



Division II Softball Preliminary Round Video Review Policy

Effective: 1/29/2025

- Video review is not required at regional and super-regional sites.
- The expenses associated with video review (equipment, staff, etc.) are NOT reimbursable by the NCAA.
- Sites using video review during the regular season may use it during the NCAA championship if they meet the following requirements.
 - a. Hosts must be able to provide the number of video review stoppages that occurred during the regular season (coaches challenges and/or reviews initiated by the umpire crew) during the regular season, indicate which games there were challenges, and list the total number of games video review was made available when submitting their bid materials. (Subject to review by committee)
 - b. In games utilizing video review, a minimum of three video review stoppages (coaches challenges and/or reviews initiated by the umpire crew) must occur during the regular season.
 - c. Hosts must identify the type of video review system used (ex: Umpires go to an iPad and review themselves; Umpires go to a monitor and an attendant shows them views, etc.) when submitting their bid materials.
 - d. Video replay system must consist of a minimum of one camera. (Note: A phone camera is not sufficient.)
 - e. Host must have one staff member designated to video review during competition. This cannot be the tournament director or site representative.
 - f. Video review must be conducted within compliance of NCAA Softball Rules.
- Opposing coaches must be permitted to see the camera locations prior to the game. During the NCAA championship, this should occur on practice day and reviewed during the administrative meeting.
- Umpires should meet with the host staff to view the equipment/camera views/angles and test how the equipment works prior to the game. Video review policies/protocols should be discussed during the administrative meeting on site and during the officials meeting.

For regular season video review best practices, please refer to the best practices document [here](#).