



NCAA DIVISION I COMPETITION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
REPORT FROM THE NCAA MEN'S WATER POLO COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 2, 2021, MEETING

Action Item: The NCAA Division I Competition Oversight Committee will consider approving a new host due to COVID-19 for the postponed 2020 National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship.

KEY ITEMS.

- None.

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Postponed 2020 National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship – Host Institution.**
 - a. Recommendation. That the University of Southern California be approved to host the postponed 2020 National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship.
 - b. Effective date. Immediately.
 - c. Rationale. Stanford University was scheduled to serve as the host institution for the postponed 2020 National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship. However, Stanford representatives informed the NCAA staff on February 2, 2021 that due to a variety of reasons related to COVID-19, they would no longer be able to host the championship. The committee fully supports Southern California hosting this championship on such extremely short notice, as the institution has previous hosting experience and the necessary internal support to successfully host the championship.

- d. Estimated budget impact. None.
- e. Student-athlete impact. The committee is confident that Southern California will do a great job of hosting this championship to provide for a positive student-athlete experience.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Selection Criteria.** The committee reviewed the score reporting and Rating Percentage Index (RPI) reports that will be provided throughout the regular season to help evaluate teams in advance of selections for the postponed 2020 National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship. The committee further reviewed all the existing criteria that will be used in conjunction with the upcoming selections.
2. **Officials Update.** The committee reviewed the criteria for officials to be considered for selection to officiate in the postponed 2020 National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship. Due to COVID-19, the committee agreed to reduce the minimum number of contests an official must work this season to be considered for selections from 12 to four.

Committee Chair: Andy Fee, Long Beach State University, Golden Coast Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Randy L. Buhr, Championships and Alliances

NCAA National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Committee February 2, 2021, Meeting
Attendees:
Matt Elliott, University of California, Los Angeles.
Andy Fee, Long Beach State University.
Nikola Malezanov, Washington and Jefferson College.
Ted Minnis, Harvard University.
George Nelson, U.S. Air Force Academy.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
Brian Streeter, Secretary-Rules Editor.
Amber Drury, National Coordinator of Officials.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Randy L. Buhr, Championships and Alliances.
Paige Newman, Championships and Alliances.