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INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your advancement to participate in the 2017 NCAA Men’s College World Series. We hope your experience with this year’s championship will be a rewarding one for your team.

The purpose of this manual is to provide information to the participants in this year’s CWS to be held June 17-27/28 in Omaha, Nebraska. The NCAA Division I Baseball Committee, in cooperation with Creighton University, College World Series of Omaha, Inc., the Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority, and the City of Omaha, have compiled the information contained in this manual to assist you in your preparations.

Best of luck.

Scott Sidwell, chair
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The primary team administrator will be the one person from your institution contacted to deal with significant issues that may arise throughout the tournament (e.g., schedule changes, designation of home team, uniform jersey color selection, communication about inclement weather delays, playing rules reminders, etc.). Communication will either be via email or phone.

Umpires. All umpiring assignments will be made by the baseball committee in conjunction with the national coordinator of umpires. NCAA policies prohibit umpires from fraternizing with participants, coaches and other institutional representatives during the championship.

Role of Committee. The 2017 CWS shall be conducted in accordance with the general policies established by the NCAA Division I Competition Oversight Committee and shall be under the control, direction and supervision of the NCAA staff and NCAA Division I Baseball Committee, subject to the standards set forth in NCAA Bylaw 31. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, all activities and events associated with the championship are to be administered and/or approved by the baseball committee and NCAA staff.

Role of Host. As the host, the local organizing committee [including College World Series of Omaha, Inc. (referenced as CWS, Inc.), the Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority (referenced as MECA), Creighton University and the City of Omaha] plays a vital role in the successful administration of the championship. The host shall be responsible for all local preparations for the games including, but not limited to, stadium preparation, ticket sales support, hospitality events, promotions, dissemination of informational materials, day of game administration, etc., in accordance with established NCAA policies.

The host is responsible for all operating personnel deemed necessary by the NCAA, including, but not limited to, ushers, ticket takers, private security officers, parking attendants, special police, city police and firefighters. All such personnel are to be under the sole direction and control of the competition site and are not to be considered employees or agents of the host institution or the NCAA.

At all times, the host shall work in close cooperation with the Division I Baseball Committee to ensure that the championship shall reflect favorably upon both the traditions and character of intercollegiate athletics.
CHECKLIST

This checklist was designed to highlight important arrangements that must be made before, during and after the Men’s College World Series. Please refer to the pages indicated for further information and direction.

_________ Review the CWS schedule of events (Appendix A) with the head coach and key staff members.

_________ Representatives from each team advancing to Omaha must participate in a conference call with NCAA staff. The NCAA staff will initiate this call separately with each team to review important details related to the Men’s College World Series.

_________ Contact host service club (page 36) within 24 hours after your super regional tournament to begin coordinating your arrival time and hospitality events.

_________ Make travel arrangements through Short’s Travel Management (866-655-9215).

_________ Arrangements made for transportation to and from the airport (page 63)

_________ Arrangements for practice and game transportation (page 64).

_________ Complete and return to Randy L. Buhr (rlbuhr@ncaa.org), Kim Giles (kgiles@ncaa.org) and Kathryn Morrissey (kathryn@cwsomaha.com) the Institutional Contact Form by Noon Central time, Tuesday, June 13. (Appendix B)

_________ Submit Elite 90 academic award information online and send to Scott Fosler (sfosler@ncaa.org) no later than 1 p.m. Eastern time (Noon Central time) on Wednesday, June 14 (page 75).

_________ Confirm housing arrangements by Noon Central time on Tuesday, June 13 (page 50).

_________ Remind the team representatives who are required to attend the administrative meeting. Head coaches, the director of athletics (or his/her designee), and the director of baseball operations must attend the administrative meeting.

_________ Administrative meeting—6 p.m. Thursday, June 15, in the St. Nicholas Room at the Hilton Omaha Downtown. Valet parking for one car will be provided for each team at the Hilton Omaha Downtown. The name of each head coach will be given to the valet service before the meeting begins.

_________ Confirm practice schedule and arrange other practices.
Submit team roster list at the administrative meeting. This form may not be modified for the Men’s College World Series after it has been submitted. Please submit the names of the student-athletes in numerical order, and also designate on the form the institutional contact for drug testing (if testing were to take place during the championship).

Ensure team uniforms are ready for pick-up upon arrival in Omaha, so CWS patches can be sewn on a maximum of four sets of uniforms. Your service club representative will coordinate this with your team (page 78).

Ensure team information and championship materials have been uploaded to IMG College and Van Wagner Sports & Entertainment (page 33).

The name of the team roster member with the highest cumulative GPA should have been reported by your Sports Information Director to the NCAA. This individual will be honored during the opening ceremonies and may be asked to answer a few brief questions. Please note the head coach will also participate in the opening ceremonies (page 75).

Advise your local media that a limited number of reserved seats are available through the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha box office the morning of each day of games (page 66).

Complete post-championship NCAA evaluations within **30 days after the competition**.

Team expense report must be submitted online to the NCAA within **30 days after the competition**.
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Please refer to the schedule of events (Appendix A), which should assist you in your preparations for Omaha.

Administrative Call. Representatives from each team advancing to Omaha must participate in a conference call with NCAA staff to review important details related to the Men’s College World Series. Teams are required to have the primary team administrator on the conference call. Other athletics department staff members are welcome to participate on the call; however, they are not required to do so. This call must be conducted within 24 hours of a team winning its Super Regional.

Administrative Meeting. The chair of the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee conducts a pre-championship meeting Thursday night, June 15 at 6 p.m. in the St. Nicholas Room at the Hilton Omaha Downtown. The head coach, director of athletics (or his/her designee) and the director of baseball operations are required attendees from the participating teams. NCAA staff, the national coordinator of umpires, MECA and CWS of Omaha, Inc., representatives will also be in attendance. Details of the tournament will be discussed, and the games committee will be present to answer any questions concerning the tournament operations. Valet parking for one car will be provided for each team at the Hilton Omaha Downtown. The name of each head coach will be given to the valet service before the meeting begins.

An additional meeting will take place on Sunday prior to the start of the CWS Finals with the directors of athletics (or designee) and head coaches from the participating teams, NCAA staff and other applicable parties. Items discussed during this meeting shall include pertinent information related to the CWS Finals, as well as the CWS closing ceremonies.

NCAA staff shall communicate the details of these meetings with representatives of the participating teams.

Alumni Hospitality. School-specific alumni groups seeking pre-game hospitality options may secure space at the CenturyLink Center Omaha across the street from TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. There are three menu options available to choose from during the CWS and these will be provided by exclusive caterer Levy Restaurants. The CenturyLink Center will need at least 24 hours notice of your intention to secure hospitality space. Interested groups should contact Theresa Contreraz, CenturyLink Center Omaha Convention Center Sales Manager, at 402-599-6933 or tcontreraz@omahameca.com. Please see Appendix K for additional information.

Autograph Session. In an attempt to allow an opportunity for the fans to meet the student-athletes and coaches, each team is asked to participate in a 45-minute autograph session which will take place on Friday, June 16 as part of Opening Celebration Day. Teams do not have the option to stay longer. Each team will sign autographs on the ballpark concourse areas behind their respective practice dugouts beginning 30 minutes after the conclusion of its practice session. Please see Appendix F for a more detailed practice schedule.
A limited number of official autograph sheets are provided in addition to a large amount of black Sharpie pens secured by CWS, Inc. Additionally, one Rawlings CWS baseball is given to each of the first 60 kids, 12 years of age and under, for each team autograph session. Fans shall be limited to one item per person. CWS, Inc., will also work with the NCAA’s established beverage provider to supply water to the student-athletes.

Appropriate dress is required (e.g., team shirt, uniform top or practice uniform).

**Buffalo Wild Wings Offer.** Buffalo Wild Wings (BWW), an official NCAA Corporate Partner, is offering CWS participating teams a 25 percent discount on meals throughout the Series at BWW restaurants (in the Omaha area). Team administrators must contact Jeremy Kilburn (402-770-5957) six hours in advance to make reservations and apply the discount. The discount is NOT applicable to alcoholic beverage purchases. This offer is for the 35-person official traveling party only and provided reservations are made in advance. Individuals eating at BWW on their own (not with the group at the time reserved by the team administrator) will NOT be provided the 25 percent discount.

**Fan Fest.** The NCAA, in conjunction with Turner Events, shall manage a Fan Fest area in Lot C and on Mike Fahey Street throughout the Series. The Fan Fest shall include interactive exhibits featuring NCAA corporate partners and licensees, food vendors, musical performances, and other fan-targeted exhibits and presentations. The Fan Fest will open Friday, June 16, and continue throughout the Men’s College World Series. This area also includes the location for the NCAA Experience/PrimeSport tent and the Buffalo Wild Wings Lounge. Please see the NCAA website (www.ncaa.com/cws) for more details, as hours vary daily.

**Golf Outing.** A VIP golf outing, organized by CWS of Omaha, Inc., shall be conducted for select individuals Thursday, June 22, 2017. The NCAA and CWS of Omaha, Inc., shall invite representatives from the participating teams.

**Opening Celebration Day: Team Photos, Practices, Autograph Sessions and Fan Fest.** Preceding the first day of games, Friday, June 16, is a day full of activities at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. From 7:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., teams arrive at the ballpark, in a staggered fashion, to have their photo taken at the Road to Omaha sculpture, have practice on the field (9:10 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and lastly participate in a 45-minute autograph session on the concourse (10:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.). The Fan Fest area will open to the public from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**Team Dinner.** College World Series of Omaha, Inc., will host a dinner for the eight participating teams and invited guests on Opening Celebration Day (Friday, June 16) at Creighton University’s Morrison Stadium. Teams shall be dressed in appropriate attire because immediately following dinner the teams will be escorted by CWS of Omaha, Inc. staff to the Opening Ceremonies. Team buses will drop off the student-athletes on 19th Street, at the main entrance to Morrison Stadium. The buses will then drive to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha and park in the curb cut on 13th Street, adjacent to the stadium. In order to ensure adequate seating, teams are assigned staggered arrival times as follows:
7 p.m.         Game 1: Home and Visitor
7:10 p.m.      Game 2: Home and Visitor
7:20 p.m.      Game 3: Home and Visitor
7:30 p.m.      Game 4: Home and Visitor

Each team will receive 45 dinner wristbands, including 35 for the official travel party and 10 for discretionary use by the institution. Additional dinner wristbands are distributed by CWS, Inc., to service clubs, NCAA, Creighton University and other VIPs attending the Opening Celebration. These additional guests will be asked to attend the dinner from 6:15-7 p.m., to alleviate congestion and to provide adequate space for the participating teams. Without exception, each person who attends the dinner must show their wristband upon entering. Teams should be aware that the 45 individuals receiving team dinner wristbands are the only individuals who later will be allowed on the field for the Opening Ceremonies at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.

A variety of tailgate games (e.g., corn hole, washer sets, tumble towers, bocce ball) will be on the Morrison Stadium field for student-athletes and guests to enjoy following dinner. During the last 30 minutes at Morrison Stadium, student-athletes will be introduced to underprivileged Omaha children who are participants in the Police Athletics for Community Engagement (PACE) baseball program. Student-athletes and the PACE kids will have an opportunity to talk baseball and maybe get a few short tosses before student-athletes and PACE kids walk together to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha together. Cars, or golf carts, will be available for any team member who, due to an injury or other conditions cannot walk the five blocks downhill from Morrison Stadium to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.
**Parade.** After the dinner, all teams will participate in a parade down Mike Fahey Street to the stadium. The parade will conclude near Gate 3, at the centerfield holding area. From this location, CWS of Omaha, Inc. staff will organize the teams to enter the stadium from centerfield. Only those 45 individuals, per team, with team dinner wristbands, will be admitted onto the field for the Opening Ceremonies. Only 45 chairs will be available, per team, on the field.

An additional 15 VIP seats, per team, are available for the Opening Ceremonies. These 15 VIP seats are located behind home plate in Section 112. This VIP area is accessed using wristbands (different from those worn for the team dinner). These VIP seating wristbands will be supplied to the teams by CWS, Inc. staff at the Administrative Meeting on June 15.

**Opening Ceremonies.** Opening Ceremonies will take place at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha from 8:45 to 10 p.m., Friday, June 16. Teams will be coordinated for introductions as they arrive at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha from the Team Dinner located at Creighton’s Morrison Stadium. Only those 45 individuals wearing team dinner wristbands will be admitted onto the field. Only 45 chairs will be set up, per team. Each team will be introduced to the crowd amidst ground-level fireworks and a highlight video set to music. NCAA academic awards also will be presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade point average (GPA) on each team and the team with the highest overall GPA. The NCAA also will present the Elite 90 award to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative GPA amongst all eight participating teams. Winners may be asked a few brief questions by the emcee. Assuming no weather impediments, additional entertainment includes a parachute team and a short set by a national recording artist. A fireworks finale will conclude the evening.
Team VIPs (up to 15), outside of the 45 persons participating in the Team Dinner and on-field Opening Ceremonies, will be allowed to sit in reserved seats in Section 112 of the stadium along with other CWS, Inc., VIPs. Separate credentials (wristbands) for these 15 guests will be provided by CWS, Inc., to teams at the Administrative Meeting.

In the event of inclement weather, Creighton’s Morrison Stadium and/or Rasmussen Center will be used as a back-up location for a scaled down version of Opening Ceremonies.

**Practices.** Please review the following information related to team practices:

1. **Friday, June 16 – Pre-CWS Practice Day.** Arrangements must be made to allow teams to practice at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha Friday, June 16 prior to the first game. Teams shall be provided access to the ballpark clubhouses on their respective base lines prior to their scheduled practices on Friday. The following practice schedules should be followed (practices last 50 minutes with 10 minutes for field preparation allowed before the next team begins):

   - 9:10-10 a.m.  
   - 10:10-11 a.m.  
   - 11:10 a.m.-Noon  
   - 12:10-1 p.m.  
   - 1:10-2 p.m.  
   - 2:10-3 p.m.  
   - 3:10-4 p.m.  
   - 4:10-5 p.m.

   Game No. 1 home team practice  
   Game No. 1 visiting team practice  
   Game No. 2 home team practice  
   Game No. 2 visiting team practice  
   Game No. 3 home team practice  
   Game No. 3 visiting team practice  
   Game No. 4 home team practice  
   Game No. 4 visiting team practice

Teams arriving early for Friday practice may use the 1st Base Holding Room (assigned visiting team for their first scheduled game) or the 3rd Base Holding Room (assigned home team for their first scheduled game) if their assigned clubhouse is not yet ready.

One hour and 25 minutes prior to the start of each team’s official practice time listed above, the institution’s squad will need to arrive at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha (immediately proceed to the Road to Omaha sculpture in front of the stadium) for a team photo (10 minutes duration) and ESPN/www.ncaa.com/Van Wagner Sports & Entertainment/NCAA Digital and Social Media interviews (one hour duration – stadium suite level). Any team members or institutional personnel not involved in these interviews should proceed to your assigned clubhouse (or assigned team holding room if the clubhouse happens to still be occupied: home – third base; visitors – first base). You should wait until the preceding team’s practice has concluded before proceeding to the field. This area will be protected by TD Ameritrade Park Omaha security personnel on the practice day.

Turf shoes shall be required on the playing field during the allotted practice time on Friday. Spikes shall not be permitted on the playing field during Friday’s practice. Coaches and student-athletes shall remain off of the infield grass for any drill or practice procedures unless to pick-up stray balls. Coaches must only hit fungoes from the turf protector on the infield area near home plate. Pitchers may familiarize themselves with the pitching mound by
practicing their wind-up on the mound. However, they will be required to stay on the protective turf at all times when doing so.

After each team’s practice, the team will need to participate in an open interview session for 20 minutes in the clubhouse. Each team will then need to proceed to the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha concourse located down the base line in which your team dugout is located on practice day (home – third base and left field concourse; visitors – first base and right field concourse) for a 45-minute autograph session. The autograph session will begin 30 minutes after the conclusion of each respective practice.

Each team will also need to participate in a 15-20 minute gambling presentation with NCAA staff and/or other guest speakers on either Thursday, June 15 or Friday, June 16 at a time that is mutually agreeable for each participating team. Stephanie Swiger of the NCAA Baseball Development staff in the Enforcement area will contact either the head coach or primary team administrator from each team to schedule this session.

2. **Day of Game Batting Practice.** Weather permitting, the teams playing the first game each day shall be allowed to conduct batting practice at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. Teams playing the second game each day will not be allowed to conduct batting practice on the field at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. Off-site batting practice may be conducted, or batting practice in the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha batting cages will also be permissible.

During a team’s designated practice time prior to the first game on a given day, it may use all available batting practice options (e.g., on-field batting cages, if applicable, as well as its respective assigned batting cage).

Teams playing in the second game on a given day will only be allowed to take batting practice in their assigned batting cage. Please note that this batting practice time will begin 2:15 prior to the start of the second game, and both teams will hit simultaneously during this timeframe. The batting practice will be one hour long.

It should be noted that if there is inclement weather in a given game, it will be left to the discretion of the Division I Baseball Committee as to whether the participating teams will be allowed to use the batting cages in addition to the bat swing areas to loosen up prior to play being resumed.

3. **Off Site Pre-Game Batting Practices.** An institution may choose to take their pre-game batting practice at an off-site facility, which should be coordinated by Ed Servais, head baseball coach at Creighton University (402-660-5846).

With the increase in the number of teams wanting to take pregame batting practice off site at Creighton University, if both teams wish to take pregame batting practice at Creighton, the home team will automatically be scheduled to hit two hours and 30 minutes before the scheduled game time. The visiting team would then be scheduled to hit one hour and 50 minutes before the scheduled game time.
If an institution chooses to take pre-game batting practice off site, a team administrator must notify Chad Tolliver (317-966-6458) that they will be hitting off site at least three hours before the time of their scheduled TD Ameritrade Park Omaha batting practice.

If pre-game batting practice is scheduled to take place on the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha field (i.e., first-game of the day) and either team decides to take their batting practice off site, the other team should be afforded the opportunity to move its batting practice to the scheduled time vacated by the first team.

For additional information on off-site pre-game batting practice policies and procedures, please see Appendix G of this manual.

4. **Off Day, Off Site Practices.** For additional practice time during the Series at sites other than TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, participating teams should contact Ed Servais, head baseball coach at Creighton University, at 402-660-5846. Please see Appendix G for detailed information on the various practice sites available during the Men’s College World Series and also the detailed practice day schedule for each team. Teams should not practice at any other site than those listed in Appendix G. Any institution wishing to use strength training facilities must schedule/confirm with Dan Bailey, head strength and conditioning coach at Creighton University, at 402-639-4827.

5. **Sunday, June 25 – Pre-CWS Finals Practice.** In an attempt to restore the playing field, practices at the stadium will not be permitted if there are no games played Saturday, June 24.

The two teams participating in the CWS Finals will each be allocated a maximum of 1.5 hours of practice at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha Sunday, June 25. One team will practice from Noon-1:30 p.m. (team advancing first to the CWS Finals) and the other team will practice from 1:40-3:10 p.m. There will also be ESPN interviews, Westwood One radio interviews and the pre-CWS Finals press conference. Finally, during each team’s designated practice time, NCAA staff and/or other local organizing committee officials will meet with the primary team administrator and the head coach for a given team during their designated practice time. The exact time for each meeting will be determined in conjunction with each head coach and team administrator.

Please note that on the Sunday before the CWS Finals, TD Ameritrade Park Omaha should be open to the general public; however, this will not be promoted. Minimal stadium security will be needed on-site.

Additional information regarding practice preceding the CWS Finals will be provided during the administrative meeting.

**Pregame Schedules.** The following pregame schedule template is used prior to the first game of a given day at the CWS:
Before First Session

Home team batting practice (BP)  2:15
Visiting team batting practice  1:35
Remove cage, etc.  0:55
Home infield  0:45
Visitor infield  0:35
Field preparation  0:25
Introductions (if necessary)  0:16
Color guard  0:09:40
National Anthem  0:09
Umpires march  0:06
Umpires/coaches meeting  0:05
Home team on field  0:02
First pitch  0:00

*The above schedule is subject to adjustment to address inclement weather, adjusted first pitch times, special recognitions, promotions, etc. All attempts will be made to provide the final pregame timing sheets to the participating teams approximately 24 hours in advance of their game.

The following pregame schedule template is used prior to the second game of a given day at the CWS:

Before Second Session

Home and visiting team BP  2:15
Teams enter and assume dugouts  1:15
Teams warm-up in respective outfield and field preparation occurs  1:10
Home infield  0:45
Visitor infield  0:35
Field preparation  0:25
Introductions (if necessary)  0:16
Color guard  0:09:40
National Anthem  0:09
Umpires march  0:06
Umpires/coaches meeting  0:05
Home team on field  0:02
First pitch  0:00

*The above schedule is subject to adjustment to address inclement weather, adjusted first pitch times, special recognitions, promotions, etc. All attempts will be made to provide the final pregame timing sheets to the participating teams approximately 24 hours in advance of their game.
Additional Information:

1. The above-mentioned schedules shall be followed; however, due to inclement weather or administrative demands on the tournament, the schedule may be adjusted.

2. Between the last out of the first game and the start of the second game a minimum of 0:55 is allowed, which allows for a minimum 0:10 warm-up period prior to the home team taking infield at 0:45 prior to the start of the game.

3. Team introductions are made prior to Game Nos. 1-4 and the CWS Finals games. The visiting team is introduced first [support personnel/assistant coaches/non-starters (numerically)/starters (line-up order)/head coach], and the first person shall proceed to a point on the foul line between home plate and first base (next to the first base bag). The remaining individuals will be introduced and join the first person on the foul line and extend the line towards home plate. The home team shall be introduced in the same manner and follow the same procedures along the foul line between home plate and third base. Teams remain on the field until after the conclusion of the National Anthem, and then return to their dugouts.

4. The National Anthem shall be performed prior to each game.

5. The umpires’ meeting times may be adjusted for Game Nos. 1-4, due to first-time discussion of ground rules.

6. Team members may stretch and short toss for the 10 minutes preceding their batting practice in foul territory or in the deep part of the outfield down their respective foul line. Teams must assume risks associated with this activity.

7. In the event that there is a five-minute slide of the start time of a game for broadcast purposes, the additional five minutes shall be added to the Field Preparation time in the pre-game timing schedule. Whether or not a five-minute slide will be imposed will be determined not later than 40 minutes before the schedule first pitch.

**Halted Play.**

1. **Length of Games.** All games shall be nine innings. If play has been stopped before nine innings have been completed, the halted-game rule (Rule 5-9) shall be used.

2. **Authority to Halt.** The games committee shall make the decision as to when a game shall be halted and/or restarted. The only situation in which the umpire-in-chief may suspend play is if it is his opinion that the playing surface is unplayable.

3. **Contact with the Weather Bureau.** On arrival in Omaha, the assigned individual shall establish contact with the point person from Meteorlogix to set up a training meeting prior to Thursday, June 15.
The NCAA primary and secondary liaisons, in conjunction with the turf manager, shall monitor the weather radar equipment and lightning detection system available at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.

4. **Inclement Weather Scenarios for the Men’s College World Series.**

   a. The primary goal is to play games according to the published schedule.

   b. As a general guideline, no game should start later than 11 p.m. local time. In addition, another general guideline is that the CWS Finals Game Two or CWS Finals Game Three should not start later than 9 p.m. local time.

   c. The principles below are intended to be general guidelines for operation. Issues such as future weather forecasts, television, competitive equity and expenses associated with playing games after Wednesday of the CWS Finals may dictate an alternate schedule.

   **Principles:**

   1. In the event of inclement weather, every attempt should be made to play both games scheduled on a particular day OR cancel both games scheduled on that day so that the structural format of the CWS is not altered.

   2. In those instances when only one game on a particular day is cancelled (e.g., first game played and second game rained out), three games should be played on the following day to get the event back into its original structural format.

   3. In the case of a halted game, the remaining game schedule should be adjusted so that there is no possibility of a team playing more than two complete games in one day.

   **POSSIBLE SCENARIOS:**

   1. If both Tuesday, June 20 games are cancelled, play those Tuesday games (Games 7 and 8) on Wednesday, June 21. The originally scheduled game on Wednesday, June 21 (Game 9) will be moved to Thursday, June 22 (2 p.m. local time).

   2. If one Tuesday, June 20 game is cancelled, play this game tentatively at 1 or 2 p.m. local time on Wednesday, June 21.

   3. If the lone Wednesday, June 21 game is cancelled (Game 9), this game will be moved to Thursday, June 22 (2 p.m. local time).

   4. If inclement weather cancels Game 10 on Thursday, June 22 at 7 p.m. (local time):
a. Play Game 10 on Friday at 2 p.m. (local time). This addresses the competitive inequity issue by shifting the remaining schedule of the CWS one day later without changing the structure of the bracket.

b. However, the “if necessary” games would be played on Sunday, June 25, thus eliminating any “rest/off day” for teams before the start of the CWS Finals (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday).

c. During the best-of-three CWS Finals, the following inclement weather scenario should be used:

POSSIBLE SCENARIOS:

1. **If the Monday game is cancelled**…play one game each on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (if necessary).

2. **If the Monday game is played and the Tuesday game is cancelled**…play game two on Wednesday and game three (if necessary) on Thursday.

3. **If Monday and Tuesday games are cancelled**…play games one and two on Wednesday and game three (if necessary) on Thursday.

   • The order of games will not be altered from the originally published schedule.

5. **Halted Procedures.** If a game is halted, the following procedures should be followed:

   a. Prior to the delay, the weather radar and lightning detection system should be thoroughly analyzed to determine when inclement weather will affect the game and to prepare the grounds crew to cover the field. If necessary, the weather bureau may be contacted for additional information. If possible, the games committee must be prepared to estimate when the game should be halted in order to allow the grounds crew adequate time to cover the infield.

   b. When it is determined that the game shall be halted, both teams must be notified immediately, and if possible, information as to when the game might be restarted should be provided.

   c. The same information should be relayed to the press box and the televising network.

   d. A public address announcement should be made regarding the expected length of the delay.
e. Throughout the delay, contact should be maintained with the weather bureau, and the above-mentioned groups should be kept informed of the status of the delay.

f. When it is determined that play will resume, the head turf manager should be contacted to determine how much time will be required to get the field in playing condition. The Division I Baseball Committee should also consider the amount of time each team needs to warm-up (e.g., pitchers) before the game is resumed. After these issues have been considered, then inform the above-mentioned groups when play will resume. Please also review more detailed information in Appendix I.
CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

Bracket Format. The 2017 NCAA Men’s College World Series is an eight team, double-elimination tournament. The championship bracket can be found in Appendix D. The NCAA will determine first-round game orders and times during a Monday, June 12 telephone conference. The dates and times will be announced via press release at approximately 11 p.m. eastern time on Monday night, June 12.

Home Team. The highest-seeded teams advancing from super-regional tournaments shall be the home teams for the first-round contests. In the event of a match-up between equally seeded teams, a coin flip will determine the home team. One team will be designated as “heads”, the other team will be designated as “tails” and the coin will be flipped by the NCAA representative. Heads and tails designation will be determined by alphabetical order of the name of the institution (i.e., first alphabetically being heads, second alphabetically being tails).

In subsequent games, the home team shall be determined according to the following formula:

1. The institution that has been the home team the fewer number of times shall be designated the home team.

2. If the two teams are equal in this respect but unequal in the number of times they were the visitor, then the team that has been the visitor more often will be designated the home team.

3. If the two teams are equal in the number of times that they have been home and visitor, the games committee or the NCAA site representative shall observe the following procedures in the order stated:
   a. If the two teams have met previously in that particular tournament, the visitor in the previous game shall be the home team in the game in question.
   b. The team that was visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were visitors in their preceding games.
   c. If the above procedures do not resolve the matter, the home team shall be determined by coin toss. The coin toss will be held on the field immediately after the game that caused the situation to develop and both coaches are requested to be in attendance. The higher seeded team can determine whether it will call the coin toss, or defer the call to its opponent. In the event of a match-up between equally seeded teams, one team will be designated as “heads”, the other team will be designated as “tails” and the coin will be flipped by the NCAA representative. Heads and tails designation will be determined by alphabetical order of the name of the institution (i.e., first alphabetically being heads, second alphabetically being tails).

The Division I Baseball Committee has determined that for the CWS Finals (championship series), if one team advances to the CWS Finals with no losses and the other team has one loss, then the undefeated team would be provided the choice in game one of selecting to be either the home or
visiting team for the best-of-three series. The other team not receiving the choice in game one would be designated as the opposite option for game two (e.g., if the team with the choice in game one chooses to be the home team, then in game two the team not receiving the choice in game one would be the home team). The home team for game three, if necessary, would be determined by a coin flip prior to the game. If both teams enter the CWS Finals either undefeated or with one loss, then the home team for game one would be determined by a coin flip prior to the game. The other team not designated as the home team in game one would be the home team in game two of the CWS Finals. If the CWS Finals goes to a third game, the home team would be determined by another coin flip prior to the game.

Please note that for any required coin flip, the higher seeded team can determine whether it will call the coin flip, or defer the call to its opponent. In the event of a match-up between equally seeded teams, one team will be designated as “heads”, the other team will be designated as “tails” and the coin will be flipped by the NCAA representative. Heads and tails designation will be determined by alphabetical order of the name of the institution (i.e., first alphabetically being heads, second alphabetically being tails).
GAME MANAGEMENT

Championship Materials. A dedicated NCAA website has been developed to retain key information from every Division I, Division II and Division III conference and institution which may participate in an NCAA Championship. The NCAA and partners (i.e., Turner/CBS, ESPN, IMG College, Van Wagner Sports & Entertainment, etc.) are required to use the site to access all logos, fight songs, rosters, photos of student-athletes, teams, coaches, administrators and campus for use on selection shows, game programs, banquet videos and video boards at NCAA championships. For this site to be completely effective, it requires full cooperation from participating institutions. Please log on to www.ncaachampionship.info (username: ncaaschools; password: ncaaftp) to upload the appropriate information for your institution or conference.

Electronic Communication. No electronic communication devices (e.g., cellular phones, iPads, tablets, televisions) are permitted in the bullpens or dugouts during the CWS.

Instant Replay. The instant replay experimental rule limits reviewable plays to the following:

1. Deciding if a batted ball is fair or foul. The ball must first touch the ground or a fielder beyond the initial position of the first or third baseman.

2. Deciding if a batted ball is either a ground-rule double or a home run.

3. Any catch or no catch in the outfield or foul territory. A call of “no catch” can be changed to “catch” within the infield only if it results in a third out with any runners on base, or any time with a batter-runner only.

4. Spectator-interference.

5. Deciding scoring plays at home plate inclusive of collisions (illegal and/or malicious slides) or time plays.

Instant Replay Review Process:

1. Instant replay is a video process which falls within the NCAA Baseball Rules in Appendix E: Getting the Call Right. It can be used to either let stand a ruling on the field by the game officials or to change or reverse that ruling.

2. The instant replay process operates under the fundamental assumption that the ruling on the field is correct. Only if there is indisputable video evidence to remove all doubt that a ruling was incorrect will a call be changed. Absent that evidence, the original call will stand.

3. Any instant replay must occur before the next pitch or play. If it occurs after a game ending play it must be called for before all umpires leave the field of play.

4. The crew chief makes the determination to use instant replay.
5. There is not a formal “coaches challenge” opportunity. Coaches already have the ability to request a conference among umpires under the “Getting the Call Right” provisions.

6. If instant replay is used, the calling umpire and the crew chief, and other members of the crew as deemed necessary, would go to the instant replay facilitator on the field of play to obtain the headset communication to the instant replay official located in the umpires’ locker room. The instant replay official would review all relevant video coverage.

7. Security should be available to the umpires on the field of play during the video review. The video review area is a secure environment completely clear of all other persons other than the NCAA Umpire Program staff and any applicable NCAA staff.

8. During a video review the defensive team shall maintain their positions on the field and may practice throw if desired. Offensive base runners and the on-deck hitter shall maintain their positions. Other personnel shall remain in the dugout. Any defensive or offensive conferences will be charged as during any other part of the game.

9. While there is no time limit for the video review, lengthy reviews (more than 2-3 minutes) are discouraged and are possible evidence that there will be no indisputable video evidence to change a call.

10. The instant replay official would communicate with appropriate technical personnel in order to review and have shown on one or more monitors all relevant television camera angles of the plays with highlighting, reversing, slow motion, freeze frame or other capabilities as will assist in making a determination. All equipment should be tested by appropriate personnel before each game.

11. The instant replay official may confer and discuss the replays during the review with other members of the NCAA Umpire Program staff, but the ultimate final decision is with the instant replay official. This final decision is communicated to the umpire crew chief and may not be argued by either coach.

12. If the reversing of a call results in the need for decisions on the placement of base runners, the crew chief would use his best judgment to determine their locations as if the call had been made correctly. These decisions are also not to be questioned by the coach.

13. If a call has been changed, the crew chief would notify both head coaches and the official scorer (via hand signals) of the ruling.

**Introductions.** Team introductions are made prior to Game Nos. 1-4 and the CWS Finals games. The visiting team is introduced first [support personnel/assistant coaches/non-starters (numerically)/starters (line-up order)/head coach], and the first person shall proceed to a point on the foul line between home plate and first base (next to the first base bag). The remaining individuals will be introduced and join the first person on the foul line and extend the line towards
home plate. The home team shall be introduced in the same manner and follow the same procedures along the foul line between home plate and third base. Teams remain on the field until after the conclusion of the National Anthem, and then return to their dugouts.

**Line-Up.** The coach of each team will present a line-up card to the umpire before the start of the game. The head coach is required to present the line-up card prior to the first game in which his team competes in the CWS and, if applicable, the CWS Finals. Each coach is requested to have his tentative line-up available to the official scorer one hour prior to the start of the game. If a change is made in the line-up, the coach should notify the home plate umpire who will then inform the press box. After the completion of the first two days of competition (first game for all participating teams), the coaches and umpires should refrain from lengthy pregame meetings at home plate. The head coach also will be encouraged to provide their tentative line-up to ESPN representatives the morning of any game in which they play.

**Lost And Found.** The lost and found department is located in the guest services office on the main concourse by section 113. Any item found after an event will be returned to the facility security office. Items will be held for 30 days. The Lost and Found hotline is 402-546-1750.

**National Anthem.** The National Anthem shall be performed prior to each game.

**Post-Championship Evaluations.** The NCAA shall develop, distribute and collect championship evaluations and surveys from participating teams, umpires and local host representatives. The hosts may also seek additional feedback if approved in advance by the NCAA.

**Team Scouting Seats.** As long as a team is a participant in the Series, it is entitled to two seats for the purpose of scouting opponents. Admission to a scouting seat will be with a competitor’s credential. The NCAA on-field liaisons are responsible for assigning scouting seats prior to each game by taping the name of the participating institutions to their seats. All scouting seats will be located in Section 112, which is located directly behind home plate.

**Team Hosts.** Eight of the local service organizations each host one of the teams in the Men’s College World Series. Each team is required to participate in a social function provided by the service club representatives. This event will be held on the first Saturday, Sunday, or Monday of the Series. A representative of each respective institution (e.g., athletics administrator with baseball oversight) must be present at any service club functions provided for your team. A representative of each hosting organization shall contact the team it represents following the super regional tournament. Following are the service clubs and contact persons who have been assigned for the series:
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**Team Meals/Additional Food.** No outside food and/or beverages are permitted to be brought into TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.

Each participating institution will be provided training table food in their assigned clubhouse or team holding room (for those teams playing in the second game of a given day) for each game in which they participate. This food will be provided by the stadium caterer (Levy Restaurants).

Should an institution need additional food or beverage beyond the meal provided, Levy Restaurants has prepared a variety of options available for purchase. Please see Appendix K for details on the menu and the ordering process.

**Umpires.** The umpires selected to work the Men’s College World Series shall report to the National Coordinator of Umpires, who in turn reports to the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee, for all matters related to the administration of the Series. Four umpires shall be assigned to each game, with the exception of the CWS Finals when six umpires shall be assigned.

Microphones shall be placed on umpires for purposes of airing audio during the ESPN broadcast.

NCAA policies prohibit umpires from fraternizing with participants, coaches and other institutional representatives during the championship.

**Video (Game).** The NCAA Broadcast Services staff will provide a jump drive with a copy of the ESPN/ESPN2 broadcasts to participating teams. School administrators may pick up a copy of the game telecast in the press interview room (SL-112B). The NCAA will only provide one jump drive per CWS game to the two participating teams (home team jump drive and visiting team jump drive).
drive). If teams wish to record every CWS game, each team must bring its own recording equipment to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. The institutional recording equipment set-up area will be in the media work room (SL-124). The team videographer can plug into the ESPN mult-box (SL-124). Please consult Kristen Jacob Smith (kjsmith@ncaa.org) during the sports information meeting Thursday night prior to the start of the Series for further information.
COMPETITION SITE

**Competition Site Maps.** A Map of TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, and its surrounding parking lots and streets, can be found in Appendix H.

**Clubhouses.** The visiting team shall be assigned to the first base clubhouse (if playing the first game of the day) or first base holding room (if playing the second game of the day). The home team shall be assigned to the third base clubhouse (if playing the first game of the day) or third base holding room (if playing the second game of the day).

Each of the two fitted clubhouses have 37 lockers (30 lockers for student-athletes; one for the head coach; and six lockers for assistant coaches/support staff), restrooms and separate locker room space for coaches and meetings. Each clubhouse will also have two stationary bicycles. The two holding rooms can accommodate 35 people, but will only have tables and chairs provided in them (no lockers). The visiting team using the first base side holding room shall use the restroom immediately across the hall. The home team using the third base side holding room shall use the restroom inside the tunnel leading to the field/dugout.

The two holding rooms also do not have athletic training rooms and are significantly smaller in size than the clubhouses. There will be an athletic training table in each holding room.

The clubhouses and holding rooms all have digital clocks that will be synchronized to the stadium video board clock.

**Dugouts and Bullpens.** The home team shall occupy the third-base dugout (and left field bullpen). The visiting team shall occupy the first-base dugout (and right field bullpen). Teams waiting to play are expected to stay clear of the dugouts and bullpens until the teams in the preceding game have had an opportunity to remove their equipment. Teams vacating the dugouts shall be encouraged to depart as soon as possible.

There is a small bat swing area directly behind each dugout for student-athletes to warm-up in during games. This area also contains the dugout restroom.

There will be a hard line bullpen phone between each dugout and the respective bullpen.

**Playing Surface.** The playing field at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha is a natural grass turf of 100 percent Kentucky bluegrass, containing no less than four improved varieties (blend of improved bluegrass developed specifically for high performance athletic fields). The sod is placed on 10” depth of United States Golf Association (USGA) sand and organic material, with a 4” to 30” layer of gravel beneath the sand. A 7,500 square foot sod farm (built with the same materials as the playing field) is located next to the CenturyLink Center Omaha to have ample additional turf if needed.

Omaha is situated on the border of zones 5A and 5B of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Plant Hardiness Zone Map. As far as turf grass climatic zones, Omaha is situated on the far western side of the area referred to as the Semicool Humid zone.
The recommended mowing height for standard Kentucky Bluegrass is 1” to 3”. Please note that at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, the turf management staff maintains a height of cut of 1”. The improved varieties allow the staff to do this while still allowing the plant to survive. Weather permitting, the grass will be mowed every game day.

The skinned area of the infield has been amended with Field Saver 60. The soil test provided to the turf management staff has it having a dry weight basis of 47.7% sand, 30.3% silt, and 22% clay giving the infield a silt to clay ratio (SCR) of 1.38. USDA Texture = Loam. It is top dressed with a 50/50 mix of Turface Calcined Clay and Diamond Pro Vitrified Clay.

The mounds and plate areas are constructed from Dura Pitch Professional Mound and Play Clay.

**Parking.** Five parking spaces shall be provided for each participating team. Four spaces shall be located in Lot B (one of which will be for the team ticket manager) and a fifth pass in Lot D. Admission will be granted by a parking pass that will be distributed during the Thursday night administrative meeting. After games in which it competes, each team may park one car on the 13th Street curb cut for use by head coaches after postgame press conferences (and/or the team’s representative if drug testing occurs). Parking passes for the opening ceremonies will be provided during the pre-tournament administrative meeting.

Team buses shall remain parked at the team bus drop-off/pick-up location along 13th Street just outside the Team Personnel Entrance to the stadium. Any team VIP buses traveling with team buses (maximum of one per team) shall park on the east side of the CenturyLink Center Omaha after dropping off their riders.

Parking Guidelines:

1. Parking is on a first-come, first-served basis in designated parking lots.

2. Tailgating is permitted in all TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots. Tailgate festivities cannot extend into additional parking spaces. Tents may be no larger than 10’ x 10’.

3. Holding or saving parking spaces is not permitted.

4. Drive lanes in the parking lots must be kept clear at all times.

5. No overnight parking in any TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots.

6. ADA parking is available in all TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots.

7. Staking of tents is NOT permitted in the parking lots or lawn areas of the parking lots. Tents may be anchored by weights.
8. Consumption of alcohol or open containers of alcohol is prohibited.

9. Commercial advertising banners or signs are prohibited.

10. Distribution of promotional items or other forms of solicitation is not permitted.

11. Any equipment (e.g., chairs, tents, grills, etc.) left overnight will be disposed of.

12. All cooking equipment must be situated away from crowds, buildings or combustible material. A minimum clearance distance of three (3) feet from cooking equipment is required. No grills are to be left unattended at any time.

13. Trash containers and charcoal dump stations will be provided in TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots.

14. Personal golf carts, Segway’s and skateboards are not allowed in TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots.

15. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots will open at 8 a.m. on Men’s College World Series game days.

16. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots will close 90 minutes after the event.

17. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha reserves the right to revoke daily or season parking passes of those who do not comply with any parking guidelines.

18. Motor homes (or other RVs) are not permitted to park in any TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha parking lots. Fans should be directed to www.ncaa.com/cws for information on nearby RV parking areas.

**Shared Parking.** The northern-most curb cut on 10th Street, in front of the CenturyLink Center Omaha, shall be marked by City of Omaha temporary signage as shared parking. This space is designated for use as a drop off/pick up location by shared ride services such as Uber, as well as business shuttle vans and general public vehicles dropping off passengers.

**Stadium Entrances.** Each entrance will be staffed by stadium personnel. No one will be allowed to enter without a ticket or credential. Stadium gates shall open two hours before the start of the first game of the day.

1. **Student-Athlete Guest Entrance.** A special gate must be identified to admit patrons holding student-athlete-guest “complimentary” tickets. This entrance is adjacent to the box office off of 13th and Mike Fahey Streets.
2. **Team Personnel Entrance (Game Days).** All student-athletes, coaches and other members on the official travel party roster, on days they have games, must have an NCAA issued credential in order to gain admittance. This team entrance is located on 13th Street (just south of the “Suite/Club Entrance”). The location will be marked with A-Frame Signs.

3. **Team Personnel Entrance (Non-Game Days).** On days they do not have games, all student-athletes, coaches and other members on the official travel party roster must have an NCAA issued credential in order to gain admittance. This entrance is located at Gate 1.

**Stadium Set-Up.** TD Ameritrade Park Omaha should be prepared and set in accordance with Rule 1 of the NCAA Baseball Rules. A field tarp and an adequate grounds crew must be available. MECA must also provide all of the necessary equipment for team batting practices on the game field (e.g., batting cages, hitting pads, L-screens, etc.).

1. On field batting practice equipment will consist of:
   a. 8’ x 8’ padded L-screen with wheels
   b. Pitching platform with artificial turf
   c. Ball caddy with a 200 ball capacity
   d. 8’ x 8’ base screen with wheels at both first and third bases
   e. 8’h x 14’6”w tri-fold screen with wheels at second base
   f. 8’h x 12’w centerfield shag screen with wheels
   g. Portable, padded batting cage measuring approximately 18’w x 22’d x 12’6”h
   h. Turf mat to cover batter’s and catcher’s box areas
   i. Mound to have protective turf mat extending from plateau through landing area
   j. Turf protectors:
      1). Infield
      2). Fungo areas
      3). Behind cage
   k. Off to the side and behind the plate will be a hitting tee with a catch net

2. Each indoor batting area will be equipped with:
   a. Regulation clay pitching mound
   b. Hitting mat with inlaid batter’s lines and plate
c. 8’ x 8’ padded L-screen

d. Cage netting measuring approximately 15’w x 14’h x 75’l”

e. Permanently mounted pitching machine

f. Outside of netting will be a hitting tee with catch net

3. The Bat Swing Room located just off of each dugout will be supplied with a hitting tee.

There are two (2) batting cages provided at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, one located behind the 1st base dugout and one located behind the 3rd base dugout. The Division I Baseball Committee has determined that teams participating in a given game will only be allowed to use the Bat Swing Room behind their respective dugout. Access to the batting cages is off limits.

**Tournament and Media Headquarters.** NCAA tournament headquarters will be located at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in the CWS Administrative Offices. The offices, accessible through an exterior door on the South side of the ballpark, will open Wednesday, June 14, and will be open throughout the Series.

The media headquarters will be located in the Hall C VIP Lounge (Convention Center 108) at the CenturyLink Center Omaha. The NCAA media coordination headquarters will be in operation from the Monday five days prior to the start of the CWS until the day the CWS Finals concludes.
DRUG TESTING

Drug Testing Statement. The following statement needs to be read at the administrative meeting:

*NCAA drug-testing is a possibility at any and all NCAA championship rounds and sites. However, as a best practice, the NCAA will not announce whether or not drug testing will occur at any specific venue.*

Although knowing prior to competition whether NCAA drug testing was to occur had value for reasons of convenience, it left open the possibility that student-athletes might be tempted to use banned substances if they knew that NCAA testing was not being conducted at the site of competition.

Therefore, all coaches and student-athletes should presume that NCAA drug testing will occur at this championship event. Please inform your student-athletes that in the event they are notified of their selection for drug testing, the student-athlete must inform an official representative of your institution (e.g., coach, athletic trainer) before proceeding to the drug-testing site.

Drug Testing Room. The drug testing room is located on the Street Level in the Auxiliary Room, room number SL-112. The on-site drug testing contact is Steve Brace, Creighton University.
EQUIPMENT

**Baseballs.** The NCAA and Rawlings will provide each team with four buckets of practice balls (12 dozen baseballs per team). Teams should plan to furnish their own additional practice balls, if necessary.

Each starting pitcher will be furnished two warm-up baseballs before each game. The Rawlings FSR1NCAA baseball, the official championship baseball, will be used in all Men’s College World Series games.

**Bat Testing.** As part of the NCAA Bat Certification Program, all bats will be tested (ring test and wall thickness test) before competition in Omaha. All teams must submit any bat that will be used during competition on Friday, June 16 after team practices. NCAA staff will communicate further details on-site and coordinate retrieval of bats after testing is completed. Please see Appendix L for more details. Bat testing on Friday, June 16 will occur in the Auxiliary Room (SL-112).

The NCAA will affix a sticker to bats that are approved as of testing time and may be used for competition. Umpires will be instructed to remove any bat that does not display a certification sticker. If a bat approved as of testing time is used during the CWS and later becomes dented/flat/cracked during the Series, such a bat could still become impermissible in this situation even if the certification sticker is still affixed. The umpires would remove such as an impermissible bat and penalize according to the NCAA Baseball Rules. Any new bats a team wants to introduce into competition later in the Series after initial testing must be presented to Randy Bruns, NCAA baseball secretary-rules editor, for on-site testing in the umpire offices before they can be used.

**Clubhouse Chairs.** The NCAA will provide 31 CWS branded, padded chairs in each of the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha clubhouses and holding rooms. These chairs should not be removed from the clubhouses or the holding rooms by the teams. Teams that remove chairs from the clubhouse may be charged for the full cost of those chairs ($75 per chair).

Order forms will be provided to teams during the Thursday, June 15 administrative meeting for purchasing chairs after the CWS. However, one chair will be shipped to the head coach of each team that reaches the CWS Finals as a complimentary gift from the NCAA.

**Dugout Provisions.** As a general rule, all equipment and provisions in team dugouts should be free of commercial branding, to protect the integrity of the NCAA corporate partner program. Regular season sponsorships or other marketing and/or advertising agreements in place during the regular season are not carried forward to the NCAA Division I Baseball Championship and the College World Series.

The NCAA will provide complimentary POWERADE product and equipment for team needs during the Men’s College World Series. Specifically, Dasani water, POWERADE beverages, POWERADE powder and POWERADE-branded cups, coolers, ice chests and squeeze bottles will be made available to teams during CWS competition at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. As such, teams are not permitted to use refreshment equipment in dugouts branded with commercial
identification other than POWERADE. Teams may fill their POWERADE-branded equipment with the beverages of their choice. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha staff, in conjunction with Curtis Self of Creighton University, will be responsible for ensuring the dugout provisions are stocked daily.

TD Ameritrade Park Omaha staff will supply teams with several white, unbranded towels for use during games. As a result, teams may not use towels of any other color or that contain any commercial branding (e.g., Gatorade) in team dugouts or on the field of play during the CWS. The NCAA will also provide each team with a commemorative CWS towel.

Rawlings, the Official Supplier of the NCAA Division I Baseball Championship game balls, will provide each team with ball buckets for use during practices and pre-game warm-ups. Only Rawlings branded ball buckets are permitted on the field and in team dugouts. Any Rawlings buckets with Major League Baseball (MLB) logos must have the logos covered.

Creighton University athletics trainers shall assist in the daily set-up of dugout provisions by placing the following:

1. Two 10 gallon coolers of water in each dugout.
2. Two 10 gallon coolers of POWERADE in each dugout.
3. Four (4) sleeves of cups in each dugout.
4. Five (5) ice towels with ammonia in each dugout.
5. Biohazard kit in each dugout.
6. 10 towels on each bench.
7. Injury ice chest in each dugout (with bags and flexi wrap).
8. One (1) sleeve of cups in each bullpen/five (5) towels.
9. 10 gallon cooler of water (and POWERADE, pending availability) in each bullpen.
11. Top off coolers in each camera corral.
12. One (1) sleeve of cups in each batting cage.
13. 10 gallon cooler of water in each batting cage.
**Exercise Facilities.** Student-athletes of the participating teams shall have access to Creighton University athletics exercise facilities during their stay in Omaha. Student-athletes may only use the facility in the presence of a team administrator or coach. Those using the facility (Creighton Championship Center; 625 Florence Boulevard; Omaha, Nebraska 68178) will be required to sign a release of liability waiver (included as Appendix J in this manual). To make arrangements for use of the facility, please contact Creighton Head Strength and Conditioning Coach, Dan Bailey at 402-639-4827. As a reminder, participating teams should contact Dan Bailey directly for use of the exercise facilities, and not Coach Ed Servais, who handles scheduling team practices.

Student-athletes of the participating teams shall have complimentary access to the Anytime Fitness (1027 Jones Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68102) exercise facility during their stay in Omaha. Student-athletes may only use the facility in the presence of a team administrator or coach and all individuals must sign the appropriate waivers at the facility. The contacts at the facility are either Teresa Riesberg or Laura Binetti, (402-991-2333).

**Field Communication Phones.** There will be a hard line bullpen phone between each dugout and the respective bullpen.

**Radar (Speed) Guns.** The use of radar (speed) guns by personnel from competing teams is permissible; however, this information may not be communicated through any electronic means to other team personnel in any location in the stadium. Please refer to NCAA Baseball Rule 5-2-f for more information. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha may present radar (speed) gun displays on the scoreboard or video board showing the speed of each pitch.
EXPENSES/REIMBURSEMENT

Check Cashing Service. Your service club representative will assist you if you need to cash any checks during your stay in Omaha.

Per Diem. Each member of the official 35-person traveling party will be provided with per diem of $150 per day based on the NCAA formula described in the team expense report guidelines.

TES System. Team forms are available online at the following link for regional and super regional competition and the CWS: https://web1.ncaa.org/TES/exec/login?js=true.
GENERAL PUBLIC

Banners and Artificial Noisemakers. Stadium management shall confiscate all prohibited articles. Banners and signs that can be held by one individual, reflect good sportsmanship and do not block the view of other ticket patrons may be permitted (not larger than three feet by five feet).

Artificial noisemakers, air horns, electronic instruments, etc. are not permissible. Thunder sticks and vuvuzelas are considered as artificial noisemakers.

Championship Merchandise. The NCAA retains the exclusive right to sell souvenir products at the 2017 NCAA Men’s College World Series. Retail points of sale are located on the concourse and in the CWS Fan Fest.

Fan Fest. The NCAA, in conjunction with Turner Events, shall manage a Fan Fest area in Lot C and on Mike Fahey Street throughout the Series. The Fan Fest shall include interactive exhibits featuring NCAA corporate partners and licensees, food vendors, musical performances, and other fan-targeted exhibits and presentations. This area also includes the location for the NCAA Experience/Prime Sport tent and the Buffalo Wild Wings Lounge.

First Aid. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha has first aid stations located on the main concourse by sections 113 & 130. In-house medical teams will staff all first aid stations inside TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.

Guest Services. The guest services office is located on the main concourse by Section 113. The lost and found department is also located in the guest services office. Any item found after an event will be returned to the facility security office. Items will be held for 30 days. The Guest Services main line is 402-546-1800 and the Guest Services hotline is 402-546-0888. The Lost and Found hotline is 402-546-1750.

Parking. Approximately 869 parking spaces shall be available for the general public in Lot A and the CenturyLink Center Omaha Parking Garage. Fans will be charged $12/space/day for parking in the garage. Fans will be charged $10/space/day for parking in Lot A. Tailgating is not permitted in the parking garage. Individuals seeking to purchase daily tickets from the box office should use these lots; however, if they are unable to get box office tickets and exit the lots within a reasonable time they will be reimbursed their parking fee.

Smoking. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha is a smoke-free facility. Any person who refuses to comply with the policy shall be subject to ejection from the facility. Outside smoking areas are located outside of any gate. Smokers must stay 20 feet away from the gate entrance.

Souvenir Programs. On behalf of the NCAA, IMG College will publish the official souvenir program for the CWS. Game programs will be sold throughout the stadium on game days. There will be 35 complimentary game programs provided to each team.

Tickets. There are two types of tickets sold for the CWS: Reserved in the lower level, upper level grandstands and General Admission (GA) tickets in the outfield bleachers (Sections 125 through
136) and standing room areas. Both types of tickets are sold in advance, as well as on the “day of game” once the tournament has started. Reserved seats are guaranteed seating, while GA seats are “first come/first served” seats and are not guaranteed.

**Transportation.** Fans can choose two options provided by Metro for a stress-free option to and from the stadium:

1. The **Stadium Circulator** connects the stadium with downtown hotels, public parking and the Old Market and is within walking distance to many attractions. On game days, the circulator will operate two hours before the first game of the day (on an approximately 10-minute frequency) until two hours after the end of the last game of the day. The circulator also operates on Opening Celebration Day. The circulator will operate on Friday, June 16 from 9:30 a.m. until 30 minutes after the festivities end.

2. Metro has at least 12 regularly-scheduled routes with bus stops within walking distance of the stadium. For one-way fares, hours of operation and additional information, please visit www.ometro.com or call 402-341-0800 (Voice); 402-341-0807 (TDD). Note: Exact fare is required; bus drivers do not make change. The entire Metro fleet is ADA accessible.
LODGING

**Headquarters Hotel.** The NCAA has designated the Hilton Omaha as the headquarters hotel for NCAA representatives. Two teams will also be assigned to the headquarters hotel that are on the same side of the bracket.

**Team Hotels.** CWS of Omaha, Inc., will work with the Omaha Convention and Visitors Bureau to obtain hotel information and to arrange a special rate for the Men’s College World Series participants. CWS, Inc., will sign and hold contracts for 50 team rooms, then transfer them to participating teams upon their qualification into the CWS. Hotel assignments for each super regional winner are predetermined by the NCAA on Monday, May 29.

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                        Omaha, NE 68102  
                        402-346-7600  
                        dramos@doubletree.com |
| North Carolina Pod    | DoubleTree Downtown    | Dena Ramos  
                        Director of Sales and Marketing  
                        1616 Dodge Street  
                        Omaha, NE 68102  
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                        Cluster Director of Sales  
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                        Omaha, NE 68102  
                        402-917-9950  
                        bernadette.jenkins@whitelodging.com |
**Team Hotel Guidelines.** Super regional winners are assigned by the NCAA to hotels through a random drawing. Each team will be financially responsible for a total of 50 guaranteed rooms. There are 25 rooms, at a discounted rate, designated for use by the team’s traveling party and 25 additional rooms, at a different rate.

Each of the 25 rooms designated for team use (at the discounted rates) is intended to house two individuals. Free Wi-Fi access will be available to the 25 rooms in the official travel party. The 35 members of the official travel party will receive complimentary breakfast at the hotel. ESPN networks will also be available. Each team will receive one room upgraded to a suite for the head coach. Finally, each team will receive three complimentary parking stalls.

It should be noted that 10 days prior to the Men’s College World Series, the NCAA will provide CWS of Omaha, Inc., with contact names and telephone numbers for the two teams participating in each super regional. In turn, CWS of Omaha, Inc. immediately will provide this contact information to the appropriate host hotel. **Within 24 hours, the host hotel will be responsible for contacting the two super regional teams.**

The hotel will familiarize both super regional teams with their policies and procedures. **Any special requests (e.g., early check-in, use of ballrooms, buffet service extensions, late departures, etc.) should be negotiated at this time.**
Both super regional teams are required to negotiate with the hotel. The contract of the team that did not qualify for the Men’s College World Series will be null and void. At the latest, a signed contract is due to the hotel by noon Central time, Tuesday, June 13.

Once assigned to a hotel, teams are responsible for payment of the 50 rooms, per night. The rooms are reserved beginning the Thursday before the Men’s College World Series and the team is committed to pay for these 50 rooms through the night of their last day of competition. For example, if a team is eliminated at the game scheduled on Thursday, June 22 (Game 10), the team is responsible for payment of 50 hotel rooms for Thursday night. Teams should not arrive in Omaha until Thursday, June 15 (in time for the 6 p.m. Central time pre-championship administrative meeting).
MEDIA SERVICES

Credentials. Credentials must be made on-site and are to be picked up in person in the Convention Center 108 – Hall C VIP Lounge – CenturyLink Center Omaha – (455 North 10th Street) located across the street from the stadium.

All credentials, except for the day passes and the participating institutional allotment, will have a photo, the name of the person and his or her affiliation on the front of the credential. The credential will also include numbers which will designate areas each individual will be allowed access to starting Wednesday, June 14, 2017. For June 12-13 (Monday-Tuesday), a temporary credential will be issued through the front desk at the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha administrative office located at 1200 Mike Fahey Street. If individuals need access to TDAPO prior to Wednesday, June 14, please contact J.D. Hamilton.

For media attending the CWS, the credential application deadline will be Monday, June 12 at 9 p.m. Eastern time. This online submission can be found at www.ncaa.com/media. The online system opened on May 1, 2017.

Credentials are distributed beginning the Thursday before the first game in the designated NCAA media coordination headquarters office at the Convention Center 108 – Hall C VIP Lounge – CenturyLink Center Omaha and at specified hours throughout the Men’s College World Series.

Credentials Wrap-Up

Specific names and photos have been removed from team credentials. Team credentials will feature the school logo and university/college name. Each school will receive credentials for: 35-person official travel party roster; seven for your administration; five for the sports information office; five for the dugout; three for the ticket managers (total of 55 per team) as well as 10 “VIP” credentials. School videographer(s), the institution’s radio station(s) and school photographer(s) must apply for a credential online through SportsSystem at ncaa.com/media to ensure they sign off on policies.

Game Notes. Game notes are written and distributed starting the first day of the championship. NCAA staff will provide CWS statistics after each team has played two games in Omaha. SID’s also are encouraged to provide notes throughout the CWS. The NCAA notes generally are less team specific.

Interview Room. The Press Interview Room (SL-112B and SL-112C) is the area designated for all CWS interviews. It is located behind home plate on the street level.

A member of the media coordination staff is the moderator for the pre-series press conferences and all postgame and CWS Finals press conferences.
**Media Brochure.** The media brochure is distributed by email to all eight super regional sites. It is also available online at [www.ncaa.com/media](http://www.ncaa.com/media) via the credential application process. The media brochure will also be available via the “PressPass Mobile” App.

To keep you informed during your time in the Omaha area, we encourage you to download the **personalized 2017 NCAA CWS PressPass Mobile Application.** This mobile app is available to download on all major platforms including iPhone, Android and Blackberry. Information will include media schedules, general event and credential information, maps, directions, media buffet plans and much more.

**Media Entrance.** A separate 24-hour entrance is designated for media and is located near the stadium security entrance near Gate 4. In addition, media may enter the suite/club entrance, located along 13th Street, four hours prior to the first game of the day. Media must enter the press box area through the elevator located on street level outside the media rooms or the adjoining stairs. Credentials are required to use the press elevator.

**Media Guides.** Team media guides should be brought to the stadium for the Friday pre-series press conferences. There should be approximately 50-75 copies placed in the Press Interview Room (SL-112B and SL-112C), with the remainder placed in the special shelves in the press box. SID’s should be alerted to hold back 10-15 sets for late-arriving media. A grand total of 250-300 guides are suggested.

**Media Headquarters.** The media headquarters will be located in the Hall C VIP Lounge (Convention Center 108) at the CenturyLink Center Omaha. The NCAA media coordination headquarters will be in operation from the Monday five days prior to the start of the CWS until the day the CWS Finals concludes.

**Mid-Game Interviews.** An ESPN sideline reporter will interview each head coach or student-athlete before the top or bottom half of the fifth inning of each game. Please note that these interviews may also be conducted with the ESPN talent in the press box via headset communication with each head coach or student-athlete in the dugout. There will be approximately two to three questions asked and the sideline reporter will make best efforts to provide those questions in advance to the head coach or student-athlete.

**Name Pronunciations.** Sports information directors should stop by the Video Production Room (PL-212A) in the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha press box level on Friday, June 16 at any point from 11 a.m. until the start of the opening ceremonies (approximately 8:45 p.m.) and meet with Bill Jensen, the public address announcer for the Series. Mr. Jensen would like to take approximately five minutes with each team sports information director to discuss name pronunciations of the individuals on your travel party roster form that will be submitted at the pre-championship meeting on Thursday, June 15. As a reminder, please be sure that the travel party roster form listing the student-athletes and coaches in uniform is submitted in numerical order by jersey number.

**Press Box Seating.** The press box is used for writers (print and Internet as space allows) and team SIDs. The seating chart is updated daily and is posted within the press box.
Press Conferences (Coaches Pre-series). The head coaches’ pre-series press conferences take place in the Press Interview Room (SL-112B and SL-112C) the day prior to the start of the CWS. The four teams participating in games on Saturday, June 17 will conduct their press conference from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Central time. The other four teams participating in games on Sunday, June 18 will conduct their press conference from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Central time. The head table set-up is slightly different than postgame press conferences since four coaches and the NCAA moderator are seated at each of these press conferences. The moderator provides a brief introduction, and then has each head coach give a brief review of his team. Order is determined by the schedule of games. After opening remarks, questions are open to the audience.

Press Conference (Postgame). The postgame press conferences take place in the Press Interview Room (SL-112B and SL-112C). The non-winning coach and a minimum of two student-athletes go on first with total time usually not to exceed 10 minutes. The winning coach and a minimum of two student-athletes (and up to four) are next with the length of the session dictated by the time of day and the number of media present.

After a brief opening statement from the head coach, the session is opened to questions from media. Audio and video of the press conference is piped into the press box. Members of the media coordination staff will provide winning and losing quotes which are included in the game box set.

Media needing to interview student-athletes or coaches not part of the official press conference are allowed access to the clubhouses (located directly behind each dugout) after the NCAA mandatory cool-down period after each game. On doubleheader days, teams and media must not interfere with the second game preparation and may be required to move out of the locker room/dugout area to conduct the interview. Media coordination personnel and team sports information directors will be available to assist the media.

Pipe and drape will be installed outside the door to the press conference room to serve as a holding area for those student-athletes and coaches waiting for the second session of postgame interviews.

After postgame press conferences, a team may drive one of its courtesy cars to the team bus curb cut on 13th Street adjacent to the west side of the stadium to pick up the head coach and student-athletes participating in postgame press conferences. Teams will be given a hang tag to display in these cars which allow parking in this location.

Press Conference (CWS Finals). This event will take place the Sunday before the CWS Finals at 11 a.m. Central time. Each team provides the head coach and a minimum of two student-athletes (maximum of three). Both teams are seated at the head table together. The formal session should last about 45 minutes with the last 15 minutes available for one-on-one interviews. Quotes are taken by the NCAA staff and are made available in the designated NCAA media coordination office.

Radio and Internet Broadcasts. The NCAA’s broadcast partners (ESPN and Westwood One) retain all rights to the television broadcast or cablecast, and Internet or radio broadcast of NCAA championships. For specific questions regarding policies governing the broadcast of championships, please refer to the NCAA Broadcasting Manual (www.ncaa.com/broadcast) or
contact Kristen Jacob Smith of the NCAA championships and alliances staff at the national office (kjsmith@ncaa.org or 317-917-6584).

Records Book. The records book will be available online at http://www.ncaa.org/championships/statistics/mens-college-world-series-records-books, and a limited number will be available on site.

Sports Information Directors Meeting. A meeting with each team’s sports information director takes place Thursday night immediately after the administration meeting in the press box at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. The agenda will be handed out at the meeting along with the allotment of all the participating institutional credentials. The meeting will conclude with a tour of TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.

Starting Line-Ups. Teams must provide unofficial line-ups to the official scorer one hour before the game. Line-up sheets, including the umpires, are then distributed in the press box. Teams should also provide ESPN representatives with their unofficial line-up the morning of any day in which they play a game.

Statistics. CWS statistics (tournament leaders and team and individual statistics) are distributed after each team has played two games (under the current format, this means the Wednesday after the CWS begins is the first day for statistical leaders) and daily thereafter. They are distributed with the daily game notes.

Still Photographers. Guidelines should be distributed with credentials. Photo boxes are on either side of the field and the only reserved spaces are for AP, the Omaha World-Herald and NCAA Photos. A room dedicated to photographers will be available in the Digital Media Work Room located behind home plate on the street level (SL-111/SL-112).

Televising Network. ESPN has purchased the rights to televise the Men’s College World Series. The NCAA shall coordinate with the network all arrangements regarding the telecasts of the games.

Television News. Coverage of the Men’s College World Series can only be presented after the game being documented has been completed and the broadcast window is finished. Unless otherwise approved by the NCAA, these broadcasts shall not exceed three minutes of action footage of the game unless broadcast rights have been secured from the NCAA by payment of a rights fee. Footage may only be used up to 72 hours after a game. Such a “news program” shall be a regularly scheduled program devoted exclusively to general news and/or sports news. Sports entertainment programs do not qualify under this provision. The NCAA associate director of championships and alliances, broadcast services shall be authorized to interpret and apply these provisions as necessary.

1. For certain NCAA championships, exclusivity will be granted. For those championships, NCAA and/or exclusive broadcast partners will be the only entities authorized to use ENG cameras to record action in the playing area during the competition. NCAA and/or exclusive broadcast partners have no time restrictions except when the area is closed for team practices.
or other activities designated by the sports committee. All other media outlets requesting championship video must take a feed from the exclusive broadcast partner production truck and may not air any highlights until the championship has gone off the air. Up to three minutes of this footage may be aired within 72 hours of the game on regularly scheduled news and/or sports news shows. Video and audio highlights may not be used on Internet news sites. A graphic "footage courtesy of NCAA" must be included on the footage.

2. **Team film/videotape (team videographer).** Where applicable, each participating team may use its one "limited access" credential for one camera person to film or videotape its respective game(s). The team representative is not permitted to have an assistant during filming/videotaping and is only permitted to tape their own team's game(s) from the two photo wells near the field. At times, the NCAA or its designee may be able to provide an institution a free DVD of the "dirty" game feed of its games. When possible, the DVD will be available for retrieval from the site supervisor during each team's respective postgame news conference. No announcer commentary may be used from any NCAA championship broadcast by any network (e.g., CBS, ESPN, CBS COLLEGE SPORTS NETWORK, and TURNER SPORTS) without the prior permission of that broadcast network. [Click here for the Videographer Authorization Form](#)

3. **Thirty-minute rule.** For championships where exclusive television rights have been given (CBS or ESPN), no television station other than the NCAA broadcast partner may broadcast live reports from the site of the competition from 30 minutes prior to the game until the televising network has left the air. The site of competition includes the stadium proper, concourses or hallways, and the interview, working press and locker rooms. All electronic news gathering (ENG) crews must remove videotape cameras and recorders 30 minutes prior to game time.

**Timeout Coordinator/Red Hat.** The ESPN timeout coordinator/red hat will be positioned in the far end of the third base dugout (farthest away from the field access tunnel) near the low third base camera position. A bicycle rack needs to be placed at the end of the team dugout to separate the participant area from the camera and red hat position. Such a bicycle rack shall also be placed in the first base dugout in a similar location.
MEDICAL

Athletic Training. Appropriate athletic training facilities will be available on-site for the teams. Athletic training rooms are located in the 1st and 3rd base clubhouses. Athletic training supplies that will be on site include diagnostic equipment, emergency equipment, cut supplies, taping and wrapping supplies, liquids/sprays, lotions/ointments, over-the-counter medications, modality equipment, padding/splinting materials and other miscellaneous supplies.

Creighton athletic trainers assigned to games shall arrive four (4) hours prior to the first game of the day or 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the second game of the day. There will be a host athletic trainer in each dugout for each game to assist with your needs. They will be rotating each game. If you have any special needs, please let a host athletic trainer know and they will attempt to accommodate your request to the best of their ability. In addition to games, the athletic trainers will support team practices on the Friday before the Series and ensure delivery of ice, water and cups to off-site team practices during the Series.

Championship Medical Contacts. The medical coordinator is Curtis Self, Creighton University associate athletic trainer. Each medical coordinator will receive a medical information packet on arrival. In addition, the Creighton medical staff shall send a letter to the athletic trainers of the eight participating teams introducing themselves and familiarizing them with the athletic training services and equipment available in Omaha.

Concussion Management. The NCAA has adopted legislation that requires all active member institutions to have a concussion management plan for their student-athletes. Participating institutions shall follow their concussion management plan while participating in NCAA championships. If a participating team lacks appropriate medical staff to activate its concussion management plan, the host championship concussion management plan will be activated. The legislation notes, in part, that a student-athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be removed from athletics activities (e.g., competition, practice, conditioning sessions) and evaluated by a medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) with experience in the evaluation and management of concussions; a student-athlete diagnosed with a concussion is precluded from returning to athletics activity for at least the remainder of that calendar day; and medical clearance for return to athletics activity shall be determined by the team physician or the physician’s designee from the student-athlete’s institution. In the absence of a team physician or their designee, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and will determine medical clearance.

A concussion is a brain injury that may be caused by a blow to the head, face, neck or elsewhere on the body with an “impulsive” force transmitted to the head. Concussions can occur without loss of consciousness or other obvious signs. A repeat concussion that occurs before the brain recovers from the previous one (hours, days or weeks) can slow recovery or increase the likelihood of having long-term problems. In rare cases, repeat concussions can result in brain swelling, permanent brain damage and even death.
For further details please refer to the “NCAA Sports Medicine Handbook Guideline on Concussions” online at www.NCAA.org/health-and-safety/medicalconditions/concussions.

**Hospitals and Emergency Services.** An ambulance will be located at the stadium and Emergency Medical Technicians will also be available. The host athletic trainers in charge of the game will have a radio and a cellular phone in the event emergency personnel need to be summoned. A host athletic trainer will travel with your student-athlete to the emergency room in order to allow you to stay with your team for the remainder of the game. In the event a student-athlete needs to be transported to a hospital, he will most likely be transported to CHI Health Creighton University Medical Center Bergan Mercy, 7500 Mercy Road. The emergency room telephone number is 402-398-6161.

Nearby hospital facilities are:

- **CHI Health Creighton University Medical Center Bergan Mercy**
  - Phone: 402-398-6060
  - Emergency Room: 402-398-6161

- **Methodist Hospital**
  - 8303 Dodge Street
  - Phone: 402-354-4800
  - Emergency Room: 402-354-4000

**Massage Clinic.** Creighton University has arranged for the Universal College of Healing Arts School of Massage Therapy to provide free massage treatments for student-athletes, coaches and staff involved in the College World Series at a Massage Clinic on Friday, June 16. These treatments will be provided by a Licensed Massage Therapist and students from the college who are in their last semester and have been trained to work on athletes. The clinic will be located at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha (tentatively in the Auxiliary Room) and will run from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Teams can contact Julie Lesser at 402-708-1698 to set up an appointment time or stop in on Friday for any remaining slots.

This will be a wonderful opportunity for teams to meet and experience massage treatments before the Series. Teams will also be given information on how to arrange massage treatments for the remaining portion of the Series.

**Medical Examinations.** As the event sponsor, the NCAA seeks to ensure that all student-athletes are physically fit to participate in its championships and have valid medical clearance to participate in the competition. The NCAA tournament physician, as designated by the host school, has the unchallengeable authority to determine whether a student-athlete with an injury, illness or other medical condition (e.g., skin infection) may expose others to a significantly enhanced risk of harm and, if so, to disqualify the student-athlete from continued participation. For all other instances, the student-athlete’s on-site team physician can determine whether a student-athlete with an injury or illness should continue to participate or is disqualified. In the absence of a team physician, the NCAA tournament physician will examine the student-athlete and has valid medical authority to disqualify him or her if the student-athlete’s injury, illness or medical condition poses a potentially life threatening risk to himself or herself. The chair of the governing sports committee (or a designated representative) shall be responsible for administrative enforcement of the medical judgment, if it involves disqualification.
**Medical Facilities.** Creighton University will arrange for medical coverage (including an on-site x-ray machine) to be available during the Series for teams. Ambulance service, paramedics and a first aid room will also be provided. The x-ray machine is located in a room within the Auxiliary Room (SL-112.1).

**Physicians.** An orthopedic surgeon and internal medicine physician will be in attendance at all games. If a physician is needed, please contact Curtis Self and they will refer you to the appropriate physician.
PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS & GUIDELINES

Misconduct. Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship, that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics.

A governing sports committee may assess a financial penalty or other prescribed penalties against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing championship administration.

Sportsmanship. The primary goal of NCAA rules is to maximize the safety and enjoyment of the student-athlete. Sportsmanship is a key part of that goal. Sportsmanship should be a core value in behavior of players and bench personnel, in crowd control by game management and in the officials’ proper enforcement of the rules governing related actions.

Sports Wagering. The NCAA defines sports wagering as putting something at risk – such as an entry fee or a wager – with the opportunity to win something in return. The NCAA opposes all forms of legal and illegal sports wagering on college sports. Student-athletes and athletics administrators cannot place a sports wager for any NCAA-sanctioned sport. This includes wagering on the intercollegiate, amateur or professional level.

A student-athlete involved in sports wagering on the student-athlete’s institution permanently loses all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. A student-athlete who is involved in any sports wagering activity that involves college sports or professional athletics, through Internet gambling, a bookmaker, a parlay card or any other method employed by organized gambling, will be ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition for at least one year.

In championships in which a bracket format is used, student-athletes, coaches and administrators may not participate in bracket competitions where there is both a required entry fee and an opportunity to win a prize. Student-athletes and administrators may participate under current NCAA rules, in bracket contests where there is no entry fee but a possibility of winning a prize. Some NCAA member schools, however, have chosen to ban student-athletes from participating in these types of bracket contests.

Tobacco Ban. The use of tobacco products is prohibited by all game personnel (e.g., student-athletes, coaches, athletic trainers, managers, other team personnel and umpires) in all sports during practice and competition. This also extends to other championship activities, such as banquets, autograph sessions, press conferences and postgame interviews. Uniform penalties (as determined by the applicable rules-making committees and sports committees with rules-making responsibilities) shall be established for such use. See Rule 3-11 of the NCAA Baseball Rules and Interpretations Book.

The use of tobacco products by a student-athlete is prohibited during practice and competition. A student-athlete who uses tobacco products during a practice or competition shall be disqualified for the remainder of that practice or competition.
SECURITY

Development and implementation of a security plan is the responsibility of the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha management in consultation with the NCAA.

**Autograph Sessions.** For the team autograph sessions on the Friday of Opening Ceremonies, MECA shall provide security consisting of two security personnel per each autograph area.

**Bullpens/Dugouts/Dressing Rooms.** Protection shall be provided for each team’s bullpen, dugout and clubhouse, and the umpires’ dressing room.

**Crowd Control.** The directors of athletics of the competing institutions are expected to communicate with their student-athletes and fans to encourage enthusiastic support within the confines of good sportsmanship.

Fans entering the field of play during competition may be subject to arrest and charged with trespassing, disturbing the peace or assault. Such individuals may also be fined by the City of Omaha.

**Firearms and Weapons.** Carrying a concealed weapon is prohibited at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha/CenturyLink Center Omaha has prohibited permit holders from possessing or carrying concealed handguns in or around the stadium. Unless otherwise authorized by law, violation of this prohibition is a criminal offense. Firearms and weapons cannot be checked into the security or guest services offices.

**Student-Athletes’ Valuables.** Each team is responsible for its own valuables. It is suggested that the teams carry a valuables bag to their dugout whether they dress at the hotel or the stadium. Teams using one of the two stadium clubhouses will have the ability to pad lock valuables into each individual locker if teams bring their own locks.

**Team Dinner.** For the team dinner on Friday of Opening Ceremonies, CWS of Omaha, Inc. and Creighton University will have campus security as needed.

**Team Photos.** MECA shall provide security/crowd managers to assist in keeping the area clear during team photos near the Road to Omaha sculpture on Friday, the day before the Series.
TEAM TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION

NCAA will provide transportation reimbursement for a traveling party of 35 persons. All air transportation travel arrangements must be made through Short’s Travel Management (866-655-9215). **Teams should arrive in Omaha on Thursday, June 15 (in advance of the pre-championship meeting which will begin at 6 p.m. Central time).**

**Arrival/Departure Procedures.** All teams flying commercial or charter must either work through its service club representative and/or contact Kathy Bogus, Eppley TSA at 402-250-5286 (cell) prior to departure. This will help with staffing and ease the check-in process.

1. **Private Charter.** Teams who arrive and/or depart Omaha on private charters will be parked on a remote ramp away from the terminal. Passengers will not have access to the terminal building. The team bus(es) and service clubs will meet the teams on the tarmac at their aircraft under the following procedures:
   a. Service clubs will contact the teams to finalize their respective travel itinerary.
   b. All arrivals and departures must be coordinated through the Airport Operations Department, so early communication by the teams with their service club will help with the transition process.
   c. Airport Operations will assign a parking spot for the charter aircraft and a vehicle access gate.
   d. Service clubs are allowed to bring the team bus and two additional vehicles on the tarmac to assist with team baggage and equipment.

2. **Scheduled Air Carrier/Public Charter.** On the occasion that a team may arrive and/or depart Omaha on a scheduled air carrier flight or on a public charter, these aircraft will be parked at a terminal gate and the team/passengers will proceed through the terminal and normal TSA screening. In this case the following procedures apply:
   a. Service clubs will contact the teams to finalize their respective travel itinerary.
   b. All arrivals and departures must be coordinated through the Airport Operations Department, so early communication with your service club will help with the transition process.
   c. The parking of buses and equipment vehicles on the front terminal drive commercial lane must be coordinated through Airport Police.
   d. Service club members can meet teams inside the terminal. However, federal laws prohibit passing through the screening checkpoints and meeting the team at the gate.
Due to limited parking and standing locations, team buses and service club vehicles may arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to an aircraft's arrival and 1.5 to two (2) hours prior to the aircraft's departure. There are additional restrictions if multiple buses are used, so please provide this information to your service club when coordinating arrivals and departures.

**Go Ground.** Division I teams located within 400 miles of their competition site are required to use ground transportation. Teams located outside 400 miles for Division I may use air transportation.

As part of the NCAA ground transportation program, all ground transportation payable by the NCAA must be arranged through Go Ground Options (866-386-4951). The costs will be paid to the operator directly, eliminating the need for teams to claim reimbursement.

**Local Team Transportation.** CWS of Omaha, Inc., will provide local bus transportation at no charge to the participating teams. Teams should advise their service club hosts of their arrival plans so the host can make arrangements. Buses will be available to transport teams to and from practice sessions and games. Additional buses are available at the team’s expense. If a team chooses to use its own bus for the duration of their stay, the event will still be charged for that bus at a rate compared to a minimum number of days. Please contact Jolene Webb of Arrow Stage Lines (direct: 402-738-3235; work: 402-731-1900; cell: 402-250-2901) for further instructions on making local transportation arrangements. Team buses shall park along 13th Street just outside the Team Personnel Entrance to the stadium. If a team uses an additional bus for staff/VIP transportation to the stadium, they may drop off at the 13th Street location, but must park the bus on the east side (back) of the CenturyLink Center.

**Police Escorts.** College World Series of Omaha, Inc., has made arrangements with the Omaha Police Department (OPD) to provide escorts for CWS participating team buses. Police escorts shall be provided for transportation to and from TD Ameritrade Park Omaha for Opening Ceremonies and team competition. All other team bus transportation (e.g., practices, team entertainment, etc.) will not receive a police escort.

In order to secure a police escort to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, team representatives are expected to work directly with the OPD. Your contact at the OPD is Sgt. Anthony Gutierrez (402-444-7285, office; 402-321-5693, cell). Each team should appoint a specific contact person to work directly with Sgt. Gutierrez to arrange police escorts. Sgt. Gutierrez will work with the OPD Mobile Command Center to secure expedited transportation for team buses. Please give Sgt. Gutierrez as much advance notice of your expected departure time as possible.

Police escorts are generally limited to one team bus and two courtesy cars per escort. Some teams may have one additional bus traveling with the team bus. This shall be permissible and teams shall be permitted to use the team bus drop off location for this one additional bus.

Below is estimated bus driving times, under escort, to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha from the five team hotels. Please note that actual drive times may vary depending on traffic congestion.
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**Rental Cars.** Each participating team will be provided with two vehicles (sports utility vehicle and van) for its use throughout the Men’s College World Series. Enterprise will deliver the vehicles to the team hotels (typically the day before the team arrival). The keys and contracts will be left in an envelope at the front desk of the team hotel. A team representative is required to sign the appropriate paperwork. If the team has questions about their team rental vehicles, they should contact Cynthia Kinning at Enterprise (office: 402-738-6202; cell: 402-659-6027; email: Cynthia.e.kinning@ehi.com). Keys should be left at the hotel front desk at the time of hotel check-out. The team representative must also call the person listed on the envelope upon departure. This contact should be listed on the envelope that contained the initial paperwork and keys. If an institution is interested in renting additional vehicles (beyond the two provided), they may either contact Short’s Travel Management (866-655-9215) between the hours of 6 a.m. and 11 p.m. Central time, seven days a week, or they may make their own additional rental vehicle arrangements at the institution’s own expense. If renting additional vehicles from Short’s with Enterprise Car Rental, teams will be provided with a discounted rate on any additional vehicles. Note that since the cost of any additional vehicles is at the institution’s expense, the use of Short’s Travel is not required for these extra vehicles.

The two team vehicles will receive, from the management of TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, hang tags that should be displayed from the rear-view mirror. These hang tags will identify the vehicles to police and will allow the vehicles to be parked near team buses.
TICKETS

The NCAA has the authority to determine the groups that are to be given the opportunity to purchase tickets and the amounts to be purchased. The allocation of tickets shall be made on an annual basis and the amounts and groups that may purchase the tickets are subject to change.

Allocations. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha has a seating capacity of 24,381 seats, which are allocated per the following chart:

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Box Office. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha’s box office will open at 10 a.m. Central time every day there is a game. (If no games are played on Saturday, June 24, the box office will be closed all day.) The box office also will be open on Opening Ceremonies day (Friday, June 16) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central time for will-call and general admission (GA) ticket book sales only. The box office closes during the 7th inning of the final game of the day. Cash, debit cards and credit cards are accepted. No personal checks shall be accepted. Based on demand, a random drawing will be conducted for all games to determine the position in the box office line. Fans should check the website [www.NCAA.com/cws](http://www.NCAA.com/cws) or review local media outlets for additional information.

Complimentary Ticket Policy. All tickets must be accounted for at face value, and there shall be no complimentary tickets. Please note that children under two years of age may be admitted for free, provided they enter with a person with a valid admission ticket.

Disabled Services. ADA seating is available throughout TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. ADA seating in the reserved seat sections will cost, for Games #5, 7, 11, Brackets 1 and 2 (if necessary), $36 in Tier 1, $34 in Tier 2 and $32 in Tier 3; $39, $37 and $35, respectively for Games #6, 8, 9, 10 and 12; and $41, $39, and $37 respectively for Games #1-4 and CWS Finals Games #1-3. There will also be ADA seating available in the private club seat areas. The cost of ADA club seat tickets will be $60 for Games #5, 7, 11, Brackets 1 and 2 (if necessary); $65 for Games #6, 8, 9, 10 and 12; and $70 for Games #1-4 and CWS Finals Games #1-3.

Each individual requiring the use of an ADA seat will be allowed to purchase up to three additional companion seats in the same ADA seating section (pending availability).
ADA tickets will be available to the general public, while supplies last, at the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha box office the day of the game.

ADA seating will be set aside near each participating team’s general seating area for team fans in need of accessible seating. If ADA seating is needed, the team ticket manager would be allowed to trade seats in the team ticket allotment for ADA seats. Trina Simerly or Cecilia Click of the NCAA will coordinate any team ADA requests with the TD Ameritrade Park Omaha box office.

**Hospitality Packages.** The NCAA, through its official hospitality partner PrimeSport, shall offer a ticket-plus-hospitality program located within the CWS Fan Fest footprint and sold on a PrimeSport platform accessible through the NCAA website.

**Lost, Stolen or Duplicate Tickets.**

1. **If both sets of tickets get into the seating area – FlashSeat locators:**
   a. Usher or section supervisor brings all affected parties to Guest Services.
   b. If all sets of tickets are FlashSeats locators, the Guest Services supervisor will check to see if any of the customer names match the name on any of the sets of tickets or seat locators. If there is a name match it must be verified by a valid picture identification (ID).
   c. Once ID is verified, that person/party stays in the seat(s) and the other party must go to the Box Office to purchase new tickets if available. Any relocation will be at the discretion of the Box Office.

2. **Both sets in the seating area – hard (flat) tickets:**
   a. Usher or Section Supervisor brings all affected parties to Guest Services.
   b. Guest Services Supervisor contacts the Box Office with the duplicate section, row and seat number(s).
   c. Box Office will research the original account holder and method of sale.
   d. If one of the parties is identified as the original account holder (IDs must be checked at this point), that party stays in the seats and the other party must come to the Box Office unless otherwise directed by the Box Office Supervisor.
   e. If neither party is identified as the original account holder, the person/party that arrived in the seat location first can stay. The other party will either have to go to the Box Office to purchase new tickets or may be relocated at the discretion of the Box Office.
3. **Tickets stopped at the gate:**

   a. The affected party is sent to the Box Office. The Box Office will research the tickets that were stopped by the scanners including identification of ticket holder, original account holder and method of sale. A check of the Scan Report will also be made to see if the person with the ticket location has already entered the building.

   b. If that person at the window is found to be the valid account holder, the box office will radio to the Event Services Coordinator to identify the party in the seats and bring them down to the Box Office to purchase new tickets or be relocated at the discretion of the Box Office.

   c. If the person at the window is not the original account holder, they will either have to purchase new tickets or exit the building.

**Minimum Age.** Everyone two years of age and older must have a ticket for entry. Entry will be at the venue’s discretion, unless proof of age is provided. Those under the age of two must be accompanied by a person with a valid admission ticket.

**Pass Lists/Player Guests.** Tickets purchased through participating institutions can be picked up at each team’s will call window. Each participating team must administer its own pass list for guests using student-athlete complimentary tickets. Teams must assign a minimum of two individuals to staff its will call windows and player-guest windows. The team player-guest window shall open not earlier than two hours before the first game of each day. For the second game of a doubleheader, the gates will open two hours prior to the scheduled start time. Each team may determine the closing time of its will call and player guest operation; however, this time may not be prior to the start of the game. Team ticket personnel should be on-site and in place 30 minutes prior to the door opening for its session.

**Scalping Ordinance.** Per Omaha Municipal Code, ticket scalping for events held at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha for an amount greater than face value on the grounds of the facility or within one-half mile of the facility is prohibited. This prohibition shall include attempts to resell or advertising/soliciting for resale of tickets above face value. Further, as a stadium policy, the selling of tickets – even at face value – is not permitted on stadium grounds.

**Suite/Club Level Policies:**

1. All Suite/Club ticket holders will have their game tickets scanned at any of the entry gates to gain access into TD Ameritrade Park Omaha.

2. All Suite/Club ticket holders must present and wear their laminate ticket, on their lanyard, at all times to gain access onto the Suite/Club Level. Any guest that has celebrated his or her 2\(^{nd}\) birthday needs a ticket for entry onto the Suite/Club level.
3. Lanyard color or type is non-important. Concierge staff will have additional lanyards at the three (3) entry points for those ticket holders that do not have lanyards or may have misplaced them.

4. Suite/Club ticket holders will NOT receive a wristband. Suite/Club ticket holders will only be required to wear their laminate ticket, on their lanyard.

5. If Suite/Club ticket holders leave the Suite/Club Level they must have their laminate ticket on their lanyard to gain access back onto the Suite/Club Level.

6. If Suite/Club ticket holders choose to leave TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, they must have their laminate ticket un-scanned at the designated re-entry gates or the Suite/Club entrance. They must have their laminate ticket on their lanyard to gain access back into the facility and their laminate ticket will be re-scanned.

7. If a Suite/Club ticket holder is not wearing or does not have his or her laminate ticket he or she will be asked to leave the Suite/Club level.

**Team Tickets.**

1. **Team Members and Fan Tickets.** A total of 1,400 reserved seats are available per game to be distributed equally among the two participating teams. Visiting team tickets will be located in Sections 107, 108, 202 and 302. Tickets for the home team fans will be in Sections 116, 117, 222 and 322.

The teams will receive an allotment of tickets for their first CWS game during a 1 p.m. Friday, June 16 ticket managers meeting at the stadium ticket office workroom (SL-103). Tickets purchased by teams will be invoiced by MECA with payment expected 30 days after the Series.

Participating teams will receive a ticket pick-up and return schedule for each CWS game at the aforementioned ticket managers meeting on Friday, June 16. Generally, ticket managers will pick-up tickets for their next game as soon as their opponent has been determined. Any unused team tickets must generally be returned to the NCAA by 5 p.m. the day before the game.

The provisions of NCAA Bylaw 16.2 shall be followed. Therefore, each team may purchase up to six tickets for each team member, regardless of whether the individual competes in the Series. (IMPORTANT: Team tickets will be taken from the fan/team ticket allotment of tickets for each game.) The individuals designated by the student-athlete, which includes family members, relatives or fellow students, must present identification to the team ticket manager at the ticket window. The complimentary tickets must be stubbed at the ticket window and the individuals using these tickets must enter the stadium through the designated entrance immediately next to the box office.
Hard tickets shall be issued and team member tickets will be taken from that allotment. Team ticket managers cannot issue player-guest tickets until the gates are open to the public, which is two hours before the first game of each day is scheduled to begin. For the second game of a doubleheader, the gates will open two hours prior to the scheduled start time or as soon as the stadium can be cleared, cleaned and reopened.

2. **Participants Passes.** The NCAA shall provide each team with 55 team credentials (35 person official travel party, president, director of athletics and other athletics staff) during the pre-competition sports information directors meeting.

3. **Ticket Managers Window.** Two ticket windows for each team’s ticket managers will be provided in the box office at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. Teams must assign a minimum of two individuals to staff its will call and player-guest windows.

4. **Athletics Director Suites.** Teams participating in the CWS will have access to hospitality suites 15 and 18 on the suite level during the games in which their teams compete, which the NCAA will coordinate. The home team shall be in suite 18 and the visiting team in suite 15. The hospitality suites will be available to the director of athletics (or his/her primary administrator on site) for each game their team plays in the Series. The suites include 14 seats outside the enclosed suite as well as space for seating and dining (for an additional 10 people) inside each suite. There will be no premium charge for use of the suites; however, each team will be responsible for its own catering and for the face value cost of each ticket ($35 each), up to the maximum 24 seats per suite. A suite ticket is required for use of the suite. While each team will receive 10 VIP Credentials – providing access to the field, clubhouses and press conferences – a suite ticket will still be required to access the team hospitality suites and stadium. Similar to team tickets in the reserved seating areas, team ticket managers will work through Trina Simerly or Cecilia Click of the NCAA staff to manage their suite ticket needs on a per game basis. Teams are not required to purchase suite tickets if they do not want use of the suite for any particular game. The same ticket turn-back policy for team tickets will also apply to team suite tickets.

Institutions will have the opportunity to order from a suites menu provided by Levy Restaurants. Each institution will be responsible for reconciling payment of its bill at the conclusion of each game. Levy Restaurants will allow institutions to reconcile bills via credit card only. Food may not be taken outside of the suites.

**Team Ticket Invoices.** The team ticket invoices will be completed by an NCAA staff member; one copy will be returned with the ticket order as a receipt and one copy will be used as a record when balancing daily.

**Ticket Exchange.** Fans needing tickets shall have the ability to purchase tickets online from CWS season-ticket holders via the NCAA Ticket Exchange (www.NCAA.com/cwstickets). The NCAA Ticket Exchange is the only NCAA-approved method for reselling Men’s College World Series reserved tickets. Club seats can be resold via Ticketmaster’s resale partner, ticketsnow.com. Please note that it is possible that tickets sold on the NCAA Ticket Exchange could be listed at a price
that is greater than face value. The opportunity to buy and sell game tickets through the NCAA Ticket Exchange is available up to game time.

**Ticket Manager Credential/Parking Passes.** A credential and parking pass will be provided for each ticket manager at the team ticket manager meeting. Once your team is eliminated from the tournament, please return the parking pass to the NCAA. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

**Ticket Pricing/Sales.** Ticket prices for the 2017 NCAA Men’s College World Series shall be as follows:

1. **Season Tickets:** Tier 1 $510, Tier 2 $476 and Tier 3 $442 for all CWS season tickets. This is a package price. There will be no refunds for any “if necessary” games not played in the CWS.

2. **Individual Game Tickets:**
   
   a. **Reserved seats:** $36 for Tier 1, $34 for Tier 2 and $32 for Tier 3 each for reserved seats for Games #5, 7, 11, Brackets 1 and 2 (if necessary). Tickets are $39 in Tier 1, $37 in Tier 2 and $35 in Tier 3 for Games #6, 8, 9, 10 and 12. Finally, tickets are $41, $39 and $37, respectively in each tier, for Games #1-4 and each of the best-of-three CWS Finals.

   b. **Club seats:** $60 for Games #5, 7, 11, Brackets 1 and 2 (if necessary); $65 for Games #6, 8, 9, 10 and 12; and $70 for Games #1-4 and CWS Finals Games #1-3. Please note that season club tickets are valued at $31 each for all games.

   c. **Suite seats:** $35 each for all games if a suite holder purchases additional tickets. Please note that suite tickets are not sold at the box office.
TRAVEL PARTY

Bands. Unlike during the regionals and super regionals, team bands are not permitted inside the stadium during the College World Series.

Bench Size. On the field, including the practice field, bullpen, bench and dugout, each team is limited to four official coaches in uniform (head coach, assistant coaches and volunteer coach), 27 eligible student-athletes in uniform, and student assistant coaches.

Only uniformed personnel, including coaches and eligible student-athletes, may be permitted between the white lines and in the bullpens. Other non-uniformed personnel (up to the maximum limit of 40 individuals) in the dugout should be performing official team functions that they have performed during the season. A bat handler, who must be 13 years of age or older, does not count against the maximum limit of 40 individuals. Regardless of age, the bat handler shall wear a protective helmet at all times when on the playing field. Non-uniformed personnel in proper attire may participate in pregame warm-ups. Once a game begins, the athletic trainer or manager is permitted on the field only to perform his/her appropriate duty (e.g., warming up a pitcher is not considered an appropriate duty).

An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not conform to it promptly automatically shall forfeit the competition. This is not an “appeal play”; further, there shall be no inordinate delay of the contest to allow the institution to conform to the rule.

Mascots. Uniformed team mascots are permissible and may be admitted via a pass gate; however, the uniformed mascots may never enter the playing field. Live mascots may be permitted with NCAA approval and provided there is institutional control.

Spirit Squads. Unlike during the regionals and super regionals, spirit squads are not permitted inside the stadium during the College World Series.

Travel Party/Bench Size/Squad Size/Dugout Limit. The official traveling party for the Men’s College World Series is 35 persons. The number of student-athletes in uniform cannot exceed 27. A maximum of 40 individuals from an institution are allowed in the dugout. A bat handler, who must be 13 years of age or older, does not count against the maximum dugout limit of 40 individuals. Regardless of age, bat handlers shall be required to wear a protective helmet at all times while on the playing field.

At the pre-championship meeting, each coach shall designate the 27 student-athletes who will participate in the College World Series. A roster form will be provided that should be used to list the 27 student-athletes as well as the 13 additional individuals to be allowed in the dugout during a game.

No student-athlete substitutions or modifications will be permitted after the submission of the list for any reason.
1. **Additional Team Personnel.** In addition to the 35 individuals on the team travel party roster and the bat handler(s) as noted above, an additional five members of each team will be permitted in each dugout. These individuals should be in a working capacity (e.g., manager, athletic trainer, physician) and must wear one of the five CWS dugout credentials.

2. **Non-Team Personnel in Dugouts.** Teams can expect other individuals to be in the team dugout areas. TD Ameritrade Park Omaha security (one per dugout) and grounds crew (one per dugout), NCAA staff, ESPN staff or Creighton University medical staff (two per dugout) may position themselves in team dugouts near the far end of the respective dugout (away from the field access tunnel). All of these individuals should be appropriately credentialed.
TROPHIES AND AWARDS

All-Tournament Team. All-tournament ballots will be handed out by the CWS staff to designated media members during the CWS Finals. Media votes will contribute 75 percent of the vote. The remaining 25 percent will be contributed by the fans, who will be given the opportunity to vote for the all-tournament team on Facebook at NCAA Baseball.

Depending on the score of the final game of the CWS Finals, ballots should be submitted online about the eighth inning and are compiled by the press box staff. The Most Outstanding Player trophy (Diesing Award) will be provided to the NCAA during the Series for use after the last CWS Finals game. The trophy will be sent by CWS, Inc., to the winner’s institution following the Series unless the winner wishes to take it immediately. In this case, the CWS of Omaha, Inc. staff will send the personalized plate to the winner as soon as it is completed.

The all-CWS team is announced during the postgame ceremonies by the public address announcer, and copies are distributed to the media in the press box and included in the final game box package.

Awards Ceremony. The awards ceremony, coordinated by the NCAA, will be conducted immediately after the championship-clinching game of the best-of-three CWS Finals from an awards platform located near home plate. The chair of the baseball committee will present the national championship and runner-up team trophies during the ceremony. Individual awards will also be provided to the student-athletes from the final two teams, who will be announced via the public address system.

Subsequent to the team and individual awards, the John D. Diesing, Sr. award for the Most Outstanding Player will also be presented by the local organizing committee (College World Series of Omaha, Inc.) on the awards platform. The Diesing award is a miniature of the Road to Omaha sculpture and is presented by CWS of Omaha, Inc. Chairman and President Jack Diesing, Jr.

The announcement of the trophy presentation will be made by the public address announcer and coordinated with microphones on the field. An NCAA representative will coordinate the timing of the announcement with the public address announcer.

Each team shall be provided 75 field access credentials to allow additional staff and family members onto the field for the postgame awards ceremony. The home team shall enter the field from seating section 119 and the visiting team from seating section 105.

Champions Locker Room Program. The NCAA has exclusive rights to distribute postgame product on-field and will provide championship t-shirts, hats and towels – 72 of each – to members of the winning team.

Championship Awards. The NCAA will award the national championship team trophy, a runner-up team trophy, a total of 35 gold watches and 35 national champion mini-trophies for the first place team student-athletes and 35 runner-up mini trophies for the second place student-athletes. Participating teams may purchase additional awards online at www.mtmrecognition.com/ncaa/OrderChampionshipAdditionalAward.aspx.
Championship awards (one team trophy and 35 mini-trophies) for each of the six teams that advanced to the College World Series but were eliminated prior to the CWS Finals will be sent directly to their campus following completion of the College World Series.

**NCAA Elite 90.** The Elite 90 award is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average competing at the finals site for each of the NCAA’s 90 championships. Each institution that qualifies for the CWS is eligible to nominate a student-athlete to win the award for this championship. All ties are broken by number of credits completed. For more information regarding this program, please contact Mark Bedics at elite90@ncaa.org or 317-917-6222. All documents, including deadlines and nomination forms can be obtained at the following location – Elite 90 forms.

You must be logged into the site to access the page. The submission deadline for nomination for the Division I Baseball Championship is Wednesday, June 14 at 1 p.m. Eastern time.

Additionally, please email your team cumulative grade point average and list of all traveling team graduated student-athletes (and those who will graduate over the summer) to Scott Fosler and Anne Homan (sfosler@ncaa.org and ahoman@ncaa.org) by the same June 14 deadline. In addition to the Elite 90 winner, the student-athlete with the highest cumulative GPA on each team’s roster, the team with the highest cumulative GPA and all graduating seniors will be recognized during the College World Series Opening Ceremonies.

**Ordering Additional Awards.** The NCAA will offer institutions that participate in Division I Championships the opportunity to purchase awards (medallions, mini-trophies or watches) at the level to which the team advanced in the competition. For example, if a team received mini-trophies, an institution may purchase mini-trophies, but not watches or medallions. Since the NCAA provides awards for the official travel party (medallions provided to squad size only), additional championship awards may only be purchased for student-athletes on the institution’s certified squad list who did not receive an award provided by the NCAA. Since participant medallions are only provided to the squad size, an institution may purchase medallions for the remainder of the travel party and for student-athletes on the institution’s certified squad list who did not receive an award provided by the NCAA. For more information, institutions should contact Deana Webber at MTM Recognition (800-324-5997, ext. 6888 or dwebber@mtmrecognition.com).

**Student-Athlete Participation Awards.** Within 10 business days of qualification, the baseball administrator will receive an email from Main Gate that will provide details about the ordering process, along with a unique Certificate Code which can be redeemed only at NCAA-Awards.com; valid for one participation award per member of your travel party. In order to ensure that each participant receives his award, a member of your administration must place your team’s order, including size information, at NCAA-Awards.com using your Certificate Code. If you would like to purchase additional awards you will have the opportunity to do so online via personal credit card.

Participation award items will be sent to your institution for distribution to your student-athletes within three to four weeks after your order is placed. If you do not receive information
for ordering awards within two weeks of the conclusion of the championship, please contact Erin Hannoy (317-260-2538 or ehannoy@maingateinc.com) or your NCAA championship manager.

**Team Photo Plaques.** Each team will have its picture taken in front of the Road to Omaha sculpture before its scheduled practice time on Friday, June 16. Courtesy of CWS of Omaha, Inc., 35 team photo plaques shall be provided as a memento. These will be delivered to the teams at the stadium during the first weekend of the CWS. If teams wish to purchase additional plaques for their non-traveling squad members, they may do so by completing an order form found in Appendix I. Additional plaques (that include the team photo) cost $35 each and additional team photos cost $7 each. Please note that through August 18 there is no minimum order required. From August 19 to October 1, a minimum of five plaques must be ordered. Please contact Ed Arkfeld at 402-680-9718 or Terry Devlin at 402-650-6565 with any questions.
UNIFORMS

Uniforms. Once a team enters the stadium/field, it is required that the team be in full pregame or regular-game uniform. In addition, team representatives must be in appropriate attire, not necessarily in uniform, for all other championship functions (i.e., press conferences, banquets, autograph sessions, etc.), which shall include warm-ups, batting practice and infield practice.

During pre-game batting practice and/or infield practice shorts are permissible provided they are institutionally issued apparel and all team members are wearing shorts during the practice. Additionally, all participating teams are required to wear shirts/jerseys with clearly legible uniform numbers on them. Each student-athlete’s practice number must be the same number he will wear during the game. All teams are required to wear only institutional apparel during practices.

During the practice day on Friday, June 16 all participating student-athletes, coaches and additional team personnel will be required to wear turf shoes on the playing field. No spikes or cleats will be allowed during this time. This is an effort to minimize the wear and tear to the playing surface and keep the playing field in the best condition possible throughout the entire College World Series.

Game uniforms must adhere to Rule 1-14 of the 2017 and 2018 NCAA Baseball Rules and Interpretations. Please note that it is the responsibility of the visiting team to wear a contrasting uniform color to the jersey worn by the home team. The home team gets to select their desired uniform color first. Please note that it is also required that the base coaches wear a protective helmet.

Laundry. Teams are offered, and may work with their service clubs, two laundry facilities during the CWS.

Creighton University will provide its facilities for teams to launder team uniforms and practice gear. To schedule a time, please contact JJ Borecky, Assistant Facilities Manager, at 402-613-4422. There will be a $100 charge per day. Teams should enter the dock door of the Ryan Athletic Center, located at 18th and Burt Streets. Vans/team cars and buses can park in the middle of 18th Street, just south of Burt Street.

The University of Nebraska-Omaha Athletics Department is also available to provide laundry services. The cost is $100 per day and that includes pick-up and delivery. For pricing and delivery information, contact Bill Sanders at 402-210-5535 (cell).

Logos. The provisions of Bylaw 12.5.4 indicate that an institution’s official uniform and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, headbands, T-shirts, wristbands, visors or hats, and towels) that are worn by student-athletes in competition may bear a single manufacturer’s or distributor’s normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed 2 1/4-square inches (rectangle, square, parallelogram), including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo.
In addition, the student-athlete’s institution’s official uniform and all other items of apparel shall not bear a design element similar to the manufacturer’s trademark/logo that is in addition to another trademark/logo that is contrary to the size restriction.

These restrictions apply to all apparel worn by student-athletes, and any and all credentialed personnel in the bench area during the conduct of competition, which includes any practices and pregame or postgame activities.

This bylaw will be strictly enforced at all NCAA championships and the names of individuals and institutions that are not in compliance with this bylaw shall be forwarded to the NCAA enforcement staff. Non-compliance with this legislation could result in loss of eligibility, and adjustment of team standings. Please see the aforementioned bylaw for a thorough review of this piece of legislation.

**Patches.** Shoulder patches that commemorate each team’s participation in the CWS are ordered by the NCAA and provided to the service club hosts for each team. Service club representatives assigned to each team will pick up not more than four sets of uniforms, per student-athlete; have the patches sewn onto the jerseys and return the uniforms to each team prior to its first game. A maximum of four patches may be sewn on different uniforms for each participating team. Each team will be provided with 187 patches for uniforms. Galls (formerly Alamar Uniform Company) will sew patches on team uniforms in the order the teams are assigned to practice on Friday, June 16. Extra patches will not be sewn onto additional apparel until all eight teams’ uniforms have been completed. Extra patches may be used, at the team’s discretion, but shall be paid for by the team.

**Stickers.** Special batting helmet decals with a CWS logo will be provided to each team. These decals (30 for each team) will be provided to teams during the Thursday night pre-championship administrative meeting. The decals should be affixed to the back of all batting helmets and base coach helmets.
### 2017 NCAA Men’s College World Series

**Schedule of Events – Team Version**

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GROUND RULES

TD AMERITRADE PARK OMAHA

Note: The NCAA Division I Baseball Committee and the National Coordinator of Baseball Umpires reserve the right to modify the ground rules after a facility walk through is conducted the day prior to the start of the championship.

1. The stadium is completely enclosed; therefore, all live balls remaining within the field of play are considered live and in play.

   a. Batted balls striking the foul pole above the fence is a home run. Note: Batted balls must clear (above and beyond) the top yellow border on all fences to be a home run.

   b. A batted ball traveling between the protective railings is a ground rule double.

   c. The backstop screen and backstop padding are live even if a ball comes to rest on top of the padding. A ball hitting the backstop cable not part of the screen is dead.

   d. The dugout screens and padding are live and the top lip and step of the dugout is live. Any microphone or camera protruding from the screen is live on a thrown ball.
2. The ball is dead if it:

   a. Goes through, over, or under the fence or lodges in a fence or fence padding.

   b. Is intentionally interfered with by a spectator or any other individual. No unauthorized persons should be on the field in any capacity.

   c. Hits any camera or camera equipment.

   d. Sticks under, on, or behind the field tarp or comes to rest on the field tarp or goes out of sight around the field tarp. For a valid catch, a player may lean on or lay on the tarp or protective screens but may not step on the tarp or protective screens.

   e. Passes beyond the front screen and top step of the dugout and touches anything inside of the dugout. For a catch, the fielder may not have either foot touching dead ball territory. A fielder may enter dead ball territory and return to make a catch. If a fielder makes a catch and steps into the dugout the ball remains live but the fielder must come back into live ball territory to make a throw. If the fielder is assisted from falling in the dugout, he is considered not to have fallen and the ball is live.
3. Field Procedures.
   
a. The dugouts end where the rubber matting ends. Please note that beyond this area is a photo booth.

b. Players who wish to throw to stay loose during an inning may not do so in live ball territory. They should use the bullpens or batting cage if available.

c. Bullpen gates are in fair territory. Access should be between innings or when there is no chance of interfering with a live ball or play.

d. Photographers may be on the field only between innings to transition from photo areas.
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BRACKET 1

Game 1
Saturday, 2 p.m.
June 17
ESPN

Game 2
Saturday, 7 p.m.
June 17
ESPN

Game 5
Monday, 1 p.m.
June 19
ESPN

Game 6
Monday, 6 p.m.
June 19
ESPN

Game 9
Wednesday, 6 p.m.
June 21
ESPN

Game 11
Friday, 2 p.m.
June 23
ESPN

“Bracket 1 (if necessary)
Saturday, TBD
June 24
ESPN

Loser Game 11 (if first loss)

BRACKET 2

Game 3
Sunday, 1 p.m.
June 18
ESPN

Game 4
Sunday, 6 p.m.
June 18
ESPN2

Game 7
Tuesday, 1 p.m.
June 20
ESPN

Game 8
Tuesday, 6 p.m.
June 20
ESPN

Game 10
Thursday, 7 p.m.
June 22
ESPN2

Game 12
Friday, 7 p.m.
June 23
ESPN

“Bracket 2 (if necessary)
Saturday, TBD
June 24
ESPN

Loser Game 12 (if first loss)

NATIONAL CHAMPION

BRACKET 2 WINNER

BRACKET 1 WINNER

CWS Finals
(Best two-of-three)
Game One - Monday, June 26
6 p.m. ESPN
Game Two - Tuesday, June 27
7 p.m. ESPN
#Game Three - Wednesday, June 28
7 p.m. ESPN (if necessary)

All times Central. *Home Team

*Bracket 1 will be necessary if the winner of Game 9 also wins Game 11. If it is the only game scheduled for that day, the game will tentatively start at 7 p.m. If there are two games for that day, the game will tentatively start at 2 p.m.

**Bracket 2 will be necessary if the winner of Game 10 also wins Game 12. If it is the only game scheduled for that day, the game will tentatively start at 7 p.m. If there are two games for that day, the game will tentatively start at 7 p.m.

#CWS Finals Game 3 will be necessary if the winner of CWS Finals Game 1 loses CWS Finals Game 2.

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On the field, including the practice field, bullpen, bench and dugout, each team is limited to four official coaches in uniform (head coach, assistant coaches and volunteer coach), 27 eligible student-athletes in uniform, and student assistant coaches. Only uniformed personnel, including coaches and eligible student-athletes, may be permitted between the white lines and in the bullpens. Other non-uniformed personnel (up to the maximum limit of 40 individuals) in the dugout should be performing official team functions that they have performed during the season. A bat handler, who must be 13 years of age or older, does not count against the maximum limit of 40 individuals. Regardless of age, the bat handler shall wear a protective helmet at all times when on the playing field. Non-uniformed personnel in proper attire may participate in pregame warm-ups. Once a game begins, the athletic trainer or manager is permitted on the field only to perform his/her appropriate duty (e.g., warming up a pitcher is not considered an appropriate duty). The 40 individuals listed below are the only individuals authorized in the dugout.

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ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: 8 - 9 a.m.  
Practice: 9:10 - 10 a.m.  
Open Clubhouse: 10:05 - 10:25 a.m.  
Autograph Session: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.  
Press Conference: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. |
| **Game 1 Visiting Team** | Team Photo: 8:45 a.m.  
ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: 9 - 10 a.m.  
Practice: 10:10 - 11 a.m.  
Open Clubhouse: 11:05 - 11:25 a.m.  
Autograph Session: 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
Press Conference: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. |
| **Game 2 Home Team** | Team Photo: 9:45 a.m.  
ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: 10 - 11 a.m.  
Practice: 11:10 a.m. - Noon  
Open Clubhouse: 12:05 - 12:25 p.m.  
Autograph Session: 12:30 - 1:15 p.m.  
Press Conference: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. |
| **Game 2 Visiting Team** | Team Photo: 10:45 a.m.  
ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: 11 a.m. - Noon  
Practice: 12:10 - 1 p.m.  
Open Clubhouse: 1:05 - 1:25 p.m.  
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| **Game 3 Home Team** | Press Conference: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
Team Photo: 11:45 a.m.  
ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: Noon - 1 p.m.  
Practice: 1:10 - 2 p.m.  
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Team Photo: 12:45 p.m.  
ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: 1 - 2 p.m.  
Practice: 2:10 - 3 p.m.  
Open Clubhouse: 3:05 - 3:25 p.m.  
Autograph Session: 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. |
| **Game 4 Home Team** | Press Conference: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
Team Photo: 1:45 p.m.  
ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: 2 - 3 p.m.  
Practice: 3:10 - 4 p.m.  
Open Clubhouse: 4:05 - 4:25 p.m.  
Autograph Session: 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. |
| **Game 4 Visiting Team** | Press Conference: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
Team Photo: 2:45 p.m.  
ESPN/NCAA.com/Van Wagner SE/NCAA SM: 3 - 4 p.m.  
Practice: 4:10 - 5 p.m.  
Open Clubhouse: 5:05 - 5:25 p.m.  
Autograph Session: 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. |
| **All Teams**         | Team BBQ Dinner: 7 - 8:30 p.m. (teams are assigned staggered arrival times)  
Opening Ceremonies: 8:45 - 10 p.m. |
**2017 MEN’S COLLEGE WORLD SERIES**

**OFF-SITE PRACTICE INFORMATION**

**Scheduling** – Any institution wishing to practice on off-site fields (including any off-site pregame batting practice) must schedule/coordinate each practice via Coach Ed Servais (402-660-5846) at Creighton University.

Any institution wishing to use strength training facilities must schedule/coordinate with Head Strength Coach Dan Bailey (402-639-4827) at Creighton University.

**Practice Length** – All off-site practices will be scheduled in 1:30 minute blocks.

**Outdoor Facilities Available During the Entire CWS**

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<th>Creighton University Sports Complex</th>
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<td>Steve Jarrett, Field Contact: c) 402-681-1533</td>
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<td>J.J. Borecky, Asst. Director of Facilities: c) 402-613-4422</td>
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<td>Paul Blomenkamp, AD: c) 402-661-9299</td>
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<td><em>Boys Town is located approximately 14 miles from each team hotel</em></td>
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<td>Pat Mooney, Field Contact: c) 402-740-7845</td>
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**OFF-SITE PREGAME BATTING PRACTICE**

**Off-Site Pregame Batting Practice Scheduling** – If both teams wish to take pregame batting practice off-site at the same location, the home team would automatically be scheduled to hit two hours and 30 minutes before the scheduled game time. The visiting team would then hit one hour and 50 minutes before its scheduled game time.

**Notification of Intent to Hit Pregame Batting Practice Off-Site** – Should a team decide to hit pregame batting practice off-site, team officials must notify NCAA staff (*Chad Tolliver, 317-966-6458*) that they will not be hitting at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha at least three hours before the time of their scheduled batting practice time.

**Adjustments** – If batting practice is scheduled to take place on the field (the first game of the day) and either team decides to take batting practice off-site, the other team should be afforded the opportunity to move its batting practice time to the scheduled time vacated by the first team.
Stadium Circulator

- 25¢ Fare
- 10 Minute Frequency
- Opening Celebration
  Friday, June 16, 9:30 am
  Until 30 min after festivities end
- Continuous Service Each Game Day:
  From 2 hours before 1st game
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Legend
- Bus Stops
- Hotels
- Bike Racks
- Parking

402.341.0800
TDD 402.341.0807
ometro.com
If you would like to order additional team plaques, please submit your order to Ed Arkfeld by **Friday, August 18, 2017**.

Service Club Name:

*Contact Name: ________________________ Phone Number: ______________________

Team Information:

*Team Name: ___________________________________________________________________

*Contact Name: _______________________________________________________________

*Mailing Address: _______________________________________________________________

*City, State, ZIP: _______________________________________________________________

*Phone Number: __________________________________________________________________

*CWS, of Omaha, Inc. will be furnishing 35 photo plaques to each team.

I would like to order additional of the following:

_____ # of Team Plaques (which includes the team photo) @ $35 each

_____ # of Team Photos @ $7 each

_____ Payment Enclosed for $____________

*Cash or checks made payable to “Omaha Concord Club” accepted.

**Please return this order form and payment to the below address by August 18, 2017.**

*Ed Arkfeld*  
2619 North 161st Street  
Omaha, Nebraska 68116

*Terry Devlin*  
12616 Shirley Street  
Omaha, Nebraska 68144

For questions on the team plaques or photos, please contact Terry Devlin at 402-650-6565. You may also contact Ed Arkfeld at 402-680-9718.

If you want to purchase additional plaques from August 19 to October 1, you must order a minimum of five plaques. Please contact either Ed Arkfeld or Terry Devlin.
CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS
FACILITIES USAGE
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

I understand that my participation in activities at any and all Creighton University Athletic Facilities may expose me to activity related risks. I am aware that there are certain risks involved when I participate in recreational activities and I knowingly and willingly assume those risks, and I acknowledge that I am primarily responsible for my own safety. I understand that Creighton has allowed the group of which I am a member to use Creighton's athletic facilities, and that the group's coach or advisor, not Creighton, is responsible for supervising me when I am using the facilities.

I have accepted responsibility to verify that I, or if I am the parent of a minor child, my minor child, has no physical or psychological conditions that would prohibit my/his/her use of Creighton's Athletic facilities. I agree to comply with any directions which the Athletics Department Staff may give me about using Creighton's facilities.

By signing below, I attest to the fact that I have read and understand the rules and regulations for use of Creighton University Athletic Department Facilities and will follow these rules and regulations. I willingly assume all risks related to my participation in activities in any of the Creighton Athletic facilities, or if I am the parent of a minor child, I willingly assume all risks, on behalf of my child, related to my child's participation in activities in any Creighton Athletic facility, and I will not sue Creighton University for any injuries I, or my minor child, may suffer while using any Creighton athletic facility.

Group Name: ________________________________________________

Date(s) of Event(s): _________________________________________

Printed Name: _____________________________________________ Date of Birth: ______________________

Signature: _______________________________________________ Date: ______________________

Parent/Guardian Signature: _________________________________ Date: ______________________

(If user is under 19 years of age)
2017 Men’s College World Series
Team Meals & Additional Food

Team Training Table
(Supplied for each game, no charge to teams, no refills)
This year, in lieu of box lunches, each clubhouse* will have a “Team Training Table.” The “Training Table” will consist of a variety of whole fruits (25 pieces), individually-wrapped snacks (50 pieces), individual assorted yogurts (25 pieces), Mozzarella String Cheese (25 pieces), a combination of two of the following (50 pieces total): peanut butter and jelly sandwiches; assorted muffins (blueberry or banana nut) and plain bagels with peanut butter, fruit jelly and cream cheese. The menu will vary and will be reviewed by the stadium caterer (Levy Restaurants) throughout the Series.

*“Team Training Table” will be set in the assigned holding rooms for teams playing the second game of the day.

Short – Notice Team Requests
(Expense to Team)
Orders placed after 9 p.m. CDT the day before your scheduled game will be subject to availability
Teams will be invoiced, via email, immediately following the completion of their order.

ALL ORDERS SHOULD BE PLACED THROUGH FELICITY FLESHER AT fflesher@levyrestaurants.com

Pre-Boxed Team Meals
$10.95 each – Team Expense
All items come with potato chips and a cookie
• Ham, Turkey or Roast Beef Sandwich – lettuce, tomato and American cheese on fresh bread
• BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich – smoked pork, with signature BBQ sauce, on an onion bun
• Grilled Chicken Sandwich – marinated chicken breast with lettuce and tomato on a fresh roll
• Buffalo Chicken Sandwich – Pulled smoked chicken breast tossed in spicy buffalo sauce
• Heartland Cheesesteak Sandwich – thinly sliced beef, peppers and onions with melted cheese on a hoagie roll
• Classic Cheeseburger – American cheese on a classic bun

Clubhouse Snacks
Prices Vary – Team Expense
• Whole Fruit ($1.75 each)
• Granola Bars ($1.75 each)
• Trail Mix ($14.00 per pound)
• Cookies ($24.95 per dozen)
• Assorted individually packaged snacks ($1.75 each)
• Individual assorted yogurts ($2.00 each)
• Mozzarella String Cheese ($1.50 each)
• Smoothies – Strawberry Banana or Tropical ($6.00 each – minimum 12 per flavor)

Deli Tray – Inclement Weather
(Supplied when game has been delayed due to weather, no charge to teams, no refills)
Assorted bread, deli meats and cheeses along with potato chips, will be delivered to each clubhouse following any weather delay.

**Please note that all food & beverage items purchased are subject to a 20% service charge plus 7% sales tax. This service charge is not a tip and is not distributed to service employees. Questions? Call Felicity Flesher at 402-599-6858 or fflesher@levyrestaurants.com.
Whether you're looking for a new venue for an office party, an exciting place to get together with friends, or a great way to impress clients, pre-game parties at CenturyLink Center Omaha are the perfect alternative to any traditional event. You and your guests will enjoy being in a unique atmosphere just steps away from all of the action!

- Pre-game menus to suit the size of your party
- Air-Conditioned, private meeting room reserved for your group
- Exclusive caterer, Levy, will customize a menu specific to your needs

Contact: Theresa Contreraz, Convention Sales Manager
402.599.6933  |  tcontreraz@omahameca.com
The ultimate day at the game starts with the perfect package of fan favorites and our signature dishes.

Freshly Popped Popcorn  
Potato Chips and Gourmet Dips  
Kettle-style potato chips with roasted garlic Parmesan, French onion and blue cheese dips  
Garden Fresh Vegetables  
Served with buttermilk ranch dressing  
BLT Salad  
Crisp iceberg lettuce, bacon, cheddar cheese, tomatoes and onion, served with ranch dressing  
BBQ Chicken Sliders  
Grilled chicken tossed in our signature BBQ sauce, accompanied by mini soft rolls  
Mini Burger  
Tavern style classic with American cheese and our secret sauce  
Cookies and Brownies  
$18.95/person+  
Includes lemonade and iced tea  
For an additional $1/person+, add grilled Hebrew National All-Beef hot dogs served with all the traditional condiments.

Smoked Baked Beans  
Pinto beans placed in the smoker and finished with applewood-smoked bacon, tomatoes, honey and molasses.  
Mustard Potato Salad  
Red potatoes tossed in Dijon mustard dressing  
Classic Cheeseburgers  
American cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion and secret sauce served on a Kaiser roll  
Traditional Beer Brat  
Served with all the traditional condiments  
Assorted Cookies  
$16.95/person+  
Includes lemonade and iced tea

Keep it easy with this package that is sure to please even the pickiest fans.

Hot Dog & Nacho Bar  
Hebrew National All-Beef Hot Dogs served with all the traditional condiments. Zesty chili, spicy queso sauce, crispy corn tortilla chips and house red salsa. Served with sour cream, jalapeños and signature hot sauces.  
Creamy Coleslaw  
Assorted Brownies  
$13.95/person+  
Includes lemonade and iced tea

Keep it easy with this package that is sure to please even the pickiest fans.

Build Your Own  
Our staff will gladly work with you to build a one-of-a-kind event tailored to your group and your budget. Prices vary.
GENERAL PRINCIPLES

The NCAA Division I Baseball Committee will require bat barrel compression testing prior to each round of the 2017 NCAA Division I Baseball Championship for the purpose of ensuring that legal equipment is used in competition. Coaches are obligated by NCAA Baseball playing rules to play with legal equipment and remove any illegal equipment from play. Only bats that receive the approved sticker will be permitted during competition.

BARREL COMPRESSION TESTING EQUIPMENT

The NCAA will conduct bat testing with staff from the Washington State University Sports Science Laboratory (SSL). The following equipment will be used:

- G4 SSL Baseball Bat Compression Testing unit
- Baseball bat ring

LOCATION AND TIME OF TESTING

Bat testing at the College World Series will occur in the Auxiliary Room (SL-112) following each teams’ scheduled practice time on Friday, June 16.

- Bat testing will be conducted by the SSL staff and NCAA playing rules staff.
- NCAA representative will meet the teams’ designated coach or equipment manager in the team dugout after the practice session to collect all bats identified for testing.
- NCAA staff will contact the team representative when testing has concluded.
- Teams wishing to introduce a new bat after the Friday testing period, must present the bat to Randy Bruns, NCAA baseball secretary-rules editor, for approval.
- Testing shall not be conducted in public view or near fans/media.

TESTING PROCEDURE

Bat testing will consist of two parts; a ring test and barrel compression (BC) testing that will require two passing barrel compression values (listed below).

1. Ring Test
   - A ring test will be conducted to verify the maximum barrel diameter. The maximum barrel diameter is 2.658 inches.
   - If the bat does not pass through the ring, the bat is surrendered and will not be returned for use.
   - If the bat passes through the ring, it proceeds to barrel compression testing.

2. Barrel Compression Test
   - Each bat will be tested approximately six (6) inches from the end of the barrel. The bat will then be rotated 90 degrees and tested again. This constitutes one (1) complete
compression test. The highest score of the two measurements will represent the score of each complete compression test.

- Bats will be tested a maximum of three times, until it receives two passing results or two failing results, whichever comes first.
- If after two tests:
  - The bat has two passing results, the bat will be considered approved for competition.
  - The bat has one passing result and one failing result, the bat will be removed from the machine and inspected for cracks. If no cracks are found, the bat will be inserted into the machine and tested a third time for a final result.
  - The bat has two failing results, the bat will be considered unacceptable for play.
- Bats passing both tests will receive a tamper-proof sticker to be placed on the taper of the bat so that it is easily visible.

**Lowest Passing Compression Results**

- **Metal bats:** 1250 lbs
- **Composite bats:** 1000 lbs
- **Non-linear***: 800 lbs

*The Rawlings Quatro model is currently the only BBCOR non-linear bat.

**PROCEDURE FOR FAILED BATS**

Bats considered failing for either the ring test or barrel compression test shall be surrendered for being unacceptable for play. The NCAA will retain control of the surrendered bats and submit them to the Sports Science Laboratory for further testing. Teams will be notified of the bats that are being removed from competition.