

## 2019-20 NCAA DIVISION I COUNCIL-GOVERNANCE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

The following provides key deadlines and information regarding the 2019-20 NCAA Division I Council-governance legislative process. For more information regarding the legislative process, see NCAA Division I Constitution 5.3.2.

## July 15 (5 p.m. Eastern time):

- Deadline for the 32 multisport conferences to submit legislative concepts for the 2019-20 legislative cycle.
  - Concepts must include: intent, rationale, effective date, potentially impacted bylaws, budget impact, impact on student-athlete's time, Division I commitment addressed and how required legislative lenses apply.
  - Decisions on whether a concept belongs in the autonomy legislative process or Council-governance legislative process are initially determined by NCAA staff, in consultation with the sponsoring conference. If agreement is not reached, the NCAA Division I Board of Directors has authority to determine the appropriate process.

### August 1 (on or before):

- Initial concepts published for membership review and comment.
- Concepts are forwarded to appropriate NCAA committees (Council standing committees and other committees that report to the Council), coaches associations and other constituencies (e.g., CCACA, NAAC, FARA, N4A) for review and feedback.

### September 1:

• Deadline for committees to provide initial feedback on concepts to the NCAA Division I Legislative Committee.

### September Legislative Committee Teleconference:

• Legislative Committee reviews concepts and comments from other committees and provides feedback to sponsors.

## **October Council Meetings:**

- Final opportunity for Legislative Committee and Council review of concepts before submission deadline.
- Final opportunity for Council to introduce proposals.

• Tentative teleconference will be scheduled for late October for any final introduction of legislation by the **November 1 deadline**.

# November 1 (5 p.m. Eastern time):

• Deadline for conferences to sponsor proposals based on the concepts previously submitted.

## November 15 (on or before):

• NCAA Division I Publication of Proposed Legislation (POPL) available.

## November 15 - March 1 (5 p.m. Eastern time):

• Membership comment period.

### November Legislative Committee Teleconference:

- Legislative Committee recommends proposals to be considered by the Council in January as noncontroversial legislation (75 percent majority required for adoption).
- Legislative Committee recommends proposals to be considered by the Council in January as standard legislation (simple majority required for adoption).
  - Requirements to be considered: must be introduced by the Council; must impact student-athlete well-being; and must be time sensitive.

### **Early December:**

• Notice provided to membership regarding proposals identified by the Legislative Committee and approved by the NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee for a January vote (noncontroversial and standard legislation).

### December 15 (5 p.m. Eastern time):

- Deadline for conference-sponsored amendments to proposals identified for January vote as standard legislation.
  - Amendments may not expand the scope of the original proposal.

## NCAA Convention/January 2020 Council Meeting:

• Council votes on proposals identified for January vote (noncontroversial and standard legislation).

- Council may introduce amendments to any proposal (Council-introduced or conference-sponsored) scheduled for April vote.
  - All modifications of Council-introduced proposals are permissible, provided they are germane to the original proposal. Amendments to conference-sponsored proposals may not expand the scope of the original proposal.
- NCAA Division I Issues Forum to include discussion of key proposals in legislative cycle.

### February 1 (5 p.m. Eastern time):

- Deadline for sponsors to refine and/or adjust their own proposals (sponsor-modification period).
  - All modifications permissible, provided they are germane to the concept of the original proposal.
- Deadline for conferences to submit amendments to proposals (amendment-to-amendment period).
  - Amendments may not expand the scope of the original proposal.

### February 8:

• NCAA Division I Official Notice available, which includes final versions of proposals for April Council vote.

### February Legislative Committee Meeting:

- Legislative Committee to review proposals, discuss feedback and develop positions.
  - Positions are presented in a chart to be provided to conferences to assist in preparation for the April Council vote.

## **April Council Meeting:**

• Council votes on remaining proposals.