



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
JULY 17, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** Tiffany Daniels, chair of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel, welcomed the panel. Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas, was welcomed as the new Division II Championships Committee representative on PROP.
2. **Duties and conflict of interest.** PROP reviewed its duties and the NCAA Conflict of Interest Policy.
3. **Approval of June 6, 2024, meeting report.** PROP approved the June 6, 2024, meeting report as written.
4. **NCAA Women's Bowling Committee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved eight rules changes submitted by the Women's Bowling Committee, which included:
 - a. Removing the requirement for foul judges in the case of non-working foul lights.
 - b. Increasing the maximum total volume of oil from 30 microliters to 33 microliters.
 - c. Requiring the ball registration form to be submitted prior to the start of the daily practice session before the start of scoring.
 - d. Establishing that surface alterations must be done by the start of scoring on your assigned pair.
 - e. Establishing a penalty for foreign substances on any part of the approach.
 - f. Eliminating the requirement for socks to be matching.
 - g. Establishing the tiebreaker format for modified backer matches.
 - h. Providing the opportunity for teams during a bye round to use non-competition lanes for 20 minutes for practice should the facility be able to accommodate.
5. **NCAA Men's Lacrosse Rules Committee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved eight rules changes submitted by the Men's Lacrosse Rules Committee, which included:

- a. Permitting clear mouthpieces.
 - b. Amending the current rules to require the faceoff player to sit out the next faceoff for a faceoff violation.
 - c. Defensive players in the defensive half of the field may only bat or deflect the ball with their crosse to keep it in the offensive half.
 - d. Permitting video review to review shots deflected off the goalkeeper or goal pipe.
 - e. Permitting video review to review fighting, flagrant misconduct and unsportsmanlike conduct.
 - f. Coaches may challenge anything under Rule 4-33 at any time during the game.
 - g. Officials may only review anything under Rule 4-33 only during the last four minutes of regulation or any overtime period.
 - h. A suspended coach or bench personnel cannot be in the confines of the venue from once the team arrives until the completion of the contest when the officials leave the field.
6. **NCAA Women's Lacrosse Rules Committee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved three rules changes submitted by the Women's Lacrosse Rules Committee during the non-rules change year, which included:
- a. Recategorizing the foul, "Charging", as a general foul as opposed to a physical foul. "Charging" will no longer result in a one-minute releasable penalty between the restraining lines.
 - b. Changing the penalty administration for the foul, "Simultaneous Whistle", so that if the goalkeeper saves the ball inside or outside the goal circle but does not maintain possession, play will continue; a free position will no longer be awarded to the goalkeeper. The possession clock will reset.
 - c. Establishing video review as a permissive rule beginning with the 2025 season.
7. **NCAA Softball Rules Committee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved three rules changes submitted by the Softball Rules Committee during the non-rules change year, which included:
- a. Changing the penalty for a time-between-pitches violation by the pitcher or catcher to an illegal pitch.

- b. Amending leaving early on a pitch video review challenges to if 1) called by an umpire on the field or 2) a runner successfully advances a base on a play with a list of exceptions.
 - c. Allowing umpires to initiate a video review without requiring a coach's challenge at any point in the game when a play is not properly covered by an umpire (i.e., uncovered or doubled covered with a different signal from each umpire).
8. **NCAA Men's and Women's Water Polo Rules Subcommittee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed and approved fourteen rules changes submitted by the Men's and Women's Water Polo Rules Subcommittee, which included:
- a. Defining the specific area around the goal that permits an attacking player who is outside the goal area to go inside 2 meters without being penalized.
 - b. Requiring a change in cap numbers to be reported to the referee by a member of the coaching staff.
 - c. Allowing the referee the authority to issue warnings followed by the next available card should delays in substitutions interfere with the progress of the game.
 - d. Requiring individuals who receive a red card to leave the venue and remain out of sight and sound until the conclusion of the game.
 - e. Clarifying procedures to address an extra player situation.
 - f. Clarifying procedures to address correcting the error of a late entry signal for an excluded player.
 - g. Clarifying procedures to address delays in throwing in the ball.
 - h. Clarifying when the timer should start the clock at the beginning of a period.
 - i. Clarifying procedures for the officials to allow a direct shot if the ball is removed for any administrative reason prior to the taking of a corner throw.
 - j. Clarifying the process of players leaving and reentering the field of play.
 - k. Clarifying who can take a free throw.
 - l. Clarifying the failure of defenders to take position during a penalty throw.

- m. Adding violations that constitute physical misconduct, such as overaggressive fouls, to the list of penalty fouls in the 6-meter area and providing the referees the authority to exclude the offender from the remainder of the game.
 - n. Clarifying procedures for awarding a penalty throw to a player inside 6-meters who has the ball with a defender behind and an open path to the goal.
9. **NCAA Swimming and Diving Rules Committee annual meeting report.** PROP reviewed the Swimming and Diving Rules Committee annual meeting report. PROP approved the recommendation to extend the term of Greg Lockard, secretary-rules editor, for four years once his second four-year term ends August 31, 2025. The Swimming and Diving Rules Committee will conduct a search in summer 2028 to identify a successor. The individual selected will shadow the current secretary-rules editor for one year and assume the role of secretary-rules editor September 1, 2029.
10. **NCAA Women's Rowing Committee annual meeting report and comment period results.** PROP reviewed the Women's Rowing Committee annual meeting report and comment period results and approved one rule modification submitted by the Women's Rowing Committee, which included:
- Increasing the minimum weight for coxswains from 110 pounds to 121 pounds.
11. **Future videoconference dates.** The next PROP videoconference is scheduled for 1 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, August 8.
12. **Other business.** None.
13. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:30 p.m. Eastern time.

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Attendees:	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.	
Robert Davenport, Oklahoma Baptist University.	
Richard Duran, University of the Incarnate Word.	
Chad Eisele, Hampden-Sydney College.	
Scott Musa, Wilkes University.	
Joe Schaly, Thiel College.	
Lexie Vernon, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.	
Brad Walker, America East Conference.	
Absentees:	
Joseph D'Antonio, Coastal Athletic Association.	
Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Stanley Broaden, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Ty Halpin, Connor Lancashire, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ben Brownlee, Lauren Crumley, Corey Jackson, Greg Johnson and Stephanie Quigg.	