



REPORT OF THE
NCAA MEN'S WATER POLO COMMITTEE
OCT. 23, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Staff welcomed the committee to the call.
2. **Governance and member services staff liaison introduction.** Staff provided an overview of the new governance and member services department, which was a merger of the previous governance and academic and membership affairs departments. The committee was introduced to Brittney Jackson, assistant director of GMS, who will serve as the liaison to the NCAA Men's and Women's Water Polo Committees on legislative issues.
3. **Rating Percentage Index review.** The committee reviewed the RPI data for games played through Sunday, Oct. 20.
4. **Site visit recap.** Staff provided an update from the Oct. 3 site visit. The secretary-rules editor also provided an update from his Oct. 12 site visit.
5. **Banquet survey results.** The committee reviewed the results of the banquet survey, which was distributed to the membership in spring 2025. The committee noted that the responses were not conclusive regarding continuing the banquet in the future and discussions will continue at the annual meeting.
6. **Division I Cabinet Subcommittee referral on roster limits.** The committee discussed a referral from the Division I Cabinet Subcommittee regarding roster limits. The committee agreed to maintain the squad limit of 16 with a maximum of four additional student-athletes not in uniform for the 2025 championship. Given the timing of the upcoming championship, the committee felt it was prudent to maintain the current limits since no additional budget dollars are being allocated during this fiscal year to fully integrate additional student-athletes into the championship. The committee will continue discussing this issue at the annual meeting.
7. **Championship travel.** Staff reminded the committee about the travel logistics for the championship.
8. **Rules update.** The secretary-rules editor informed the committee about a rules clarification that will be issued regarding a ball going out of bounds over the sideline. It was noted there was an error on the rules test that will be rectified for the women's water polo test in the spring.
9. **Officials update.** The national coordinator of officials provided an update on the watch list submissions. It was noted that two officials are not eligible to officiate this year's championship since they have officiated the championship three years in a row. Additionally, the national coordinator is working with the secretary-rules editor to solicit goal judges for the championship.

10. Future videoconferences.

- a. Committee call, Nov. 13 - noon Pacific time/3 p.m. Eastern time.
- b. Committee call, Nov. 18 – noon Pacific time/3 p.m. Eastern time.
- c. Selections call, Nov. 23 – 5 p.m. Pacific time/8 p.m. Eastern time
- d. Selection show, Nov. 24 – 9 a.m. Pacific time/noon Eastern time.
- e. Administrative call, Nov. 25 – 11 a.m. Pacific time/2 p.m. Eastern time

Committee Chair: *Wes Yourth, University of the Pacific, West Coast Conference*
Staff Liaison: *Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances*

NCAA Men's Water Polo Committee Oct. 23, 2025, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Brian Kelly, Iona University.	
Andrea Lapointe, Harvard University.	
Daniel Leyson, University of California, Davis.	
Greg Lonzo, Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges.	
Wes Yourth, University of the Pacific.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance.	
David Alberstein, Secretary-Rules Editor.	
Steve Redding, National Coordinator of Officials.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Brittney Jackson, Karen Kirsch and Kerstin Hunter.	