

## REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE OCTOBER 25, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE

## ACTION ITEMS.

None.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

• Reduction in championship field. The committee formalized its recommended bracket reduction as requested by the Championships Committee. The attached document outlines the bracket reduction, access ratio ranges, and adjustments to championship format in both the preliminary rounds and championship finals site. The committee agrees that with the increase in teams at each regional site, the addition of site representatives and additional officials at the preliminary rounds will ensure that the competition is properly supported given the adjustment of teams per site.

Upon receiving the financial analysis, the committee will reconvene to finalize a recommendation to share with the Championships Committee.

Committee Chair: Josh Cobble, Cameron University, Lone Star Conference.

Staff Liaison(s): Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.

Dallas Woods, Championships and Alliances.

Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Committee						
October 25, 2024, Videoconference						
Attendees:						
Josh Cobble, Cameron University.						
Joey Eskridge, Anderson University.						
Karen Henson, Drury University.						
Madeline Simmons, Missouri Western University.						
Christi Wade, West Alabama University.						
Stefanie Whitby, Wilmington University (Delaware).						
Absentees:						
None.						
Guests in Attendance:						
None.						
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:						
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.						
Lindsey Eldred, Championships and Alliances.						
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:						

MEN'S TENNIS			
Championship Bracket			
	Field size	Reduction of teams	Access ratio
Current Format	48	-	2.98
Option 1 - Recommended Future Format	34	14	4.18

WOMEN'S TENNIS			
Championship Bracket			
	Field size	Reduction of teams	Access ratio
Current Format	48	-	4.15
Recommended Future Format	48	-	4.15
Option 2 - Recommended Future Format	46	2	4.33

Preliminary Round Structure								
	Number of rounds	Number of sites	Regional allocation (cap/min) Based on current sport sponsorship and access ratios	Teams per site	Dates of competition*	Days between prelim to final	Officials	Site Rep
Current Format	1 or 2 rounds per gender	16	8 (cap), 4 (min)	2 - 4 per gender	1 or 2  Friday/Saturday OR	Finish on Saturday, arrive Sunday, practice Monday = 7 days in between OR Finish on Tuesday, arrive on Monday, practice Tuesday = 5 days in between	Minimum 2 per site (reimbursed through host budget) 32 total for prelim rounds	No. Tennis does not currently have site reps.
Recommended Future Format	2 or 3 rounds per gender 3 team - 2 rounds 4 team - 2 rounds 5 team - 3 rounds 6 team - 3 rounds	8	Men's: 6 (cap), 3 (min) Women's: 8 (cap), 4 (min)	Men's: 3-6 Women's: 4-8	2 or 3 Thursday/Fiday/Saturday OR Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday	Finish on Saturday, arrive on Monday, practice on Tuesday = 8 days in between OR Finish on Wednesday, arrive on Tuesday, practice on Wednesday = 5 days in between *noting the arrival of one gender early if both qualify - tight turnaround	4 per site (reimbursed through host budget) 32 total for prelim rounds	Yes. One per site.

Note: Regional champions would be awarded a regional championship trophy in proposed format.

Final Site Structure							
	Field size	Dates of competition*	Day off	Officials			
Current Format	16 teams per gender	Monday-Saturday	Between quarterfinals & semi finals (Thursday or Friday)	28-30 officials			
Recommended Future Format	8 teams per gender	Tuesday-Saturday (1 day of practice, 4 days of competition, including day off) OR Wednesday-Sunday (1 day of practice, 4 days of competition, including day off)	Between quarterfinals & semi finals (Thursday or Friday)	20 officials			

<sup>\*</sup>Competition days flip annually between the genders