

2018-19 NCAA DIVISION I WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION CRITERIA GRID

Area	Current Rule	Additional Comments
Winning Percentage	Win % is defined as Division I wins divided by total Division I matches contested at the designated weight class on the NCAA Division I starters page in TrackWrestling	Matches against non D-I opponents do not count toward winning percentage. Matches at a lower or higher weight are also excluded from the calculation. Forfeits and medical foreits count towards the winning percentage but do not count toward the 17-match RPI.
Mininum Number of Division I Matches for Winning Percentage	Must have a minimum of 8 Division I Matches at the designated weight class on the NCAA Division I Starters page to have a calculated winning percentage.	Wrestler with less than 8 matches would not be eligibe for a pre-allocated spot for their conference. A wrestler could still be eligible for an at-large selection with less than 8-matches as long as they have two of the other standard selection criteria. The wrestler would not have a calculated winning percentage in the at-large selection comparrison process.
RPI	Must have 17-Division I Matches at the designated weight class on the NCAA Division I Starters page to have a calculated RPI.	Forfeits and medical forfeits are excluded from the 17 match count. Injury defaults do count towards the 17-match minimum since the match had started.
RPI	RPI is calculated by the following formula: 25% RPI winning percentage, 50% opponents RPI winning percentage and 25% opponent's opponent RPI winning percentage	Only matches against Division I opponents at the designated weight class count towards the RPI.
RPI	The opponent's winning percentage and opponent's opponent winning percentage is also taken from division I matches at the weight class contested.	

Coaches Ranking	To be considered in the coaches ranking, a wrestler must have a total of 5-Division I Matches at the designated weight and one match must have occurred within 30-days of the latest ranking period.	The 5-match Division I minimum must be at the designated weight class.
Coaches Ranking	There are 8 rankers per weight class representing each of the qualifying tournaments. A point value is assigned to each ranking spot. Wrestlers are ranked based off the total points	The high and low vote is removed from the ranking for each wrestler.
Earning an allocated spot for the conference.	A wrestler must meet 2 of the 3 standards to earn an allocated spot for the conference at the designated weight class on the NCAA Division I Starters page	
Definition of a Pre-Allocated Spot	A pre-allocated spot becomes an AQ once the wrestler that brought the AQ competes in the qualifying tournament.	A wrestler who does not compete in the qualifying tournament, the spot will be put back in the pool for the at-large selections.
Earning an allocated spot for the conference	Pre-allocations spots will be based on all matches through Sunday, February 24.	Any dual or tournament matches after February 24 will be used in the calculations for the At-large selections and seeding.
Minnimum Number of Matches Needed to Earn an AQ for the conference	8-Division I Matches at the Designated Weight Class on the NCAA Division I Starters page	A wrestler needs 8-matches to trigger winning percentage standard. A wrestler with less than 8 would not be eligible for the winning percentage and RPI which means they could not meet 2 of the 3 standards. A wrestler DOES NOT need 17 matches to earn an AQ spot for the conference, because the wrestler could earn a spot by meeting the threshold in winning percentage and coaches rank.

Allocation of Automatic Qualifiers	The committee will allocate no more than 29 wrestlers per weight weight class but could allocate fewer than that.	The AQ's could be determined by using a sliding scale of the three standards while never going below he base of .700, Top 30 Coach Rank and Top 30 RPI Rank reaching up to the maximum of 29 wrestlers per weight class.
Pre-allocation Spots	The release of pre-allocated spots by qualifying tournament will be Thursday, February 28.	RPI and coach rank will be released as well.
At-large consideration selection process	Wrestlers that meet two or more of the 'at-large consideratio' standards will be labled eligible for at-large selection. Standards include: .700 overall winning percentage, .700 Division I winning percentage at the weight class, Top 33 RPI (taken after the qualifying tournaments), Top 33 Coaches Ranking (Taken after the qualifying tournament), •One win against a wrestler who qualified for the National Tournament, Qualifying event placement one below AQ.	Refer to the NCAA PowerPoint for a complete breakdown of the at-large selection process
Conference Maintaining an AQ Spot if wrestler does not compete	A conference can maintain the AQ spot if a wrestler who earned the spot, is replaced with a wrestler who would have an RPI Rank and Winning Perentage that would have still earned an AQ for the conference	Only wrestlers who are replacing a wrestler who had earned an allocated spot could be measured to determine if they would have had met the criteria set by the committee at that weight class.