must register regular-season tournaments according to the following procedure:

1. For any tournament results to be considered for selection purposes, the tournament host must submit results from their tournament into Scoreboard by Clippd within 48 hours following the conclusion of the event. Results for tournaments conducted May 2 and 3 need to be submitted to Scoreboard by Clippd by 6 p.m. local time, Sunday, May 3.
2. 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 the subcommittee not later than Oct. 1.
3. 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
4. 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:

Five-Player Format

- One point for each Individual match (tiebreak not mandatory on individual matches)
- Two-, four-, eight- or 16-Team event
- Team tiebreak should be determined as indicated below

Tiebreak for Medal-Match

1. Total score of all five players.
2. Winner of No. 1 players match (followed by No. 2 through No. 5).
3. Hole-by-hole score starting with hole 18 on No. 1 players and proceeding backward by hole (17-1). Then No. 2 players and so on.
4. Coin flip.

Tiebreak for Match-Match

1. Total holes up by team. In other words, if Team A wins matches by 4&2 and 3&2 and Team B wins matches by 3&2 and 2&1, and the fifth match is tied: Team A would win with 4+3 being better than 3+2.
2. Total holes left. In previous example, if Team B's winning matches were 4&3 and 3&2, then Team B would tie Team A at 4+3 under first tiebreak. However, 2+2 is less than 3+2 (right-side totals after &), so Team B won one match a hole earlier and would win under the second tiebreak.
3. Match between No. 1 players followed by No. 2 through No. 5, if necessary.
4. Only needed if all five matches were ties: Same as tiebreak No. 3 in Medal-Match.
5. Coin flip.
 - Hole or Medal-Match format allowed.
 - No stroke or hole differentials reported. Only win-loss-tie Individually and win-loss Team reported.
 - Only have wins-losses-and/or-ties against opponent you actually played Team or Individually.

SCORING

For the 2025-26 championships, ScoreboardLive will provide paperless scoring during the championships. 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. Upon the completion of the round, each pairing will enter the NCAA scoring area to compare the pairing's scores entered electronically against the scores collected by the database, which is reviewed and confirmed by a NCAA rules official. A player's scorecard shall be deemed official when the player exits the scoring area.

Scorecards for the championships will also be kept in strict accordance with Rule 3.3b of the USGA's "Scoring in Stroke Play" as a backup in case of unforeseen issues with technology. Scorecards for each pairing will not be reviewed by a NCAA rules official unless otherwise ordered by the games committee.

Section 2•3 Selections Information

The Division III Men's Golf Committee is responsible for the selection of all participants in the Division III Men's Golf Championships. Regional advisory committees assist in the evaluation of the teams and individuals and provide recommendations to the national committee. Coaches' polls and/or any other polls or outside rankings are not used by the Men's Golf Committee for selection purposes.

The Men's Golf Committee will meet via videoconference call on Monday, May 4 to select the participants for the 2026 championships. All regional advisory committee chairs (or their replacements) will participate on the call. The week prior to the national call (completed not later than 10 a.m. Eastern time, Monday, May 4), the chairs will conduct a call with their respective regional advisory committee to determine recommendations. Calls for each region will not be held until all automatic qualifiers from the region have been confirmed.

Bylaw 31.3.3.1 – Countable Competition

For NCAA team-championships 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.

ALLOCATION OF BERTHS

The 43-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 2025-26 NCAA Division III Manual. At-large berths will be reserved for all remaining institutions not receiving an AQ.

2025-26 Division III Men's Golf Sponsorship Data

Division III institutions sponsoring men's golf: **291**

Provisional institutions (not eligible for the championships): **2**

Institutions reclassifying to Division I or Division II (not eligible for Division III championships): **0**

Institutions eligible for NCAA championships: **289**

Conferences meeting automatic-qualifying requirements: **34**

Eligible teams in automatic-qualifying conferences: **279**

At-large teams: **10**

Based on the sponsorship data, the following allocations will be implemented for the 2026 championships:

Field Size	43 teams
Automatic Qualifier	34 teams
At-large	9 teams

AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

Thirty-four (34) conferences have been granted automatic qualification for the 2026 championships:

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
American Rivers Conference	New England Small College Athletic Conference
American Southwest Conference	North Atlantic Conference
Centennial Conference	North Coast Athletic Conference
College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin	Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference
Collegiate Conference of the South	Northwest Conference
Conference of New England	Ohio Athletic Conference
Empire 8	Old Dominion Athletic Conference
Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Presidents' Athletic Conference
Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Skyline Conference
Landmark Conference	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Liberty League	Southern Athletic Association
Little East Conference	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	United East Conference
Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth	USA South Athletic Conference
Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference

Section 2•4 Selection Procedures**SELECTION REQUIREMENTS**

Teams and individuals desiring to participate in the championships must meet the following requirements:

1. Teams and individuals must be registered with Scoreboard by Clipd.
2. All rounds for teams and individuals must be completed by Sunday, May 3, 2026, at 6 p.m. local time.
3. A team may compete with four or five players.

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4. For a round to count, it must be 18 holes. Increments of nine-hole scores can be counted as long as there has been a minimum of 18 holes played for the event, and the entire field has played the same nine holes. Rounds 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
5. To be eligible for at-large berths to the championships, all teams and individuals must play twelve 18-hole rounds, including at least three rounds after Jan. 1 of each year. Both fall and spring schedules will be considered. Institutions that earn their conference's automatic qualifier in the fall are not required to play the three rounds after Jan. 1, but the men's golf committee recommends that a spring schedule is conducted. Waivers will be accepted by the men's golf committee for teams or individuals that have not met eligibility requirements due to weather or other extenuating circumstances. Waivers must be submitted in writing to the NCAA sport manager before the selection date.
6. An institution must play at least 25% of its contests against Division III in-region opponents (see Division III Bylaw 31.3.2.2), unless a waiver has been approved by the Division III Championships Committee.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The men's golf committee has received approval from the Division III Championships Committee to consider the following criteria in the selection of at-large teams and individuals for the men's golf championships (not in priority order):

Primary Criteria

The primary criteria emphasize regional competition (all contests leading up to NCAA championships); all criteria listed will be evaluated (not listed in priority order).

- Won-lost percentage against Division III opponents;
- Division III head-to-head competition;
- Results versus common Division III opponents;
- Division III strength of schedule;
- Strokes gained on a neutral course;
- Stroke differential;
- Place/finish in all contests; and
- Nullification (Bylaw 31.02.4).

Secondary Criteria

If the evaluation of the primary criteria does not result in a decision, the secondary criteria will be reviewed. All the criteria listed will be evaluated.

- Won-lost percentage against non-Division III opponents;
- Results versus common non-Division III opponents;
- Strength of schedule against non-Division III opponents;
- Record versus top 25 non-Division III opponents; and
- Late-season performance.

Additionally, input is provided by regional advisory committees for consideration by the men's golf committee. Coaches' polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used by the men's golf committee for selection purposes.

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Appendix A • Tiebreaking

TIEBREAKING PROCEDURES

Team ties shall be broken by a sudden-death playoff counting the low four scores relative to par on each hole. Play shall continue with new scoring on each successive hole until a winner is determined. The games committee will determine the starting holes. If a playoff involves more than two teams, a shotgun format shall be used. The team playoff will be conducted first, with the playoff for individual spots to follow immediately after the conclusion of the team playoff. Once the shotgun sudden-death format is started, that format shall be used until a winner is determined.

SUDDEN-DEATH PLAYOFF PROCEDURES

Teams will draw for positions. 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

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

Players will play 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 TIEBREAKING PROCEDURE

For the purposes of ranking teams for third-round pairings, 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 noncounting 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.

Teams finishing with four players only instead of five will be held to the same tiebreaking standards.

Individuals

1. That round's score.
2. Score from previous round(s).
3. Coin toss.

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

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

Appendix B • Sport Information

MEMORANDUM TO COACHES

A coach is not considered part of the player's side but is subject to Rule 24.4. Also, there are certain actions that a coach could take that might result in a penalty – e.g., if a coach's actions were sanctioned tacitly or otherwise by the player, he might be penalized.

Some examples of actions by his coach that could result in a penalty to the player would be: improving a line of play; moving loose impediments or obstructions in violation of the Rules; or disregard for the provisions of Rule 8.

In the best interest of the competition, and in an effort to minimize any difficult situations, the golf committee trusts that all competitors, coaches and officials respect the principle of obeisance to the Rules, proper conduct and fair play in the spirit of the game.

Appendix C • Pool Allocation

2025-26 Division III Men's Golf Region I Sponsorship

<p><u>Conference of New England (9)</u> Endicott College Gordon College University of Hartford University of New England Nichols College Roger Williams University Suffolk University Wentworth Institute of Technology Western New England University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Great Northeast Athletic Conference (8)</u> Albertus Magnus College Dean College Elms College Emmanuel College (Massachusetts) Mitchell College New England College Norwich University Saint Joseph's College (Maine)</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (7)</u> Marywood University Marymount University (Virginia) Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Salem State University Springfield College (affiliate) Westfield State University Worcester State University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>New England Small College Athletic Conference (10)</u> Amherst College Bates College Bowdoin College Colby College Hamilton College Middlebury College Trinity College (Connecticut) Tufts University Wesleyan University (Connecticut) Williams College</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>North Atlantic Conference (8)</u> Husson University Lesley University University of Maine, Farmington Maine Maritime Academy University of Maine at Presque Isle Vermont State University-Johnson State University of New York at Cobleskill State University of New York at Delhi</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Little East Conference (6)</u> Eastern Connecticut State University Keene State College Rhode Island College University of Southern Maine Vermont State University Castleton Western Connecticut State University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>At-large Teams (1)</u> Babson College (NEWMAC)</p>	<p>49 total institutions 49 eligible institutions / 48 Pool A – 1 At-large</p>

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<p><u>Empire 8 (8)</u> Keuka College Nazareth College Russell Sage College St. John Fisher College State University of New York at Canton (affiliate) State University of New York at Oswego (affiliate) State University of New York Polytechnic Institute Utica College</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Liberty League (7)</u> Clarkson University Hobart and William Smith Colleges New York University (affiliate) Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute University of Rochester Skidmore College St. Lawrence University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom (8)</u> Arcadia University Delaware Valley University DeSales University Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham King's College (Pennsylvania) Lebanon Valley College Misericordia University Stevens Institute of Technology</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Skyline Conference (8)</u> Farmingdale State College Manhattanville College Mount Saint Mary College (New York) University of Mount Saint Vincent State University of New York at Old Westbury Purchase College, State University of New York St. Joseph's University (Long Island) Yeshiva University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>At-large Teams (1)</u> William Paterson University of New Jersey (Atlantic East)</p>	<p>32 total institutions 32 eligible institutions / 31 Pool A – 1 At-large</p>

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<p><u>Centennial Conference (8)</u> Dickinson College Franklin & Marshall College Gettysburg College McDaniel College Muhlenberg College Swarthmore College Ursinus College Washington College (Maryland)</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Landmark Conference (10)</u> Catholic University Drew University Elizabethtown College Goucher College Juniata College Lycoming College Moravian College University of Scranton Susquehanna University Wilkes University</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth (6)</u> Albright College Alvernia University Eastern University Hood College Stevenson University York College (Pennsylvania)</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Presidents' Athletic Conference (10)</u> Allegheny College Bethany College (West Virginia) Geneva College Grove City College Hiram College Saint Vincent College Thiel College Washington and Jefferson College Waynesburg University Westminster College (Pennsylvania)</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>United East Conference (8 + 1 prov)</u> Lancaster Bible College Pennsylvania College of Technology Penn State Berks College Penn State University, Abington *Penn State University Brandywine (active 2026/27) Penn State Harrisburg Rosemont College Rutgers, The State Univ. of New Jersey, Camden (affiliate) Wilson College</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>At-Large Teams (2)</u> Kean University Salisbury University</p>
	<p align="center">45 total institutions 44 eligible institutions / 42 Pool A – 2 At-large</p>

*Not eligible for NCAA championship competition.

**2025-26 Division III Men's Golf
Region IV Sponsorship**

<p><u>Collegiate Conference of the South (7)</u> Asbury University Belhaven University Covenant College Huntingdon College LaGrange College Maryville College (Tennessee) Piedmont College</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Old Dominion Athletic Conference (10)</u> Averett University Bridgewater College (Virginia) Guilford College Hampden-Sydney College University of Lynchburg Randolph-Macon College Roanoke College Shenandoah University Virginia Wesleyan University Washington and Lee University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Southern Athletic Association (8)</u> Berry College Centre College Millsaps College Oglethorpe University Rhodes College University of the South Southwestern University (Texas) Trinity University (Texas)</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>USA South Athletic Conference (6)</u> Greensboro College Methodist University North Carolina Wesleyan College Pfeiffer University Southern Virginia University William Peace University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>At-large Teams (3)</u> Emory University (UAA) Christopher Newport University (C to C) *Johnson & Wales University Charlotte (C to C) (active 2027/28)</p>	<p>34 total institutions 33 eligible institutions / 31 Pool A – 2 At-large</p>

**2025-26 Division III Men's Golf
Region V Sponsorship**

<p><u>Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (8)</u> Carlow University Hilbert College La Roche University Mount Aloysius College Penn State University, Altoona Penn State University Erie, the Behrend College University of Pittsburgh, Bradford University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin (9)</u> Augustana College (Illinois) Carroll University (Wisconsin) Carthage College Elmhurst University Illinois Wesleyan University Millikin University North Central College North Park University Wheaton College (Illinois)</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (9)</u> Anderson University (Indiana) Berea College Bluffton University Earlham College Franklin College Hanover College Mount St. Joseph University Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Transylvania University</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (8)</u> Adrian College Albion College Alma College Calvin University Hope College Kalamazoo College The University of Olivet Trine University</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>North Coast Athletic Conference (8)</u> Denison University DePauw University John Carroll University Kenyon College Ohio Wesleyan University Wabash College Wittenberg University The College of Wooster</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Ohio Athletic Conference (8)</u> Baldwin Wallace University Capital University Heidelberg University Marietta College University of Mount Union Muskingum University Ohio Northern University Otterbein University</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>At-large Team (1)</u> Carnegie Mellon University (UAA)</p>	<p align="center">51 total institutions 51 eligible institutions / 50 Pool A – 1 At-large</p>

**2025-26 Division III Men's Golf
Region VI Sponsorship**

<p><u>American Rivers Conference (9)</u> Buena Vista University Central College (Iowa) Coe College University of Dubuque Loras College Luther College Nebraska Wesleyan University Simpson College Wartburg College</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)</u> Augsburg University Bethel University (Minnesota) Carleton College Concordia College, Moorhead Gustavus Adolphus College Macalester College Saint John's University (Minnesota) St. Olaf College The College of St. Scholastica</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (10)</u> Aurora University Benedictine University (Illinois) Concordia University Wisconsin Dominican University (Illinois) Edgewood College Lakeland University Marian University (Wisconsin) Milwaukee School of Engineering St. Norbert College Wisconsin Lutheran College</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (13)</u> Blackburn College Eureka College Grinnell College (affiliate member) Greenville University Illinois College (affiliate member) Knox College (affiliate member) Lake Forest College (affiliate member) Lyon College Mississippi University for Women Monmouth College (Illinois) (affiliate member) Spalding University Webster University Westminster College (Missouri)</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (8)</u> Bethany Lutheran College Crown College (Minnesota) Martin Luther College University of Minnesota, Morris North Central University Northland College University of Northwestern-St. Paul University of Wisconsin-Superior</p> <p align="center">AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>At-large Teams (3)</u> University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire University of Wisconsin-Stout University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point</p>
	<p align="center">52 total institutions 52 eligible institutions / 49 Pool A – 3 At-large</p>

*Not eligible for NCAA championship competition.

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Golf Region VII Sponsorship

<p><u>American Southwest Conference (4)</u> East Texas Baptist University Hardin- Simmons University Howard Payne University University of Mary Hardin-Baylor</p> <p>(Grace period year 2 of 2) AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Northwest Conference (9)</u> George Fox University Lewis & Clark College Linfield University Pacific Lutheran University Pacific University (Oregon) University of Puget Sound Whitman College Whitworth University Willamette University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
<p><u>Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (7)</u> California Lutheran University Chapman University Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges University of La Verne Occidental College Pomona-Pitzer Colleges University of Redlands</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>	<p><u>Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (9)</u> Centenary College (Louisiana) Concordia University (Texas) University of Dallas Hendrix College LeTourneau University McMurry University Schreiner University University of St. Thomas (Texas) Texas Lutheran University</p> <p>AQ – Conference Championship</p>
	<p>29 total institutions 29 eligible institutions / 29 Pool A – 0 At-large</p>

Appendix D • Electronic Device FAQ



2025 NCAA D-III MEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

FAQs

USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES UNDER MODEL LOCAL RULE G-8 AND THE ADVICE RULE

Concerning Model Local Rule G-8 (Prohibiting Use of Audio and Video Devices), what kinds of “content of any nature” are NOT allowed? This MLR prohibits listening to or watching any type of programming during a round. The following are examples of what would be a breach of MLR G-8 and Rule 4.3 (Use of Equipment).

- Listening to music, a news report, a sporting event or a podcast.
- Watching a televised program or a TikTok or YouTube video.

Can an advice giver or player use an electronic device to get certain information? Yes. The following are examples of what would NOT be a breach of MLR G-8 or Rule 4.3 (Use of Equipment).

- Using an electronic device app to get weather information (including wind speed) that is available from weather forecasts.
- Using an electronic device to get information that was gathered before the round (such as an AimPoint chart or playing information from previous rounds).
- Using an electronic device to record playing information or physiological information during the round, but must NOT process or interpret this playing information or use this physiological information recorded from the round.
- Watch a video that is being broadcast to spectators at the course, such as a video scoreboard.

Does the Committee restrict the means in which an advice giver can communicate advice information to their players or to the other advice giver? No, an advice giver and a player, or an advice giver and the other advice giver, may communicate advice information to each other in person or by radio, telephone or other electronic means.

Can the advice giver communicate advice information by a group text to multiple players? Yes, but this is NOT recommended. A group text is allowed as long as the advice information is one directional, from an advice giver to the players. If a player, during their round, were to give advice information in a group text, intended for another player in the competition playing on the course, this would be a breach of Rule 10.2a (Advice).

When does the communication of advice information need to stop between an advice giver and an outside influence (including a third coach)? Once any of an advice giver's players has started their round, until the last of an advice giver's players have completed their round (except while play is stopped), the advice giver may only ask for advice from, or give advice to their players or their other advice giver (if applicable).

Can an advice giver or player use an electronic device to communicate non-advice information to others? Yes, for example, during a round an advice giver or player may text the third coach or a parent to bring out a rain suit, an umbrella, food, more golf balls or a replacement club.