



PARTICIPANT 2024-25 MANUAL

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Section 1 • Introduction/Welcome

On behalf of the NCAA Women's Beach Volleyball Committee, thank you for being an important part of the 2025 National Collegiate Beach Volleyball Championship.

Administration of the National Collegiate Beach Volleyball Championship is under the direction of the NCAA Women's Beach Volleyball Committee. The hosts play an integral part in the successful administration of the championship.

Section 1.1 • Championship Websites

For more information about the National Collegiate Beach Volleyball Championship, please visit NCAA.com [here](#) and the NCAA Media Center page [here](#).

Section 2 • NCAA Mission Statement

The core purpose of the NCAA is to govern competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner, and to integrate intercollegiate athletics into higher education so that the educational experience of the student-athlete is paramount.

Section 3 • NCAA Committee/Staff NCAA Women's Beach Volleyball Committee

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Section 4 • Definition of Staff Roles

Championship. Postseason competition conducted by the NCAA in a particular sport, in which eligible student-athletes and teams of active member institutions compete to determine the division champion (or National Collegiate champion in sports that do not have a separate division championship) in that sport.

Governing Sports Committee. The NCAA membership committee responsible for developing policies and procedures governing the administration and conduct of the championship under its jurisdiction, subject to the approval of the applicable division's governance structure and the requirements, standards and conditions prescribed by NCAA Bylaw 31.

Host Institution/Conference. An active NCAA member institution and/or conference selected to serve as host for a championship. The host shall administer the finances of an NCAA championship in accordance with the institutional/conference championship budget, as submitted during the selection process and approved by the governing sports committee.

Local Organizing Committee. A local organization formed in the city where a member institution/conference proposes to host an NCAA championship, to provide to the NCAA service and assistance in connection with the various activities related to the championship. The host institution/conference must be a part of the leadership of the local organizing committee.

NCAA Championships Manager. The staff member(s) representing the NCAA championships and alliances staff assigned to serve as administrator(s) for a championship.

Tournament Manager. The function of the tournament manager is to ensure that the policies of the committee are applied. Specific responsibilities may include direction and supervision of facility arrangements, ticket sales, and development of participant information, security, lodging, transportation, promotions, financial administration, and adherence to the policies outlined in the NCAA operations manual for hosts.

Participating teams should direct site-specific questions to their tournament manager. Contact information is in Section 5.

Media Coordinator. The host media coordinator works with the NCAA media coordinator or

championships manager to ensure that the committee's policies regarding media are applied. Responsibilities may include planning and supervision of media work areas, coordination of all news conferences, statistical services, and communications.

Section 4.1 • Role of the NCAA

The NCAA championships and alliances staff, working in conjunction with the NCAA sport committees and other NCAA partners, will lead the planning efforts, management and execution of all NCAA championships and events. The NCAA will oversee all aspects of the championship and its related activities, including facility operations and space allocations, hotel accommodations, media and team operations, hospitality functions and social events, in venue entertainment, fan and sponsor events, broadcast programming, youth events, as well as many other aspects.

The NCAA will work closely with the host institution/conference, competition venue and local organizing committee to ensure that the championship provides a positive and rewarding experience for student-athletes and fans.

Section 5 • Host Personnel

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Section 6 • Checklist

PARTICIPATING INSTITUTION CHECKLIST

(Refer to the appropriate page in the General Information Booklet for more information, where applicable.)

- ☐ Make official travel party arrangements through the NCAA Travel Service (Short's Travel: 866-655-9215).
- ☐ Distribute copies of this manual to all staff members who may be assigned specific tournament responsibilities (e.g., coaches, trainer, manager, designated administrator, sports information director, ticket manager, band director, spirit squad sponsor.)
- ☐ Discuss ticket procedures and policies with your ticket manager and prepare to advise Sarah Cooper of your needs. (See page 22)
- ☐ Review schedule of events with the head coach and staff: news conferences, practice schedule, administrative meeting. (See pages 5-8)
- ☐ Make local ground transportation arrangements for the team, staff and fans (e.g., reserve buses, vans or cars). (See page 22)
- ☐ **By 2 p.m. Central time, Monday, April 28** – Submit rooming list (see appendices) for your block of rooms to your designated hotel. (Page 15) **This is a hard deadline for submission. You will have 24 hours after the receipt of confirmation to make any changes.**
- ☐ **By 4 p.m. Central time, Monday, April 28** – Submit the Team Travel Itinerary Form, Official Travel Party List and Player/Guest Ticket (Wristband)/Banquet form to Sarah Cooper at scooper@alabamasbeaches.com. (See appendices)
- ☐ **By 4 p.m. Central time, Monday, April 28** – Elite 90 submission deadline. Submission form can be found at [Elite 90 forms](#).
- ☐ Any radio, television station or Internet-only entity that intends to stream audio, video or play-by-play update over the Internet must submit a formal request through the NCAA. To apply for rights, please visit ncaa.com/media. If you have questions, please contact Cassie Langdon (clangdon@ncaa.org).

Section 7 • Schedule of Events

(All times are Central Time unless noted differently)

2025 National Collegiate Beach Volleyball Championship

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Sunday, April 27

5 p.m. ET	Conference call with 16 participating teams, NCAA and the Gulf Shores/UAB LOC	Via Teams Video Link
	Structural Set up in Gulf Shores	Gulf Shores Beach
	Sports Imports on Site – Net Set Up	Gulf Shores Beach

Wednesday, April 30

All Day	Committee Arrival in Pensacola	Pensacola, Florida
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Media Credential pick up	Orange Beach Welcome Center
9 a.m. -5 p.m.	Potential Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD

Thursday, May 1

7 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Training room open	Gulf Shores Beach Trainer's Tent
7 a.m. - End	Gates open to the public	West Entrance
7:30 – 9 a.m.	Seeds 4 and 13 PRACTICE 7:30 – 8 One practice court each 8 – 9 Competition Courts 3 & 5 and 2 & 4	Practice/Competition Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
7– 7:30 a.m.	Seed 12 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
7:30 - 8 a.m.	Seed 5 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Media credential pick up	Orange Beach Welcome Center
8:30 – 9 a.m.	Seed 16 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
8:45-10:15 a.m.	Seeds 5 and 12 PRACTICE 8:45 – 9:15 One practice court each 9:15 – 10:15 Competition Courts 3 & 5 and 2 & 4	Practice/Competition Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
9 – 9:30 a.m.	Seed 13 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
9:30 – 10 a.m.	Seed 4 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
10 – 11:30 a.m.	Seeds 1 and 16 PRACTICE 10 – 10:30 One practice court each 10:30 – 11:30 Competition Courts 3 & 5 and 2 & 4	Practice/Competition Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
10 – 10:30 a.m.	Seed 8 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Box office open	Box Office
10:30 – 11 a.m.	Seed 9 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
11 – 11:30 a.m.	Seed 15 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
11:15 a.m. – 12:45	Seeds 8 and 9 PRACTICE	Practice/Competition

p.m.	11:15– 11:45 – One practice court each 11:45-12:45 Competition Courts 3 & 5	Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
11:30 a.m. – Noon	Seed 1 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
Noon – 12:30 p.m.	Seed 2 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
12:30 – 1 p.m.	Seed 10 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
12:30 – 2 p.m.	Seeds 2 and 15 PRACTICE 12:30 – 1 One practice court each 1 – 2 Competition Courts 3 & 5 and 2 & 4	Practice/Competition Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
1:15 – 1:45 p.m.	Seed 7 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
1:45 – 2:15 p.m.	Seed 14 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
1:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Seeds 7 and 10 PRACTICE 1:45 – 2:15 One practice court each 2:15 – 3:15 Competition Courts 3 & 5 and 2 & 4	Practice/Competition Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
2:30 – 3 p.m.	Seed 3 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
3 – 3:30 p.m.	Seed 6 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
3 – 4:30 p.m.	Seeds 3 and 14 PRACTICE 3 – 3:30 One practice court each 3:30 – 4:30 Competition Courts 3 & 5 and 2 & 4	Practice/Competition Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
3:30 – 4 p.m.	Seed 11 Head Coach sit down with ESPN off camera	TBD
4:15 - 5:45 p.m.	Seeds 6 and 11 PRACTICE 4:15 – 4:45 One practice court each 4:45 – 5:45 Competition Courts 3 & 5 and 2 & 4	Practice/Competition Courts Even Seeds on Courts 2&4 Odd Seeds on Courts 3&5
6 p.m.	Site Closes	Gulf Shores Beach
6:30 – 7:45 p.m.	Championship Celebration	The Hangout Courtyard

Friday, May 2

6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Box office open	Box Office
7 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Team warm up for duals – teams can take practice courts one hour prior to scheduled	Gulf Shores Beach Practice Courts

	dual time	
7 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Training room open	Gulf Shores Beach Trainer's Tent
7 a.m. – End	Gates open to the public	West Entrance
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Media Credential Pick up	Orange Beach Welcome Center
8 a.m. - 6 p.m	<p>Championship Duals 1-8. (ESPN2 to air all live)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dual 1 - 8 a.m. (4 & 13) • Dual 2 - not before 9 a.m. (5 & 12) • Dual 3 - not before 10 a.m. (1 & 16) • Dual 4 - not before 11 a.m. (8 & 9) • Dual 5 - not before Noon (2 & 15) • Dual 6 - not before 1 p.m. (7 & 10) • Dual 7 - not before 2 p.m. (3 & 14) • Dual 8 – not before 3 p.m. (6 & 11) <p>All teams will have a minimum of a 10-minute warmup.</p>	Gulf Shores Beach Competition Courts 1-5 Duals 1-8 all five pairs start at the same time.
8 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Post dual media mix zone for teams	Media Interview Tent
7 p.m.	Site Closed	Gulf Shores Beach

Saturday, May 3

7 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Box office open	Box Office
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Media Credential Pick up	Orange Beach Welcome Center
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Team warm up for duals – teams can take practice courts one hour prior to scheduled dual time	Gulf Shores Beach Practice Courts
8 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Training room open	Gulf Shores Beach Trainer's Tent
8 a.m. - End	Gates open to the public	West Entrance
9 a.m. - 6 p.m	<p>Championship Duals 10-15. (ESPN2 to air all live)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dual 9 - 9 a.m. • Dual 10 - not before 10 a.m. • Dual 11 - not before 11 a.m. • Dual 12 - not before noon • Dual 13 - not before 1 p.m. (Semifinal) • Dual 14 - not before 2:30 p.m. (Semifinal) <p>All teams will have a minimum of a 10-minute warmup.</p>	Gulf Shores Beach Competition Courts 1-5 Duals 9-12 all five pairs start at the same time Duals 13 & 14 courts 2 & 4 start; courts 1, 3 & 5 start 12 minutes later

10 - 4 p.m.	Post dual media mix zone for teams	Media Interview Tent
4 p.m.	Championship Meeting with two final head coaches and administrators	Competition Court 1
6 p.m.	Site Closed	Gulf Shores Beach

Sunday, May 4

7 a.m. - End	Training room open	Gulf Shores Beach Trainer's Tent
8 a.m. - End	Box office open	Box Office
8:30 a.m. - End	Gates open to the public	West Entrance
8:30 a.m.	Team warm up for Championship Dual	Gulf Shores Beach Practice Courts
9:30 a.m.	Championship Dual on ESPN	Gulf Shores Beach Courts 2 & 4 start; courts 1,3 & 5 start 12 minutes later

Section 7.1 • Administrative Meeting

[Reference: Misconduct in this manual and Bylaws 31.02.3 and 31.1.10 in the NCAA Division I Manual.]

The NCAA will conduct a mandatory administrative meeting at 5 p.m. ET, Sunday, April 28 via Teams to review championship matters. It is mandatory that each institution's athletics director, or senior woman administrator (or designated administrator other than a member of the coaching staff) and the head coach attend the meeting. Sports information director attendance is optional.

Section 7.2 • Reception

The student-athlete reception will take place at The Hangout (101 E. Beach Blvd., Gulf Shores, AL 36542) Thursday, May 1, from 6:30-7:45 p.m., featuring team activities for 19 guests, which include the official travel party. Teams are allowed to have their team photographer and videographer at the event, but these individuals would be counted toward your 19 guests. If teams would like to purchase additional tickets to the reception for staff or additional student-athletes, they are \$60 per person and need to be communicated on your team's ticket request form no later than Monday, April 28. Please keep in mind this is meant to be a team event when considering purchasing additional tickets. The reception is not open to parents or the general public. The Hangout will NOT be open to the public during the reception.

Teams should arrive no later than 6:30 p.m.

Due to limited bus parking on-site at the reception, buses should drop off the official party and then park at the locations specified below.

If team transportation is dropping the official travel party off north of The Hangout on East Beach

Boulevard, they will need to pull to the southernmost shoulder of the road before reaching the one-way street and traffic light at East 1st Street.

Teams staying at Phoenix All Suites West Will be located in the lot labeled Pier 33 Overnight Bus Parking (800 W Beach Blvd.)

Teams staying at Island Winds East & West Will be located in the lot labeled Deli Overnight Bus Parking (400 W Beach Blvd.)

Teams staying at Phoenix I & II Will be located in the gravel lot across from Phoenix II (24325 Perdido Beach Blvd.)

Teams staying at Phoenix All Suites (east of the championship site) will need to enter the reception through the north courtyard.

Dress: Resort casual wear

Section 7.3 • News Conference

Postgame Interview Obligations. All coaches and student-athletes must be made available for post- competition interviews after the “cooling-off” period of 10-minutes. Failure to do so may result in possible misconduct, as determined by the NCAA Women's Beach Volleyball Committee. Media interviews will take place in the Mixed Zone, located on the east side of the medical tent and north of the practice courts.

Throughout the championship, media availability is scheduled for the convenience of the press representatives, the coaches and the student-athletes representing the participating institutions. They are designed to provide the media with tournament information required for thorough coverage, and to limit the time demands placed upon the coaches and student-athletes.

Please work with the team’s SID or media representative to coordinate specific interview requests.

Cooling-Off Period. A cooling-off period has been set aside for a coach to be with the student-athletes in the team tent after the competition. The period begins when the coach enters the team tent immediately after the competition or interview with ESPN.

Order of Appearance. The advancing coach and players shall be scheduled in the media tent before the non-advancing coach and players for the semifinals. For the final dual, the second place team will go first.

Team Media. Team media should apply for credentials through the NCAA.com/media site.

Section 7.4 • Practices

Teams shall be allowed to practice in the venue on the day or evening before their first day of competition. The beach volleyball committee is authorized to schedule or reassign practice times and locations.

Practices on Thursday are open to the public and media. Participating teams are not allowed to watch other teams practice.

Section 7.5 • Pregame

Pregame protocol sheets will be handed out at team practices.

Section 8 • Championship Format

Championship duals 1-12, all courts will begin play at the same time. All tournament duals will be played to decision, including the championship dual (dual #15). There will be a minimum of 10 minutes between tournament duals and no tournament dual will start before the scheduled, posted time. Duals #13-15 will be played on all five courts. Pairs two (2) and four (4) will start first and pairs one (1), three (3), and five (5) will start 12 minutes later. Each pairs match (1-5) of a tournament dual is worth one point. A minimum of three (3) points are required to win the tournament dual. Once a team wins three (3) points, the tournament dual is decided, and all remaining pairs duals will cease competition.

Section 9 • Championship Operations

Section 9.1 • Emergency/Evacuation Plan

See the emergency/evacuation plan in the appendices.

Section 9.2 • Hospitality

Media hospitality will be provided in the media tent area located on the east side of the championship site, south of the ESPN compound. Players' hospitality with light healthy snacks and drinks will be provided in each team tent.

Section 9.3 • National Anthem

The national anthem will be played before the first dual each day of competition.

Section 9.4 • Officials

The committee will assign two referees and two line judges to each court. The committee will work with the head referee to evaluate officials during the tournament for advancement.

Section 9.5 • Players Introduction

For non-championship duals, pairs will be announced by court during the warm-up period. For the championship dual, the visiting team will be introduced first followed by the home team. All pairs will be announced on court 1 for the championship dual. As they are introduced, the players should go from their player's box to the middle of the court and face the net.

Section 9.6 • Post-Championship and Competition Site Evaluations

All evaluations will be sent from the NCAA at the conclusion of play.

Section 9.7 • Videotaping

Each participating team is permitted to record all duals at the site with a single camera and one

person per court (videotape or film). The team representative is not permitted to have an assistant during filming/ videotaping. A designated area on each court will be provided.

Section 10 • Competition Site

Please see site and parking maps in the appendices.

Section 10.1 • Team Tents

Team tents will be assigned by the committee once teams have been determined. Each team will be provided a 10x20 team area to have access to during their duals. These tents will be set up in a designated team area on the east side of the site. No additional team tents can be used on the championship site.

Section 10.2 • Parking

Please refer to the parking map located in the appendices.

DAY OF COMPETITION BUS PARKING:

Seeds: 1-2	Seeds: 3-5
Team parking during competition for those staying at Phoenix All Suites is located in the lot labeled Bus Parking 2. This lot is located to the west of Gulf Island Grill (244 E. Beach Blvd.). This lot allows for pull-through access. Please enter on the south side and exit on the north side of the lot.	Team parking during competition for those staying at Phoenix All Suites West will be located in the lot labeled Bus Parking 1, located on East 1st Street, which is closed off for bus parking only. This lot is located between a grassy area to the east of Surf Style (102 E. Beach Blvd.) and to the west of a large blue 4-story building (200 E. Beach Blvd.). This lot allows for pull-through access. Please enter on the south side and exit on the north side of the lot.
Seeds: 6-10	Seeds: 11-13 & 14-16
Team parking during competition for those staying at Island Winds East & West will be located in the lot labeled Bus Parking 1, located on East 1st Street, which is closed off for bus parking only. This lot is located between a grassy area to the east of Surf Style (102 E. Beach Blvd.) and to the west of a large 4-story building (200 E. Beach Blvd.). This lot allows for pull-through access. Please enter on the south side and exit on the north side of the lot.	Team parking during competition for those staying at Phoenix I and Phoenix II will be located in the lot labeled Bus Parking 2. This lot is located to the west of Gulf Island Grill (244 E. Beach Blvd.). This lot allows for pull-through access. Please enter on the south side and exit on the north side of the lot.

OVERNIGHT BUS PARKING

Seeds: 1-2	Seeds: 3-5
Overnight bus parking will be located in the lot labeled Bus Parking 2, east of Gulf Island Grill (244 E. Beach Blvd.), north of Beach Boulevard.	Overnight parking will be located in the lot labeled Pier 33 Overnight Bus Parking (900 W. Beach Blvd.).
Seeds: 6-10	Seeds: 11-13 & 14-16
Overnight bus parking will be located in the lot labeled Deli Overnight Bus Parking (400 W. Beach Blvd.).	Overnight bus parking will be located in the gravel lot to the east of Brett/Robinson Real Estate (24325 Perdido Beach Blvd.).

Section 10.3 • Participant Entrance

All official travel party, once credentialed, may enter through the main/box office entrance on the west side of the championship venue. Teams staying at the Phoenix All Suites to the east of the championship venue may enter the east team entrance. This is a pedestrian entrance only. If team transportation is dropping the official travel party off north of The Hangout on East Beach Boulevard, they will need to pull to the southernmost shoulder of the road before reaching the one-way street and traffic light at East 1st Street. The official travel party may then walk to the east team entrance.

Section 11 • Directions

FROM LODGING TO COMPETITION SITE:

From Phoenix All Suites West (533 W. Beach Blvd., Gulf Shores, AL 36542)

When traveling to the championship site (101 E. Beach Blvd., Gulf Shores), turn east out of Phoenix All Suites West and travel 0.8 miles, pulling to the southernmost shoulder of the road before reaching the one-way street and traffic light at East 1st Street. The official travel party may then walk to the east team entrance. The bus will then turn north onto East 1st Street to park in the lot north of East Beach Boulevard to designated Bus Parking 1.

From Island Winds East & West (333 W. Beach Blvd., Gulf Shores, AL 36542)

When traveling to the championship site (101 E. Beach Blvd., Gulf Shores), turn east out of Island Winds East and West and travel 0.4 miles, pulling to the southernmost shoulder of the road before reaching the one-way street and traffic light at East 1st Street. The official travel party may then walk to the east team entrance. The bus will then turn north onto East 1st Street to park in the lot north of East Beach Boulevard to designated Bus Parking 1.

From Phoenix I (24132 Perdido Beach Blvd, Orange Beach, AL 36561) **& Phoenix II** (24235 Perdido Beach Blvd., Orange Beach, AL 36561)

When traveling to the championship site (101 E. Beach Blvd., Gulf Shores), turn west out of

Phoenix II and travel 4.9 miles. Turn north onto East 1st Street, where you can unload. The official party can safely cross the street at the crosswalk and may then walk to the east team entrance. The bus will then proceed east onto East 1st Ave then turn south onto East 2nd Street to the designated parking labeled Bus Parking 2.

From Phoenix All Suites (201 E. Beach Blvd., Gulf Shores, AL 36542)

Travel parties will be able to walk from the hotel to the east team entrance.

Section 12 • Drug Testing

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

Section 12.1 • Participant Notification

Championship management staff is not permitted to make any announcement in advance or otherwise as to whether drug testing will be conducted at its championship site. All coaches and student-athletes should presume that post-event NCAA drug testing will occur at the championship event.

The DCO or designee will notify the participating team's representative no earlier than two hours before the start of competition that drug testing will be conducted at the site.

Section 12.2 • Media Obligations

Each team is provided a postgame cooling-off period. At the conclusion of the cooling-off 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. Any student-athlete selected to participate in any postgame news conference is required to attend the news conference prior to checking in at the drug-testing venue. The student-athlete will be escorted to the drug-testing area after all media obligations have been fulfilled.

Section 12.3 • 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 and all student-athletes selected for testing from that team must defer until the next morning. 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 noon (local time) at the original test site. The host must arrange necessary transportation for teams that elect to test the next morning, or for individuals being tested who need to remain at the facility after other team members have departed.

Section 12.4 • 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 12.5 • 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 13 • Expenses/Reimbursement

Please see below for information regarding team expenses and reimbursement.

Section 13.1 • Per Diem

Transportation expenses and per diem will be provided for an official travel party of 19.

Section 13.2 • TES System

Expense reimbursement for participation in championships must be filed through the Travel Expense System (TES), which can be found online by clicking [here](#). All competing institutions must request reimbursement through the system to receive the appropriate reimbursement.

If you need assistance or experience any technical difficulties, please contact the travel department at 317-917-6757 or by email at travel@ncaa.org.

Teams and/or individuals should provide themselves sufficient money to meet all expenses throughout the tournament, including ground transportation, lodging and meal expenses, and other miscellaneous expenses.

Section 14 • Lodging

Tournament Headquarter Housing

The Boardwalk (409 East Beach Blvd. Gulf Shores, AL 36542)

Team Housing

Seeds: 1-2	Seeds: 3-5
Phoenix All Suites 201 E. Beach Blvd. Gulf Shores, AL 36547	Phoenix All Suites West 533 W Beach Blvd. Gulf Shores, AL 36542
Seeds: 6-10	Seeds: 11-16
Island Winds East & West 333 & 407 West Beach Blvd. Gulf Shores, AL 36542	Phoenix I (11-13) 24132 Perdido Beach Blvd, Orange Beach, AL 36561 Phoenix II (14-16) 24160 Perdido Beach Blvd, Orange Beach AL 36561

Section 14.1 • Team Housing

Housing Instructions

Teams must contact Linda Alderman via email at lindaa@brettrobinson.com or phone at 251-747-7192 with their team rooming list (see attachments) no later than 2 p.m. Central time, Monday, April 28, to reserve rooms. Please also provide the size of your team transportation vehicle when submitting your rooming list. You will have 24 hours after receipt of confirmation to make any changes.

If a team prefers to stay at a hotel other than the housing which it has been assigned, it must (a) obtain from the housing manager a written release of the rooms, or (b) use the rooms for persons accompanying the official party. If an institution fails to make satisfactory arrangements with the housing property for the use of the assigned rooms, full charges for these rooms will be deducted from that team's per diem. The host institution should contact Kristin Fasbender at the NCAA prior to a team leaving a property. If a team chooses to find another property, it must be one that is not currently housing a team or officials.

Housing Assignments

Seeds 1-2 (Phoenix All Suites)

A maximum of 23 beds have been reserved for each visiting team at a special rate. Each team may request up to three on-site parking passes. Parking passes for buses will be provided with team credentials.

Seeds 3-5 (Phoenix All Suites West)

A maximum of 23 beds have been reserved for each visiting team at a special rate. Each condo unit is a one-bedroom unit with a king bed, two kiddie bunk beds and a sleeper sofa. Each team may request up to three on-site parking passes. Parking passes for buses will be provided with team

credentials.

Seeds 6-10 (Island Winds East & West)

A maximum of 23 beds have been reserved for each visiting team at a special rate. Each team will have a variety of one, two and three-bedroom condo units. Each team may request up to three on-site parking passes. Parking passes for buses will be provided with team credentials.

Seeds 11-16 (Phoenix I & II)

A maximum of 23 beds have been reserved for each visiting team at a special rate. Each team will have a variety of two and three-bedroom condo units. Each team may request up to three on-site parking passes. Parking passes for buses will be provided with team credentials.

Departure Instructions.

All reservations will reflect a departure date of Sunday, May 4, 2025. Brett-Robinson may process a refund within 5 business days based on your selection of departure options. You must **check-out in person** at the Brett/Robinson service desk where you are staying. All times below are Central Time.

Elimination Departure:

- If your team is eliminated, you may check-out that day before 2 p.m. with no additional charges.
- If your team is eliminated and you depart after 2 p.m., you will be charged for that night's rent.
- If your team is eliminated and you prefer to check-out the following morning, check-out time is 10 a.m.
- If your team is eliminated and you prefer to stay through your full scheduled reservation, check-out time is 10 a.m. Sunday.

Championship Teams:

- Teams who play on Sunday may check-out that day prior to 6 p.m. with no additional charges.
- If you prefer to depart later, you will be charged for that night's rent. Check-out time is Monday at 10 a.m.

Championship Title Teams:

- **The two remaining title teams, you may check out same day as championship day prior to 6 p.m. (central) with no penalties.** You must **physically check out** with Island Winds East/West, Phoenix II, Phoenix All Suites or Phoenix All Suites West front desk *(based on where you are staying)*.
- **The two remaining title teams, if you prefer to check out the following morning Monday, May 5, 2025; check-out is 10 a.m. (central).** You must **physically check out** with Island Winds East/West, Phoenix I, Phoenix II, Phoenix All Suites or Phoenix All Suites West front desk *(based on where you are staying)*.

Section 15 • Media Services

The media tent will open 1 hour prior to the first dual of the day. The media tent closes 90 minutes after the conclusion of the final dual of the day.

Snacks and drinks will be provided throughout the event in the media tent. Media meals will be served at The Hangout during the following times:

Breakfast:

- Friday, May 2: 6:30-8:30 a.m.
- Saturday, May 3: 7-9 a.m.
- Sunday, May 4: 7-10:30 a.m.

Lunch:

- Friday, May 2: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Saturday, May 3: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Section 15.1 • Credentials – Photos, TV, Participant

The NCAA will print credentials and work with the tournament manager for distribution to appropriate individuals. Conditions placed on the use of a credential will be posted or printed on each. The use of any other credential or entry badge is prohibited. Credentials are not transferable. These will be distributed by the tournament manager to each team at the administrative meeting preceding the competition.

Media credentials and parking passes may be picked up at the Orange Beach Welcome Center (23685 Perdido Beach Blvd., Orange Beach, AL 36561) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, through Friday, May 2.

Please text Cassie Langdon (NCAA) at 317-917-6538 or Ally Dorrough (Alabama's Beaches Sports & Events) at 334-391-7745 if you arrive outside the credential pick-up windows.

Media parking is located at Island Winds East & West (333 & 407 West Beach Blvd. Gulf Shores, AL 36542). Parking passes will be required.

Section 15.2 • Interview Policies

ESPN owns the exclusive television rights to the National Collegiate Beach Volleyball Championship. Championship dual will be live on ESPN.

You can find additional broadcast information [here](#).

Section 16 • Medical

Championship Medical Contacts

Tylah Remaley
419-494-8835
tremaley@uab.edu

Section 16.1 • Ambulance

Gulf Shores Fire & Rescue will be on site at all times. Emergency Service (911) has a 2-minute response time to the facility.

Section 16.2 • Athletic Training

Certified athletic trainer(s) shall be available in the trainer tent one hour prior to all team warm-ups for duals, and for one hour following the end of the final dual each day. The athletic trainers can assist the participating institutions' sports medicine staff. They will not be on site for the early morning practices on Saturday.

Please come prepared with any supplies student-athletes may need pre-practice and pre-dual. A certified athletic trainer(s) will be on site for each scheduled practice or contest and will be equipped with training table, ice, ice bags, wraps, water, and cups.

Section 16.3 • Concussion Management

The NCAA has adopted legislation that requires each active member institution to have a concussion management plan for its 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; and medical clearance for return to athletics activity shall 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 designee, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and will determine medical clearance.

Section 16.4 • Hospitals and Emergency Services

Gulf Shores Fire and Rescue Emergency 911

Baldwin Health Freestanding Emergency Department

3590 Gulf Shores Parkway Gulf Shores, AL 36542 251-215-4853

Baldwin Health Urgent Care Gulf Shores

101 E. 15th Ave.

Gulf Shores, AL 36542 251-962-1250

Baldwin Health Medical Center

1613 N. McKenzie St. Foley, AL 36535

251-949-3400

Section 16.5 • Medical Examinations

As the event sponsor, the NCAA seeks to ensure that all student-athletes are physically fit to participate in its championships and have valid medical clearance to participate in the competition.

The NCAA tournament physician, as designated by the host school, has the unchallengeable authority to determine whether a student-athlete with an injury, illness or other medical condition (e.g., skin infection) may expose others to a significantly enhanced risk of harm and, if so, to disqualify the student-athlete from continued participation. For all other instances, the student-athlete's on-site team physician can determine whether a student-athlete with an injury or illness should continue to participate or is disqualified. In the absence of a team physician, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and has valid medical authority to disqualify him or her if the student-athlete's injury, illness or medical condition poses a potentially life-threatening risk to himself or herself. The chair of the governing sports committee (or a designated representative) shall be responsible for administrative enforcement of the medical judgment if it involves disqualification.

Section 16.6 • Physicians

If traveling with a team physician, the student-athlete's team physician shall examine each student-injured during NCAA competition and make a recommendation to the student-athlete, the coach and the chair of the beach volleyball committee, or the chair's designated representative, as to the advisability of continued participation or disqualification of the student-athlete. In the absence of a team physician, the NCAA tournament physician, as recommended by the host institution/conference and approved by the beach volleyball committee, shall examine the injured student-athlete and make a recommendation as noted above. The chair of the beach volleyball committee, or the chair's designated representative, will be responsible for enforcement of the medical recommendation if it involves disqualification.

Section 16.7 • Team Physicians

Participating institutions may include team physicians on their gate list. The host athletic trainer should ascertain their seat locations, in case of emergency, and be prepared to escort the physician to the team tent, if necessary. If the team physician has not been provided a credential from the team allotment, they will be provided a credential and escorted to the team tent or trainer's tent.

Section 16.8 • X-Rays

X-rays will not be available on site. Student-athletes will be taken to Baldwin Health Freestanding Emergency Department should x-rays be needed.

Section 17 • Participant Expectations & Guidelines

Section 17.1 • 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 in the field.

Coaches are expected to be role models who conduct themselves with integrity and high ethical standards at all times.

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

Therefore, coaches must:

1. Always place the safety and welfare of student-athletes above the value of a win and above any personal prestige or glory.
2. Ensure that the coaching staff and all others associated with the program treat the student-athletes under their control with fairness and respect.
3. Remember that they are on public display and that their conduct reflects upon the image of their respective institutions.
4. Teach their student-athletes strict adherence to the rules and regulations of the sport, the institution, and other governing bodies to which they are responsible.
5. Firmly establish with their student-athletes the standards of acceptable conduct.
6. Treat opponents and assigned officials with respect and demand that student-athletes do the same, instilling in their student-athletes the importance of respect and sportsmanship over winning.
7. Ensure that student-athletes understand that taunting, intimidating and baiting opponents is unacceptable behavior and will not be tolerated.
8. Monitor their coaching staff and student-athletes to ensure that they do not use profane and vulgar language while representing the institution.
9. Ensure, along with institutional administration, that fans are reminded of the expectations of sportsmanship and respect for officials and opponents and their supporters.

Section 17.2 • Misconduct and Failure to Adhere to Policies

Misconduct. Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics. Each games committee shall hold an administrative meeting with the coaches of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct.

Failure to Adhere to Policies. 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 the administration of the competition. This includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with the procedures and deadlines for submitting scores, score sheets, schedules, rosters and entry/march-in forms for qualification and other materials necessary for the efficient administration of the competition.

Section 17.3 • 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 at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institutions and they, as individuals, shall represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports.

Section 17.4 • Sports Wagering

Sports wagering includes placing, accepting, or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur, or professional team or contest. Examples of sports wagering include, but are not limited to, the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; Internet sports wagering; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals, or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize.

The prohibition against sports wagering applies to any institutional practice or any competition (intercollegiate, amateur, or professional) in a sport in which the Association conducts championship competition, in bowl subdivision football and in emerging sports for women.

A wager is any agreement in which an individual or entity agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt, dinner) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value.

Student-Athletes. A student-athlete 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.

Postseason. In championships in which a bracket format is used, student-athletes, coaches and administrators may not participate in bracket competitions where there is both a required entry fee and an opportunity to win a prize.

Section 17.5 • 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) shall 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 shall be disqualified for the remainder of that practice or competition.

Section 17.6 • 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.

Section 18 • Security

Section 18.1 • Media/Interview Tent

The media/interview area is a credentialed area and will be monitored by event staff.

Post-dual interviews will be held in the media interview tent located to the east of the team

hospitality tent and north of the practice courts.

Section 18.2 • Team Tent

Event staff will be posted in the team tent area during competition days. Team tents will be assigned to each team and will be located to the east of the competition courts and west of the practice courts.

Section 19 • Team Travel/Transportation

Section 19.1 • Airports

Pensacola International Airport

2430 Airport Blvd.
Pensacola, FL 32504

Mobile Regional Airport

8400 Airport Blvd.
Mobile, AL 36608

Both airports are serviced by most major airlines. Southwest flies into Pensacola but not Mobile. The Pensacola International Airport is closer to Gulf Shores, AL, and may be preferred for ease and convenience.

Additionally, the Gulf Air Center (3190 Airport Dr., Gulf Shores, AL 36542) located at the Gulf Shores International Airport is a full-service FBO that can handle any size aircraft. For arrangements, including ground transportation, please contact the following:

Dave Kucko
General Manager
O: 251-968-5200
C: 678-902-1030
E: Dave.Kucko@GulfAirCenter.com

Erika Marsteller
Director, Guest Experience
O: 251-968-5200
C: 484-793-1030
E: Erika.Marsteller@GulfAirCenter.com

Section 19.2 • Bus Companies

The NCAA has partnered with STM Driven to assist with ground transportation needs for team sports while onsite at NCAA championships. Teams that travel via flight to the NCAA championships and are eligible for ground transportation reimbursement (airport transfers), will be required to use STM Drive for onsite transportation. Please contact STM Driven at 844-814-3939, or via email at ncaachamps@stmDriven.com.

Section 19.3 • Police Leads

Gulf Shores Police Department
Chris Miller/251-504-0758

City of Gulf Shores
Grant Brown/251-747-2296

Section 19.4 • Travel Reservations

The participating institution shall be completely responsible for making its own travel reservations in accordance with the following:

The NCAA's official travel agency for the tournament is Short's Travel Management, which can be reached at **866-655-9215**. Institutions can also enter travel manifest and other travel party information through the travel portal at <http://www.shortstravel.com/ncaachamps>.

The NCAA has adopted transportation and per diem policies with respect to the travel and expenses incurred by the competing institution. The most up-to-date Division I guide can be found [here](#).

Section 20 • Tickets/Wristbands

All tickets purchased for this event will be redeemed at the box office for wristbands before entrance.

Section 20.1 • Allotments

Each participating institution is guaranteed a minimum of 40 all-session general admission tickets/wristbands.

Each institution must advise the host by 4 p.m. Central time on Monday, April 28, to determine how many tickets it is purchasing from its allocation. After that time, the participating institutions may not return any portion of their allocation to the host institution and are responsible for full payment for the number requested.

Section 20.2 • Tickets/Wristband Distribution

Tickets/wristbands will be given to each team at practice on Thursday, please contact Sarah Cooper at 251-213-1702 to set up a meeting place on site. Each team will be responsible for distributing tickets from their order. A team representative may use space at the box office to distribute the tickets. Box office hours are located in the schedule in Section 7.

Section 20.3 • Complimentary Tickets/Wristbands

Participating institutions are not entitled to complimentary tickets. Participating institutions may purchase tickets for their student-athletes in accordance with the regulations specified in Bylaw 16.2. A pass gate should be established at the arena to administer the players' tickets. A designated individual from each participating institution will be responsible for submitting the names of the individuals who will use those tickets to the tournament manager (or his or her designee). Individuals using those tickets will proceed through the pass gate to a nearby area with a table or

booth, where they will be identified by the appropriate institution's designee and given a wristband. These wristbands will be all-session general admission.

Section 20.4 • Payment

Once you submit your team/guest ticket forms by 4 p.m. CDT Monday, April 28, to Sarah Cooper at scooper@alabamasbeaches.com, you will receive an invoice via email Tuesday, April 29. Please either bring a check on site at the championship or make arrangements to pay by credit card online prior to arrival. No changes to ticket types will be accepted. If your team needs additional tickets on site, you will need to purchase those at the box office or submitted in writing via email to Sarah Cooper at scooper@alabamasbeaches.com, so there is a record of additional purchases made after your official order is submitted.

Section 20.5 • Ticket/Wristband Options and Prices

- General admission all-session tickets \$70 each.
- General admission day passes \$35 per day.
- Courtside seating all-session \$100 each. (Courtside seating on any given court is based on availability and is first come, first served beach chair seating. Duals will be played on five courts.)
- Courtside seating day passes \$45 per day.
- NCAA Fan Experience all-session \$275 each. (Experience the Championship from the comfort of a covered, elevated platform looking directly onto three of the championship courts. Enjoy complimentary snacks, water and Coca-Cola products and access to a full-service, cash bar. NCAA Championship program also included in ticket. NCAA Fan Experience all- tickets also grant the ticket holder access to the courtside seating sections on each court.)

Section 20.6 • Will-Call Tickets

If needed, each institution may have access to a will call location to distribute wristbands from the main entrance point. Each institution is required to staff its own will call. This area must be staffed one hour prior to the start of the first dual and remain staffed throughout the competition. Photo identification will be required to pick up tickets at will call.

Section 21 • Travel Party

Section 21.1 • Players Box

The players' box limit is 5 individuals, and 3 chairs must be provided. This includes the 2 players that are playing on each court along with the three coaches designated by the institution on the championship lineup form. Head coach, assistant coach, and the volunteer assistant coach.

Section 21.2 • Squad Size

All teams are limited to 14 players in uniform.

Section 21.3 • Travel Party

Transportation expenses and per diem will be provided for an official travel party of 19.

Section 22 • Trophies and Awards

Section 22.1 • Additional Award Ordering

To purchase additional awards please use the following link: [here](#).

Section 22.2 • Elite 90

The Elite 90 award is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average competing in the final eight teams at the final site. Each institution that has at least one student-athlete qualify for the final round/site is eligible to nominate a student-athlete for the award. All ties are broken by number of credits completed.

For more information regarding this program, please contact Mark Bedics of the NCAA national office staff at 317-917-6222 or elite90@ncaa.org. All documents, including deadlines and nomination forms, can be obtained at [Elite 90 forms](#).

The submission deadline for nomination for National Collegiate Beach Volleyball is 5 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, April 28. The elite 90 winner will be chosen from the final 16 teams that start play on Friday, May 2.

Section 22.3 • Participation Awards

The NCAA will provide a student-athlete memento for participants in NCAA championship competition. These mementos will be provided onsite at the championship for the members of the official travel party. If a team would like to purchase additional student-athlete mementos for their team, information is provided in the appendices of this manual

Section 23 • Uniforms

Each participating institution will wear uniforms that are within the rules for the championship. If a team does not wear the correct uniform, they will be subject to disqualification.

Section 23.1 • Logo Policy

[Reference: Bylaws 12.5.4, 31.1.7 and 31.1.8 in the NCAA Division 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 post-game activities (e.g., celebrations on the court, pre- or postgame press conferences), provided the following criteria are met:

1. Athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, helmets, baseball bats and gloves, batting or golf gloves, hockey and lacrosse sticks, goggles, and skis) shall bear only the manufacturer's normal label or trademark, as it is used on all such items for sale to the general public; and

2. The student-athletes institution's official uniform (including numbered racing bibs and warm-ups) and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, headbands, t-shirts, wristbands, visors or hats, swim caps and towels) shall bear only a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed 2 1/4 square inches in area (rectangle, square, parallelogram) including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The student-athlete's institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel shall not bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's trademark/logo that is in addition to another trademark/logo that is contrary to the size restriction.

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

This bylaw will be strictly enforced at all NCAA championships and the names of individuals and institutions that are not in compliance with this bylaw shall be forwarded to the NCAA enforcement staff. Non-compliance with this legislation could result in loss of eligibility, forfeiture of points earned by those ineligible student-athletes and adjustment of team standings.

Division I Additional Requirements. The logo restriction on student-athletes' apparel set forth in 12.5.4 shall apply during the NCAA championships to all personnel (e.g., coaches, trainers, managers) who are on the team bench for practices and games or who participate in news conferences. Please note that those contracts between institutions and apparel manufacturers or distributors that include logo specifications may be honored, provided such contracts were in effect before August 11, 1998. Also, the logo restriction on student-athletes' apparel as set forth in 12.5.4 shall apply to commercial logos on uniforms worn by band members, cheerleaders, dance team members and the institution's mascot during NCAA championship events.

Section 23.2 • Patches

The NCAA will provide patches for each institution. Twenty-eight patches will be provided, which is enough for both home and away jerseys, based on a squad size of 14. The preferred location for the patch is on the chest; however, the sleeve is an acceptable alternative.

Section 24 • Host City Information

For information on the local area, please visit: AlabamasBeaches.com.

There are more than 200 restaurants in the Gulf Shores and Orange Beach area to suit any price point and group size. For a full list of restaurants in the destination, alabamasbeaches.com/restaurants. For things to do, visit alabamasbeaches.com/things-to-do. Download our Alabama's Beaches Savings Scorecard to receive discounts at local restaurants, retail and attractions and earn prizes: alabamasbeaches.com/sports/things-to-do/passes/savings-scorecard