



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WATER POLO RULES SUBCOMMITTEE  
MAY 13, 2025, ANNUAL MEETING

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Daniel Leyson, chair of the Men's and Women's Water Polo Rules Subcommittee, welcomed the subcommittee and invited guests and thanked them for their time.
2. **Review schedule, agenda, subcommittee procedures and Playing Rules Oversight Panel directives.** The rules subcommittee reviewed the meeting schedule, agenda and operations manual, which included the NCAA conflict of interest policy, guidance for committee members regarding meeting reports, notes and email, voting procedures, principles for rules writing, and experimental playing rules guidelines. The rules subcommittee was reminded of the directive of PROP from 2014. This directive encourages all rules committees or subcommittees to strongly consider providing at least a one-year delay for institutions, particularly those with members from Division II and Division III, before implementing any rules changes that have financial or facility implications.
3. **Approval of 2024 annual meeting report.** The subcommittee approved the report as written.
4. **National coordinator of officials' report.** The subcommittee heard a report from the national coordinator of officials, which focused on recruiting and retaining water polo officials.
5. **Secretary-rules editor report.** The rules subcommittee heard a report from the secretary-rules editor, which focused on the clarifications and interpretations from the 2024-25 academic year.
6. **Review of 2024-25 and 2025-26 rules changes, 2025 rules survey, subcommittee's feedback and editorial revisions.** The rules subcommittee reviewed the 2025 rules survey and future discussion topics. The previous rules changes all received positive and/or no impact feedback.
7. **Penalties for illegal participation by suspended players and coaches.** In response to the directive from the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP), the subcommittee reviewed information related to penalties for illegal participation by suspended players or coaches.
8. **Selection of chair.** The Men's and Women's Water Polo Rules Subcommittee elected Daniel Leyson, head men's water polo coach at the University of California, Davis, as chair for a one-year term beginning September 1, 2025.
9. **Other business.** No other business was discussed.

**10. 2025-26 timeline.** The subcommittee reviewed the 2025-26 timeline.

**11. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. Eastern time on Tuesday, May 13.

*Committee Chair:* Daniel Leyson, University of California, Davis, Big West Conference  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Stanley Broaden, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating

Men's and Women's Water Polo Rules Subcommittee May 13, 2025, Annual Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
David Alberstein, Secretary-Rules Editor.	
Natalie Benson, California State University, Fresno.	
Daniel Leyson, University of California, Davis.	
Greg Lonzo, Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges.	
Ted Minnis, Harvard University.	
Erica Monteabaro, University of California, Irvine.	
Wesley Yourth, University of the Pacific.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Amber Drury, National Coordinator of Officials.	
Scott Voltz, Active Official.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support of Subcommittee) in Attendance:</b>	
Stanley Broaden.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Greg Johnson.	