



**2020-21 IMPORTANT UPDATES
DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING
REVISED 10/26/2021**

The NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee is providing these important updates that will be effective for the 2020-21 season and the 2021 NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships. More detailed information will be included in the NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Pre-championships Manual, which will be posted on ncaa.org in early December.

1. **New championship dates.** The Division II Championships Committee approved to move the 2021 Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships by one week to March 17-20. The playing and practice season was adjusted from 144 to 151 days to correspond with the new championship dates.
2. **Minimum and maximum contests and participants requirements for 2020-21.** As a result of COVID-19, the requirements for sport sponsorship and regular-season minimum and maximum contests for participation in the Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships were adjusted as follows by the Division II Championships Committee.

Minimum Number of Contests for Sponsorship: 5

Minimum Number of Contests for Selections: 5 with 11 participants per gender

Maximum Number of Dates: 12

Note: These numbers are for the 2020-21 academic year only. The maximum and minimum contests requirements will return to the previously legislated and policy numbers for the 2021-22 academic year (see 2019-20 NCAA Division II Manual).

3. **Splits reminder.** When submitting results, coaches must also request intermediate splits within the same 72-hour deadline. The committee will continue to permit the use of 50-yard splits for relay entries.
4. **Diving finalist introductions.** For the championships schedule of events, the committee moved the introduction of the diving finalists before the previous swim event's awards presentation.
5. **Student-athlete introductions.** For the championships, the committee agreed to introduce student-athletes and relay teams before taking the start for the consolation finals.
6. **2020-21 important dates.** See next pages for important dates for the 2020-21 season.

2020-21 Important Dates – revised 10/26/2021

- Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2020 – Team roster maintenance tool is available on www.usaswimming.org/ncaa.
- Monday, Sept. 7, 2020 – Qualifying period begins Sept. 7, or on institution’s fourth day of classes for the fall term as set forth in its catalog; counting Monday through Friday only, whichever is earlier.
- Ongoing – Submission of meet results and requests for intermediate split times due within 72-hours of competition. See NCAA Results Reporting. www.usaswimming.org/ncaa.
- Friday, Sept. 11, 2020 – Updates to Team Information must be submitted. www.usaswimming.org/ncaa.
- Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020 – All initial team rosters must be submitted. www.usaswimming.org/ncaa.
- Friday, Jan. 15, 2021, or before competition starts for spring semester, whichever comes first – Final roster updates must be submitted. www.usaswimming.org/ncaa.
- Wednesday, March 3, 2021 – Last day of qualification for men's and women's championships (11:59 p.m. local time).
- Thursday, March 4, 2021 – All results must be submitted for swimming and diving by 5 p.m. Eastern time.
- Thursday, March 4, 2021 – Online entries for swimming (USA Swimming) and diving (DiveMeets) due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern time. The swimming entry list will be posted for review at www.usaswimming.org/ncaa. The entry review and challenge period begins as soon as the entry list is posted.
- Friday, March 5, 2021 – Coaches who entered more than 18 swimmers must be available to receive a call from the NCAA championships manager between 8 a.m. and noon Eastern time.
- Friday, March 5, 2021 – Noon Eastern time, deadline for coaches to inform Macie McNichols (mmcnichols@usaswimming.org), in writing, of any swimmers who became unavailable for championships competition after entries were submitted.

- Friday, March 5, 2021 – Entry challenges are due by 3 p.m. Eastern time.
- Saturday, March 6, 2021 – Official qualification lists, including alternates, will be posted on ncaa.com by 5 p.m. Eastern time.
- Monday, March 8, 2021 – Relay confirmations and designation of relay-only swimmers (up to four) must be submitted in writing to Roberta Page (rpage@ncaa.org) by 5 p.m. Eastern time.
- Tuesday, March 16, 2021 – Diving qualification meet at the Birmingham CrossPlex in Birmingham, Alabama.
- Wednesday-Saturday, March 17-20, 2021 – Men's and Women's Championships at the Birmingham, CrossPlex in Birmingham, Alabama.

Please contact a member of the Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee or Roberta Page, director, championships and alliances at the NCAA (rpage@ncaa.org), if you have any questions regarding these updates.