

REPORT OF THE NCAA WOMEN'S WRESTLING COMMITTEE OCT. 2, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE REPORT

ACTION ITEMS.

- 1. Legislative items.
 - None.
- 2. Nonlegislative items.
 - Minimum Qualifications.
 - a. <u>Recommendation</u>. Require teams in any division to have participated in at least seven countable competitions with six wrestlers as the minimum qualification to enter student-athletes into the women's wrestling championship regionals. An individual participant from an eligible team does not have to meet a minimum competition number in order to participate in the regional.
 - b. Effective date. Immediate.
 - c. Rationale. The recommendation establishes a baseline for teams to pursue in order not only to be eligible for championship competition but also to appropriately resource their programs. The committee believes this minimum threshold is reasonable for programs in all divisions to attain. It is important to note that the competition minimum does not apply directly to the individual student-athletes. In other words, the same six wrestlers would not have to have competed in all seven meets. In addition, this requirement for regionals is separate from the existing sport sponsorship minimums, which remain at 13 competitions with seven wrestlers in Division I; nine competitions with six wrestlers in Division II; and seven competitions with six wrestlers in Division III. Also, teams must continue abiding by their respective division's rules regarding what constitutes a countable competition (particularly dual meets). The committee has asked the NCAA staff to explore ways to educate the women's wrestling membership regarding all of these standards.
 - d. <u>Estimated budget impact</u>. None. Schools still must meet sport sponsorship requirements to demonstrate they are legitimately sponsoring the sport.
 - e. <u>Student-athlete impact</u>. This will allow the student-athletes the ability to compete with programs that have invested appropriately in the sport.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

• **Regional listing updates**. The committee reviewed the regional listing and made updates to a few of the regions due to institutions not sponsoring the sport for this year and/or not being

eligible due to reclassifying. Staff will update the information online along with any other locations where this information is used.

Committee Chair: Oscar Ramirez, Colorado Mesa University. Staff Liaison(s): Ryan Tressel, Championships and Alliances.

NCAA Women's Wrestling Committee
Oct. 2, 2025, Videoconference Report
Attendees:
Clarissa Chun, University of Iowa.
Cody Griswold, Elmira College.
Mark Hawald, John Carroll University.
Jeff McGinness, Simpson College.
Lisa Goddar McGuirk, Fort Hays State University.
Oscar Ramirez, Colorado Mesa University.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Ryan Tressel, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Ashlee Follis and Leslie Havens.