



***PARTICIPANT
2021-22 MANUAL***

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SECTION 1 • INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on advancing to participate in the 2022 NCAA Women's College World Series. We hope your experience with this year's championship will be a rewarding one for your team.

The purpose of this manual is to provide information to the participants in this year's WCWS to be held June 2-9/10 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The NCAA Division I Softball Committee, in cooperation with the University of Oklahoma and USA Softball, and the City of Oklahoma City, have compiled the information contained in this manual to assist you in your preparations.

Best of luck.

NCAA Division I Softball Committee

SECTION 2 • NCAA MISSION STATEMENT

The NCAA's core purpose is to govern competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner so that the educational 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 championships 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, etc.)

CHECKLIST

This checklist was designed to highlight important arrangements that must be made before, during and after the Women's College World Series. Please refer to the pages indicated for further information and direction.

- _____ Review the WCWS schedule of events with the head coach and key staff members.
- _____ Make travel arrangements through Short's Travel Management (866-655-9215).
- _____ Contact your assigned hotel contact (section 12•1) and submit the hotel rooming list by **6 p.m. Sunday or as soon as possible after advancing**.
- _____ Complete and return the following by **5 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, May 30** to Sadie Foster, (sfoster@ncaa.org):
 - _____ **Travel Information Form** (Appendix B), once arrangements are confirmed.
 - _____ **Travel Party Form** (a separate editable attachment sent to teams)
 - _____ **Awards List** (Appendix D)
- _____ Submit Elite 90 academic award information online no later than **5 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, May 30** (section 19).
- _____ Ensure team information and championship materials have been uploaded to IMG College and Van Wagner (section 11•3).
- _____ Deliver uniforms to Sheraton, Room 620 no later than **5 p.m. Central time, Tuesday, May 31** so WCWS patches can be sewn on uniforms. Please identify uniforms of left-handed players (section 20•2).
- _____ Contact Lori Wolf (lwolf@ncaa.org) about ticket needs and player guest needs. (section 18).
- _____ Complete post-championship NCAA evaluations within **30 days after the competition (July 10)**.
- _____ Team expense report must be submitted online to the NCAA within **30 days after the competition (July 10)**.
- _____ Travel party gift order must be submitted online within **30 days after the competition (July 10)**.

SECTION 3 • PERSONNEL

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Team Ambassador Program

Each team has been assigned a Team Ambassador by Visit OKC to assist with any questions regarding the city (i.e. places to eat, things to do, etc.). The table below includes those who will serve as Team Ambassadors. Teams can expect an outreach from the team ambassador to the team's director of operations for an introduction upon advancement to the Women's College World Series. Also refer to Appendix J for Instagramable spots, OKC Summer Guide of Things to Do and the Modern Frontier Attractions Pass.

Team	Ambassador Name	Contact Number
Team 1	Erin Randall	713-594-3158
Team 2	Katie Brickman	405-248-3235
Team 3	Jenna Mazzoccoli	406-697-0098
Team 4	Kellie Myers	405-630-5944
Team 5	Erin Randall	713-594-3158
Team 6	Katie Brickman	405-248-3235
Team 7	Jenna Mazzoccoli	406-697-0098
Team 8	Kellie Myers	405-630-5944

SECTION 4 • SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

* All times indicated are Central Time

Monday, May 30

8 p.m.

8:15 p.m.

8:15 p.m.

Administrative meeting with Teams – Virtual (Microsoft Teams link will be emailed).
Athletic trainers meeting – Virtual (Microsoft Teams link will be emailed).
Sports information directors meeting – Virtual (Microsoft Teams link will be emailed).

Tuesday, May 31

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

6:35 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Championship Banquet team arrivals and museum exploration
Championship Banquet at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum.

Wednesday, June 1

8 a.m. to 8:20 p.m.

Practices, team photo, ESPN/NCAA head shots, interviews, press conferences.

Thursday, June 2

9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Fan Festival.
Session 1 game times.
Session 2 game times.

Friday, June 3

* Event 1 will open the main merchandise tent exclusively for teams between the hours of 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Fan Festival.
Session 3 game times.

Saturday, June 4

Noon to 6:30 p.m.

2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Fan Festival.
Session 4 game times.

Sunday, June 5

Noon to 6:30 p.m.

2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Fan Festival.
Session 5 game times.

Monday, June 6

9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Fan Festival.
Session 6 game times (1:30 p.m. is if necessary game).
Session 7 game times (8:30 p.m. is if necessary game).

Tuesday, June 7

9:30 a.m.

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

12:30-2 p.m.

Administrative meeting – Virtual (Microsoft Teams link will be emailed).
First team to advance – Interviews with media partners and press conference.
Second team to advance – Interviews with media partners and press conference.

Wednesday, June 8

7:30 p.m.

Strikeout Cancer Night
Session 8 game time (Championship Game 1).

Thursday, June 9

6:30 p.m.

Military Appreciation Night
Session 9 game time (Championship Game 2).
All-Tournament Team Announcement. National Champion Awards Presentation. (if champion is determined)

Friday, June 10

7:30 p.m.

Postgame

Session 10 game time (Championship Game 3).
All-Tournament Team Announcement. National Champion Awards Presentation.

Section 4•1 Administrative Meetings

Administrative Meeting. The NCAA Division I Softball Committee will conduct a pre-championship meeting Monday, May 30 at 8 p.m. Central Time. This year's meeting will be virtual. A Microsoft Teams Videoconference link will be forwarded to each head coach and director of softball operations. The head coach, team administrator, and director of softball operations are required to attend the meeting. NCAA staff, the national coordinator of umpires, secretary rules editor and USA Softball representatives will also be in attendance. Details of the tournament will be discussed, and the games committee will be present to answer any questions concerning tournament operations.

In lieu of bringing them to an in-person meeting, the following forms should be submitted to sfoster@ncaa.org by 5 p.m. Central time on Monday, May 30:

1. Official travel party (30) to be admitted free of charge (a separate editable attachment sent to teams).
2. Awards list (note players and coaches) (Appendix D).

Credentials and parking passes will be distributed on the practice day.

Sports Information Directors Meeting. This meeting will be held virtually at 8:15 p.m., Monday, May 30. A Microsoft Teams Videoconference link will be forwarded. At this meeting, the NCAA media coordinators, LOC media coordinator, NCAA social media contact, NCAA broadcast department representative, Westwood One and ESPN will review media policies and procedures and answer any questions SIDs may have.

Athletic Trainers Meeting. This meeting will be held virtually at 8:15 p.m., Monday, May 30. A Microsoft Teams Videoconference link will be forwarded. At this meeting, the on-site athletic trainer will cover medical procedures and answer any questions.

Championship Series

Note: There will be an administrative meeting Tuesday, June 7 held virtually at 9:30 a.m. Team administrators are required to participate.

Section 4•2 Practice and Media Schedule—Wednesday, June 1

Practice. Teams will be assigned a practice schedule for Wednesday, June 1, according to the order of play. Teams will be notified via email once the game lineup has been determined. Teams will be provided access to the stadium fieldhouse (prior to the practice field session) and dugout team rooms (during the stadium field session) for their scheduled practices on Wednesday. The practice schedules should be strictly followed. (See Appendix F for the practice schedule). An alternate practice schedule using an indoor facility will be provided in the event of inclement weather.

In addition to your practice time, teams will need to participate in the schedule for media obligations including ESPN/NCAA social media interviews and press conferences. Teams should arrive for ESPN/NCAA social media interviews in full uniform with bat and glove equipment accessible.

Section 4•3 Special Events

Championship Team Event

A celebration event for participating teams will take place Tuesday, May 31 at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum. Teams may bring up to 40 individuals that are part of the team's official travel party or representing the school in an official capacity. Teams are encouraged to arrive as early as 5:30 p.m. to visit the galleries and interact with the exhibits; the dinner and program will begin at 6:35 p.m. Teams will enjoy a buffet meal provided by local Oklahoma City favorite, Head Country BBQ, photo opportunities and entertainment from Oklahoma native and former contestant on NBC's "The Voice," Bailey Rae. Additionally, there will be a short program honoring teams for their regular season achievements and advancing to the 2022 Women's College World Series, along with the announcement of the USA Collegiate Player of the Year, NCFCA National Freshman of the Year and NCAA Elite 90® award.

The menu at the Championship Team Event includes:

Pulled Pork
 Boneless/Skinless Chicken
 Caesar Salad
 Twice-Baked Mashed Potatoes
 Macaroni and Cheese
 Green Beans
 Rolls
 Cobbler
 Water, Tea and Lemonade

For the team event, please email Asia Thompson (athompson@ncaa.org) with any questions. Attire should be appropriate for a championship event. Teams may choose to coordinate in team travel outfits.

Open Practice

USA Softball Hall of Fame Stadium – OGE Energy Field will be open to the media and public on Wednesday, June 1. Please note that all media obligations as well as practices on Integris Field will be CLOSED to the public.

NCAA’s official merchandiser (Event 1) is experiencing a delay in apparel product shipments due to a company-wide malware disruption to all of their systems which directly impacts event logistics. This disruption will prevent the opportunity for teams to purchase merchandise on Wednesday. Event 1 will open the main merchandise tent exclusively for teams on Friday between the hours of 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Teams are also encouraged to place t-shirt orders online using the process detailed in the advancing team memorandum.

In-game Activities

National Anthem

The "Star-Spangled Banner" shall be played before the first game of each session.

On-Field Promotions

Contests will be done at the end of the 3rd and end of the 5th inning during every game, with some of them occurring in the outfield.

SECTION 5 • CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

Section 5•1 Bracket Format

Bracket Format. The 2022 NCAA Women’s College World Series is an eight team, double-elimination tournament. The NCAA will determine first-round game orders and times after all super regional competitions have concluded. The dates and times will be announced via ESPN broadcast or an email directly to each advancing team. A championship bracket can be found in Appendix A.

Section 5•2 Game Schedule (local times)

Game 1	June 2	11 a.m.	Game 10	June 5	6 p.m.
Game 2	June 2	1:30 p.m.	Game 11	June 6	11 a.m.
Game 3	June 2	6 p.m.	Game 12	June 6	1:30 p.m. (if necessary)
Game 4	June 2	8:30 p.m.	Game 13	June 6	6 p.m.
Game 5	June 3	6 p.m.	Game 14	June 6	8:30 p.m. (if necessary)
Game 6	June 3	8:30 p.m.			
Game 7	June 4	2 p.m.	*Game 1	June 8	7:30 p.m.
Game 8	June 4	6 p.m.	*Game 2	June 9	6:30 p.m.
Game 9	June 5	2 p.m.	*Game 3	June 10	7:30 p.m. (if necessary)

All games will be broadcast live on ABC, ESPN or ESPN2 and available on the ESPN App.

**The above schedule is subject to adjustment to address inclement weather, adjusted first pitch times, special*

recognitions, promotions, etc. All attempts will be made to provide the final pregame timing sheets to the participating teams approximately 24 hours in advance of their game.

The procedures outlined below shall be used in the conduct of the Women's College World Series.

If the regular game schedule is altered because of weather or unforeseen circumstances, the following guidelines may be used and teams will be informed by the NCAA softball committee: (1) no more than three games by any one team will be scheduled in one day; and (2) if possible, games will not be scheduled to begin before 9 a.m. or after 11 p.m.

Additional Information:

1. The above-mentioned schedules shall be followed; however, due to inclement weather or administrative demands or unforeseen circumstances, the schedule may be adjusted.
2. Between the last out of the first game and the start of the second game a minimum of 30 minutes is allowed.
3. Team introductions are made prior to each game. The visiting team is introduced first [non-starters (numerically)/starters (line-up order)/head coach], and the first person shall proceed to a point on the foul line between home plate and first base. The remaining individuals will be introduced and join the first person on the foul line and extend the line towards first base. The home team shall be introduced in the same manner and follow the same procedures along the foul line between home plate and third base.
4. The National Anthem shall be performed prior to the first game of each session.
5. The umpires' meeting times may be adjusted for Game Nos. 1-4, due to first-time discussion of groundrules.
6. Team members may stretch and short toss prior to their line drills in foul territory or in the deep part of the outfield down their respective foul line. Teams must assume risks associated with this activity.

Section 5•3 Home/Away Teams and Uniform Designation

The home team will occupy the third base dugout, warm-up on Field 4 and wear a uniform color of their choosing. The visiting team will occupy the first base dugout, warm-up on Field 3 and must wear a contrasting uniform top. The committee will resolve any conflict in the selection of uniforms. As a reminder, when teams play back-to-back games, they must be prepared to change uniforms, if necessary. Determination of uniform colors must be approved by the NCAA softball committee. Noncompliance with this policy may result in misconduct as outlined in the Softball Pre-Championship Manual.

1. The games committee shall designate as home team the institution that has been home team the fewest times (preliminary rounds and finals are considered separately).
2. If two teams have been home team an equal number of times but visiting team an unequal number of times, the team that has been the visitor most often shall be designated as home team.
3. If two teams have been both home team and visiting team an equal number of times, and if the two teams previously met, the visitor in the initial game shall be the home team in the second game.
4. If games between the same teams are back-to-back, the home teams shall be the visitor in the previous game regardless of the number of times either team have been home or visitors.
5. If two teams have been both home team and visiting team an equal number of times, the team that was the visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were the visitor in their preceding games.
6. If the preceding formula does not prevail, the higher seeded team shall have the choice of being home team or visitors.
7. When teams play back-to-back games, they must be prepared to change uniforms and dugouts, if necessary.

Section 5•4 Order of Games

The NCAA will determine first-round games order and times after all super regional competition has concluded. The dates and times will be announced via the ESPN broadcast or an email directly to each advancing team.

SECTION 6 • GAME MANAGEMENT

Section 6•1 Dugouts

The dugout may include more than the travel party limit of 30: four official coaches, 22 eligible student-athletes in uniform, student assistant coaches and any other student-athletes on the team's official roster. The limit on team personnel (i.e., individuals other than student-athletes on the team's official roster) is 10. The home team will occupy the third base dugout.

Section 6•2 Electronic Communication

The policies and procedures are outlined in Rule 5.9 of the 2022 and 2023 Softball Rules and Interpretations book. There is no electronic communication, videotaping or use of radar guns from the dugout during the postseason.

Section 6•3 Emergency/Evacuation Plan

The evacuation plan is in Appendix I and will be reviewed at the administrative meeting (please provide a list of personnel traveling with the team for emergency purposes). If there is any type of emergency while in the stadium/facility, the NCAA and stadium officials will provide immediate instructions and will expect the full cooperation of everyone in your travel party. Team administrators will be the first line of communication provided time allows.

Please review the plan with members of your travel parties.

Section 6•4 Pregame Protocol

The practice fields will be available for team warm-ups prior to the main field being available. Home team is assigned to Field 4; visitors are assigned to Field 3. Each team will also have access to a batting cage.

After both teams have completed use of the batting cages and warm-up areas, it is permissible to move onto the game field area for warm-up under the following conditions:

1. The preceding game has ended and both participating teams have cleared the field and dugout area.
2. Team equipment is stored in the dugout or along the outfield fence so the grounds crew may water the entire infield area (including foul territory).
3. Warm-up prior to the designated infield time is limited to the outfield area nearest the team's dugout until the grounds crew has left the field.
4. If time remains after the grounds crew has completed its work, and prior to the start of the designated infield time, a team may field groundballs in foul territory fair territory behind first or third base.

Pitchers for the upcoming game may use the bullpen area while a game is in progress only when the bullpen area is not in use by either of the participating teams (i.e., both bullpens must be open for this opportunity to be used and the opportunity ends if either participating team desires to use a bullpen).

Infield Protocol. There will be **FIVE** minutes of infield warm-up (line drills) during pregame for each team.

Warm-Up Music. All warm-up music will be played by the control room staff.

Section 6•5 Team Scouting Seats

For as long as a team is a participant in the Series, it is entitled to two seats for scouting opponents. Admission to a scouting seat will be with a team credential. These seats are only for those teams playing in the same session or next opponents and are in section 10 behind home plate: Row B, Seats 1-12.

Section 6•6 Videotaping

Participating teams may videotape only games in which they are a participant from centerfield and the camera will remain unmanned during the game. There will be **no videotaping from the dugout**. (See Rule 5.9.3 of the NCAA Softball Rules Book.)

Teams may pull any game at the site of competition from the ESPN pool feed that is available from the mult box/press bridge in the media work room. (See Rule 5.9.1 of the NCAA Softball Rules Book.) A memento copy of the game on a USB drive will be provided via Hammond Communications from the ESPN pool feed.

Recording from the dugout is PROHIBITED during NCAA postseason play. (See Rule 5.9.3 of the NCAA Softball Rules Book)

Analytics and Data Technology – Teams are not permitted to use analytics and data technology systems (e.g., FlightScope) during the championship. Further, radar use is not permitted (exception: as a part of game tagging, see below, and/or if radar speed is captured and posted to the in-venue videoboard for public viewing).

Game Film Tagging and Scouting Seats – Teams are permitted to tag game film from a location within the facility that does not have direct proximity or line of visibility to the dugout. Capturing radar speed is allowed as part of game film tagging ONLY.

Up to two seats to scout a future opponent will be provided per team; teams may not use the seats during their own game. Radar is not allowed in the scouting seats behind home plate.

Section 6•7 Umpires

The NCAA Division I Women's Softball Committee is responsible for the assignment of umpires to the championship. Umpire assignments for Thursday's games will be announced during the administrative meeting.

Each coach will be asked to complete an umpire evaluation after each game. While this is optional, this information will be used by the committee and UIC.

Section 6•8 Weather Policy

SEVERE WEATHER POLICY FOR TERMINATING PLAY

The NCAA Softball Committee and host personnel will contact the local weather bureau in the event of severe weather and will adhere to the advisories and recommendations provided by the local meteorologists.

As recommended by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the National Severe Storms Laboratory, consideration will be given to terminating play when the lightning is eight miles away.

Teams will receive specific detailed information regarding the evacuation plan at the administrative meeting. If there is a threat of severe weather while in the stadium/facility, the NCAA and stadium officials will provide immediate instructions and will expect the full cooperation of everyone in your travel party. Team administrators will be the first line of communication through a text messaging platform set up by the NCAA.

Please review the plan with members of your travel parties (see Appendix G).

Suspended Play.

1. **Length of Games.** All games shall be seven innings (except if the eight-run rule is activated). If play has been stopped before seven innings have been completed, the halted-game rule (Rule 6.18) shall be used. The eight-run rule is not in effect for the championship finals (best of 3 game series).
2. **Authority to Suspend.** The Division I Softball Committee shall make the decision as to when a game shall be suspended and/or restarted. The only situation in which the umpire-in-chief may suspend play is if it is his/her opinion that the playing surface is unplayable. The NCAA manager and tournament director, in conjunction with the turf manager, shall monitor the weather radar equipment and lightning detection system available at USA

Softball Hall of Fame Stadium.

3. **Inclement Weather Scenarios for the Women's College World Series.**

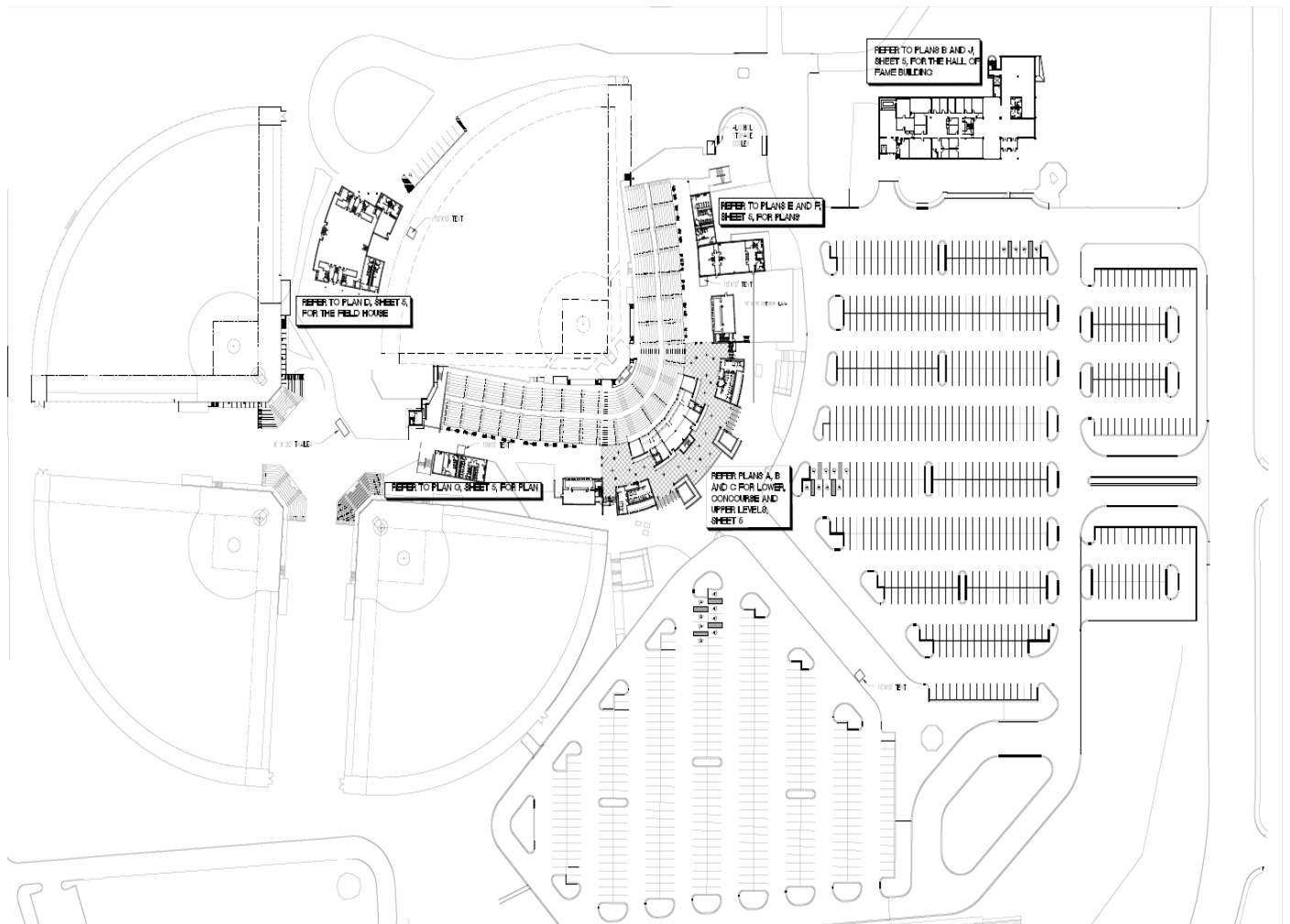
- a. The primary goal is to play games according to the published schedule.
- b. Generally, no game should start later than 11 p.m. local time.

SECTION 7 • COMPETITION SITE

The media headquarters will be in the press box area, concourse level, behind home plate. The NCAA media coordination headquarters will be in operation from Wednesday through the day the WCWS championship final concludes.

Section 7.1 Competition Site Maps

Refer to Appendix J for additional maps of the USA Softball Complex.



Section 7•2 Facility Information

1. Outfield dimensions:
 - a. Right: 200
 - b. Center: 220
 - c. Left: 200
2. Backstop, sideline and outfield fences [concrete with padding and chain link with screens]
3. Outfield composition: Bermuda
4. Infield composition: Stabilizer ® - Pro Red Infield Mix
5. Concessions on site for purchase.
6. Restroom on site (permanent and portable).
7. Warm-up area [Field 3 and Field 4].
8. Dugouts are covered and enclosed.
9. Bullpen areas: [1st and 3rd outfield baselines, one each side.]
10. Batting cages: [1st and 3rd outfield baselines, one each side.]
11. Equipment provided for practice fields.

Section 7•3 Locker/Team Rooms

Field House – Each team will have access to a team room in the Field House during the time they are on the practice fields during warm-ups. Each team room has restroom facilities (no showers) and all team personnel will be asked to use these facilities during pregame warm-up (instead of going to the public restrooms on the concourse). Each team room will accommodate approximately 35 players and coaches. Refreshments, an in-house television and taping table will be provided in each team room. All team belongings should be cleared from the Field House team room prior to moving to the competition field.

Behind Dugouts – There are two team rooms (including restrooms) and a training room behind each dugout. Teams will have access to these rooms before, during and immediately following competition. Each team room will accommodate approximately 35 players and coaches. Refreshments will be available in the team rooms.

Team rooms are in a credentialed area and are limited to the official travel party/credentialed personnel only. Please observe these procedures and leave the team room clean and tidy. Each team room will be serviced upon your departure but there is limited time between occupancies, and we would appreciate your help so no team is kept waiting.

Section 7•4 Parking

Parking passes – The number of parking passes distributed is determined by mode of transportation. The allocation is as follows: Bus – three parking passes. Team vans – five parking passes.

No additional passes will be issued.

Bus parking is located directly behind the outfield perimeter fence. All vehicles with parking passes will enter through the parking pass gate (the entrance nearest the USA Softball Museum). Buses and team vans should turn right at the television compound and follow signs to bus parking. Courtesy cars and staff cars should park in the event staff parking (West lot of the main parking lot; parking pass required).

Section 7•5 Participant Entrance/Exit

Team Entrance: All team credentialed personnel (player, coaches, and administrators) shall enter via the Field House. All other members shall enter through the front gate and must have a ticket to enter.

Team Exit. Following your postgame responsibilities (or 60-minutes after the conclusion of your game, whichever is later), teams will exit the area behind the dugout via the tunnel stairs and meet your team bus in front of the stadium. Event staff will create a path clear of spectators from the dugout exit to the team bus. If a team is participating in the last game of the session, the exit from the dugout will be out the right field gate to meet your team bus unless the teams for the first game of the next session have already moved on to the field.

Section 7•6 Practice Areas

Teams will practice and warm-up on Fields 3 and 4 at the USA Softball Hall of Fame Complex. Home team will warm up on Field 4 and the visitors will warm-up on field 3. Refer to section 7.2 for the equipment that will be available on each field.

If you do not wish to use your practice time, please notify the softball committee as soon as possible. Practices on Fields 3 and 4 are open to credentialed personnel only. Individuals from other official travel parties may only attend their team's practices. Practice on the stadium field on Wednesday, June 1 is open to the media and public.

Practice Facilities

Additional facilities are available at the sites listed below:

UCO Softball Fields (outdoor) – Cody White: 405-317-8876; or Jeremy Rogers: 580-747-1835

D-Bat Oklahoma City – Sierra Thorpe: sierra@dbatokc.com

Section 7•7 Strength and Conditioning Facilities

Strength and conditioning facilities are available at the University of Central Oklahoma (UCO) for participating teams. Times are available in one-hour increments, June 1-10, between 1-4 p.m. local time. Only one team will be allowed in the facility at a time and times will be reserved on a first come, first served basis. To reserve a time, please contact Jacob Black, UCO Strength and Conditioning Coach, at (740) 572-6930.

University of Central Oklahoma
100 N. University Drive
Edmond, OK 73034

(strength and conditioning facility is located on the corner of University Dr. and Chowning [north endzone of the football field])

Section 7•8 Mother's Room

A private Mother's Room will be made available, on request, for use at the Hall of Fame Stadium. To secure the room, please notify Jake Magness at least 24 hours prior to arrival at jmagness@usasoftball.com; he will work with the primary team administrator to secure the designated private space.

SECTION 8 • DRUG TESTING

The NCAA is dedicated to fair and equitable competition throughout each round of championships and strongly supports the drug-testing program to safeguard the health and safety of the participating student-athletes.

Section 8•1 Athlete Notification

Immediately after any established NCAA cool-down period, a member of the drug-testing crew will notify student-athletes selected for drug testing. Each student-athlete will be instructed to read and sign the Team Championship Student-Athlete Notification Form. The notification form will instruct the student-athlete to report to the testing room within 60 minutes, unless otherwise directed by the crew member. An institutional representative must be present in the drug testing venue.

Section 8•2 Media Obligations

Each team is provided a 10-minute postgame cool-down period. After the cool-down period, a member of the drug testing crew will notify the student-athletes who have been selected for testing. Notification may take place in the locker room (if applicable) or on the field of play. If a selected student-athlete is scheduled to participate in any postgame news conference, he/she is required to attend the news conference first. The student-athlete will be escorted to the drug testing area after all his/her media obligations have been fulfilled.

Section 8•3 Next Day Testing

If competition begins at 10 p.m. or later (local time), both teams will be given the option to defer testing until the next morning. If a team decides to test the next morning, that determination must be confirmed by the institution no later than immediately following the contest. Once testing has begun, testing must be completed and cannot be deferred until the next morning. If deferred until the following day, the testing must begin no later than 10 a.m. (local time) at the original test site.

Section 8•4 Participating Institution's Notification

The institutional representative will be notified of drug testing no sooner than two (2) hours prior to the start of the game by the drug-testing crew chief. After the game, a member of the drug-testing crew will provide the institutional representative with the names of the selected student-athletes.

Section 8•5 Prolonged Test

If the student-athlete's team must depart the championship prior to a student-athlete completing drug testing, an institutional representative must remain with the student-athlete. If the student-athlete and/or institution incur additional expenses because of the delay (e.g., hotel, transportation back to campus, etc.), the institution may request reimbursement from the NCAA.

Section 8•6 Testing Process

Student-athletes are drug tested through urinalysis and must provide a specimen in view of a drug-testing collector of the same gender. The length of the collection process depends on the student-athlete's ability to provide an adequate specimen. If a student-athlete provides an adequate specimen immediately upon arriving in the drug-testing area, the entire process can be completed within 20 minutes. If the student-athlete is unable to provide an adequate specimen, he/she must remain in the drug-testing area until one is provided. There is no maximum allotted time for a student-athlete to provide an adequate specimen.

SECTION 9 • EQUIPMENT

Section 9•1 Balls

The Rawlings NC12L (.47 COR) is the official softball for the championship. Rawlings will supply balls for all championship rounds; no other softball shall be used.

One new game ball should be given to each team prior to the start of each game. The game ball should be returned to the umpire.

Section 9•2 Bats/Bat Testing

Bats used in competition **MUST** appear on the NCAA Approved Softball Bat List. The bat list will be updated the first Monday of April, July and December. You can access the list at sup.arbitersports.com. Additional lists will be posted when a manufacturer withdraws a bat model or the results of bat testing dictate assessing strikes and or removing a model.

Coaches are reminded that they are responsible for legally equipping their team, and bats are to be checked before every game. Please provide umpires with a current bat list and highlight the bats your team will be using during each game, indicating the number of bats of each model that will be on the field or in the team area during the game.

Bat Testing. Bat testing will be conducted at the field house on competition days only, three hours prior to the scheduled game time on (Thursday, June 2 - Friday, June 10).

SECTION 10 • Per Diem and Travel Policies

Section 10•1 Per Diem

Each team is limited to 22 eligible players in uniform and an official reimbursed traveling party of 30.

Section 10•2 Travel Policies

Transportation expenses will be provided for an official traveling party of up to 30 persons.

Please refer to the NCAA travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found online [here](#). Please reference Appendix A of the travel policies for reimbursable travel party numbers.

Travel Expense System. Please reference the NCAA travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem reimbursement. Per diem and other eligible expenses will be reimbursed through the Travel Expense System (TES). Please go to www.travel.ncaa.org to file for reimbursement or request a travel exception. Registration with an institutional email address is required to access TES through NCAA My Apps. The NCAA travel department may be reached at 317-917-6757, or by email at travel@ncaa.org. All institutions must complete the online reimbursement process to receive the appropriate reimbursement.

SECTION 11 • GENERAL CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

Section 11•1 Banners and Artificial Noise Makers

No banners may be posted at the tournament other than the NCAA and approved media banners. Artificial noise makers, air horns, and electronic amplifiers are not permitted and shall be removed upon discovery. Drumsticks are prohibited in the dugouts and ball buckets shall not be used as noise makers.

Section 11•2 Bands, Spirits Squads and Mascots

Bands and spirit squads are prohibited at the Women's College World Series. Mascot and a handler per team are permitted.

Section 11•3 Championship Website

As a reminder, NCAA Championships and Alliances has developed a dedicated website to retain key information from every conference and institution that may participate in an NCAA championship. All sports information administrators, members of the media, the NCAA and our partners (i.e., Turner/CBS, ESPN, IMG College, Van Wagner) will be required to use the site to access logos, fight songs, rosters, photos of student-athletes, teams, coaches, administrators and campus for use on ncaa.com, game programs, banquet videos and video boards at NCAA championships. The sports information director for your team should have received information on how to upload to the NCAA Box site, which is located at <https://ncaaenterprise.box.com/s/0qt5p2t1igv280iztwskp29kdrah0v1r>. If they did not receive instructions and are unable to upload content, please reach out to Michael Gett at mgett@ncaa.org to gain access.

Section 11•4 Credentials

Each participating institution will receive credentials for the official squad size (22 eligible student-athletes), up to a maximum of 10 non-athlete personnel to be in dugout, and three working credentials (one for sports information director and up to two for administrators). Additional credentials may be requested for non-participating student-athletes (on official school roster, eligible to be in dugout and in uniform). Only credentialed personnel will be permitted in credentialed-required areas (e.g. team warm-up areas, locker/team rooms, etc.).

Section 11•5 Hospitality

Players and Team Personnel. Student-athlete/player hospitality will be located inside the team rooms in the USA Softball Field House (pregame) and the locker room behind the dugout (postgame). Fruit, snacks, water, and juices will be available.

Other Hospitality. Team representatives (up to eight) are invited to grab light refreshments in the VIP room located behind the media operations room on the main level of the press box. Individuals with one of the eight HOSPITALITY wristbands will be admitted to this area. The coaches from participating institutions will need a HOSPITALITY wristband for admittance. Student-athletes are not permitted in this area. HOSPITALITY wristbands are not transferable/interchangeable. Again, your cooperation is appreciated in issuing to appropriate personnel.

Note: USA Softball is the official concessionaire of the USA Softball Hall of Fame Stadium. Teams will be allowed to bring in outside food and drink to the ballpark when playing. Contact your OKC CVB team ambassador for references for restaurant establishments with a variety of food options with readiness to meet the needs of a team travel party. If your team is scheduled to play in the Championship Series or back to back games, USA Softball can assist you with a meal from either the concession stands or through one of its third-party vendors. Should you decide to take advantage of this offer, please call Molly Greene 845-802-6573.

Section 11•6 Souvenir Programs

On behalf of the NCAA, IMG College will publish the official souvenir program for the WCWS. Game programs will be sold throughout the stadium on game days. There will be 30 complimentary game programs provided to each team.

Section 11•7 Team Photos

Team photographs for the 2022 NCAA Women's College World Series will be taken on practice day, June 1, according to the schedule in Appendix F.

Photographer Richard Clifton will take the team pictures (in uniform). Teams will be provided 40 copies of an 8x10 photo inserted into a frame at no charge. These framed photos will be provided prior to your departure from Oklahoma City.

Section 11•8 Spec Seats

To order a 2022 WCWS chair, please access the site via <https://www.specseats.com/ncaa> and use the passcode NC@@2022 to order your commemorative chair today. This code is intended for team use and not to be redistributed. For questions, please feel free to contact Jordan Hergott with Spec Seats at jh@specseats.com.



SECTION 12 • LODGING

Section 12•1 Team Hotel(s)

TEAMS WILL BE ASSIGNED TO ONE OF THE HEADQUARTERS HOTELS (see below).

All hotels are in comparable proximity to the USA Softball Hall of Fame Stadium in Oklahoma City and are near to thriving areas of Oklahoma City.

Eighteen (18) double/double rooms, 9 king rooms and 1 suite have been reserved for each team.

Each institution is responsible for contacting the assigned hotel.

Teams should contact their assigned hotel by 6:00 p.m. Sunday, May 29 (or ASAP after advancing).

Super Regional Winner	Hotel	Hotel Contact	Mobile Number	Office Number	Email
Oklahoma	Omni Oklahoma City	Erin Wells	405-588-7528	405-438-6437	Erin.Wells@omnihotels.com
Arizona	Colcord	Julie Schmiedeskamp	251-509-4853	405-208-4325	julies@colcordhotel.com
Florida	Waterford	Jonnie Leckie	405-618-2311	405-858-2417	jleckie@waterfordokc.com
Texas	Sheraton	Leah McIntyre	405-650-2266	405-815-6004	Lmcintyre@sheratonokc.com
UCLA	Hyatt Place	Henry Okon	405-702-4028 ext 5103	912-996-4094	Henry.Okon@aimhosp.com
Oregon State	Aloft Oklahoma City	Jennifer Smith	405-630-9438	405-605-2100 - 2	Jennifer.smith@hawkeyehotel.com
Oklahoma State	Residence Inn	Tracy Blair	405-885-8410	405-702-5608	tracy.blair@atriumhospitality.com
Tempe SR	Wyndham Grand	Tracy Swibold	405-409-7778	405-228-8022	Tracy.swibold@atriumhospitality.com

SECTION 13 • MEDIA SERVICES

Section 13•1 Credentials (Media)

All media, SIDs and team media personnel (radio, photographer, print, team videographer, etc.) requiring access to games for the 2022 Division I Women's College World Series should apply for a credential at www.ncaa.com/media. The primary SID contact should contact Matt Holmes (mholmes@ncaa.org) or Michelle Watsky (mwatsky@ncaa.org) directly with any questions.

Broadcast and Media Services championship policies can also be found at www.ncaa.com/media.

Section 13•2 Press Conferences

There will be individual pre-championship press conferences for each of the eight teams, held Wednesday, June 1 according to the schedule in Appendix F. The press conference times are determined by practice times. The head coach and 2-3 important, contributing players are required to attend the press conference.

Additionally, there will be a press conference to announce the National Fastpitch Coaches' Association (NFCA) All-America team and Gold Glove Award honorees. Select student-athletes that are among the participating WCWS teams may be requested to attend.

Section 13•3 Interview Process

Postgame Press Conferences and ESPN/Westwood One Interviews

A 10-minute cooling-off period is scheduled to allow a coach to meet with the student-athletes in the locker room after the game. This period begins when the coach enters the locker room after the game. Following the conclusion of the cooling-off period there will be a mandatory press conference for each team. The winning team will attend the press conference first, followed by the non-winning team. For the championship game, the runner-up team will attend the press conference first followed by the national championship team.

Additionally, there may be media requests for players who do not participate in the press conference. Due to the setup of the facility, locker rooms are not open to the media after a 10-minute cooling-off period. However, if media outlets have a specific need for players not in the press conference or after press conference attendees are done, you can accommodate those in the tunnels that are adjacent to the press conference room.

Each coach will participate in the postgame press conference with a minimum of at least two student-athletes from each team. Media will be polled in the final minutes of the game for their choices of players to participate in the press conference. The names of the selected student-athletes will be communicated to the institution's sports information director.

The head coach and requested student-athletes will be escorted for postgame press conferences immediately following the cooling-off period. No coach or student-athlete may delay a press conference with the covering media to conduct an interview with a single newspaper, radio, internet or television entity except to conduct short interview(s) with ESPN and/or Westwood One. The head coach and select student-athletes may be required to participate in additional on-camera interviews with ESPN in the studios they have on the lower level of the press box. Please reference the ESPN access document in the Appendix C.

Attendance at all press conferences and one-on-one interviews is mandatory and subject to Failure to Adhere to Administrative Policy.

Section 13•4 Radio Rights

Commercial stations which plan to broadcast the games must pay rights fee to the NCAA. The rights fees are generally waived for student (non-commercial) stations. Complete audio broadcast guidelines as well as the right request application can be found at <https://www.ncaa.com/content/audio-policies-0>. Even if rights have been requested for previous rounds, a new rights request needs to be made for the WCWS.

Section 13•5 Championship Series Interviews

The first team to advance to the WCWS Championship Finals series will meet with ESPN, NCAA.com and Westwood One Sports for interviews at 11 a.m., Tuesday, June 7 and then conduct a press conference at noon. The second team to advance will have a press conference at 12:30 p.m. and meet with ESPN, NCAA.com and Westwood One Sports for interviews at 1 p.m., Tuesday, June 7.

NCAA Fan Experience – Virtual Hospitality Event

Following the championship, the NCAA and On Location request the winning head coach's participation in a virtual NCAA Fan Experience live streaming event. Guests who purchased their championship ticket(s) through the NCAA Fan Experience powered by On Location will be invited to attend the virtual event which will feature a moderator posing questions to the coach regarding their experience at the championship and what's next in the off-season. Guests will also have the opportunity to submit questions for the coach to answer.

The event will be scheduled to take place the week following the championship based on the winning head coach's availability. The event will be no more than a 45-minute commitment and can be conducted in the comfort of the coach's home or office as convenient.

SECTION 14 • MEDICAL

Section 14•1 Ambulance

EMSA will be onsite during the entire championship.

Section 14•2 Athletic Training

Certified athletic trainer(s) will be available in the athletic training facility and assist the participating institutions' sports medicine staff and on site for each scheduled practice or contest. Physician(s) will be on-call for all practice and on site for all game days. When applicable, the host institutions shall provide specialty physicians (e.g., dermatologists, orthopedic, ophthalmologist), dentist, x-ray technicians, emergency medical technicians (EMTs) or licensed massage therapists.

Section 14•3 Championship Medical Contacts

Wade Sundbye (405-503-6233; wsundbye@mcboh.com) will be the medical contact on-site.

Section 14•4 Concussion Management

The NCAA has adopted legislation that requires all active member institutions to have a concussion management plan for their student-athletes. Participating institutions shall follow their concussion management plan while participating in NCAA championships. If a participating team lacks appropriate medical staff to activate its concussion management plan, the host championship concussion management plan will be activated.

The legislation notes, in part, that a student-athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be removed from athletics activities (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) and evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions; a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion is precluded from returning to athletics activity for at least the remainder of that calendar day; medical clearance for return to athletics activity will be determined by the team physician or the physician's designee from the student-athlete's institution. In the absence of a team physician or their designee, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and will determine medical clearance.

A concussion is a brain injury that may be caused by a blow to the head, face, neck or elsewhere on the body with an "impulsive" force transmitted to the head. Concussions can occur without loss of consciousness or other obvious signs. A repeat concussion that occurs before the brain recovers from the previous one (hours, days or weeks) can slow recovery or increase the likelihood of having long-term problems. In rare cases, repeat concussions can result in brain swelling, permanent brain damage and even death.

For further information, please refer to the NCAA website [here](#).

Section 14•5 Hospitals and Emergency Services

OU Medical Center	700 NW 13 th OKC	405-271-4700
St. Anthony Hospital	1000 N Lee Ave OKC	405-272-7000

Mercy Health Center 4300 W Memorial Road OKC 405-755-1515

Integrus Baptist Medical Center 3300 NW Expressway OKC 405-957-8369

Section 14•6 Physicians

Dr. Brian Coleman and Wade Sundbye will be the Physician Coordinators if needed.

SECTION 15• PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS/GUIDELINES

Section 15•1 Ethical Behavior by Coaches

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

The words and actions of a coach carry tremendous influence, particularly on the young people under his or her direction. Thus, it is imperative that they demonstrate and demand high principles of sportsmanship and ethical behavior.

Section 15•2 Misconduct/Failure to Adhere to Policies and Procedures

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 coaches of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct.

Failure to Adhere to Policies and Procedures. A governing sports committee may assess a financial penalty against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing championships administration.

Section 15•3 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 always so that intercollegiate athletics, 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 15•4 Sports Wagering

The NCAA defines sports wagering as putting something at risk- such as an entry fee or a wager- with the opportunity to win something in return. The NCAA opposes all forms of legal and illegal sports wagering on college sports. Student- athletes and athletics administrators cannot place a sports wager for any NCAA-sanctioned sport. This includes wagering on the intercollegiate, amateur or professional level.

A student-athlete involved in sports wagering on the student-athlete's institution permanently loses all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. A student-athlete who is involved in any sports wagering activity that involves college sports or professional athletics, through Internet gambling, a bookmaker, a parlay card or any other method employed by organized gambling, will be ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition for at least one year.

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.

Section 15•5 Tobacco Ban

The use of tobacco products is prohibited by all game personnel (e.g., coaches, trainers, managers and game officials) in all sports during practice and competition. Uniform penalties (as determined by the applicable rules-making committees and sports committees with rules-making responsibilities) will be established for such use.

The use of tobacco products by a student-athlete is prohibited during practice and competition. A student-athlete who uses tobacco products during a practice or competition will be disqualified for the remainder of that practice or competition.

Rule 13.11 of the Softball 2022 and 2023 Rules and Interpretations book is also enforced during all rounds of the championship.

Section 15•6 Use of NCAA Marks

NCAA marks and intellectual property may not be used for product/service endorsements or commercial activity unless approved in writing in advance by the NCAA. This limitation is applicable to anyone seeking to use NCAA marks for endorsement or commercial purposes.

SECTION 16 • SQUAD SIZE/TRAVEL PARTY

Section 16•1 Dugout Size

The number of personnel permitted in the dugouts during the Women's College World Series may include more than the travel party limit of 30: four official coaches, 22 eligible student-athletes in uniform, student assistant coaches and any other student-athletes on the team's official roster. The limit on team personnel (i.e., individuals other than student-athletes on the team's official roster) is 10.

NCAA postseason policies for student-athletes above the established squad size of 22 traveling with teams:

- Up to the number of student-athletes on the team's official roster.
- May be in the dugout (they are expected to conduct themselves with the quality and behavior deserving a championship event and shall abide by all policies and procedures and will be removed if noncompliant).
- May be in uniform or uniform jersey.
- May participate in softball-related activities on the competition field, keep stats while in the dugout, and catch bullpen and line drills.

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 contest to allow a competing institution to conform to the rule.

Section 16•2 Squad Size/Travel Party Size

Each team is limited to 20 eligible players in uniform and an official traveling party of 28, including one sports information director.

After the administrative meeting, no changes may be made in a team roster for any reason. The same players need not be designated for preliminary rounds and finals competition.

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 will be no inordinate delay of the contest to allow a competing institution to conform to the rule.

Section 16•3 Additional Student-Athletes

NCAA postseason policies allow the inclusion of additional student-athletes above the established squad size of 22 if they are student-athletes on the team's official roster.

SECTION 17 • TEAM TRAVEL/LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

Section 17•1 Short's Travel Management

The participating institutions shall be responsible for making their own travel reservations.

Air Travel. Based on the travel policies, if you are eligible for a flight, please contact Short's Travel Management at 866-655-9215 as soon as possible to arrange your air travel.

Your institution user ID and password login credentials for the Short's Portal were emailed to the university director of athletics. If you still need assistance with your Short's Portal user ID and password, please email ncaaalo@shortstravel.com or travel@ncaa.org.

Ground Transportation – Mileage Limits. Teams located within 400 miles of their competition site are required to use ground transportation. Teams located outside 400 miles may use air transportation, which must be booked through Short's Travel. Please reference the NCAA Travel Policies as the travel policies supersede all other documents.

Local Ground Transportation. The NCAA will provide local bus transportation at no charge to the participating teams that fly to the finals round of the softball championship, in Oklahoma City. Teams will work with STM Driven to arrange ground transportation in Oklahoma City, this process is the same as the preliminary round ground transportation process. Teams that drive to the championship will book their own ground transportation, in accordance with the NCAA safety standards, and will be reimbursed through TES after the championship.

NEW FOR 2022: Police Escort for Team Bus Transportation to Game. For all games, police escort units will plan on being in front of team hotel 3 hours before game time. If there are any requests or changes to that schedule teams need to let Lt. John Vincent know before 8 a.m. on game day.

john.vincent@dps.ok.gov
(405) 880-6103

The buses for teams advancing to the championship series will have team specific branding applied. NCAA staff will reach out to the directors of operations to make the arrangements with the advancing teams.

SECTION 18 • TICKETS

Section 18•1 Complimentary Tickets

Participating institutions are not entitled to complimentary tickets. The participating institutions must first purchase tickets, which are then treated as complimentary (player-guest) tickets for the student-athletes.

Section 18•2 Mobile Tickets

All tickets for the Women's College World Series will be mobile, including those for player-guest purposes. All allocated tickets will be forwarded to the designated ticket manager and they will be responsible for transferring the tickets to the end user. In order to transfer tickets, each guest's first and last name, and email address will be needed.

Institutions are required to provide Lori Wolf (lwolf@ncaa.org), by noon Eastern time, Tuesday, May 31, with the name, cell phone number and email address of the institutional ticket representative who will be responsible for mobile ticket distribution. They must be readily available to address any issues or questions that may arise during competition.

Section 18•3 Player-Guest Ticket Distribution

The NCAA strongly encourages institutions to manage their team ticket allotments from campus rather than traveling to Oklahoma City. The NCAA will not provide space at the stadium for institutional ticketing personnel.

Institutions will not be required to obtain in-person signatures from those using player-guest tickets. No special tables or entrances are needed for player-guests as they may enter through any public ticket entrance.

With the use of mobile tickets, the end user of the ticket can be tracked for compliance purposes. If an institution wishes to obtain a signature for the use of player-guest tickets, it is permissible to do so through other means managed by the institution. It is the responsibility of the institution to ensure that all student-athletes and player-guests are aware that all tickets are mobile and the usage of those tickets can be tracked.

Section 18•4 Team Allocations

Infield/Outfield

Each team has the option to purchase up to 210 reserved seats for the game in which its team is playing. Each team will be allocated lower-level seats behind its respective dugout and additional seats in the upper level. There is no minimum or maximum number of tickets that an institution must purchase. Team tickets are sold as single-session tickets only. See below for the seat manifests for the home and visitor sections.

The allocated seats are available to each team for use during its game only. Fans **MUST** move out of the team sections when their team is not playing. It is the responsibility of the participating institutions to monitor these areas for compliance.

Ticket Distribution

Once home and visitor designations have been determined for each game, all 210 tickets will be sold into the account of each institution's ticketing representative. Upon the conclusion of the game, any tickets that were not scanned for entry will be released. Institutions will only be invoiced for tickets that were scanned.

If ADA accessible seats are needed for any of your guests, please contact Lori Wolf (lwolf@ncaa.org) for availability.

Fans wishing to attend games/sessions in which their team is not participating may be directed to the box office or NCAA.com/WCWS to purchase tickets. Standing Room Only (SRO) tickets will be not be sold.

Team Seating Manifests

HOME (THIRD BASE SIDE)

INFIELD (Lower Dugout) Row B is Nearest to Field Seat 14 is Nearest to Home Plate				INFIELD (Upper Grandstand) Row L is Nearest to Field Seat 8 is Nearest to Home Plate			
Sec.	Row	Seats	Total Seats	Sec.	Row	Seats	Total Seats
7	K	14-1	14	210	U	10-1	10
7	J	14-1	14	210	T	10-1	10
7	H	14-1	14	210	S	10-1	10
7	G	14-1	14	210	R	10-1	10
7	F	14-1	14	210	Q	10-1	10
7	E	14-1	14	210	P	10-1	10
7	D	12-1	12	210	N	10-1	10
7	C	12-1	12	210	M	10-1	10
7	B	12-1	12	210	L	10-1	10
Total Seats			120	Total Seats			90

VISITOR (FIRST BASE SIDE)

INFIELD (Lower Dugout) Row B is Nearest to Field Seat 1 is Nearest to Home Plate				INFIELD (Upper Grandstand) Row L is Nearest to Field Seat 1 is Nearest to Home Plate			
Sec.	Row	Seats	Total Seats	Sec.	Row	Seats	Total Seats
13	K	14-1	14	211	U	10-1	10
13	J	14-1	14	211	T	10-1	10
13	H	14-1	14	211	S	10-1	10
13	G	14-1	14	211	R	10-1	10
13	F	14-1	14	211	Q	10-1	10
13	E	14-1	14	211	P	10-1	10
13	D	12-1	12	211	N	10-1	10
13	C	12-1	12	211	M	10-1	10
13	B	12-1	12	211	L	10-1	10
Total Seats			120	Total Seats			90

Section 18•5 Age Guidelines

Children younger than two (2) years of age will be admitted without a ticket provided they sit on an adult's lap and do not occupy a seat. Any child two (2) years of age or older will require a ticket to enter.

Section 18•6 Re-Entry Policy

Re-entry is permitted at the stadium. Guests must exit at designated exit gates in order to receive a hand stamp. Upon returning to the stadium, guests must present their ticket and hand stamp for re-entry. If the ticket or hand stamp are not shown, re-entry will be denied.

Section 18•7 Ticket Prices

Participating institutions will pay \$30 per ticket for the above-mentioned team seats. At the completion of the Women's College World Series, institutions will be invoiced by the NCAA for each ticket used.

Section 18•8 Box Office Hours/Gates

The box office will open 2½ hours prior to the start of the first session on each day of competition. The gates will open 90

minutes prior to the start of each session. All times Central (local).

Session	Date	Box Office Opens	Gates Open	Game Times
1	Thursday, June 2	8:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11 a.m./1:30 p.m.
2	Thursday, June 2	-	4:30 p.m.	6 p.m./ 8:30 p.m.
3	Friday, June 3	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	6 p.m./ 8:30 p.m.
4	Saturday, June 4	11:30 a.m.	12:30 p.m.	2 p.m./6 p.m.
5	Sunday, June 5	11:30 a.m.	12:30 p.m.	2 p.m./6 p.m.
6	Monday, June 6	8:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11 a.m./1:30 p.m. (if)
7	Monday, June 6	-	4:30 p.m.	6 p.m./8:30 p.m. (if)
8	Wednesday, June 8	5 p.m.	6 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
9	Thursday, June 9	4 p.m.	5 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
10 (If necessary)	Friday, June 10	5 p.m.	6 p.m.	7:30 p.m.

Section 18•9 Payment

Full payment for tickets must be forwarded to the NCAA within 45 days of the last date of competition. A \$500 fine shall be assessed for each day an institution fails to pay for its tickets subsequent to the 45-day deadline. The NCAA may waive this provision based extenuating circumstances.

Section 18•10 Ticketing Contact Information

For ticket-related questions or issues, please contact:

Lori Wolf
 NCAA
 317-987-8078
 lwolf@ncaa.org

SECTION 19 • TROPHIES AND AWARDS

Awards will be given to each team (one team trophy and 32 mini-trophies).

Following the championship game an awards ceremony will be held on the infield for the national champion team. The runner-up team may remain in front of their dugout for the presentation of the All-Tournament Team and choose to return to the locker room during the presentation of the national champion awards. The national champion team will line up in front of their dugout during this presentation. Each team must submit the awards presentation form (found in Appendix D) with those individuals they wish to be recognized during the presentation (limited to 32).

To order additional medallions, please go to <https://services.mtmrecognition.com/NCAA/>.

All-Tournament Team. The all-tournament team selection committee will select 12 players, including the most outstanding player. The committee shall be comprised of members of the media, and/or others deemed appropriate by the NCAA media coordinator. The all-tournament team will be announced immediately after the championship finale.

NCAA Elite 90. The Elite 90 award is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average competing at the finals site for each of the NCAA's 90 championships. Each institution that qualifies for the WCWS is eligible to nominate a student-athlete to win the award for this championship. All ties are broken by number of credits completed. For more information regarding this program, please contact Mark Bedics at elite90@ncaa.org or 317-917-6222. All documents, including deadlines and nomination forms can be obtained at the following location – [Elite 90 forms](#).

Student-Athlete Participation Awards. Within 10 business days of qualification, the softball administrator will receive an email from Legends that will provide details about the ordering process, along with a unique Certificate Code which can be redeemed only at NCAA-Awards.com; valid for one participation award per member of your travel party. To ensure that each participant receives an award, a member of your administration must place your team's order, including size information, at NCAA-Awards.com using your Certificate Code. If you would like to purchase additional awards you will have the opportunity to do so online via personal credit card.

Participation award items will be sent to your institution for distribution to your student-athletes within six to eight weeks after your order is placed. If you do not receive information for ordering awards within two weeks of the conclusion of the championship, please contact Erin Hannoy (ehannoy@legends.net) or your NCAA championship manager.

SECTION 20 • UNIFORMS

Section 20•1 Color

Each competing team selected for the NCAA championship must bring at least two sets of uniforms of different colors (light and dark). The home team shall select the desired uniform color first and it is the responsibility of the visiting team to wear a contrasting uniform color to the jersey of the home team. Discrepancies will be settled by the softball committee.

As a reminder, when teams play back-to-back games, they must be prepared to change uniforms, if necessary. By mutual agreement of the participating teams, teams playing back-to-back games, team may agree to stay in the same uniform color. Determination of uniform colors must be approved by the NCAA committee. Noncompliance with this policy may result in failure to follow procedures as outlined in the NCAA Division I Manual. Each team is limited to eligible student-athletes on the school's official roster in uniform. Coaches, trainers and managers on the field, in practice areas, on the bench and in the dugout, all of whom shall be in appropriate team colors.

Section 20•2 Commemorative Patches

Shoulder patches to commemorate each team's participation in the 2022 NCAA Women's College World Series will be provided. Upon your team's arrival in OKC please take two sets of uniforms (1 light and 1 dark; 22 each) to the Sheraton (1 North Broadway Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73102). Please deliver your jerseys to Caroline Bledsoe in

room 620 between the hours of noon and 5 p.m. (*no later than 5 p.m.*) Tuesday, May 31. Patches will be sewn onto two jerseys for each team. **Please indicate the jersey number(s) of players that bat left-handed so that patches are placed on the appropriate shoulder.** *Again, your cooperation is appreciated in getting your uniforms to the Sheraton, room 620 immediately upon arrival to ensure timely return. Please feel free to call Ms. Bledsoe (405-640-2248) to schedule a time if you arrive in OKC early.* Jerseys can be picked up on the morning of Wednesday, June 1. New for 2022, teams may supply additional sets of uniforms (up to four) for the patch application. The additional uniform sets can be coordinated for pick-up no later than Saturday morning. Teams supplying additional sets of uniforms must indicate which two sets will be picked up on Wednesday.

Section 20•3 Logo Policy

[Reference: Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Divisions I 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.

- (a) Athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, helmets, Softball 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 public; and
- (b) The student-athletes institution's official uniform (including numbered racing bibs and warm-ups) and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, head bands, T-shirts, wrist bands, visors or hats, swim caps and towels) shall bear only a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed 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-athletes' 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 20•4 Laundry Service

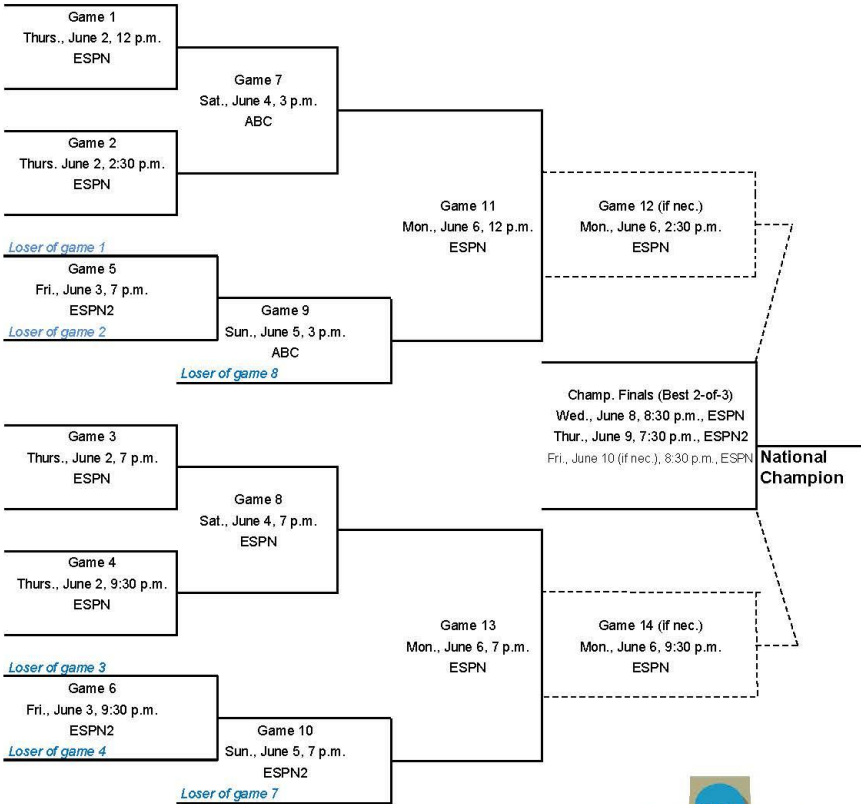
Please contact Jake Scroggins at the University of Oklahoma. 580-399-0866; jakescroggins@ou.edu. Cost will be \$200 (cash only please).



2022 NCAA Women's College World Series

OGE Energy Field at the USA Softball Hall of Fame Complex | Oklahoma City

June 2 - 9/10



All times Eastern and subject to change. *Home Team

Bracket Notes:

1. If the winner of Game 9 defeats the winner of Game 7, then Game 12 is necessary.
2. If the winner of Game 10 defeats the winner of Game 8, then Game 14 is necessary.

Watch the championship on these networks or via the Women's College World Series app.

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APPENDIX B • TRAVEL INFORMATION FORM



If your team qualifies for the 2022 NCAA Women's College World Series, please submit your travel information form electronically to **Sadie Foster** by **5 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, May 30.** (sfoster@ncaa.org)

Team: _____ Coach: _____

Email: _____ Cell: _____

Arrival: _____

Day: _____ Arrival: _____ Time: _____

Flight # _____ Airline: _____

**Teams traveling by air must make all travel arrangements through
Short's Travel at 866-655-9215.**

APPENDIX C • ESPN PRODUCTION ACCESS FORM

Institution:	
Head Coach:	
Sports Information Contact:	
Championship:	
Site:	
Dates:	

REQUESTED ACCESS:	YES	NO	IF YES, CONDITIONS?
Team meetings at the hotel.			
Team meals.			
Team bus.			
Other team activities.			
Video camera, carried by a student-athlete, to document team's tournament experience.			
Interview with a student-athlete and/or coach on field prior to start of game (ESPN will work with SID on recommended SA).			
Access to student-athlete and head coach on practice day for interviews.	REQUIRED		
Closed practice access (e.g., producer, director, talent team).	REQUIRED		
Pre-Game Locker Room Access.	REQUIRED		
In-game interview with home team head coach at the top of the 4 th inning and interview with away head team coach at the bottom of the 4 th inning.	REQUIRED		
Postgame interview with student-athletes & head coach on field at end of game for live telecast. (WINNING TEAM)	REQUIRED		
Interview with head coach and/or student-athletes in basement of press box to occur after the post-game press conference. Student-athletes to be decided after game and communicated through SID and NCAA broadcast rep.	REQUIRED		
Postgame interview with select student-athletes and/or coaches for ESPN studio (please note this will be requested as soon as possible so may occur during cooling off period only if agreeable by school).			
Camera/microphone access to locker rooms – Post game (WINNING TEAM)			

NOTE: ESPN may have multiple platforms onsite covering the championship. The ESPN broadcast production team is the primary ESPN entity that may request access. Other ESPN platforms (i.e., SportsCenter, ESPNNews, ESPN.com, ESPN3, ESPNW, ESPN DePortes, Longhorn Network, SEC Network, ACC Network) shall be treated as other media agencies and shall not be granted access, unless provided with general media access or approved by the team.



APPENDIX D • AWARDS LIST

2022 NCAA Division I Softball Championship

INSTITUTION: _____

STUDENT-ATHLETE PARTICIPANTS

- | | |
|-----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 14. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 15. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 16. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 17. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 18. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 19. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 20. _____ |
| 10. _____ | 21. _____ |
| 11. _____ | 22. _____ |

OTHERS:

- | | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| 23. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 24. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 25. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 26. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 27. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 28. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 29. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 30. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 29. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 30. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 31. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |
| 32. Name: _____ | Title: _____ |

2022 WCWS SCHEDULE--THURSDAY, JUNE 2

	UCLA	Texas	Oklahoma	Northwestern	Florida	Oregon State	Oklahoma State	Arizona
GAME TIME	11 am (H)	11 am (V)	1:30 pm (H)	1:30 pm (V)	6:00 pm (H)	6:00 pm (V)	8:30 pm (H)	8:30 pm (V)
Bat testing (outside team room)	8:00 AM	8:15 AM	10:30 AM	10:45 AM	3:00 PM	3:15 PM	5:30 PM	5:45 PM
In Team Room/practice field	8:30 AM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	3:30 PM	3:30 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM
Team Room	SW	NE	SW	NE	SW	NE	SW	NE
Practice Field	Field 4	Field 3	Field 4	Field 3	Field 4	Field 3	Field 4	Field 3
On competition field	45 minutes before scheduled game time (if first game of session; not to impede grounds crew) or immediately following preceding game							
Out of Dugout Locker Room	60 minutes after the conclusion of your game							

SCHEDULE TEMPLATE FOR GAME DAYS

	HOME TEAM	VISITING TEAM
Bat testing (outside team room)	3 hours prior to game time	2 hours, 45 minutes prior to game time
In Team Room/practice field	2 hours, 30 minutes prior to game time	2 hours, 30 minutes prior to game time
Team Room	SW	NE
Practice Field	Field 4	Field 3
On competition field	45 minutes before scheduled game time (if first game of session; not to impede grounds crew) or immediately following preceding game	
Out of Dugout Locker Room	60 minutes after the conclusion of your game	

WCWS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1 SCHEDULE

	GAME 1 HOME - UCLA	GAME 1 VISITOR - Texas	GAME 2 HOME- Oklahoma	GAME 2 VISITOR – Northwestern	GAME 3 HOME - Florida	GAME 3 VISITOR – Oregon State	GAME 4 HOME – Oklahoma State	GAME 4 VISITOR - Arizona
TEAM PHOTO IN UNIFORM (STADIUM FIELD)	8-8:10	9-9:10	10-10:10	10:40-10:50	3-3:10	4-4:10	3:30-3:40	4:10-4:20
ESPN/NCAA INTERVIEWS & TEASES/ WESTWOOD ONE	8:15-9:45	9:15-10:45	10:15-11:45	11:15-12:45	1-2:30	2-3:30	3:45-5:15	4:50-6:20
FIELDHOUSE TEAM ROOM ACCESS	9:25-9:55	10:25-10:55	11:25-11:55	12:25-12:55	2:45-3:25	3:45-4:25	4:55-5:25	6-6:30
PRACTICE FIELD (CLOSED)	9:55-10:45	10:55-11:45	11:55-12:45	12:55-1:45	3:25-4:15	4:25-5:15	5:25-6:15	6:30-7:20
STADIUM FIELD (OPEN)	10:55-11:45	11:55-12:45	12:55-1:45	1:55-2:45	4:25-5:15	5:25-6:15	6:25-7:15	7:30-8:20
PRESS CONFERENCE*	11:55-12:10	12:55-1:10	1:55-2:10	10:55-11:10	2:40-2:55	3:40-3:55	3:10-3:25	4:25-4:40

* NFCA PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE ALL-AMERICANS AND GOLD GLOVE HONOREES TO TAKE PLACE AFTER TEAM PRESS CONFERENCES HAVE CONCLUDED

APPENDIX G RAIN DELAY SCHEDULE (PRACTICE DAY)

	Game 1 Home - UCLA	Game 1 Visitor - Texas	Game 2 Home - Oklahoma	Game 2 Visitor – Northwestern	Game 3 Home - Florida	Game 3 Visitor – Oregon State	Game 4 Home – Oklahoma State	Game 4 Visitor - Arizona
ESPN/NCAA INTERVIEWS & TEASES/ WESTWOOD ONE	9-10:30	10-11:30	11-12:30	12-1:30	2-3:30	3-4:30	4-5:30	5-6:30
PRESS CONFERENCE	10:30-10:45	11:30-11:45	12:30-12:45	1:30-1:45	1:45-2	2:45-3	3:45-4	4:45-5
FIELDHOUSE TEAM ROOM ACCESS	10:20-10:50	11:20-11:50	12:20-12:50	1:20-1:50	3:05-3:35	4:05-4:35	5:05-5:35	6:05-6:35
TRAVEL TO D-BAT	10:50-11:10	11:50-12:10	12:50-1:10	1:50-2:10	3:35 – 3:55	4:35-4:55	5:35-5:55	6:35-6:55
BATTING CAGES	11:10-12:05	12:10-1:05	1:10-2:05	2:10-3:05	3:55-4:50	4:55-5:50	5:35-6:50	6:55-7:50
INFIELD/TURF	12:10-1:05	1:10-2:05	2:10-3:05	3:10-4:05	4:55-5:50	5:55-6:50	6:55-7:50	7:55-8:50

APPENDIX H • TIMING SHEET

2022 NCAA DIVISION I SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

WOMEN'S COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

GAME 1 – THURSDAY, JUNE 2ND

PRE-GAME PROTOCOL AND TIMING SHEET (with National Anthem)

_____ vs. _____
(visitor) (home)

GAME TIME – 11:06 a.m. LOCAL

	<u>Scoreboard Clock</u>	<u>Time of Day</u>
Gates open.	96:00	9:30
Line drills home team.	25:00	10:41
Line drills away team.	20:00	10:46
Teams in / near dugouts for intros.	14:00	10:52
Welcome.	14:00	10:52
Team introductions. (non-starters followed by starters)	13:00	10:53
1. Visiting team (lines up on baseline in front of dugout, facing dugout; first player lines up nearest home plate, with last person named lining up nearest first base).		
2. Home team (lines up on baseline in front of dugout, facing dugout; first player lines up nearest home plate, with last person named lining up nearest third base).		
3. Introduction of umpires (stand behind home plate).		
National Anthem.	9:00	10:57
Umpires and coaches at home plate.	5:00	11:01
Teams take field on ESPN cue.	2:00	11:04
Game begins on ESPN cue.	0:00	11:06

GAME 2 – THURSDAY, JUNE 2ND

PRE-GAME PROTOCOL AND TIMING SHEET

_____ vs. _____
(visitor) (home)

GAME TIME – 1:36 p.m. LOCAL

	<u>Scoreboard Clock</u>	<u>Time of Day</u>
Grounds Crew field prep.	30:00	1:06 or _____
Line drills home team.	20:00**	1:16 or _____
Line drills away team.	15:00**	1:21 or _____
Team in / near dugout for intros.	9:30	1:26:30 or _____
Team introductions.	9:00	1:27 or _____
1. Visiting team (lines up on baseline in front of dugout, facing dugout; first player lines up nearest home plate, with last person named lining up nearest first base).		
2. Home team (lines up on baseline in front of dugout, facing dugout; first player lines up nearest home plate, with last person named lining up nearest third base).		
3. Introduction of umpires (stand behind home plate).		
Umpires and coaches at home plate.	5:00	1:31 or _____
Teams take field on ESPN cue.	2:00	1:34 or _____
Game begins on ESPN cue.	00:00	1:36 or _____

*****Might be a slight adjustment to the start time for line drills, but duration of line drills will still be 5 minutes*****

IMPORTANT NOTE:

If Game 1 runs long, Game 2 will start (first pitch) 30 minutes following Game 1. The NCAA Broadcast Manager will determine the “official” end of the previous game as teams go through the handshake line. Then, with his/her stopwatch (which will be synchronized with the ESPN Truck), he/she will coordinate the timing sequence (via the Time Out Coordinator’s headset) for start of this game with ESPN. The USA Softball Hall of Fame Stadium Staff, NCAA Championships Staff, NCAA Committee, Teams and Coaches will be notified of the start time as soon as possible.

Hall of Fame Stadium Evacuation Plan – Tornado/Lightning Warning

If you are playing on the Main Stadium Field (OG&E Energy Field), take shelter in assigned lockers room and/or designated team area.

If you are a team watching a game on the Main Stadium Field (OG&E Energy Field), take shelter in stadium basement through the dugouts and/or designated team area.

If you are playing or practicing on any field besides the Main Stadium Field (OG&E Energy Field)

If a tornado or lightning warning is issued, follow the main sidewalk to the Field House and/or designated team area.

If a **lightning storm** approaches suddenly and there is no time to evacuate the practice fields, do the following:

1. Get in a crouch position in the dugouts with hands and feet away from the dugout fencing. **Do not touch the sides of the dugout.**
2. If there is no safe shelter in a reasonable distance, crouch in a thick grove of small trees surrounded by taller trees, or in a dry ditch. Assume a crouched position on the ground, with only the balls of the feet touching the ground, wrap your arms around your knees and lower your head. **Minimize contact with the ground.**
3. Stay away from the tallest trees or objects (i.e., light poles or flag poles), metal objects (such as metal fences or metal bleachers), individual trees, standing pools of water, and open fields. Avoid being the highest object in a field, and do not take shelter under a single, tall tree.

If you are Tournament Personnel, a School Representative, Media

Tornado Warning: Take shelter in the media spaces below the Main Stadium Field.

Lightning Warning: Take shelter in VIP Hospitality, Press Box or other Media spaces.

If you are an Umpire, take shelter in the umpire's room located in the Field House or in the basement under the Main Stadium Field through the dugouts.

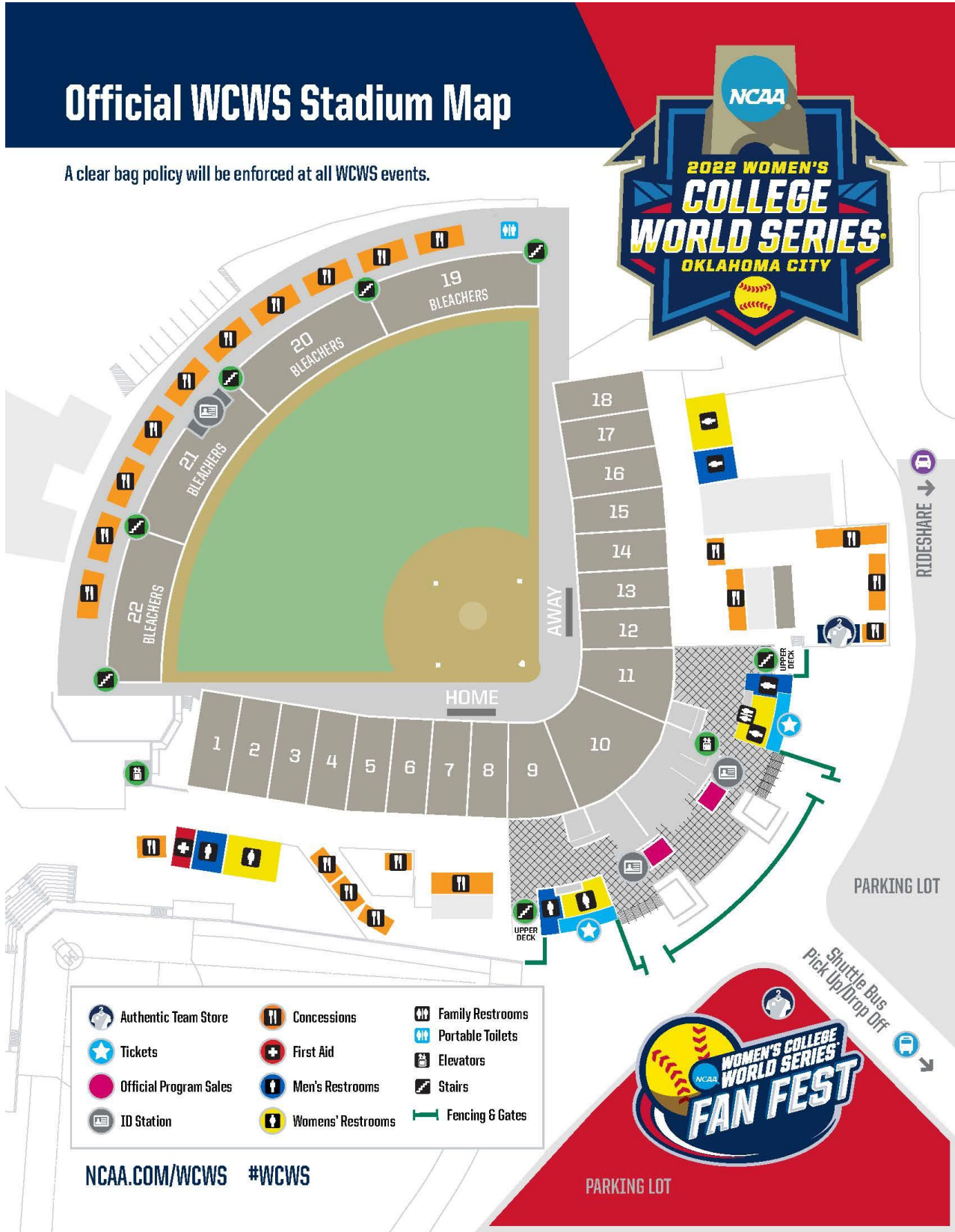
If you are a Fan or Spectator, should sufficient time be provided for proper evacuation, evacuate the facility immediately in a direction away from the storm and seek shelter in personal vehicle. In the case of insufficient time being provided for proper evacuation, seek shelter in the areas provided by USA Softball Hall of Fame Complex.

**All the shelter areas are extremely safe!
Please adhere to the instructions of the championship personnel and go to
your assigned shelter as soon as you are told.
You will be informed as to when it is safe to return to the facility and/or field of play.**

APPENDIX J • VENUE MAPS,
INSTAGRAMABLE SPOTS, AND SUMMER
GUIDE THINGS TO DO

Official WCWS Stadium Map

A clear bag policy will be enforced at all WCWS events.



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|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Authentic Team Store | Concessions | Family Restrooms |
| Tickets | First Aid | Portable Toilets |
| Official Program Sales | Men's Restrooms | Elevators |
| ID Station | Womens' Restrooms | Stairs |
| | | Fencing & Gates |

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Official WCWS Event Map

A clear bag is required for all WCWS events



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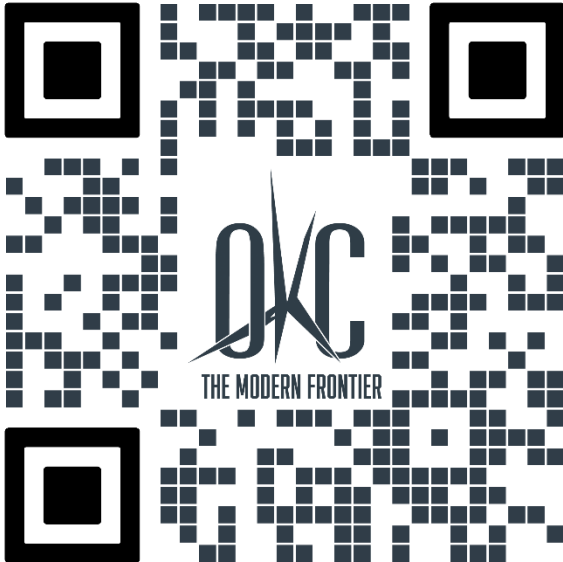
INSTAGRAMABLE SPOTS



SUMMER GUIDE THINGS TO DO



MODERN FRONTIER ATTRACTIONS PASS





APPENDIX K • CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

Championship History

1982 – UCLA	2002 – California
1983 – Texas A&M	2003 – UCLA
1984 – UCLA	2004 – UCLA
1985 – UCLA	2005 – Michigan
1986 – Cal State Fullerton	2006 – Arizona
1987 – Texas A&M	2007 – Arizona
1988 – UCLA	2008 – Arizona State
1989 – UCLA	2009 – Washington
1990 – UCLA	2010 – UCLA
1991 – Arizona	2011 – Arizona State
1992 – UCLA	2012 – Alabama
1993 – Arizona	2013 – Oklahoma
1994 – Arizona	2014 – Florida
1995 – Vacated	2015 – Florida
1996 – Arizona	2016 – Oklahoma
1997 – Arizona	2017 – Oklahoma
1998 – Fresno State	2018 – Florida State
1999 – UCLA	2019 – UCLA
2000 – Oklahoma	2020 – No tournament due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
2001 – Arizona	2021 – Oklahoma