POLICY STATEMENT FOR THE APPLICATION OF SPORTS-SPONSORSHIP
WAIVERS PURSUANT TO NCAA BYLAW 20.9.6.3.10.1

In accordance with NCAA Bylaw 20.9.6.3.10.1, a Division I member institution may
petition for waivers of the minimum number of intercollegiate contests or the minimum
number of participants in a contest. Pursuant to Bylaw 20.9.6.3.10.1, the NCAA Division
I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee may approve waivers of the minimum
number of intercollegiate contests or the minimum number of participants in a contest
when unforeseen circumstances beyond the institution’s control have prevented the
completion of a scheduled competition or the participation of the required minimum
number of individuals and, despite a good-faith effort, the institution was unable to
engage in at least the required minimum number of intercollegiate contests. The following policy guidelines provide the framework for the approval of such waivers:

1. An institution seeking a waiver of the minimum-contests or minimum-participants
   requirement within five years of a similar request must demonstrate that it has
   scheduled in excess of the minimum number of contests as required in Bylaw
   20.9.6.3;

2. A petition for a waiver of the minimum-contests or minimum-participants
   requirement in a particular sport that is made within five years of a similar request
   in the same sport will not be approved, absent a showing of exceptional
   circumstances to justify such a waiver;

3. The expectation of rescheduling a contest will be greater when that contest is
   cancelled early in the institution’s playing season (e.g., the first half of the playing
   season). Accordingly, an institution generally will be expected to schedule an
   additional contest in order to meet the minimum-contests or minimum-participants
   requirement;

4. An institution seeking a waiver of the minimum-contests or minimum-participants
   requirement for multiple sports during the same academic year must provide an
   explanation for the repeated need for waivers by the institution during that year; and

5. All petitions for a waiver of the minimum-contests or minimum-participants
   requirement, must be accompanied by a detailed narrative explaining the
   circumstances surrounding the need for the waiver and a history of other waiver
   petitions presented by the institution pursuant to Bylaw 20.9.6.3.10.1 within the
   past five years.