Appointment Procedures Timeline:

- April 1 – Each conference commissioner shall receive a list of vacancies for each sports committee from the NCAA national office.
- August 1 – Replacements are due to the NCAA national office.

Regional Advisory Committee Member Guidelines. The following guidelines shall apply to all regional advisory committees:

- Advisory committees should comprise a minimum of three members, but not more than one representative per institution.
- Each conference sponsoring the respective sport (with six or more members) must have equal representation. The chair is included in these representatives. (9/17) (1/02)
- Each eligible conference shall appoint two individuals to serve as its representatives on the respective sports’ regional advisory committees. In order to maintain balance, it is preferred that one coach and one administrator be appointed. Qualified administrators can include assistant or associate athletic directors, sports information directors, etc. (9/97, 1/99) (1/02)
- At least one person should represent independent institutions if there are three to five independent institutions in the region. If there are more than six independent institutions in a region, then two individuals shall represent these institutions. (06/02)
- A member conference shall be responsible for appointing its regional advisory committee representatives. Further, the conference shall be responsible for ensuring that they meet the criteria for service and for ensuring that appropriate representation exists (i.e., all members must be salaried on a regular basis by a member institution or organization and be performing a regular staff function to which they devote at least 50 percent of their time; and individuals whose institutions belong to both the NCAA and NAIA shall not participate in decisions regarding NCAA championships if their institution declares its intention to participate in the NAIA championship only).
- The terms of regional advisory committee members are limited to three consecutive years, and a member may be reappointed only after having been off the committee for three consecutive years.
- It is preferred that regional advisory committee members do not serve on more than one regional advisory committee in the same season.
- The following policies shall be observed when regional advisory and governing sports committees conduct teleconferences to select teams and/or individuals for championships competition:
  - A regional advisory committee member whose team is under consideration shall remain on the call and take part in discussion regarding team rankings and may vote. (6/02)
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A Division II governing sports committee member whose team is under consideration shall be removed from the selection call during the time period in which his or her team is being considered for selection and are replaced by a member of his or her regional advisory committee from a different conference. If the committee member’s team is selected into the championship, a regional advisory committee member shall replace him or her for discussions regarding pairings and site selection. Replacements may take part in discussions regarding team selection, pairings and site selection may vote. Replacements should be present on at least one ranking all prior to the selection call. (9/97) (6/02)

Regional Advisory Committee Member Responsibilities. The role of the regional advisory committee is to assist the national committee in the evaluation of teams throughout the season, the evaluation of potential regional sites and the recommendation for the championship.

The duties of regional advisory committee members include the following:

- Complete the assigned Division II University modules regarding regionalization and championship selection prior to service. (There will be no penalty structure for noncompliance until the 2020-21 academic year.)
- Be available for and participate in teleconferences throughout the season (as scheduled by the regional chair).
- Adhere to championship policies and procedures.
- Evaluate and rank teams in region using the selection criteria.
- Ensure that teams under consideration meet minimum game requirements.
- Formulate recommendations (with rationale) to the national committee.
- Ensure that all information reviewed by the regional advisory committee remains confidential.
- Understand that all conference assigned individuals on the regional advisory committee represent the region, not the conference.
- If necessary, serve as an alternate for the regional chair on the national teleconference while the chair's team is under consideration (includes voting responsibilities).
- If necessary, serve as an NCAA regional representative if regional chair is unable to attend or his or her team is participating in the tournament.
- If necessary, serve as an NCAA representative at the national championship.