

PRE-CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023-24 MANUAL

NCAA General Administrative Guidelines

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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 quide 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 realtime 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 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:

 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, independent institutions 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 Soccer

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Plymouth State	Little East
Tufts	NESCAC
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Emerson	MASCAC
Suffolk	Commonwealth Coast
Worcester	MASCAC
Emerson	NEWMAC
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Stuart Dick	Mount St. Vincent	Skyline
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Steve Simmons	Linfield	Northwest
Kerwin Johnson	Texas Lutheran	Southern Collegiate
Lauryn Pehanich	La Verne	SCIAC

Section 1.3 Important Dates

Thursday, Aug. 31	First reporting due to statistics website, 2 p.m. Eastern time.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	National committee orientation call.
Monday, Sept. 25	Regional advisory committees orientation call.
Wednesday, Sept. 27	Committee introductory call.
Tuesday, Oct. 3	Regional advisory committees training call.
Tuesday, Oct. 10	Regional advisory committees mock ranking call.

Wednesday, Oct. 11	National committee mock ranking call.
Monday, Oct. 16	Deadline for uploading scores to statistics website, 2 p.m. Eastern time.
Tuesday, Oct. 17	First regional advisory committees ranking call.
Wednesday, Oct. 18	First national committee ranking call.
Monday, Oct. 23	Deadline for uploading scores to statistics website, 2 p.m. Eastern time.
Tuesday, Oct. 24	Second regional advisory committees ranking call.
Wednesday, Oct. 25	Second national committee ranking call.
Sunday, Oct. 29	Deadline for submitting proposed budgets/facility evaluations for first, second and sectional rounds of the championship.
Monday, Oct. 30	Deadline for uploading scores to statistics website, 2 p.m. Eastern time.
Tuesday, Oct. 31	Third regional advisory committees ranking call.
Wednesday, Nov. 1	Third national committee ranking call.
Thursday, Nov. 2	Teleconference with potential preliminary-round hosts, 11 a.m. Eastern time.
	Teleconference with potential site representatives, 3 p.m. Eastern time.
Sunday, Nov. 5	Deadline for uploading scores to statistics website, noon local time.
	Regional advisory committees selection calls.
	National committee selection call.
Monday, Nov. 6	Men's - 64-team field announced, 2 p.m. Eastern time.
	Women's - 64-team field announced, 1:30 p.m. Eastern time.
	Final regional ranking released.
Tuesday, Nov. 7	Teleconference with first- and second-round participating teams, hosts, and NCAA site representatives.
*SatSun, Nov. 11-12	First-round and second-round competition. (Sixteen on-campus sites.)
Sunday, Nov. 12	Four sectional sites announced for men and women.
Monday, Nov. 13	Teleconference with first/second-round hosts and site representatives, 1 p.m. Eastern time. (Men only.)
Tuesday, Nov. 14	Teleconference with sectional participating teams, hosts, and NCAA site representatives.
*SatSun, Nov. 18-19	Sectional competition. (Four on-campus sites.)
Monday, Nov. 20	Teleconference with semifinalists, NCAA liaison, committee and championship host, 11 a.m. Eastern time.
ThursSun., Nov. 30-Dec.	3 NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Soccer Championships.

^{*} Institutions with a Sunday No-Play policy will compete on Friday and Saturday instead of Saturday and Sunday.

CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

Selections	Sunday, Nov. 5
*1st and 2nd Rounds	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 11-12 on campus
*Sectionals	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 18-19, on campus
Semifinals and Final	Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 30-Dec. 3 Kerr Stadium in Salem, Virginia.

^{*} Institutions with a Sunday No-Play policy will compete on Friday and Saturday instead of Saturday and Sunday.

DATE FORMULA

- First- and second-round games Saturday and Sunday, one weekend before sectionals.
- Sectionals Saturday and Sunday, one weekend before Thanksgiving.
- Semifinals and Final Friday and Saturday, one weekend after Thanksgiving.

Note: Institutions with a Sunday No-Play policy will compete on Friday and Saturday instead of Saturday and Sunday.

FUTURE DATES

Semifinals and Final

Note: All future dates are tentative and are subject to change.

2024 Dates

Selections	Sunday, Nov. 10
*1st and 2nd Rounds	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16-17, on campus
*Sectionals	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 23-24, on campus
Semifinals and Final	Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 5-8, at Peter Johann Memorial Field in Las Vegas, Nevada.
2025 Dates	
Selections	Sunday, Nov. 9
*1st and 2nd Rounds	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 15-16, on campus
*Sectionals	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 22-23, on campus

Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 4-7, at Kerr Stadium in Salem, Virginia. * Institutions with a Sunday No-Play policy will compete on Friday and Saturday instead of Saturday and Sunday.

Section 1.4 Equipment

BALL

The Wilson NCAA VIVIDO soccer ball will be used in all NCAA soccer tournament games. These balls will be sent by the manufacturer to the tournament manager at the host institution for each round of postseason competition. The host institution will be responsible for "breaking in" the game balls before each tournament game.

Section 1.5 Rules

[Reference: Bylaws 17.30, 18.6 and 31.1.6 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

The 2023 championship will be conducted according to the 2022 and 2023 NCAA Soccer Rules and Interpretations Book.

SUSPENDED GAMES

In the case of inclement weather or other factors leading the referee to suspend a game, the officials, games committee and coaches shall refer to the NCAA Men's and Women's Soccer Rules. For NCAA championship competition, a game must be played for the full 90 minutes (as opposed to 70 minutes for the regular season) to be considered a complete game. If a game is suspended or postponed, it will be the decision of the games committee and the referee to determine if the game can be continued that day. If conditions dictate that the game cannot be completed, the NCAA site representative and tournament manager shall contact Kevin Alcox (kalcox@ncaa.org) for men and Kelly Whitaker (kwhitaker@ncaa. org) for women. Only after contacting one of them may a game be suspended until the next day or moved to an alternate site. Teams should be prepared with footwear for any playing surface.

Section 1.6 Uniforms

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

Competing teams shall have both light- and dark-colored jerseys, and light- and dark-colored stockings available. In preliminary-round competition, the home team must wear a uniform light in color and in clear contrast with the visiting team. However, in the event of a conflict, it is the responsibility of the home team to wear jerseys and stockings in clear contrast to those worn by the visiting team.

For the semifinals and final, the games committee will determine the home teams. Student-athletes competing in the championship shall wear the official uniform of their institution in competition and related ceremonies. This applies to both warm-ups and competitive uniforms.

A team's stockings must be the same color as the jersey. Shorts may differ in color from that of the stockings and jerseys but shall be matching in color and uniform in style. It is recommended that any visible garment worn under the jersey or shorts shall be a solid color that matches the dominant color of the respective garment.

LOGOS

[Reference: Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Divisions I and II Manuals, and Bylaw 12.5.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

The provisions of Bylaw 12.5.4 (Divisions I and II) and Bylaw 12.5.3 (Division III) indicate that an institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, headbands, T-shirts, wristbands, visors or hats, and towels) that are worn by student-athletes in competition may bear a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal trademark, not to exceed 2½ square inches, including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The logo or trademark must be contained within a four-sided geometrical figure (i.e., rectangle, square, parallelogram).

In addition, an institution's official uniform cannot bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's that is in addition to another logo or that is contrary to the size restrictions.

A student-athlete representing an institution in intercollegiate competition is limited to wearing apparel items that include only the logo (not to exceed 2½ square inches) of an apparel manufacturer or distributor. The student-athlete may not wear any apparel that identifies any other entity, other than the student-athlete's institution. Only one postconstructive impermeable institutional logo or marking that does not exceed 9 square inches may be applied to the uniform. Additional or alternate logos are not permitted.

These restrictions apply to all apparel worn by student-athletes and any and all credentialed personnel in the bench area during the conduct of competition, which includes any practices and pregame or postgame activities.

Section 1.7 Video Exchange Policy

For all rounds of the championship, there will be a direct video exchange with opponents. All games completed prior to selection must be uploaded to the open exchange by noon Eastern time Monday after selection.

During all rounds of the championship, the host will provide each advancing team a flash drive/memory stick following the first round, regional semifinal and national semifinal. Following the second round, regional final and national championship, the game film must be uploaded by noon Eastern time Monday after competition.

Section 2 • Determination of **Championship Participation**

Section 2.1 Championship Format

The Division III Soccer Championship provides a field of 64 teams in a single-elimination tournament. Sixteen four-team sites will conduct first- and second-round play on the first weekend of the championship. The 16 second-round winners will advance to the four, four-team sectionals. Four teams will advance from the sectionals to the semifinals.

First- and second-round sites will be announced by the NCAA Division III Soccer Committees immediately after team selections Monday, Nov. 6. Sectional sites will be announced Sunday, Nov. 12.

If, due to unforeseen circumstances, it becomes impossible to play a match(es) during the championship, the committee is authorized to determine which team or teams advance in the bracket.

A championship bracket can be found in Appendix A. A summary of the automatic-qualifying conferences and their members, along with the Pool B candidates, is listed in Appendix B for men and in Appendix C for women.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The following is a tentative schedule of activities to be held in conjunction with the championships: (All times are local time and are subject to change.)

Wednesday, Nov. 29			
	Men	Women	
	Men - Team #1 - Practice	Team #1 - 11:50-12:10 p.m.	
	Men - Team #2 - Practice	Team #2 - 11-11:20 a.m.	
	Men - Team #3 - Practice	Team #3 - 3:10-3:30 p.m.	
	Men - Team #4 - Practice	Team #4 - 2:20-2:40 p.m.	
	Community Engagement		
	Men - Team #3		
	Men - Team #4		
	Men - Team #1		
	Men - Team #2		
	Men's Banquet		
Thursday, Nov. 30			
	Practice (off-site)	20-Minute Walkthrough	
	Women - Team #1 - Practice	Team #1 - 9-9:20 a.m.	
	Women - Team #2 - Practice	Team #2 - 10:30-10:50 a.m.	
	Women - Team #3 - Practice	Team #3 - 9:30-9:50 a.m.	
	Women - Team #4 - Practice	Team #4 - 10-10:20 a.m.	
	Game Schedule		
	Men - Gates Open for Semifinals		
	Men - Team #1 vs. Team #2 - Semifinals #1		
	Men - Team #3 vs. Team #4 - Semi	finals #2	

	Community Engagement
	Women - Team #3
	Women - Team #4
	Women - Team #1
	Women - Team #2
	Women's Banquet
Friday, Dec. 1	
3 .	Practice (off-site)
	Men - Semifinal #1 winner
	Men - Semifinal #2 winner
	Game Schedule
	Women - Gates Open for Semifinals
	Women - Team #1 vs. Team #2 - Semifinals #1
	Women - Team #3 vs. Team #4 - Semifinals #2
Saturday, Dec. 2	
,	Practice (offsite)
	Women - Semifinal #1 winner
	Women - Semifinal #2 winner
	Game Schedule
	Men - Gates open for Finals
	Men - Finals
Sunday, Dec. 3	
	Game Schedule
	Women - Gates open for Finals
	Women - Finals

Note: Awards Ceremony - immediately after each match

START TIMES

Preliminary Rounds:

Three-Game Sites	Day 1/Game 1	Day 2/Game 2	Day 2/Game 3
No Lights	11 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	1 p.m.
With Lights*	1 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	3 p.m.

^{*}Hosts with lights have the option of game times with or without lights.

Deviation From Game Times

A host institution desiring to deviate from the above times shall indicate its requested start time(s) on the facility evaluation form and notify its regional advisory committee chair by Oct. 30. Alternate times noted are not guaranteed and must be approved by the sport committee.

At all sites, the match shown higher on the championship bracket will be the first match played. The match shown lower on the championship bracket will be the second match played.

PRACTICE

Practice access to all designated host-site fields is limited to the day before and the day of competition, weather permitting. If this is not possible, a practice field will be available to all teams the day before the game. All practices held the day before games will be closed with the exception of credentialed media and credentialed participants. The host institution is required to provide one set of goal cages for each team on the practice field and at the alternate indoor facility.

Participating teams are limited to a maximum of 24 student-athletes for competition and game warmup. For practices, there is no limit to the number of student-athletes who can participate.

Teams participating in first-round contests are entitled to one practice opportunity on Friday for 90 minutes. These teams will have priority in scheduling practice times over the team that does not compete in the first round.

For second-round contests, the team that is not competing in the first-round contest will have the option of practicing on the game field three and a half hours before or an hour after the first-round contest on Saturday for 90 minutes.

For practice and warmups, the game clock will start at the designated time from the schedule regardless if the participating team is on the field.

On game days, each team is guaranteed 45 minutes on the game field for its pregame warmup before the introduction of the players.

For all rounds, except the championships, practice times will be assigned during each respective round conference call based upon travel distance for each team to the site. Teams will only be permitted to select a practice time offered. If hosting, provide as many options as possible to accommodate any schedule conflicts. No team will be permitted to practice on the game field at any time other than its officially assigned time. Teams are permitted 90 minutes of practice on the game field (weather permitting). Indoor facilities should be utilized only in the occurrence of inclement weather and not in addition to the assigned 90 minutes of practice time, including warmup.

TRAVEL PARTY

Squad Size	24 individuals	
Official Travel Party	29 individuals	
Bench Size	40 individuals (includes medical personnel)	

Additional Information/Requirements on Team Personnel

Squad Size. Participating teams are limited to a maximum of 24 players. Each team should designate its 24 players to be used in that round during the pregame meeting. An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not promptly conform to it automatically shall forfeit the competition. There shall be no inordinate delay of the competition to allow the institution to conform to the rule.

Official Travel Party. There are 29 individuals in each team's official travel party. The members of the official travel party will receive a credential, and transportation and per diem will be provided to cover the 29 individuals. The bench and travel party credentials will be distributed at the coaches meeting.

Bench Size. Each institution is allotted 11 bench passes to distribute to team personnel beyond the 29 members of the official travel party. Two of the 11 bench passes should go to medical personnel from the participating institution. If only one medical personnel is present, then the bench personnel number will be 39. Each institution may designate one person to serve at the official scorer's table. No photography is allowed in the bench area.

Bench Area. For all NCAA championship games, the home bench is located to the right of the scorer's table when facing the field.

A total of 40 individuals from each institution may be in the bench area during the competition. The 40 individuals in the bench area must be institutional personnel or team members; no other individuals (i.e., family members or children) are allowed in the immediate bench area.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The national anthem will be played once per session (one session is equal to all games played on the same day at the same site).

Section 2.2 Results

During the championships and at the conclusion of the competition, the host sports information director, media coordinator or designee is responsible for reporting official results to the NCAA official website. Please email a copy of results to ncaa-content@turner.com. Please be sure to submit all information in the following manner:

- Send the information to ncaa-content@turner.com.
- Specify the sport (division, championship, round) in the SUBJECT area.
- Paste the text directly into an email or send email as an attachment in an MS Word document or Windows Notepad text document.
- Please convert photos to JPEG format and attach to the email.

For the Division III Men's and Women's Soccer Championships, the following information must be sent at the appropriate times:

- Halftime scores sent during the intermission.
- End-of-regulation scores (even if the contest is headed to overtime).
- Final score with details of overtime and shoot-outs, if applicable.
- Final box score.
- Game story.
- Photos, if possible.

All host sites should use Stat Crew programs to submit statistics for the contests. At the end of each game or day of competition, a packed file from each championship contest must be sent to the NCAA Statistics Department (ncaastats@ncaa.org) at the NCAA national office. These files should be sent immediately following each contest or day of competition. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Statistics Department.

SCORE REPORTING

The score-reporting and stats-reporting processes are now combined for Division III soccer. Schools will submit all schedule and results information to the NCAA statistics site (web1.ncaa.org/stats/StatsSrv/login), and this information will then be transferred into the score-reporting system for use by the sport committees. Specific instructions and reporting deadlines will be communicated to SIDs in a memo from the media coordination and statistics staff. For questions regarding the reporting process, please contact Marcus Thatcher (mthatcher@ncaa.org).

Men's Soccer Regional Rankings

The Division III men's soccer committee will release regional rankings on the following dates:

- Oct. 18
- Oct. 25
- Nov. 1
- Nov. 6

The committee will rank a maximum of seven teams in each region (or a minimum of 20% of eligible teams) by applying the championships selection criteria. Based on 2023-24 sponsorship reports, the following number of teams will be ranked in each region:

Region I - 7	Region VI - 7
Region II - 6	Region VII - 7
Region III - 7	Region VIII - 7
Region IV - 7	Region IX - 7
Region V - 7	Region X - 7

Women's Soccer Regional Rankings

The Division III women's soccer committee will release regional rankings on the following dates:

- Oct. 18
- Oct. 25
- Nov. 1
- Nov. 6

The committee will rank a maximum of seven teams in each region (or a minimum of 20% of eligible teams) by applying the championships selection criteria. Based on 2023-24 sponsorship reports, the following number of teams will be ranked in each region:

Region I - 7	Region VI - 7
Region II - 7	Region VII - 7
Region III - 7	Region VIII - 7
Region IV - 7	Region IX - 7
Region V - 7	Region X - 7

Section 2.3 Selections Information

[Reference: Bylaws 31.01.2, 31.01.3 and 31.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

Teams shall be selected for the men's soccer championship by the ten-member NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Committee and for the women's soccer championship by the ten-member NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Committee. Each member of the committees serves as the chair of the advisory committee in his/her respective region. Regional advisory committees (RACs) assist the national committee by evaluating teams, sites and officials within their regions through a series of conference calls.

The committee will select teams for the championship on Nov. 6. The selection show will be streamed live on NCAA.com on Nov. 6. The bracket and press release will be available following the selection show on NCAA.com.

ALLOCATION OF BERTHS

- Pool A will be composed of the conference champions from each conference that meets the requirements for automatic qualification (NCAA Bylaw 31.3.3). Conferences that meet automatic-qualification requirements are guaranteed only one Pool A berth. After the determination of the automatic (Pool A) berths, the committee will determine the Pool B selections followed by the Pool C selections.
- Pool B will be composed of independent institutions and institutions that are members of conferences that do not meet the requirements for automatic qualification.
- Pool C will be reserved for institutions from automatic-qualifying conferences that are not their conference champion and the remaining teams in Pool B.
- Berths from Pools B and C will be selected on a national basis, using regional selection criteria. There will be no predetermined regional allocations for Pools B and C.
- There will be no maximum or minimum number of berths from one region.
- No conference will receive more than one automatic berth.

The Championships Committee has clarified Bylaw 31.3.3 to reflect that institutions participating in conferences that meet the automatic-qualification requirements, and are eligible to be selected to a championship via Pool A and/or Pool C, may not elect instead to be selected via Pool B as an independent institution.

Based on the sponsorship data, the following allocations will be implemented for the 2023 championship:

Men's Soccer

Bracket	64 teams	Based on 2022-23 eligible institutions
Pool A	41 teams	Number of Automatic Qualifiers
Pool B	1 team Number of Pool B teams/Access ratio	
Pool C	2 2 teams	Field size - Pool A - Pool B

Women's Soccer

Bracket	64 teams	Based on 2022-23 eligible institutions
Pool A	42 teams	Number of Automatic Qualifiers
Pool B	1 team	Number of Pool B teams/Access ratio
Pool C	21 teams	Field size - Pool A - Pool B

AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

Men's Automatic Qualification

The 41 conferences granted automatic qualification for the 2023 championship from Pool A are as follows:

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference

American Rivers Conference

American Southwest Conference

Atlantic East

Centennial Conference

City University of New York Athletic Conference

Coast-to-Coast Athletic Conference

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin

Commonwealth Coast Conference

Empire 8

Great Northeast Athletic Conference

Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference

Landmark Conference

Liberty League

Little East Conference

Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth

Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom

Midwest Conference

Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

New England Small College Athletic Conference

New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference

New Jersey Athletic Conference

North Atlantic Conference

North Coast Athletic Conference

Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference

Northwest Conference

Ohio Athletic Conference

Old Dominion Athletic Conference

Presidents' Athletic Conference

Skyline Conference

Southern Athletic Association

Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference

St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

State University of New York Athletic Conference

United East Conference

University Athletic Association

Upper Midwest Athletic Conference

USA South Athletic Conference

A listing of all evaluation regions (listed by conference and Pool B teams) is listed in Appendix B.

Women's Automatic Qualification

The 42 conferences granted automatic qualification for the 2023 championship from Pool A are as follows:

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference

American Rivers Conference

American Southwest Conference

Atlantic East

Centennial Conference

City University of New York Athletic Conference

Coast-to-Coast Athletic Conference

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin

Commonwealth Coast Conference

Empire 8

Great Northeast Athletic Conference

Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference

Landmark Conference

Liberty League

Little East Conference

Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth

New England Small College Athletic Conference

New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference

New Jersey Athletic Conference

North Atlantic Conference

North Coast Athletic Conference

Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference

Northwest Conference

Ohio Athletic Conference

Old Dominion Athletic Conference

Presidents' Athletic Conference

Skyline Conference

Southern Athletic Association

Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference

St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

State University of New York Athletic Conference

United East Conference

University Athletic Association

Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom Midwest Conference Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Upper Midwest Athletic Conference **USA South Athletic Conference** Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletics Conference

A listing of all evaluation regions (listed by conference and Pool B teams) is listed in Appendix C.

AT-LARGE SELECTION

To be considered during the at-large selection process (Pool B or C), an institution must play at least 70% of its competition against Division III in-region opponents, unless a waiver has been approved by the Division III Championships Committee.

IN-REGION COMPETITION

In-region competition is defined as:

- All competition within an institution's defined region.
- All competition within a 500-mile radius from one institution to another.
- All competition against conference opponents.
- All competition against conference opponents. All competition within an institution's membership geographical region (Bylaw 4.13.1.1). The country is divided into four membership regions as listed below. For most institutions, this should result in a more expanded list of potential in-region opponents than in the past.

Region 1

Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Vermont

Region 2

New York, Pennsylvania

Region 3

Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia

Region 4

Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming

The NCAA Travel Expense System mileage calculator will be used to confirm distance from campus to campus (web1.ncaa.org/TES/exec/TES/exec/miles).

COUNTABLE COMPETITION

[Reference Bylaw 31.3.4.1 in the NCAA Manual.]

For NCAA team-championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Constitution 3.2.4.4) of United States four-year, degree-granting institutions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.

In addition, only games listed on the institution's originally submitted schedule will be considered for tournament selection purposes. Postseason games decided by the penalty-kick tiebreaker procedure shall be considered as ties for selection purposes. The addition of games not listed on the institution's published schedule as an aid for selection shall not be considered.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Transportation and per diem expenses will be provided for an official traveling party of a maximum of 29. Please refer to the NCAA Travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found online at ncaa.org/championships/travel/championships-travel-information.

Section 2.4 Selection Criteria

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;
- Results versus ranked Division III teams as established by the final ranking and the ranking preceding the final ranking. Conference postseason contests are included; and
- Division III strength of schedule;
 - Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OWP);
 - Opponents' Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OOWP).
 - Nulification

See Appendix D for an explanation of the OWP and OOWP calculation.

Note: Contests versus provisional and reclassifying members in their third and fourth years shall count in the primary criteria. Provisional and reclassifying members shall remain ineligible for rankings and selections.

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 (not listed in priority order). The secondary criteria introduce results against all other opponents, including those contests versus opponents from other classifications (i.e., provisionals, NAIA, NCAA Divisions I and II).

Should a committee find that evaluation of a team's won-lost percentage during the last 25% of the season is applicable (i.e., end of season performance), it may adopt such criteria with approval from the championships committee.

- Non-Division III won-lost percentage;
- Results versus common non-Division III opponents;
- Division III non-conference strength of schedule;
- Nullification (Bylaw 31.02.4).

Additionally, input is provided by regional advisory committees for consideration by the soccer committee. In order to be considered for selection for Pools B or C, an institution must play at least 70% of its competition against Division III in-region opponents. Coaches' polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used as a criterion by the Division III soccer committee for selection purposes.

Section 2.5 Determination of Teams

Once automatic qualifiers are identified and the Pools B and C teams are selected, the following guidelines should be followed:

- Teams will be grouped in clusters according to natural geographic proximity. Teams shall then be paired according to geographic proximity. A team may be moved to numerically balance the bracket if geographic proximity is maintained. Teams shall be paired and eligible according to geographic proximity (within 500 miles). An exception may be granted when there are not enough teams within the 500-mile radius to fill the region;
- Teams may be seeded on a regional basis using the regional-selection criteria. However, geographic proximity shall take precedence over seeding;
- Teams from the same conference shall not play one another in the first round.
- The highest-seeded team that meets all selection criteria shall be selected as the host institution, provided geographic proximity is maintained.

Flights will be kept to a minimum.

The top team on the bracket is the designated home team and will wear the light (white) colored jersey.

Section 2.6 Site Selection

PROSPECTIVE HOSTS

Any institution or conference interested in hosting a preliminary round of the 2023 NCAA Division III Men's and/or Women's Soccer Championships must submit a proposed budget and a safety and security form, respond to sportspecific questions, and ensure the institution's key contact and facility information are up to date via the Championships Bid and Host Profile portal. Please note that in order to submit a bid, you must first locate the desired championship in the championships "Available for Bid" section and select "Start Bid." A separate proposed budget must be submitted for each round that an institution or conference is interested in hosting.

Member institutions can regularly and easily access their profiles by visiting championships.ncaa.org. For profile issues, user access or to reset a password, please email championshipbid@ncaa.org or contact the respective championship manager.

The deadline to submit all materials for hosting preliminary rounds is Oct. 29 at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

CRITERIA

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

- Quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations;
- Geographical location (which may include such factors as rotation of sites, weather, accessibility and transportation costs);
- Seeding; and
- Attendance history and revenue potential, which shall be considered necessary to assure fiscal responsibility.

In addition, the soccer committees include the following site-selection deliberations:

- Preference is given to grass/grass-like surfaces; and
- The potential host must have played the majority of its home games on the field it is submitting for consideration.

A competing institution that cannot charge admission at its home facility and/or cannot establish a barrier to separate the spectators from the field of play, and/or does not have a field that meets minimum-size requirements (70 yards x 115 yards) may not serve as host.

An evaluation will be made of institutional facilities to determine if they are acceptable for championship play. Selection of host sites will be based partly upon the quality of the playing facility. A facility evaluation form must be completed online with a deadline of Oct. 29 at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

*Effective as of Sept. 1, 2018, the preliminary-round hosting language will be adjusted to mirror the language from the NCAA Soccer Rules Book. Previously, hosts were permitted to use fields with a minimum dimension of 65 yards x 110 yards. NCAA Soccer Rule 1.1.1 says, "The field of play shall be rectangular, with a length of 115-120 yards and a width of 70-75 yards." The preference is for fields with the dimensions in the rule book. There is an exception in the rules for facilities in use for soccer before 1995, that they "need only to be rectangular, the width of which shall not exceed the length."

CHAMPIONSHIPS BID AND HOST PROFILE PORTAL

The Championships Bid and Profile System can be accessed at championships.ncaa.org. The deadline to submit all bid materials for this championship is Oct. at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

In addition to projected ticket sales and game expenses, prospective hosts should include the following when completing a proposed budget:

- Committee/site representative lodging.
- Game officials lodging.
- State and city taxes/fees.
- Ticket and facility fees.

Committees/site representative's per diem, mileage and luggage fees will be paid by the NCAA, not the host institution. Game officials will be paid by the NCAA via RefQuest for their game fees, per diem, mileage and luggage fees.

For both the game officials and committee/site representatives, hosts will pay for their lodging expenses and be reimbursed by the NCAA. However, if the NCAA manages the hotel block for the game officials, the officials' lodging expenses shall be directly billed to the NCAA. The NCAA typically manages the officials' hotel block at the final site for the championship.

FACILITY PROFILE

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

Note: Amenities for all teams must be equal (i.e., tents, heaters). If amenities cannot be provided for all, they shall not be provided at all.

FINAL FINANCIAL REPORT

[Reference: Bylaw 31.4 in the NCAA Manual.]

The host for each championship round must complete a financial report form, which is incorporated as part of the proposed budget form and located on the NCAA website. A separate financial report form must be submitted for each round of competition. Each form must be submitted to the NCAA not later than 60 days after the conclusion of the competition. Failure to submit the report within 60 days will result in financial penalties.

KEY CONTACTS FORM

Each institution should list and then maintain its key contacts associated with each sport and the institution. Individuals can be added via the Championships Bid and Host Profile portal at championships.ncaa.org.

SAFETY AND SECURITY PLAN

Based upon a review of current and future championships competition venues, discussions with safety and security experts and its own expertise and knowledge, the NCAA has established a Safety and Security Advisory Group (SSAG) to develop a compilation of Best Practices for NCAA Championships, which can be found in the "Championship Resources" section of ncaa.org. We urge each competition venue to take these Best Practices into account when developing its safety and security program.

As part of your bid, please submit a safety and security plan for your venue, which would be inclusive of the NCAA Championships Safety and Security Team contact information form, located in Appendix A of the Best Practices document. This information should be uploaded to the "Bid Document Upload" tab of the Championships Forms system as part of your bid to be considered for championship site selection. If an institution wishes to submit this information via email, please send it to Kevin Alcox at the NCAA (kalcox@ncaa.org).

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the bid process, please contact Kevin Alcox (kalcox@ncaa.org) or email championshipbid@ncaa.org.

JOINT HOSTING INFORMATION

The NCAA Division III Championships Committee has approved a recommendation from the NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Soccer Committees to establish hosting guidelines for institutions whose men's and women's teams earn berths in their respective championships. The committees established these guidelines to eliminate potential conflicts created by hosting both championship events, to assist institutions in preparing for hosting opportunities and to ensure the opportunity of providing a quality championship experience for all teams involved in both championships.

Institutions with both men's and women's teams in the championships will follow these hosting guidelines:

	1st/2nd Round	Sectionals
Even Years	Men host	Women host
Odd Years	Women host	Men host

If conflicts prevent another institution from hosting while following these guidelines, the combined men's and women's committees will determine which team will play first at the same site.

The men's and women's committees are concerned with conflicts created when institutions attempt to host both men's and women's championship events, and the impact those conflicts have on the committees during site selection, and on the institution during the administration of the events. The committees prefer that institutions not host both men's and women's events in the same round of the championships.

The committees also recognize that some institutions with both teams in the championships, while recognizing their limitations in hosting both events, may face administrative pressure having to choose to host one championship event over another. The committees believe these guidelines can alleviate this administrative pressure. The committees' primary concerns include the following:

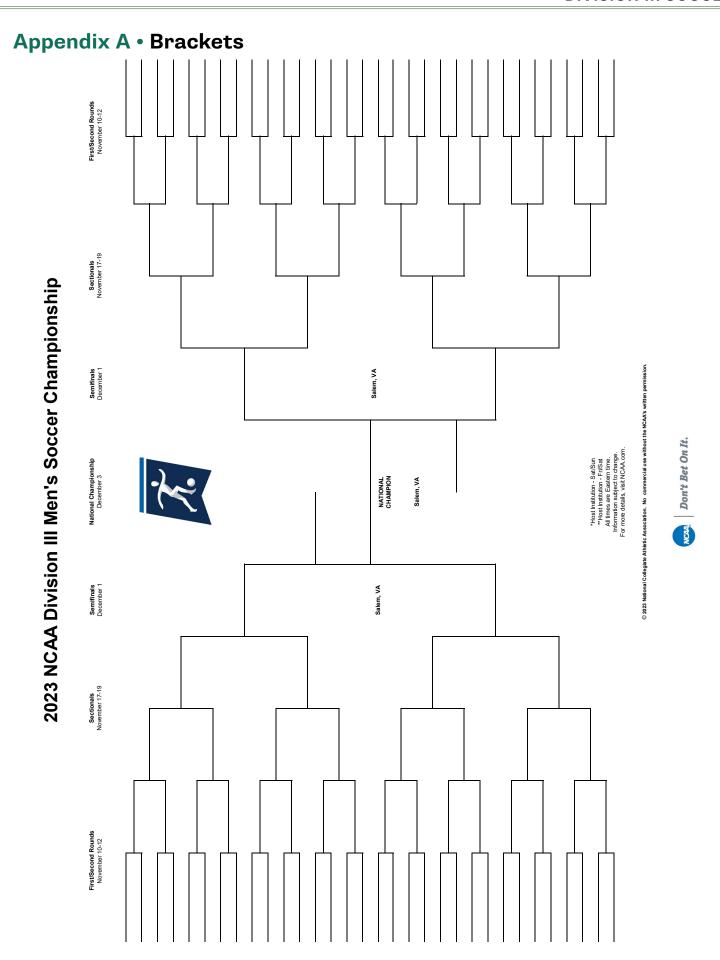
- The potential for field conditions to deteriorate, particularly in the second games;
- The institutional administrative pressure to host both championship events and/or to choose between which championship event it will host if it cannot host both events;
- The magnification of weather issues if an institution attempts to host both championship events; and
- The condition and availability of practice facilities.

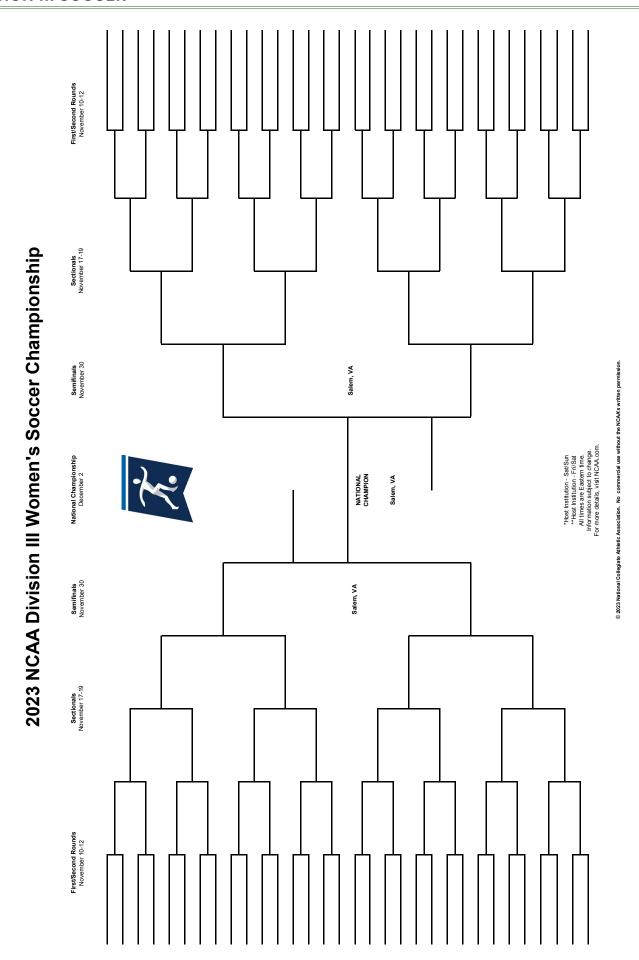
While the hosting preferences of the joint men's and women's soccer committees are noted above, there may be some instances when the committees are unable to follow these due to the number of variables that must be taken into consideration when selecting host sites, which may also include the conduct of other Division III fall championships. If such instances arise, the joint soccer committees will determine the most reasonable hosting scenarios for the championships, given all factors that must be taken into account.

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Appendix B • Men's Sponsorship

REGION I

Great Northeast Athletic Conference (15)

Albertus Magnus College Anna Maria College Colby Sawyer College Dean College

Elms College

Emmanuel College (Massachusetts) Johnson & Wales University (Providence)

Lasell University

Mitchell College **New England College** Norwich University

Regis College (Massachusetts)

Rivier University

Saint Joseph's College (Maine)

University of St. Joseph (Connecticut)

AQ - Conference Championship

North Atlantic Conference (14)

State University of New York at Canton State University of New York at Cobleskill State University of New York at Delhi Eastern Nazarene College

Husson University Lesley University

Maine Maritime Academy

University of Maine, Farmington University of Maine at Presque Isle State University of New York Morrisville State University of New York Polytechnic Institute

Thomas College Vermont State University-Johnson

Vermont State University-Lyndon

AQ - Conference Championship

New England Small College Athletic Conference (11)

Amherst College **Bates College Bowdoin College** Colby College

Connecticut College Hamilton College

Middlebury College Trinity College (Connecticut)

Tufts University

Wesleyan University (Connecticut)

Williams College

AQ - Conference Championship

Little East Conference (9)

Vermont State University Castleton Eastern Connecticut State University Keene State College

University of Massachusetts Boston University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth Plymouth State University Rhode Island College University of Southern Maine Western Connecticut State University

AQ - Conference Championship

REGION II

Commonwealth Coast Conference (10)

Curry College Nichols College

Endicott College Roger Williams University

Gordon College Suffolk University

University of Hartford (reclassifying) Wentworth Institute of Technology University of New England Western New England University

AQ - Conference Championship

New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (9)

Babson College Springfield College

Clark University (Massachusetts) U.S. Coast Guard Academy

Emerson College Wheaton College (Massachusetts) Massachusetts Institute of Technology Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Salve Regina University

AQ - Conference Championship

Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (8)

Bridgewater State University Massachusetts Maritime Academy Fitchburg State University Salem State University

Framingham State University Westfield State University Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Worcester State University

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (1)

Brandeis University

REGION III

Empire 8 (9)

Alfred University Elmira College Hartwick College Houghton College Keuka College

Nazareth College Russell Sage College St. John Fisher College Utica College

AQ - Conference Championship

Liberty League (10)

Bard College Clarkson University Hobart College Ithaca College

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rochester Institute of Technology

Skidmore College St. Lawrence University Union College (New York)

Vassar College

AQ - Conference Championship

Skyline Conference (12)

Farmingdale State College State University of New York Maritime College Manhattanville College Mount Saint Mary College (New York) College of Mount Saint Vincent State University College at Old Westbury

Purchase College, State University of New York

Sarah Lawrence College St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn) St. Joseph's College (Long Island) U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

Yeshiva University

AQ - Conference Championship

State University of New York Athletic Conference (10)

State University of New York at Brockport Buffalo State, State University of New York State University of New York at Cortland The State University of New York at Fredonia State University of New York at Geneseo

State University of New York at New Paltz State University of New York at Oneonta State University of New York at Oswego Plattsburgh State University of New York State University of New York at Potsdam

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (1)

University of Rochester

REGION IV

City University of New York Athletic Conference (8)

Baruch College John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Brooklyn College Lehman College The City College of New York Medgar Evers College Hunter College York College (New York)

AQ - Conference Championship

Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom (8)

Arcadia University King's College (Pennsylvania) Delaware Valley University Lebanon Valley College **DeSales University** Misericordia University

Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham Stevens Institute of Technology

AQ - Conference Championship

New Jersey Athletic Conference (10)

Kean University Rowan University Montclair State University Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Camden

New Jersey City University Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Newark

The College of New Jersey Stockton University

Ramapo College William Paterson University of New Jersey

AQ - Conference Championship

United East (16)

Bryn Athyn College Penn State Harrisburg

Cairn University Penn State University Abington Pennsylvania College of Technology Clarks Summit University

Rosemont College Gallaudet University Keystone College Saint Elizabeth University

St. Mary's College of Maryland Lancaster Bible College University of Valley Forge Notre Dame of Maryland University

Penn State Berks College Wilson College

AQ - Conference Championship

Coast-to-Coast (1)

Pratt Institute

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

University Athletic Association (1)

New York University

REGION V

Atlantic East (7)

Cabrini University

Centenary University (New Jersey)

Gwynedd Mercy University

Immaculata University

Marymount University (Virginia)

Marywood University

Neumann University

AQ - Conference Championship

Centennial Conference (10)

Dickinson College

Franklin & Marshall College

Gettysburg College Haverford College

Johns Hopkins University

McDaniel College

Muhlenberg College Swarthmore College

Ursinus College

Washington College (Maryland)

AQ - Conference Championship

Landmark Conference (10)

Catholic University **Drew University**

Elizabethtown College Goucher College

Juniata College

Lycoming College Moravian College

University of Scranton Susquehanna University

Wilkes University

AQ - Conference Championship

Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth (8)

Albright College

Alvernia University

Eastern University **Hood College**

Messiah University Stevenson University

Widener University

York College (Pennsylvania)

AQ - Conference Championship

Coast-to-Coast (1)

Salisbury University

REGION VI

Collegiate Conference of the South (7)

Belhaven University Berea College Covenant College **Huntingdon College**

LaGrange College Maryville College (Tennessee)

Piedmont University

No AQ

Old Dominion Athletic Conference (13)

Averett University Bridgewater College (Virginia) Eastern Mennonite University

Ferrum College **Guilford College**

Hampden-Sydney College University of Lynchburg

Randolph College Randolph-Macon College Roanoke College Shenandoah University Virginia Wesleyan University Washington and Lee University

AQ - Conference Championship

USA South Athletic Conference (8)

Brevard College Greensboro College Mary Baldwin University Methodist University

North Carolina Wesleyan College Pfieffer University William Peace University

Southern Virginia University

AO - Conference Championship

Southern Athletic Association (8)

Berry College Birmingham-Southern College

Centre College Hendrix College Millsaps College Oglethorpe University **Rhodes College**

Sewanee, The University of the South

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (1)

Emory University

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

Coast-to-Coast (2+1 Prov.)

Christopher Newport Mary Washington

*Warren Wilson

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

Independent (Prov.)

*Asbury College

*Bob Jones University

REGION VII

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (10)

Alfred State College Penn State University, Altoona

Carlow University (prov. 2026) Penn State University Erie, the Behrend College

Hilbert College University of Pittsburgh, Bradford La Roche University University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg

Mount Aloysius College Wells College AQ - Conference Championship

Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (10)

Anderson University (Indiana) Hanover College **Bluffton University** Manchester University **Defiance College** Mount St. Joseph University

Earlham College Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Franklin College Transylvania University

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

North Coast Athletic Conference (9)

Denison University Ohio Wesleyan University DePauw University Wabash College Hiram College Wittenberg University Kenyon College The College of Wooster Oberlin College

AQ - Conference Championship

Ohio Athletic Conference (10)

Baldwin Wallace University University of Mount Union Capital University Muskingum University Heidelberg University Ohio Northern University John Carroll University Otterbein University Marietta College Wilmington College (Ohio)

AQ - Conference Championship

Presidents' Athletic Conference (11)

Allegheny College Saint Vincent College Bethany College (West Virginia) Thiel College

Chatham University Washington and Jefferson College

Franciscan University of Steubenville Waynesburg University

Westminster College (Pennsylvania) Geneva College Grove City College

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (2)

Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University

REGION VIII

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (9)

Augustana College (Illinois) Carroll University (Wisconsin) Carthage College

Elmhurst University Illinois Wesleyan University Millikin University North Central College North Park University Wheaton College (Illinois)

AQ - Conference Championship

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (8)

Adrian College Albion College Alma College Calvin University

Hope College Kalamazoo College Olivet College Trine University

AQ - Conference Championship

Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (13)

Aurora University

Benedictine University (Illinois) Concordia University Chicago Concordia University Wisconsin Dominican University (Illinois)

Edgewood College

Illinois Institute of Technology

Lakeland University

Marian University (Wisconsin) Milwaukee School of Engineering

Rockford University St. Norbert College

Wisconsin Lutheran College

AQ - Conference Championship

St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (10)

Blackburn College Eureka College Fontbonne University Greenville College Lyon College

Mississippi University for Women

Principia College **Spalding University** Webster University

Westminster College (Missouri)

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (2)

University of Chicago

Washington University in St. Louis

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

Independent (1)

Maranatha Baptist University

REGION IX

American Rivers Conference (9)

Buena Vista University Central College (Iowa)

Coe College

University of Dubuque

Loras College

Luther College

Nebraska Wesleyan University

Simpson College Wartburg College

AQ - Conference Championship

Midwest Conference (9)

Beloit College Cornell College Grinnell College Illinois College **Knox College**

Lake Forest College Lawrence University Monmouth College (Illinois)

Ripon College

AQ - Conference Championship

Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (11)

Augsburg College

Bethel University (Minnesota)

Carleton College

Concordia College, Moorhead Gustavus Adolphus College

Hamline University

Macalester College

St. John's University (Minnesota) Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

St. Olaf College

The College of St. Scholastica

AQ - Conference Championship

Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (8)

Bethany Lutheran College Crown College (Minnesota) Martin Luther College North Central University

Northland College University of Minnesota, Morris University of Northwestern-St. Paul University of Wisconsin-Superior

AQ - Conference Championship

Pool B Institutions (1)

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Coast-to-Coast (2)

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

REGION X

American Southwest Conference (10)

Concordia University Texas East Texas Baptist University Hardin-Simmons University Howard Payne University LeTourneau University

University of Mary Hardin-Baylor

McMurry University

University of the Ozarks (Arkansas)

Sul Ross State University University of Texas at Dallas

AQ - Conference Championship

Northwest Conference (9)

George Fox University Lewis & Clark College Linfield University Pacific Lutheran University Pacific University (Oregon)

University of Puget Sound Whitman College Whitworth University Willamette University

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)

California Institute of Technology California Lutheran University Chapman University

Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges

University of La Verne

Occidental College Pomona-Pitzer Colleges University of Redlands Whittier College

AQ - Conference Championship

Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (8 + 1 prov.)

Austin College Centenary College (Louisiana) Colorado College University of Dallas Schreiner University

Southwestern University (Texas) *University of St. Thomas (Texas) (prov.; active 2023-24) Texas Lutheran University

Trinity University (Texas)

^{*} indicates provisional schools

Appendix C • Women's Sponsorship

REGION I

Great Northeast Athletic Conference (16)

Albertus Magnus College Anna Maria College Colby Sawyer College

Dean College Elms College

Emmanuel College (Massachusetts) Johnson & Wales University (Providence)

Lasell University

Mitchell College New England College Norwich University

Regis College (Massachusetts)

Rivier University

Saint Joseph's College (Maine)

Simmons University

University of St. Joseph (Connecticut)

AQ - Conference Championship

North Atlantic Conference (14)

State University of New York at Canton State University of New York at Cobleskill State University of New York at Delhi

Husson University Eastern Nazarene College Lesley University

Maine Maritime Academy

University of Maine, Farmington University of Maine at Presque Isle State University of New York Morrisville State University of New York Polytechnic Institute

Thomas College

Vermont State University-Johnson Vermont State University-Lyndon

AQ - Conference Championship

New England Small College Athletic Conference (11)

Amherst College **Bates College Bowdoin College** Colby College Connecticut College Hamilton College

Middlebury College Trinity College (Connecticut)

Tufts University

Wesleyan University (Connecticut)

Williams College

AQ - Conference Championship

Little East Conference (9)

Eastern Connecticut State University Keene State College University of Massachusetts Boston University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth Plymouth State University

Rhode Island College University of Southern Maine Vermont State University Castleton Western Connecticut State University

REGION II

Commonwealth Coast Conference (9)

Curry College Roger Williams University **Endicott College** Suffolk University

Gordon College Wentworth Institute of Technology

University of New England Western New England University Nichols College

AQ - Conference Championship

New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (12)

Babson College Smith College Clark University (Massachusetts) Springfield College

U.S. Coast Guard Academy **Emerson College**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Wellesley College

Mount Holyoke College Wheaton College (Massachusetts) Salve Regina University Worcester Polytechnic Institute

AQ - Conference Championship

Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (8)

Bridgewater State University Massachusetts Maritime Academy

Fitchburg State University Salem State University Framingham State University Westfield State University

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Worcester State University

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (1)

Brandeis University

REGION III

Empire 8 (9)

Alfred University Elmira College Hartwick College Houghton College Keuka College

Nazareth College Russell Sage College St. John Fisher College

Utica College

AQ - Conference Championship

Liberty League (10)

Bard College Clarkson University Ithaca College Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rochester Institute of Technology Skidmore College St. Lawrence University Union College (New York)

Vassar College William Smith College

AQ - Conference Championship

Skyline Conference (12)

Farmingdale State College State University of New York Maritime College Manhattanville College Mount Saint Mary College (New York) College of Mount Saint Vincent State University College at Old Westbury

Purchase College, State University of New York Sarah Lawrence College St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn) St. Joseph's College (Long Island) U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Yeshiva University

AQ - Conference Championship

State University of New York Athletic Conference (10)

State University of New York at Brockport Buffalo State, State University of New York State University of New York at Cortland The State University of New York at Fredonia State University of New York at Geneseo

State University of New York at New Paltz State University of New York at Oneonta State University of New York at Oswego Plattsburgh State University of New York State University of New York at Potsdam

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (1)

University of Rochester

REGION IV

City University of New York Athletic Conference (6)

Brooklyn College Lehman College The City College of New York Medgar Evers College John Jay College of Criminal Justice York College (New York)

AQ - Conference Championship

Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom (8)

Arcadia University King's College (Pennsylvania) Delaware Valley University Lebanon Valley College **DeSales University** Misericordia University Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham Stevens Institute of Technology

AQ - Conference Championship

New Jersey Athletic Conference (10)

Kean University Rowan University Montclair State University Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Camden New Jersey City University Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Newark The College of New Jersey Stockton University

Ramapo College William Paterson University of New Jersey

AQ - Conference Championship

United East (17)

Bryn Athyn College Penn State Harrisburg Cairn University Penn State University Abington Cedar Crest College Pennsylvania College of Technology Clarks Summit University Rosemont College Gallaudet University Saint Elizabeth University Keystone College St. Mary's College of Maryland Lancaster Bible College University of Valley Forge Notre Dame of Maryland University Wilson College

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (1)

New York University

Penn State Berks College

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

Coast-to-Coast (1)

Pratt Institute

REGION V

Atlantic East (7)

Cabrini University

Centenary University (New Jersey) Gwynedd Mercy University

Marywood University Neumann University

AQ - Conference Championship

Centennial Conference (11)

Bryn Mawr College Dickinson College

Immaculata University

Franklin & Marshall College

Gettysburg College Haverford College

Johns Hopkins University

McDaniel College Muhlenberg College Swarthmore College **Ursinus College** Washington College (Maryland)

Marymount University (Virginia)

AQ - Conference Championship

Landmark Conference (10)

Catholic University **Drew University** Elizabethtown College Goucher College Lycoming College

Juniata College Moravian College University of Scranton Susquehanna University Wilkes University

AQ - Conference Championship

Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth (8)

Albright College Alvernia University Eastern University **Hood College**

Messiah University Stevenson University Widener University York College (Pennsylvania)

AQ - Conference Championship

Coast-to-Coast (1)

Salisbury University

AQ - Conference Championship

Independent (1)

Trinity Washington University

REGION VI

Collegiate Conference of the South (9)

Agnes Scott College Belhaven University Berea College

Covenant College Maryville College (Tennessee) Piedmont University

Huntingdon College LaGrange College Wesleyan College (Georgia)

No AQ

Old Dominion Athletic Conference (13)

Averett University Bridgewater College (Virginia) Eastern Mennonite University Ferrum College

Guilford College Hollins University University of Lynchburg Randolph College Randolph-Macon College Roanoke College Shenandoah University Virginia Wesleyan University Washington and Lee

University

AQ - Conference Championship

USA South Athletic Conference (10)

Brevard College Greensboro College Mary Baldwin University Meredith College Methodist University

North Carolina Wesleyan College Pfieffer University Salem College

Southern Virginia University William Peace University

AQ - Conference Championship

Southern Athletic Association (8)

Berry College

Birmingham-Southern College

Centre College Hendrix College Millsaps College Oglethorpe University **Rhodes College**

Sewanee, University of the South

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (1)

Emory University

AQ - Conference Championship

Independent (1 + 1 Prov.)

*Asbury University (Active 2024-25)

Sweet Briar College

Coast-to-Coast (2 + 1 Prov.)

Christopher Newport Mary Washington

*Warren Wilson (Active 2024-25)

REGION VII

Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (10)

Alfred State College Penn State University, Altoona

Carlow University Penn State University Erie, the Behrend College

Hilbert College University of Pittsburgh, Bradford La Roche University University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg

Mount Aloysius College Wells College AQ - Conference Championship

Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (10)

Anderson University (Indiana) Hanover College **Bluffton University** Manchester University Defiance College Mount St. Joseph University

Earlham College Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Franklin College Transylvania University

AQ - Conference Championship

North Coast Athletic Conference (9)

Denison University Ohio Wesleyan University Wittenberg University DePauw University Hiram College The College of Wooster Kenyon College

AQ - Conference Championship

Ohio Athletic Conference (10)

Oberlin College

Baldwin Wallace University University of Mount Union Capital University Muskingum University Ohio Northern University Heidelberg University John Carroll University Otterbein University Marietta College Wilmington College (Ohio)

AQ - Conference Championship

Presidents' Athletic Conference (11)

Allegheny College Saint Vincent College Bethany College (West Virginia) Thiel College

Chatham University Washington and Jefferson College

Franciscan University of Steubenville Waynesburg University

Westminster College (Pennsylvania) Geneva College Grove City College

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (2)

Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University

REGION VIII

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (9)

Augustana College

Carroll University (Wisconsin)

Carthage College Elmhurst University

Illinois Wesleyan University

Millikin University North Central College North Park University Wheaton College (Illinois)

AQ - Conference Championship

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (9)

Adrian College

Albion College Alma College

Calvin University Hope College

Kalamazoo College Olivet College

St. Mary's College (Indiana)

Trine University

AQ - Conference Championship

Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (14)

Alverno College

Aurora University

Benedictine University (Illinois)

Dominican University (Illinois)

Concordia University Chicago Concordia University Wisconsin

Edgewood College

Illinois Institute of Technology

Lakeland University

Marian University (Wisconsin) Milwaukee School of Engineering

Rockford University St. Norbert College

Wisconsin Lutheran College

AQ - Conference Championship

St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (10)

Blackburn College Eureka College

Fontbonne University Greenville College

Lyon College

Mississippi University for Women

Principia College Spalding University Webster University

Westminster College (Missouri)

AQ - Conference Championship

University Athletic Association (2)

University of Chicago

Washington University in St. Louis

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

Pool B Institutions (1)

Maranatha Baptist University

REGION IX

American Rivers Conference (9)

Buena Vista University Central College (Iowa)

Coe College

University of Dubuque

Loras College

Luther College

Nebraska Wesleyan University

Simpson College Wartburg College

AQ - Conference Championship

Midwest Conference (9)

Beloit College Cornell College Grinnell College Illinois College **Knox College**

Lake Forest College Lawrence University Monmouth College (Illinois)

Ripon College

AQ - Conference Championship

Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (12)

Augsburg University

Bethel University (Minnesota)

Carleton College

Concordia College, Moorhead Gustavus Adolphus College

Hamline University

Macalester College College of St. Benedict

St. Catherine University Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

St. Olaf College

The College of St. Scholastica

AQ - Conference Championship

Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (8)

Bethany Lutheran College Crown College (Minnesota) Martin Luther College North Central University

Northland College University of Minnesota, Morris University of Northwestern-St. Paul University of Wisconsin-Superior

AQ - Conference Championship

Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletics Conference (8)

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire University of Wisconsin-La Crosse University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh University of Wisconsin-Platteville

University of Wisconsin-River Falls University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point University of Wisconsin-Stout University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

AQ - Conference Championship

Coast-to-Coast (1)

Mount Mary University

REGION X

American Southwest Conference (9)

Concordia University Texas East Texas Baptist University Hardin-Simmons University Howard Payne University LeTourneau University

University of Mary Hardin-Baylor

McMurry University

University of the Ozarks (Arkansas)

University of Texas at Dallas

AQ - Conference Championship

Northwest Conference (9)

George Fox University Lewis & Clark College Linfield University Pacific Lutheran University Pacific University (Oregon)

University of Puget Sound Whitman College Whitworth University Willamette University

AQ - Regular-Season Champion

Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)

California Institute of Technology California Lutheran University Chapman University

Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges

University of La Verne

Occidental College Pomona-Pitzer Colleges University of Redlands Whittier College

AQ - Conference Championship

Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (8)

Austin College Centenary College (Louisiana) University of Dallas Schreiner University

Southwestern University (Texas) University of St. Thomas (Texas) Texas Lutheran University Trinity University (Texas)

AQ - Conference Championship

Coast-to-Coast (1)

University of California, Santa Cruz

Appendix D • Explanation of OWP and OOWP Calculation

The strength of schedule is made up of two factors: the opponents' winning percentage (OWP) and the opponents' opponents' winning percentage (OOWP).

Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OWP). Take each opponent's won-lost record against other Division III teams (excluding the results against the team in question); add up all wins and all losses to get the cumulative won-lost record that is used to determine the opponents' winning percentage.

To calculate. Team A's schedule is as follows:

OPPONENT	OVERALL RECORD	VS TEAM A	WINS	LOSSES
Team B	21-7	1-0	20	7
Team C	14-11	0-1	14	10
Team D	9-14	0-1	9	13
Team E	8-17	0-1	8	16
Team F	19-8	1-0	18	8
TOTALS			69	54

Team A's Opponents' Average Winning Percentage = 69/(69+54) = .561 (OWP)

Opponents' Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OOWP). The strength of each opponent's schedule is measured by taking all of their opponents' won-lost records and finding the winning percentage based on the total opponents' opponents' won-loss record. This recognizes the fact that two opponents with similar won-lost records may have played far different schedules (in terms of strength of opponents).

To calculate. Using the total opponents' won-lost record for Teams B, C, D, E and F (Team A's opponents), perform the same calculation as the OWP.

OPPONENT	OPPONENTS' WINS	OPPONENTS' LOSSES
Team B	35	75
Team C	63	40
Team D	55	55
Team E	75	37
Team F	44	60
TOTALS	272	267

272/(272+267) = .505 (OOWP)

It is important to note that the OOWP will support the OWP (i.e., Teams A and C have the same OWP of .561; Team A has an OOWP of .505 and Team C has an OOWP of .456; it would indicate that Team A has the stronger strength of schedule).

Strength-of-Schedule Calculation. Using the strength of schedule, add two-thirds of the OWP to one-third of the OOWP. Team A's strength-of-schedule calculation is as follows:

	VALUE	WEIGHT	SOS VALUE
OWP	.561	.667	.374
OOWP	.505	.333	.168
STRENGTH	.542		

Strength-of-Schedule Multiplier: This was in effect from 2011-2016 for men's soccer and only in 2016 for women's soccer.