

2023-24 NCAA Division I Council-Governance Legislative Processes Key Dates

(Updated 1-10-24 by council action. Updates shaded in gray.)

The information below provides a summary of the pilot legislative processes that will be used for NCAA Division I Council-governance legislation in 2023-24. The dates included below apply to 2023-24 only and will be adjusted based on the specific council meeting dates for future years if the processes are continued.

Legislative Process for Sport Oversight Committees to Consider Legislation in Specified Areas.

Sport oversight committees will be provided authority to adopt legislation related to the sports in specified areas. Legislation adopted in the specified areas is not considered final and effective until the conclusion of the specified Division I Council meeting. The areas in which sport oversight committees have authority to adopt legislation are:

1. Conduct of athletics personnel (NCAA Bylaw 11);
2. Recruiting (Bylaw 13);
3. Playing and practice seasons (Bylaw 17);
4. Processes and procedures related to the administration of the regular season and championship (Bylaw 31); and
5. Sportsmanship and other ethical behaviors.

Legislative Cycle	Introduction Deadline	Publication Date	Sport Oversight Committee Action	Council Review
October 2023 (Fall)	July 5, 2023	July 12, 2023	Week of August 20	October 3-4, 2023
January 2024 (Winter)	October 12, 2023	October 18, 2023	Week of November 26	January 10, 2024
June 2024 (Spring)	March 28, 2024	April 3, 2024	Week of May 12	June 25-26, 2024

Proposals must be introduced at least 90 days before a council meeting.

Initial comment period before sport oversight action.

Comment period before council review.

Legislative Process for the Council to Consider Legislation in Other Areas.

A sport oversight committee or the council may introduce legislative proposals in areas other than those for which the sport oversight committees have authority. Other standing committees may recommend that the council introduce legislative proposals. After an initial comment period a sport oversight committee may modify a proposal it introduced. The NCAA Division I Legislative Committee will review proposals and provide feedback to oversight committees and the council.

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Proposals must be introduced at least 90 days before a Council meeting.

Initial comment period before committee review.

Comment period before Council action.

Expedited and Emergency Legislation.

Emergency Legislation.

A proposal may be considered as emergency legislation in circumstances in which significant values are at stake and the use of the regular legislative process is likely to cause significant harm or hardship to the Association or the Division I membership because of a delay in considering the proposal in the standard or expedited legislative processes. Adoption of emergency legislation requires two separate votes of at least an 80 percent majority of members of the applicable entity present and voting. The first vote is to determine whether the proposal meets the definition of emergency legislation and the second vote is on the merits of the proposal.

Expedited Legislation.

A proposal may be considered as expedited legislation in circumstances in which the proposal does not meet the definition of emergency legislation, but a delay would cause a disruption in the efficient administration of the impacted activity or function. A recommendation for the council to adopt expedited legislation must be made by a council standing committee at least 30 days before the next Council meeting. Adoption of expedited legislation requires two separate votes of at least a two-thirds majority of members of the council present and voting. The first vote is to determine whether the proposal meets the definition of expedited legislation and the second vote is on the merits of the proposal.