Division I Field Hockey

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Section 1 • Introduction

Section 1•1 Overview

Thank you for serving as an NCAA site representative for a preliminary-round site of the NCAA Division I Field Hockey Championship.

During the preliminary rounds of championship competition, NCAA site representatives serve as the primary ambassadors of both the NCAA and the NCAA Division I Field Hockey Committee. As such, NCAA site representatives are expected to conduct preliminary-round championship competition according to the policies and procedures outlined in this manual, the pre-championship manual and the host operations manual. NCAA site representatives also are responsible for conducting both the administrative meeting and the officials meeting before the start of preliminary-round competition.

Please note: A teleconference will be conducted at 12 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, Nov. 6, for all site representatives, tournament directors and NCAA staff and committee members to review duties and responsibilities.

In preparation for your role, please review and have on hand the following documents, which are located on NCAA.org at the following link: http://www.ncaa.org/championships/division-i-field-hockey.

- Pre-championship manual
- Host operations manual

These documents, as well as the information found in this manual, are invaluable resources for you and should be your first reference when questions arise.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the NCAA staff or Jamie Mullin, national committee chair.

On behalf of the NCAA and the field hockey committee, thank you for your time and efforts.

Section 1•2 Responsibilities of Site Representatives

The following is a general overview of the site representative’s responsibilities:

- To serve as a representative of the NCAA during championship preliminary rounds;
- To conduct championship competition according to the polices and procedure outlined in the pre-championship manual and host operations manual;
- To conduct the administrative meeting in conjunction with the championship;
- To conduct a pre-championship teleconference with teams, administrators and host (if applicable);
- To serve as a resource for visiting teams and tournament director;
- To complete an evaluation of the tournament site; and
- To communicate in a timely fashion to the NCAA championship staff issues and concerns that occur at the site.
Section 2 • Contact Information

Section 2•1 NCAA Staff and National Committee

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Section 3 • Selection and Overview

Section 3•1 Selection Process and Notification

All individuals employed at NCAA member institutions and/or conferences are eligible to serve as site representatives. Individuals who have a perceived conflict of interest in serving as a site representative at a particular institution or for a specific sport should note this when being considered. (See Conflict of Interest below.)

Site representatives will be notified after selections that they are needed to serve.

Section 3•2 Conflict of Interest

[Reference the August 2008 Executive Committee minutes]

The NCAA is a voluntary Association comprised of colleges, universities, conferences and other organizations, and governed through a membership-led committee structure. Within the governance structure, committee members must carefully balance their responsibilities to their respective institutions and/or conferences with the obligation to advance the interests of the Association, the division or the sport, and ultimately enhance the student-athlete experience. While the fiduciary obligations of committee members to their own institution, their conference and to the Association ordinarily are not in conflict, it is recognized that as a representative membership organization, committee members’ fiduciary obligations are first to their institution, second to their conference and third to the Association. NCAA committee service involves important ethical and moral obligations. Committee integrity is critical to the decision-making process and includes trust, confidentiality and honesty in all issues and aspects of service and representation. NCAA committee members shall disclose any conflict or potential conflict between their respective personal, professional, institutional, conference or business interests and the interests of the Association that may affect or otherwise threaten such integrity, in any and all actions taken by them on behalf of the Association, for committee evaluation under this Statement.

In addition to any fiduciary obligation to their institution and conference, committee members also have a fiduciary duty to the Association not to use knowledge or information obtained solely due to service on that committee to the disadvantage of the Association during the term of committee service. Further, a committee member shall not participate in the committee’s discussion or vote on any action that might bring direct or indirect personal financial benefit to the member or any organization (other than the member’s institution or conference) in which the member is financially interested. A committee member should also not participate in a discussion or vote for which the member’s institution or conference is to be accorded a special benefit beyond benefits shared with other institutions or conferences or is to receive a penalty or disqualification. A violation of either of the above rules by a member of the committee shall not invalidate the action taken by the committee if, following disclosure of the conflict of interest, the committee authorizes, ratifies or approves the action by a vote sufficient for the purpose, without counting the vote of the committee member with the conflict of interest, and the appropriate oversight body approves the action.

A committee member is responsible for advising the chair of any actual or potential conflicts of interest or obligations which he/she may have hereunder, and should recuse himself/herself from participating in proceedings, as may be warranted by this policy. Abuse of one’s position as a member of a committee may result in dismissal from that position. When such abuse appears evident, a committee member will be notified by the committee chair and will have the opportunity to present a rebuttal or details of the situation.

Section 3•3 Neutrality

Site representatives are representing the NCAA and should be neutral in this role. We would ask that site representatives dress professionally while avoiding any clothing that denotes institutional and/or conference affiliation.
Section 3•4 Evaluation

TOURNAMENT SITE EVALUATION
We ask that each site representative provide feedback on the championship site at which he/she served. NCAA staff will send you a link to an online evaluation after the championship.
### Section 4 • Important Dates

**DIVISION I FIELD HOCKEY IMPORTANT DATES**

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Section 5 • Responsibilities

Section 5•1  Team Championships

NOT LATER THAN THREE DAYS BEFORE COMPETITION

- Contact tournament director:
  - Confirm information has been sent to competing institutions (i.e., participant manual).
  - Confirm hotel accommodations for team(s) and officials, if needed.
  - Confirm your arrival time and hotel accommodations, if needed.
  - Confirm game and practice times.
  - Discuss neutrality.
  - Discuss equipment to be received and equipment to be provided.
  - Confirm date, time and location of administrative and officials meeting.
  - Security/safety plan.
  - Ensure host medical staff are prepared to be at practices and game(s).
  - Remind them to contact teams assigned to their site regarding the following information by the end of the day:
    - Practice games and schedules.
    - Time and site for coaches meeting.
    - Hotel accommodations.
    - Time of arrival and mode of transportation.
    - Rosters and statistical information.
  - Discuss locations of the following:
    - Media/interview areas.
    - Training room area.
    - Videotaping and photography areas.

- Send names and phone numbers/emails of the officials assigned to the games to the host. The host should contact the officials immediately to inform them of the competition site, game times, meeting times and hotel information.

NOT LATER THAN TWO DAYS BEFORE COMPETITION

- Check with host on the following shipments:
  - NCAA signage.
  - Game balls (Kookaburra Standard Dimple — sent overnight from Penn Monto). Play-in sites will receive 12 white game balls. First- and second-round sites will receive three (3) dozen practice balls and two (2) dozen game balls.
  - Merchandise from Event1.
  - Officials patches (10 per site — sent overnight from the NCAA office).
  - Programs (if applicable).
  - Participant medallions (play-in sites: 24 per site to non-advancing team only; first-/second-round sites: 72 per site – 24 per non-advancing team at each site).

- Review drug-testing policies and procedures if your site is chosen.
- Check with tournament director to see if he or she has questions.
DAY OF PRACTICE

- Attend all practices and monitor clock.
- Meet with tournament director and key personnel (trainer, media relations, etc.) to discuss the following:
  - Entrances — public, teams, officials, staff.
  - Ticket locations.
  - Credentials/players — pass list.
  - Communication (radios), if necessary.
  - Crowd control.
  - Review pregame schedule.
  - Check to be sure equipment is ready, including video review set-up, if applicable.
  - Expected media.
  - Band/spirit squad/mascot procedures, if applicable.
  - Personnel are in place.
  - Security plan.
  - Inclement weather, if applicable.
- Perform a facility walk-through and review:
  - Check field for proper markings.
  - Press box.
  - Team bench area(s).
  - Scorer’s table, if applicable.
  - Media/interview area.
  - Locker rooms (teams and officials) and security.
  - Merchandise sales area.
  - Program sales area, if applicable.
  - Overall look and treatment of facility.
  - Signage — all commercial signage must be removed or covered.
  - Scoreboard — advertising covered or removed.
  - Test all electronic equipment.
  - Videotaping/photography areas.
  - Scouting seats.
  - Training room.
  - Evaluator location, if applicable.
  - Band/spirit squad location, if applicable.
  - Nonparticipant seating.
- Miscellaneous:
  - Make sure athletic trainer is available at all practices.
  - Make sure NCAA logo rule is being observed.
  - Equipment for both teams checked.
  - Merchandise and programs (if applicable) available.
  - Review parking.
  - Review administrative meeting agenda with tournament director. Make sure copies are available for the meeting.
  - Confirm method for distribution of participant medallions in locker room.
- Confirm SID is prepared to report results at conclusion of competition.
- Review script with communications representative/PA announcer.

- Lead administrative meeting.
  - Review NCAA administrative policies.

DAY OF COMPETITION

Arrive at site 2½ hours before start of game. Remain available to monitor and supervise all aspects of the championship as indicated in the site representative and host operations manuals.

- Perform a facility walk-through and review the following:
  - Signage is properly displayed and advertisements are covered.
  - Press box/scorer’s table/coaches’ booth are set and ready, if applicable.
  - Check visiting locker room(s) for cleanliness and properly stocked with paper items.
  - Ensure that sales locations for merchandise and programs (if applicable) are prepared.
  - Check for inappropriate noisemakers.
  - Test all electronic equipment.

- Greet officials and visiting team(s) as they arrive.
- Attend officials meeting (affirm use of video review, if applicable).
- Check squad sizes and bench limits.

During Game

- Sit near scorer’s table.
- Chair the games committee if action is necessary.
- Listen and watch crowd for inappropriate noisemakers and/or signage. Have security remove them if necessary.
- Observe coaches’ and players’ behavior.

Halftime

- Be sure that officials and teams are securely ushered on and off the field.
- Check at scorer’s table (if applicable) and press box to be sure everything is running smoothly.
- Be near when both teams come back out from halftime to ensure that there are no issues.
- Perform a recount of bench limit size.

BEFORE THE END OF GAME

- Ask the tournament director to get you an accurate count of game attendance to report back.
- Be sure everyone is prepared for end-of-game security and media needs.

END OF GAME

- At end of game, make sure officials are safely off of the field.
- Observe players and coaches shaking hands and leaving the field.
- If a misconduct occurs, please contact the NCAA championship administrator and submit the misconduct form (see Appendix E).
- Attend media interviews and be sure cooling-off period occurs.
- Check in with drug testing to see that there are no issues, if applicable.

BEFORE LEAVING SITE

- Obtain a final copy of stats sheets and remind SID to send results as requested by NCAA.
- Confirm that the tournament director has everything taken care of, and remind him/her to complete surveys.
- Call/email Liz Suscha (317-270-3318) with quick report.
WITHIN 48 HOURS AFTER GAME

- Complete all requested evaluations.
- Complete misconduct/red card forms, if applicable.
- Submit expense reimbursement via the Travel Expense System once prompted by an automatic notification (see Appendix D).
Section 6 • Travel, Lodging and Expense Reimbursement

Section 6•1  Travel

All site representatives will be selected, if at all possible, by proximity to the host site. The NCAA will provide reimbursement for mileage for up to 400 miles to the host site.

Section 6•2  Lodging

The host institution will be responsible for providing hotel accommodations as needed. It is the responsibility of the site representative to inform the tournament director if a hotel room will be needed. Room and tax will be billed to the host institution. All other incidentals will be the responsibility of the site representative.

Section 6•3  Expense Reimbursement

All site representatives will receive a $75 per diem for each day of travel and competition. All miscellaneous expenses are covered by the per diem.

Once competition has been completed, you will receive an email notification that you have been authorized to file an expense report. Please follow the instructions in Appendix D to file your report via the Travel Expense System for reimbursement.

Section 6•4  Team Transportation Contact Numbers

| SHORT’S TRAVEL MANAGEMENT |  |
| Phone Number | 866-655-9215 |
| Email | ncaaalo@shortstravel.com |

| GO GROUND OPTIONS |  |
| Phone Number | 866-386-4951 |
| Website | https://www.gochampionships.com |

| NCAA TRAVEL GROUP |  |
| Phone Number | 317-917-6757 |
| Email | travel@ncaa.org |
| Website | http://www.ncaa.org/championships/travel/championships-travel-information |
Section 7 • NCAA Administrative Guidelines

All policies listed in this section MUST be reviewed during the administrative meeting.

Section 7•1 Logo Policy

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 trademark, not to exceed 2¼ square inches, including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The logo or trademark must be contained within a four-sided geometrical figure (i.e., rectangle, square, parallelogram).

Section 7•2 Misconduct Statement

Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law occurring incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of the competition or practice that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics.

If the act of misconduct occurs during the competition, under normal circumstances, the individual shall be allowed to complete the competition in which he or she is participating at the time of the incident. An administrative hearing shall be held at the conclusion of the day’s competition, during a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted or at the conclusion of the championship. However, if the act of misconduct is so flagrant that it obviously violates the principles of fair play and sportsmanship, the games committee may immediately withdraw the student-athlete or institutional representative from the competition and conduct the hearing after this action. Other acts of misconduct should be dealt with in a timely manner by the governing sports committee.

Section 7•3 Use of Tobacco Products

[Reference: Bylaw 11.1.4 in the NCAA Divisions I, II and III Manuals, Bylaw 17.1.8 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaw 17.1.9 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaw 17.6.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

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.

Section 7•4 Drug Testing Statement

Note: This statement MUST be read at every administrative meeting.

NCAA championships committees, following a recommendation from the NCAA drug-testing subcommittee, have discontinued the practice of announcing whether drug testing will be conducted at NCAA championship events.

Although knowing before 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. Student-athletes will be reminded by the courier to contact their team representative.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR COACHES

Please review this section for questions that may arise regarding drug testing.

Q. Where is the drug-testing facility for this championship?
   A. Check with the tournament manager, drug-testing site coordinator or the NCAA championship staff member for specific location.

Q. How long does drug testing take?
   A. The length of the collection process depends on the student-athlete’s ability to provide an adequate urine specimen. If the student-athlete provides an adequate urine specimen immediately on arrival at the drug-testing facility, the entire process usually is completed in approximately 20 minutes.

Q. What is an institutional representative?
   A. For Team Championships (e.g., baseball, field hockey, lacrosse, etc.): An institutional representative is an individual from the participating institution (designated by his/her institution) to assist with drug testing in the event drug testing occurs at the championship. Each team must designate an institutional representative during the administrative meeting.

   A. For Individual/Team Championships (e.g., golf, tennis, track and field, swimming, etc.): An institutional representative is an individual (e.g., coach, athletic trainer) who should be informed by the student-athlete that he/she will be proceeding to drug testing. On some occasions, an institutional representative must certify the identity of the student-athlete at the drug-testing site.

Q. When is the institution notified of drug testing?
   A. For Team Championships: An institutional representative from each team will be notified not sooner than two hours before the start of their game when drug testing is taking place. Institutional representatives will be notified by an NCAA drug-testing crew member by phone or in person at the locker room or near the playing field.

   A. For Individual/Team Championships: Only the student-athlete is notified of his/her selection for drug testing. The student-athlete is then responsible for notifying an institutional representative of his/her selection.

Q. When are student-athletes notified of their selection for drug testing?
   A. For Team Championships: Immediately after the game, an NCAA drug-testing crew member will provide the institutional representative with a list of student-athletes who have been selected for drug testing.

   A. For Individual/Team Championships: An official drug-testing courier will notify student-athletes of their selection for drug testing, usually on completion of the student-athlete’s event, session or day of competition. The student-athlete then informs an institutional representative from his/her institution before proceeding to the drug-testing site.

   A. For All Cases: At the time of notification, the student-athlete will be instructed to read and sign a drug-testing notification form.

Q. When do student-athletes need to report to drug testing?
   A. For Team Championships: Within one hour after the student-athlete has been notified.

   A. For Individual/Team Championships: The official drug-testing courier will provide the student-athlete with specific instructions as to when to report to drug testing.

   A. For All Cases:
      ■ Before checking into the drug-testing site, all student-athletes must inform an institutional representative of their selection for drug testing.
      ■ Before checking into the drug-testing site, student-athletes must complete all award and media obligations, if any.
      ■ Before leaving the championship venue, coaches should check with all student-athletes to make sure they have completed their drug-testing obligations.

Q. What if a student-athlete has trouble providing an adequate urine specimen? Can the student-athlete leave and come back later? What if the team has to leave and a student-athlete is still in drug testing?
   A. A student-athlete cannot be released from the drug-testing site until an adequate specimen is provided, no matter how long it takes.
If the rest of the team must depart the championship site prior to a student-athlete completing drug testing, an institutional representative must stay with the student-athlete.

A coach should check with the drug-testing site coordinator for information regarding transportation back to the student-athlete’s hotel.

If the student-athlete and/or institution incur additional expenses because of the delay in drug testing (e.g., hotel, transportation back to campus), the institution may request reimbursement from the NCAA.

Q. Will the student-athlete or the institution be reminded of their drug-testing obligation if they defer testing until later that session or day?

A. No. Once the student-athlete and the institutional representative have signed the drug-testing notification form, it is their obligation to arrive at the drug-testing site at the appropriate time.

Q. What if we play a late-night game (10 p.m. or later start, local time)?

A. The NCAA’s late-night drug-testing policy only pertains to team championships.

An institution may defer drug testing until the next morning if its game begins at 10 p.m. or later, local time.

The decision to defer drug testing applies to the entire team and must be determined by the institution immediately after the game and the deferred test must start before 10 a.m., local time, the next day.

An institutional representative must be present at the collection facility the next morning to identify selected student-athletes.

Q. Must a coach or other institutional representative accompany each student-athlete to the drug-testing site?

A. For Team Championships: Yes. An institutional representative must be at the collection station to certify the identity of each student-athlete. The institutional representative must remain in the collection station until all student-athletes have completed their drug test.

A. For Individual/Team Championships: It depends. If the student-athlete has deferred drug testing until later that day, an institutional representative must be at the collection station to certify the identity of each student-athlete before the student-athlete will be allowed to check in. Otherwise, the official drug-testing courier will accompany the student-athlete to drug testing.

Section 7.5 Inclement Weather

If weather conditions could alter the approved schedule, the site representative must contact the NCAA championship administrator before any decisions to change the schedule are finalized and communicated to participants. Be prepared to summarize the weather situation and have a recommendation for an alternate schedule.

LIGHTNING AND WEATHER DETECTION SERVICE

The NCAA has made arrangements through Telvent DTN to provide a lightning detection and weather monitoring system to all rounds of competition for outdoor championships. This system will assist the event management staff and the NCAA site representatives in case of inclement weather during the championship. This service is provided so that all sites will have the resources available to ensure the safety of our student-athletes, spectators and event management staff.

The site representative should request that the tournament director include his/her email and/or phone via text to the WeatherSentry system so he/she can receive the weather updates.

For detailed lightning and weather guidelines, refer to Appendix F.
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Appendix A • FAQ

Q. Officials have asked me how they will receive their payment and when they should expect it since the host no longer pays them?

A. All officials are paid directly by the NCAA through a program called ArbiterPay. There is not a set timetable for payment, thus all inquiries should be directed to the championship administrator.

Q. A fight broke out in the stands between the fans of the home and visiting teams. What responsibility do I have to take care of this?

A. You should first notify the tournament director that he/she needs to obtain security in the section where the fight has broken out. After the fight, please gather as much information as possible from the tournament director and security, including what happened, whether anyone was removed from the competition site, and resolution. All of these facts should be written down and sent to the championship administrator via email. If the situation is severe, please immediately call the championship administrator to inform him/her of what has occurred.

Q. A team has arrived late for its practice due to its bus breaking down. What should I do?

A. Work with the host to try to get the team its full allotment of practice time, if at all possible.

Q. I received an alert on my phone that lightning is within 30 miles and we are going to begin the game in 10 minutes. What steps should I be taking?

A. Immediately find the tournament director and begin to discuss the distance of the lightning. Remember to consult the lightning guidelines. Altering a game time should involve the games committee (consult the host operations manual on who serves on this committee). Once it is determined that the game should be delayed, you should notify the NCAA championship administrator of the situation. You should be prepared to give the championship administrator the games committee’s recommendations as to further delays or moving the contest.
Appendix B • Administrative Meeting Agenda

AGENDA

NCAA DIVISION I FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

MEETING WITH COACHES

A pregame meeting involving the coaches, the NCAA site representative and tournament director will be held prior to the competition. The NCAA site representative will conduct this meeting.

1. Welcome and congratulations.
2. Introductions (name, title, affiliation).
3. Review schedule including game schedule and pregame itinerary.
4. Questions regarding NCAA Rules Modifications and/or FIH rules, including video review (if applicable) as needed.
5. Review uniform policy including logos.
6. Determine uniform colors (Based on uniform jersey, kilt, socks and goalie jersey submitted by teams to the games committee).
7. Review misconduct policies (see statement below).

Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law occurring incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of the competition or practice that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics.

Criticism of Officials. Members of the coaching staff or other representatives of participating institutions or conferences shall not make public statements critical of officiating in any NCAA championship event. Failure to comply with this policy may subject the individual, institution or conference to the misconduct provisions of NCAA Bylaw 31.1.10.

8. Review squad size (maximum 24 student-athletes in uniform), travel party (28), and bench size policies. Collect the travel party form and team roster. Review pregame protocol. Review pass gate procedures.
9. Review locker room and bench assignments.
10. Review interaction with umpires pregame.
11. Review game balls, watering of field and ball runners.
12. Obtain hotel information and cell phone numbers from each team (coaches and athletics
13. Game film (note filming location; teams can videotape all games).
14. Review policy on postgame interviews/cooling off period.
15. Review policy on alcoholic beverages and products.
17. Drug testing statement.
18. Announce umpire assignments.
19. Review parking procedures, cost for fans.
20. Review process for collecting evaluation forms.
21. Merchandise and programs.
22. Advancing team teleconference - November 13, 11 a.m. Eastern time.
   • Dial-in: 866/590-5055;
   • Access Code: 8831253.
23. Reminder that advancing team must upload to TeamXStream their second round game to all teams competing at the final site. The upload is to be received no later than noon, Monday, November 13, prior to the semifinals.
24. Questions.
Appendix C • Officials Meeting Agenda

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NCAA DIVISION I FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

MEETING WITH GAME UMPIRES

A pregame meeting involving the umpires, NCAA site representative and tournament director will be held prior the championship. After introductions, the tournament director may have remarks. Either the NCAA site representative or the national committee chair will conduct this meeting.

1. Review bracket, game times, and postgame ceremonies, if applicable.
2. Review umpire assignments.
3. Review uniform requirements for umpires. (NCAA patches worn over left chest on the uniform shirt. No other patches will be worn.)
4. Review substitution, overtime, and video review procedures.
5. Determination of home team and confirmation of team uniform colors.
6. Review pregame schedule for each day of competition (warm-up, coin toss, introduction of players, national anthem).
7. Review interaction with coaches.
8. Reserve umpire: (1) meet with the ball runners before the game; (2) monitor bench decorum; and (3) respond to coaches questions.
9. Player behavior/bench decorum.

The tournament director will perform the following duties:

1. Explain security escort plan.
2. Distribute credentials and explain parking and access to facility (hand out same facility diagram that was in coaches packets).
3. Identify umpires’ locker room and refreshment arrangements.
4. Distribute NCAA patches.
5. Explain that the NCAA will email evaluations to the officials after competition.
Appendix D • Travel Expense System – Traveler User Guide

1. On the last day of your meeting or trip, your staff liaison will authorize you to file an expense report. Once authorized, you will receive an email advising you to file your expense report and giving you the link to the system and login instructions.

2. The new system has been redesigned to offer the following conveniences:
   a. One username and password for all trips.
   b. View the status of all expense reports, as well as payment information, in one place.
   c. Simplify the system and improve usability.

3. Once you have received your email, follow the instructions to access the system and log in. On the home screen, you will see a list of all expense reports you are authorized for, as well as those already filed. Click on the column headers to sort the list as you prefer or use the Search box to locate a particular trip.

4. To begin a new expense report, click on the Create link.

5. First enter your travel dates. You can type the dates in or use the calendar icons to select them.

6. If you are eligible for per diem, your reimbursable amount will automatically populate based on your travel dates and the dates authorized by your staff liaison.
7. If you have other expenses to claim, click the Select to Add Expense drop-down menu, and choose the expense type from the drop down menu. Note, if per diem is paid, the NCAA does not reimburse items such as meals, parking, lodging, ground transportation, tolls, etc., except in extraordinary circumstances. Per diem travelers will most often claim mileage and baggage fees.

For each expense, enter the amount being claimed. If you are claiming an expense not ordinarily reimbursed, use the notes section to provide your reason for the request.
8. Some expenses will require you to submit receipts. When required, the Receipt field will be populated. To submit, simply click the Browse button and attach the appropriate file from your computer. The system can only accept pdf files.

9. Once all expenses are entered, choose who payment should be made to. You can choose yourself, or your institution, conference or business.

   To choose yourself, select Self from the drop-down menu. If the system does not have a record of paying you previously, you will need to add your address by clicking the Add Address button.

10. On the address screen, enter your Social Security Number and current mailing address in the fields provided. When complete, click Create Address change to be taken back to the expense entry screen.
If the system indicates you have been paid by the NCAA previously, the address we currently have on file for you will be shown. Please be sure that address is correct or enter any changes by clicking Modify Address.

11. Finally, if the payment is being made to you, we will need your bank information in order to pay you by electronic funds transfer, or direct deposit. As with your address, if the system does not have your information on file, you will need to click Add Bank and complete the required fields. Once complete, click Update Bank Info.
If the system indicates you have been paid by the NCAA previously, the bank information we currently have on file for you will be shown. Please be sure that information is correct or enter any changes by clicking Modify Bank.

12. Once all expense, address and bank information is complete, click Submit to file your expense report. You will receive an email confirmation that the report was submitted. You can also follow the status on your home page.

13. If the expense report should be paid to your institution, business or conference, choose Organization from the drop-down menu. Then begin typing the name in the Select Organization field, and choose the correct one from the list. Payments made to an organization do not need to provide address or bank information.
14. Did you forget an expense? If you find you’ve forgotten to claim an expense after you have clicked submit, you can still request reimbursement. Simply log back into the system. Any report eligible to have a forgotten expense claimed, will have a Create link available in the Secondary Expense Report column. This option will only be available after the primary expense report has been approved and submitted for payment.

If the Secondary Expense Report option is not available, contact the travel department and an adjustment to the report can be made.

If you have trouble using the system, please contact the travel department at travel@ncaa.org or 317-917-6757.
Appendix E • Misconduct Report Form

NCAA Championship
Misconduct Reporting Form

Date: ________________

Site: ________________

Individual(s) involved in alleged act of misconduct:

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Institution: _______________________________________________________________________

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Institution: _______________________________________________________________________

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Institution: _______________________________________________________________________

Date of alleged act of misconduct:

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Description of alleged act of misconduct. [Note: Include location, individuals involved, witnesses to act, alleged misconduct act.]

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Supporting documentation included: Yes ☐ No ☐

Individual submitting report: ___________________________ Date: ________________

Scan and send form to:
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Appendix F • Lightning and Weather Guidelines

LIGHTNING SAFETY
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Lightning is the most consistent and significant weather hazard that may affect intercollegiate athletics. Within the United States, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) estimates that 40 fatalities and about 10 times that many injuries occur from lightning strikes every year. NOAA estimates that as many as 62 percent of lightning strike fatalities occur during outdoor organized sport activities. While the probability of being struck by lightning is low, the odds are significantly greater when a storm is in the area and proper safety precautions are not followed.

Education and prevention are the keys to lightning safety. The references associated with this guideline are an excellent educational resource. Prevention should begin long before any intercollegiate athletics event or practice occurs by being proactive and having a lightning safety plan in place. The following steps are recommended to mitigate the lightning hazard:

1. Develop a lighting safety plan for each outdoor venue. At a minimum, that plan should include the following:
   a. The use of lightning safety slogans to simplify and summarize essential information and knowledge. For example, the following slogan from the National Lightning Safety Institute is an effective guide: "If you see it, flee it; if you can hear it, clear it." This slogan reflects the fact that upon the first sound of thunder, lightning is likely within eight to 10 miles and capable of striking your location. No punishment or retribution should be applied to someone who chooses to evacuate if perceiving that his or her life is in danger due to severe weather.
   b. Designation of a person to monitor threatening weather and to notify the chain of command who can make the decision to remove a team, game personnel, television crews, and spectators from an athletics site or event. That person must have recognized and unchallengeable authority to suspect activity.
   c. Planned instructions/announcements for participants and spectators, designation of warning and all clear signals, proper signage, and designation of safer places from the lightning hazard.
   d. Daily monitoring of local weather reports before any practice or event, and a reliable and accurate source of information about severe weather that may form during scheduled intercollegiate athletics events or practices. Of special note should be National Weather Service-issued thunderstorm "watches" or "warnings," and the warning signs of developing thunderstorms in the area, such as high winds or darkening skies. A "watch" means conditions are favorable for severe weather to develop in an area; a "warning" means that severe weather has been reported in an area and for everyone to take the proper precautions. It should be noted that neither watches nor warnings are issued for lightning. An NOAA weather radio is particularly helpful in providing this information.
   e. Identification of, and a mechanism for ensuring access to, the closest safer buildings, vehicles, and locations to the field or playing area, and an estimate of how long it takes to evacuate to that location for all personnel at the event. A safer building or location is defined as:
      • Any fully enclosed building normally occupied or frequently used by people, with plumbing and/or electrical wiring that acts to electrically ground the structure. Avoid using the shower, plumbing facilities, and electrical appliances, and stay away from open windows and doorways during a thunderstorm.
      • In the absence of a sturdy, frequently inhabited building, any vehicle with a hard metal roof (neither a convertible nor a golf cart) with the windows shut provides a measure of safety. The hard metal frame and roof, not the rubber tires, are what protects occupants by dissipating lightning current around the vehicle and not through the occupants. It is important not to touch the metal frame-
work of the vehicle. Some athletics events rent school buses as safer locations to place around open courses or fields.

2. For large-scale events, continuous monitoring of the weather should occur from the time pre-event activities begin throughout the event.

3. Venue-specific activity-suspension, venue evacuation, and activity-resumption plans:
   a. Upon the first sound of thunder, lightning is likely within eight to 10 miles and capable of striking your location. Please note that thunder may be hard to hear if there is an athletics event going on, particularly in stadia with large crowds. Lightning can strike from blue sky and in the absence of rain. At least 10 percent of lightning occurs when there is no rainfall and when blue sky is often visible somewhere in the sky, especially with summer thunderstorms. Lightning can, and does, strike 10 (or more) miles away from the rain shaft. Be aware of local weather patterns and review local weather forecasts prior to an outdoor practice or event.
   b. Ensure a safe and orderly evacuation from the venue with announcements, signage, safety information in programs, and entrances that can also serve as mass exits. Planning should account for the time it takes to move a team and crowd to their designated safer locations. Individuals should not be allowed to enter the outdoor venue and should be directed to the safer location.
   c. Avoid using landline telephones except in emergency situations. People have been killed while using a landline telephone during a thunderstorm. Cellular or cordless phones are safe alternatives to a landline phone, particularly if the person and the antenna are located within a safer structure or location, and if all other precautions are followed.
   d. To resume athletics activities, lightning safety experts recommend waiting 30 minutes after both the last sound of thunder and last flash of lightning. A useful slogan is “half an hour since thunder roars, now it’s safe to go outdoors.” At night, be aware that lightning can be visible at a much greater distance than during the day as clouds are being lit from the inside by lightning. This greater distance may mean that the lightning is no longer a significant threat. At night, use both the sound of thunder and seeing the lightning channel itself to decide on re-setting the 30-minute “return-to-play” clock before resuming outdoor athletics activities.

4. Emergency care protocols: People who have been struck by lightning do not carry an electrical charge. Therefore, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is safe for the responder. If possible, an injured person should be moved to a safer location before starting CPR. Lightning-strike victims who show signs of cardiac or respiratory arrest need prompt emergency help. If you are in a 911 community, call for help. Prompt, aggressive CPR has been highly effective for the survival of victims of lightning strike. Automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) are a safe and effective means of reviving persons in cardiac arrest. Planned access to early defibrillation should be part of your emergency plan. However, CPR should never be delayed while searching for an AED.

**Note:** Weather watchers, real-time weather forecasts and commercial weather-warnings and lightning monitoring devices or services are all tools that can be used to aid in the monitoring, notification, and decision-making regarding stoppage of play, evacuation and return to play.

**REFERENCES**

5. NOAA lightning safety website: www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov.
8. The Weather Channel on satellite or cable, and on the Internet at www.weather.com.
Appendix G • Video Review Protocol

Power to refer decisions for video review:

The match umpires and student-athletes on the field at the time of the incident are the only persons who can request a referral.

Umpire Referral
1. Referrals shall only relate to whether a goal has been scored legally.

2. The match umpires shall make decisions which include, but are not restricted to:
   a. whether the ball crossed the goal line (within the area bounded by the goal posts and crossbar);
   b. whether the ball was legally played or touched inside the circle by the stick of an attacker and did not travel outside the circle before passing completely over the goal-line and under the crossbar;
   c. whether the ball traveled outside the circle before it entered the goal either from a shot by an attacker during the taking of a penalty corner;
   d. whether a breach of the rules has been observed within the attacking 23-meter area in the play leading to the awarding or disallowing of a goal. It is then for the match umpires to take any breach into account in reaching their decision.

3. The match umpire requests a video referral by calling a timeout and drawing a square box in the air that represents a video monitor and then points to herself/himself indicating this is an umpire referral. The match umpire will then communicate with the technical table/announcer any pertinent information regarding the referral.

Team Referral

1. Each team is allowed one team referral request (which must be made from a student-athlete in the game to the match umpires) during any match (including any extra time periods but not during a shoot-out competition).
   a. Team referrals will be restricted to decisions within the 23 meter areas relating to the award (or non-award) of goals, penalty corners, and penalty strokes. The award of personal penalty cards may not be the subject of a team referral.
   b. Any student-athlete, on the field of play at the time of the incident, may request a video referral.
   c. This student-athlete must indicate to the match umpires that they wish to use their referral. They must do so immediately after the incident or decision which is to be indicated by using the square box signal as well as confirming this verbally to the match umpires.
   d. The player requesting the team referral must inform the umpires of the exact nature of the decision (or non-decision) that their team wishes to be reviewed within a maximum of 20 seconds.
e. If no question is received within 20 seconds, the team referral will automatically default to a review of the last decision or non-decision relating to the award (or non-award) of a goal, penalty corner, or penalty stroke.

f. The match umpire then requests video referral assistance using a square box signal along with showing a whole arm “T” to denote a team referral. The match umpire will then communicate with the technical table/announcer any pertinent information regarding the referral.

g. In the event that the referral is upheld or the video is determined to be inconclusive (including through not having the correct replays available, the ball never being in the shot in the replays, the footage being of insufficient quality to permit a decision or technical problems with the referral equipment), the referring team retains its right of referral.

h. In the event of the call on the field being confirmed, the referring team loses its right of referral.

i. A team referral that has already been adjudicated upon may not be the subject of a subsequent referral or protest by the opposing team.

Referral Process

1. There will be a monitor located at the technical table between the team benches along with a headset connected to the broadcast truck or studio (when available). Coaches and student-athletes are restricted from entering or proceeding past the area defined as the substitution box during a review.

2. The match umpires may communicate with the truck or studio (when available) to view as many replays from every available camera angle as necessary to reach a decision. Any audio or communication from TV talent (i.e., announcer(s)) to umpires shall be prohibited.

3. All reviews shall be completed within a reasonable time. The final decision, including any matter of interpretation, remains with the match umpires.

4. The match umpires should communicate to each head coach the final decision before resuming play.

5. The technical table shall communicate to the PA announcer the match umpire’s decision. The PA announcer shall announce in the following manner:

   a. When the referral upholds the original call:

      (1) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined the goal called on the field will stand. [Insert referring team] is now out of video referrals.”

      (2) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that the call on the field shall stand, no goal. [Insert referring team] is now out of video referrals.”
(3) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined the penalty corner called on the field will stand. [Insert referring team] is now out of video referrals.”

(4) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that the call on the field shall stand, no penalty corner. [Insert referring team] is now out of video referrals.”

(5) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined the penalty shot call on the field will stand. [Insert referring team] is now out of video referrals.”

(6) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined the call on the field shall stand, no penalty shot will be awarded. [Insert referring team] is now out of video referrals.”

b. When the referral reverses the original call:

(1) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined the goal was scored by legal means.” [Insert referring team] retains their video referral.”

(2) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that [insert reason for disallowing goal]. Therefore, there is no goal. [Insert referring team] is now out of video referrals.”

(3) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that [insert reason for awarding penalty corner]. As a result, [insert team] is awarded a penalty stroke. [Insert team] retains their video referral.”

(4) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that [insert reason for disallowing a penalty corner]. As a result, [insert team] will not be awarded a penalty corner. [Insert referring team] retains their video referral.”

(5) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that [insert reason for awarding a penalty stroke]. As a result, {insert team} is awarded a penalty stroke. [Insert referring team] retains their video referral.”

(6) “After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that [insert reason for disallowing a penalty stroke]. As a result, [insert team] will not be awarded a penalty stroke. [Insert referring team] retains their video referral.”

c. When the referral is inconclusive:

“After reviewing the play, the umpires have determined that the video is inconclusive. The call on the field stands. [Insert team] retains their video referral.”