



REPORT OF THE NCAA  
DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 25, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Legislative action.

- **Contact Restrictions at Specified Sites – Prospective Student-Athlete's Educational Institution – Permit Contact When Classes are in Session – Men's Basketball.** The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee introduced legislation into the January 2024 legislative cycle, to eliminate the prohibition in men's basketball on contact at a prospective student-athlete's educational institution during the time of day when classes are in session.

Effective date. Immediate.

Rationale. The ability for men's basketball coaches to meet with a prospective student-athlete at their educational institution during the school day, alongside other academic stakeholders such as school administrators, teachers, counselors and coaches, supports the academic success of men's basketball prospective student-athletes. Additionally, eliminating the prohibition on contact at a men's basketball prospective student-athlete's educational institution when classes are in session maintains the goal of the NCAA and its members to increase the scholastic influence and minimize the involvement of outside third parties in the recruiting process. Further, the current legislation, in all sports, requires an educational institution's executive officer to provide permission for an institution's coaching staff member to have contact with a prospective student-athlete at the educational institution which provides an appropriate guardrail that ensures there is not a disruption to a prospective student-athlete's school day. Thus, the additional restriction placed on men's basketball coaches that contact may not occur at the prospective student-athlete's educational institution during the time of day when classes are in session is unnecessary and overly burdensome. This additional restriction results in men's basketball coaches being limited in travel options which also takes time away from them being on campus and engaging in coaching and other important relationship building activities with their own student-athletes on campus during the playing season. Finally, the proposal was recommended by the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

Estimated budget impact. Allows institutions to save money by not restricting travel schedules based on the time of day when contact may occur with prospective student-athletes.

Student-athlete impact. Allowing coaches to meet with prospective student-athletes during the time when their classes are in session allows coaches to better manage their travels schedules in order to spend more time investing in their own student-athletes, which promotes student-athlete-athlete well-being.

## 2. Nonlegislative items.

- a. **Transfer windows discussion.** The committee received and discussed feedback from the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Student-Athlete Engagement Group (SAEG) and NABC on two transfer window options. Both the SAEG and NABC supported a 30-day transfer window; however, had differing opinions on the start of the 30-day window. SAEG preferred Option No. 2 (the hybrid concept) and noted that this option provides the most flexibility for each team and their student-athletes at the conclusion of each team's playing season. Further, Option No. 2 appears to reduce distractions during the final weeks of the playing season if the transfer window remains closed until after the team's playing season ends.

SAEG noted its lack of support for Option No. 1 (30-Day Window Beginning the Day After Elite Eight) mainly due to an unnecessary waiting period of days to weeks for student-athletes who do not participate in postseason contests or conclude their postseason play prior to the Elite Eight. The SAEG expressed concern over the potential for an increase in tampering due to the prolonged waiting period.

The NABC Congress recommended a uniform NCAA Transfer Portal opening that would begin the Monday after the second round of the NCAA tournament.

Based on the feedback, the committee supported an amendment to Option No. 1 to allow the Transfer Portal to open the Monday following the second round of the NCAA tournament and extend for 30 days. The committee will maintain Option No. 2 as written as another option for consideration. The committee will continue to seek feedback from the NABC and SAEG in advance of its October 2-3 meetings. The committee will also seek feedback on the two options from the broader Division I membership. The two options are included as an attachment to this report for membership review.

- b. **Review of postgraduate transfer eligibility requirements and NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief Previously Approved Waiver criteria.** The committee received an update on the current application of the transfer process for postgraduate transfers (including the current previously approved waiver criteria for postgraduate transfer participation). The committee noted that it continues to support postgraduate transfers providing written notification of transfer by the deadline expected of postgraduate transfers in Division I Bylaw 14.5.5.2.10. The Committee for Legislative Relief will review and discuss whether the graduate transfer previously approved waiver guidelines should remain available to a

postgraduate student who enters the Transfer Portal after the notification deadline specified in Bylaw 14.5.5.5.2.10 during its September meeting.

- c. **Review of initial draft of the NABC's recruiting calendar proposal.** The committee received an update on the NABC draft recruiting calendar concept, noting the following will be addressed as part of the concept:
- Reduced number of evaluation days in April, June and July.
  - Increase in number and length of dead periods, including Mother's Day, Father's Day and Juneteenth.
  - Moving the April NCAA certified event evaluation period to May to avoid conflicts with the Transfer Portal window.
  - Changing the June scholastic evaluation period to avoid conflicts with Father's Day and Juneteenth.

NABC will present a formal legislative recommendation for committee consideration at the October in-person meeting. If MBOC supports the legislative recommendation, it will introduce a proposal into 2023-24 legislative cycle in accordance with 2023-24 NCAA Division I Council pilot legislative processes.

- d. **NCAA College Basketball Academy review.** The committee received an update on the survey results from the 2023 NCAA College Basketball Academy. Players, chaperones and Division I coaches were surveyed after the conclusion of the Academy and the results demonstrated a high satisfaction rating among participants for both on court activities and life skills programming. The committee noted its support for the NCAA to conduct a 2024 NCAA College Basketball Academy.
- e. **NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee Legislative Subcommittee August 24 videoconference update.** The committee received a verbal update from the August 24 legislative subcommittee meeting and noted it will review the subcommittee's formal written report during its October 2-3 meeting.
- f. **Officiating update.** The committee received an update on the recent officiating clinics and the officiating program held during the 2023 NCAA College Basketball Academy. The goal is to grow the pipeline of officials to increase diversity including gender diversity. The committee also received an update from the coordinators meeting held August 23-24 and noted the regional officials' clinic will be held in early September.
- g. **NCAA Division I College Basketball Summer Basketball Initiative Working Group update.** The committee received an update from the College Basketball Summer Initiative Working Group's August 3 videoconference. The working group

continues to consider potential modifications to existing NCAA legislation, including, but not limited to the following areas:

- (1) The once-in-four-year restriction on foreign tours;
- (2) Playing against other Division I opponents while on a foreign tour;
- (3) Consideration of domestic team and outside-team tours;
- (4) Review of certified summer league participation to include participation in more than one league; and
- (5) Exhibition contests prior to the first permissible contest date between two Division I opponents.

The committee will continue to receive updates on the work of the summer basketball working group and discuss these alternatives during future videoconferences.

- h. NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Student-Athlete Engagement Group update.** The committee received an update from the SAEG's August 21 videoconference.
- i. NABC update.** The committee received an update on the upcoming year-end NABC Board of Directors meeting on August 30 that coincides with National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame. The committee also received an update on the Brooklyn Showcase, a four-game, eight-team event hosted by the NABC on December 10 at the Barclays Center.
- j. Identification of discussion topics for NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Basketball Oversight Committees' August 29 joint videoconference agenda.** The committee was asked to identify any topics to be discussed during the upcoming joint Men's and Women's Basketball Oversight Committee meeting on August 29.
- k. NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee July 31 videoconference report.** The committee reviewed and approved its July 31 videoconference report.

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*Staff Liaisons:* Dan Gavitt, Basketball Championships  
 Charnele Kemper, Academic and Membership Affairs

<b>NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee August 25, 2023, Videoconference</b>
<b>Attendees:</b>
Scott Barnes, Oregon State University.
Lindsey Blom, Ball State University.
Don Bruce, University of Tennessee at Knoxville.
Dan Butterly, Big West Conference
Julie Cromer, Ohio University.
Ed Cooley, Georgetown University
Bubba Cunningham, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
Kery Davis, Howard University.
Angie Jabir, Siena College.
Stu Jackson, West Coast Conference.
Sion James, Tulane University.
Patrick McCaffery, University of Iowa.
Eddie Nunez, University of New Mexico.
Craig Robinson, National Association of Basketball Coaches.
John Williams, Big 12 Conference.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Matt Painter, Purdue University.
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
Dan Gavitt and Charnele Kemper.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Tony Barone, Emily Capehart, Alex Dickey, Michele Forte-Osborne, PJ Hubert, Greg Johnson, Syntyche Laguerre, Abigail Markey, Jobrina Marques, Jeremy McCool, Austin Moutry, Chris Rastatter, JoAn Scott, Andy Supergan and Angela Tressel.



**NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee  
Notification of Transfer Windows**

**Background:** In June 2023, the NCAA Division I Council introduced a legislative recommendation to reduce from 60 days to 30 days the duration of the notification of transfer windows for undergraduate four-year transfer student-athletes. The Council requested that select committees and the Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee continue discussing the proposed modification and may recommend amendments for the Council to consider in anticipation of a vote during its October meeting.

During its June 26-27, 2023, in-person meeting, the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee (MBOC) expressed general support for adjusting the length and timing of the transfer window in basketball. During its July 31, 2023, videoconference, the MBOC reviewed four initial options and agreed to seek feedback from the National Association of Basketball Coaches and the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Student-Athlete Engagement Group (SAEG) on two concepts.

During its August 25, 2023, videoconference, the MBOC reviewed the feedback from the NABC and SAEG and developed the two final models below for consideration. The NABC's and SAEG's initial feedback is noted in the options below. Both groups will continue to gather feedback to share with the MBOC during its October 2-3 meeting when it will make a final recommendation for Council approval.

The MBOC, with support from the NABC and SAEG, continues to strongly support a 30-day transfer window. The committee noted the decision to enter the NCAA Transfer Portal is most often contemplated by student-athletes for weeks and even months prior to the conclusion of their season. Entering the portal is only the first step in determining where to transfer. Student-athletes must also have appropriate time to engage in the remaining steps of the transfer process, including phone calls, contacts, official and unofficial visits, choosing a new institution to attend, enrolling and moving to campus. The MBOC agrees that reducing the Transfer Portal window from 60 to 30 days provides additional time for the remaining steps of the transfer process to occur prior to the start of summer classes and summer athletically related activities.

The charts below represent the final two options the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee is considering for transfer window modification recommendations to the NCAA Division I Council.

In discussing the appropriate notification of transfer window adjustments, please note the following rationale that makes men's basketball unique:

1. Men's basketball is a winter sport that extends over the course of two academic terms;
2. There is a midyear enrollee competition prohibition for those that transfer to another institution in the middle of the same academic year; and
3. Basketball and football are the only sports that conduct required summer athletics activities (summer access).

**Current Men’s Basketball Notification of Transfer Windows Dates**

Academic Year	Selection Sunday	Transfer Window Opens	Transfer Window Closes
2023-24	March 17, 2024	March 18, 2024	May 16, 2024
2024-25	March 16, 2025	March 17, 2025	May 15, 2025
2025-26	March 15, 2026	March 16, 2026	May 14, 2026

**Option No. 1 Potential Men’s Basketball Notification of Transfer Windows Dates  
Window Opens Monday After the Second Round of NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball  
Championship**

Academic Year	Second Round of Tournament	Transfer Window Opens	30-Day Transfer Window Closes
2023-24	March 23-24, 2024	March 25, 2024	April 23, 2024
2024-25	March 21-23, 2024	March 24, 2025	April 22, 2025
2025-26	March 20-22, 2026	March 23, 2026	April 21, 2026

**2023-24 Transfer Window**

March 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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April 2024						
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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28	29	30				

May 2024						
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**Selection Sunday:** March 17, 2024  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Round of tournament:** March 23-24, 2024  
**30-Day Window Opens :** March 25, 2024  
**30-Day Window Closes:** April 23, 2024

**Points to Consider**

- Moves current opening of transfer window one week later than current window (day following Selection Sunday) to avoid conflicts with many teams’ participation in post-season tournaments.
- Establishes a 30-day transfer window that is consistent with data demonstrating the majority of aided undergraduate men’s basketball student-athletes (74%) entered the NCAA Transfer Portal within the first four weeks in 2023.
- Establishes a deadline for the transfer window in late April each year, prior to the end of most institutions’ final exam periods when student-athletes depart campus.
- An earlier transfer window deadline allows more time for student-athletes to engage in the recruitment process and make decisions on where to enroll prior to the start of most institutions’ summer classes and summer access activities.
- The NABC recommended and supported this option to allow a brief “cooling off period” following the conclusion of the season for most teams but without an extended delay prior to the opening of the portal window.
- SAEG will review this model during their September videoconference.
- Maintains current notification of transfer exceptions (e.g., head coach departure).

**Option No. 2: Potential Men’s Basketball Notification of Transfer Windows Dates:  
Hybrid**

For men’s basketball teams that do not participate in any post-season tournament (e.g., NCAA Division I Championship, National Invitation Tournament), the transfer window will open the Monday following Selection Sunday and extend for 30 days. For teams participating in any post-season tournament, the transfer window will open the day following the team’s last contest and extend for 30 days.

**For teams NOT participating in any post-season tournament.**

<b>Academic Year</b>	<b>Selection Sunday</b>	<b>Transfer Window Opens</b>	<b>30-Day Transfer Window Closes</b>
2023-24	March 17, 2024	March 18, 2024	April 16, 2024
2024-25	March 16, 2025	March 17, 2025	April 15, 2025
2025-26	March 15, 2026	March 16, 2026	April 14, 2026

**2023-24 Transfer Window**

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**Selection Sunday:** March 17, 2024

**30-Day Window Opens:** March 18, 2024

**30-Day Window Closes:** April 16, 2024

**For teams participating in any post-season tournament.**

The transfer window will open the day following the team’s last contest and extend for 30 days.

Academic Year	Earliest Possible Post-season Contest	Earliest Transfer Window Opening	Latest Possible Post-season Contest	Latest Transfer Window Closing
2023-24	March 19, 2024	March 20, 2024	April 8, 2024	May 8, 2024
2024-25	March 18, 2025	March 19, 2025	April 7, 2025	May 7, 2025
2025-26	March 17, 2026	March 18, 2026	April 6, 2026	May 6, 2026

**2023-24 Transfer Window**

March 2024						
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**First possible post-season contest: March 19, 2024**

**Earliest possible opening of transfer window for teams participating in post-season: March 20, 2024**

**Latest possible post-season contest (national championship game): April 8, 2024**

**Latest possible closing of transfer window for teams participating in post-season: May 8, 2024**

### Points to Consider

- Maintains current opening of the transfer window (day following Selection Sunday) for student-athletes who are not participating in post-season competition to avoid any unnecessary delay in beginning the recruitment process.
- Establishes a variable opening of the transfer window for student-athletes who are participating in post-season competition to coincide with the conclusion of their season.
- Establishes a 30-day transfer window for all student-athletes that is consistent with data demonstrating the majority of aided undergraduate men's basketball student-athletes (74%) entered the Transfer Portal within the first four weeks in 2023.
- For majority of student-athletes, establishes a deadline for the transfer window in late April each year, prior to the end of most institutions' final exam periods when student-athletes depart campus.
- An earlier transfer window deadline allows more time for student-athletes to engage in the recruitment process and make decisions on where to enroll prior to the start of most institutions' summer classes and summer access activities.
- The NABC prefers Option No. 1 as it provides a uniform start date for all teams and student-athletes regardless of post-season competition. NABC also expressed concern this option would distract from coaches' ability to prepare for post-season contests since the window would be open for teams who are not competing in post-season competition for days and even weeks prior to the conclusion of the season for teams that are participating in post-season competition.
- SAEG supports this option because it provides the most flexibility for individual student-athletes based on the conclusion of each team's playing season, reduces distractions during the final days/weeks of the playing season for teams competing during the post-season.
- Maintains current notification of transfer exceptions (e.g., head coach departure).