The NCAA Division III Men’s Golf Committee is providing this information to outline key actions taken by the committee during the past year, as well as, future recommendations or information that will be helpful to you. In addition, if you have any questions regarding this information, contact Bill Gorman, chair of the NCAA Division III Men’s Golf Committee, and/or a member of the committee or John Kuzio, NCAA championships managers.

1. **2017-18 Committee Members.**

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2. **Sponsorship.** The 2017-18 sponsorship lists are located on the [NCAA.org](https://www.ncaa.org) member site.

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   The sponsorship and pool document is posted online on the [DIII Men's Golf landing page](https://www.ncaasports.org).  

3. **2018 Championship Dates and Site.**

   **Selection Announcement:** Monday, May 7, 2018.
   Grandover Resort in Greensboro, North Carolina.
   Guilford College and Greensboro Sports Commission, hosts.

4. **Future Sites.**

   **2019 Selection Announcement:** Monday, May 6, 2019.
   NCAA Men’s Division III Golf National Championships: May 14-17, 2019.
   Keene Trace in Nicholasville, Kentucky.
   Transylvania University, host.

5. **2017 Top Finishers – Teams**

   1. Wittenberg +28
   2. Guilford +30
   3. Texas-Tyler +36
   4. Huntingdon +38
   5. Greensboro +38

6. **2017 Top Finishers – Individuals**

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   T5. Brad Justin +3 - Franklin & Marshall
   T5. Ryan Elmore +3 - Berry
   T8. Sam Hill +4 – Texas-Tyler
   T9. Addison Lambeth +5 - Huntingdon
   T9. Stephen Shephard +5 - Huntingdon
   T9. Stefano Butti +5 – Emory

   *Title after 1-hole playoff.

   PGA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.
   Emory University and Palm Beach County Sports Commission, hosts. Joint championship with women’s golf.

   Oglebay Resort in Wheeling, West Virginia. Bethany College (West Virginia) and Presidents’ Athletic Conference, hosts.

   Oglethorpe University and Central Florida Sports Commission, hosts.

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12. **Automatic Qualification.** The Division III Championships Committee awarded the following 33 conferences automatic qualification into the 2018 championships:

   - Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference
   - American Southwest Conference
   - Capital Athletic Conference
   - Centennial Conference
   - College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin
   - Colonial States Athletic Conference
   - Commonwealth Coast Conference
   - Empire 8
   - Great Northeast Athletic Conference
   - Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference
   - Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
   - Landmark Conference
   - Liberty League
   - Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association
   - Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth
   - Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom
Midwest Conference
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
New England Small College Athletic Conference
North Coast Athletic Conference
Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference
Northwest Conference
North Atlantic Conference
North Eastern Athletic Conference
Ohio Athletic Conference
Old Dominion Athletic Conference
Presidents' Athletic Conference
Skyline Conference
Southern California Intercollegiate
St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Southern Athletic Association
Upper Midwest Athletic Conference
USA South Athletic Conference

7. Selection Process. The committee will select 216 participants for the championships. Forty-two teams and six individuals will be selected. 33 Pool A, 2 Pool B and 7 Pool C.

8. Selection Criteria. The men’s golf committee has received approval from the Division III Championships Committee to consider the following criteria in the selection of at-large teams for the men’s golf championships (not necessarily in priority order): The primary criteria emphasize regional competition (all contests leading up to NCAA championships); all criteria listed will be evaluated (not listed in priority order). If the evaluation of the primary criteria does not result in a decision, the secondary criteria will be reviewed.

Primary:
• In-division head-to-head competition;
• In-division results versus common opponents;
• In-division won-lost results;
• Division III strength of schedule
• Place/finish in all competitions;
• Stroke differential;
• Individual stroke averages;
• Adjusted scoring average;
• Golfstat indexes;
• Nullification (Bylaw 31.02.4)

Secondary:
• Overall head-to-head competition;
• Overall results versus common opponents;
• Overall won-lost results;
• Overall strength of schedule;
• Late-season performance, defined as an institution’s last three tournaments, which may include the conference championship.

Additionally, input is provided by regional advisory committees for consideration by the men’s golf committee.

Coaches’ polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used by the men’s golf committee for selection purposes.

9. 2017-18 Selection Process. Both fall and spring schedules will be considered. A team or individual must compete in a minimum of four contests (minimum of 18 holes) after Jan. 1 of each year. The institutions that earned their conferences’ automatic qualifier in the fall are not required to play in four contests after the first of the year, but the men’s golf committee recommends that a spring schedule is conducted. For junior varsity contests, the respective school must inform the host institution that its junior varsity program will participate and that its team score should not appear on the tournament results form; however, individual scores may be reported. Waivers will be accepted by the men’s golf committee for teams or individuals that have not met eligibility requirements due to weather or other extenuating circumstances. Waivers must be submitted in writing to the NCAA sport manager before the selection date.

To be considered during the selection process either as an automatic berth (Pool A) or an at-large berth (Pool B and Pool C), an institution must play at least 25 percent of its region opponents, unless a waiver has been approved by the Division III Championships Committee.

10. Published Rankings. Regional rankings will be published on NCAA.com April 12, 19, 26. A fourth regional ranking will be published after the selection announcement on May 7. New for 2017-18, eight schools will be ranked in all regions.

11. Championships Format. The team and individual championships will be determined after 72 holes of play. Forty-two teams and six individuals not on one of those teams will be selected to participate in the championships. After 36 holes of competition, the field will be cut to the top 18 teams and top six individuals not on one of those teams. Ties for the cut will be broken by a sudden-death playoff or, if necessary, by the non sudden-death tiebreaking procedures set forth in the pre-championships manual.

12. Annual Meetings. The 2018 NCAA Division III Men’s Golf Committee annual meeting will take place June 19-20 in Indianapolis. Submit agenda items in writing to the NCAA championships administrator, John Kuzio by June 1. The 2017 men’s golf committee annual report can be found online on the DIII Men’s Golf landing page and the championships committee meeting report can be found on the DIII Championships Committee landing page.


14. NCAA Websites. NCAA.org and NCAA.com.