2017-18 NCAA Division III

Men’s and Women’s Diving Regional Information
ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for participation in a regional meet, a diver must achieve the qualifying standard at least once at a bona fide conference championship or two separate times (on the same board) during any other bona fide competition and submit appropriate documentation of qualifying performances to the diving coordinator. A diver may only qualify for national-championship consideration once per event per meet (i.e., a diver cannot qualify a 6- and 11-dive score during the same competition). If a diver only qualifies on one board, they may still dive both events at the regional meet. In order to be considered for the regional meet, all required dive sheets (one per board if the standard was achieved at bona fide conference championships; two per board if standard was achieved at other bona fide competition) must been submitted to the diving coordinator before **8 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, Feb. 26**. Failure to meet this deadline will result in a diver not being eligible to compete in the regional qualification meet. Qualifying scores will be posted throughout the season on the Division III Swimming and Diving page of NCAA.org. It is the responsibility of the coach to check this list to verify that scores have been received.

REGISTRATION

A diver may only compete in the regional meet for which his/her institution is geographically assigned. To participate, a coach must submit the “Regional Diving Information Form” (see Appendix A) and qualifying proof of performance by **8 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, Feb 26**. To register for the regional meet, the diver must be entered via the Divemeets.com system for the appropriate regional meet by **8 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, Feb. 26**. This will serve as the diver’s official NCAA entry form. Sanctions will be imposed on any student-athlete (and/or institution) who fails to compete after submission of this form. Please note, divers do not need to be included on the NCAA swimming selection roster.

DIVING SHEETS. Each competitor is required to submit a list of dives at Divemeets.com by **8 p.m. Eastern time, Monday Feb 26**. (Note: Review the “Diving Entry Procedure” section in the 2018 Division III Men’s and Women’s Swimming and Diving Pre-Championship Manual for detailed instructions located here). At each respective regional, there will be a sign-off sheet to verify the divers list. Coaches should review this information with their student-athlete to make sure all information is correct. Each competitor shall be responsible for the accuracy of this information.

ALLOCATION NUMBERS

Each regional meet will be given a fixed number of qualifiers. This number will be determined by the number of divers eligible to compete in a given region who have also submitted all necessary information to compete in regional competition. At the end of the qualification period, all divers eligible to compete in a regional qualifier will be determined by the criteria listed above. The number of eligible divers at each region will be divided by the number of eligible divers at all regions and then multiplied by 24 for men and 29 for women to determine the ratio for the number of assigned qualification spots. Standard rounding principles will be used to transform ratios into whole numbers.
Regardless of ratios, no region will have fewer than two male qualifiers and two female qualifiers. The qualification allocation will be posted to the NCAA website by Noon, Eastern time, Thursday, March 1. The qualifiers to the national championships will be assigned by alternating between the highest finisher on day one and the highest finisher on day two, considering that divers already invited will be skipped. (Example with five qualifiers: 1-Winner from day one; 2-Highest finisher on day two, not already invited; 3-Highest finisher on day one, not already invited; 4-Highest finisher on day two, not already invited; 5-Highest finisher on day one, not already invited). This assures equal consideration is given to both boards.

**SCRATCHES**

The deadline to scratch from regional diving competition is 5 p.m. Eastern time, Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2018. Any scratches made after this deadline must be medically related and must be accompanied by a doctor’s note. If scratches after this deadline are not medically related, the institution will be fined $200 for failure to adhere to policies and procedures.

**REGIONAL ALIGNMENT**

There will be four regional meets. Using the geographic regions outlined in the NCAA Pre-Championships Manual, there will be one meet for the Central institutions, two meets for the Northeast institutions divided by location (one for Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and eastern New York / one for western New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, West Virginia, Maryland, and Washington DC), and a super region of the Midwest, West, and South. This format allows for approximately sixty schools per region.

**DATES and LOCATIONS.** The regional meets will be held March 2-3, 2018.

- Region 1 (Central) – University of Chicago; Chicago, IL
- Region 2 (Midwest/South/West) – Trinity University (Texas); San Antonio, TX
- Region 3 (Northeast/North) – Middlebury College; Middlebury, VT
- Region 4 (Northeast/South) – Ithaca College; Ithaca, NY

**FORMAT**

Both men and women will compete in a combined event on opposite boards. **If a region has more than 36 combined men and women divers, the event will be split into two sessions, with women diving first.** All events will be a finals-only, 11-dive format (voluntaries first). If the meet is split, the last seventy-five minutes before the start of the contest will be flighted. Divers will be split into two flights of thirty minutes each, and the last fifteen minutes will be open to all divers. The host institution will randomly select schools for each flighted warm up. This flighted warm up information will be published and made available to participating institutions by Noon, Eastern, Tuesday, Feb. 27.
Friday, the pool will be open to all competitors by 11 a.m. (local time) with the first set of events to begin at 2 p.m. (local time). **There is no practice allowed at regional competition sites Thursday.** At the conclusion of Friday’s event, the pool will remain open for at least one hour and up to three hours for practice. However, the facility will not be expected to remain open if no one is using this time after the first hour has past and no communication has been made of an intention to return. Saturday, the pool will open by 8:30 a.m. (local time) with the second set of events to begin at Noon (local time). If the meet is split, the flights will be switched Saturday.

**JUDGING**

Each participating institution is required to supply one qualified judge for each event that they have a diver entered. If an institution is unable to provide a qualified judge for the regional panel, the institution must notify the NCAA championship manager, Kevin Alcox (kalcox@ncaa.org), as soon as possible. Judging panels will be selected at the coaches meeting along with the selection of an assistant referee for each panel. Hosts will hire an outside head referee but not a full judging panel. Judging panels will be made up of seven judges dropping the two high and two low scores. If eight or more judges are available, two panels will be selected. Please see Appendix B for the judges selection process.

**EVENT ORDER**

The event order will be rotated yearly to ensure one board is not favored in a given region over time. **(Please note, if regional meets are split, women will always dive first).**

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**ALTERNATES**

In the event a selected student-athlete from a regional meet is unable to perform at the national championships, an alternate will be notified to take that person’s spot. This alternate will be the next eligible student-athlete on that board from that region. (Example: a student-athlete from day two from a given region must withdraw from the national championships, the next student-athlete from day two from the same region will be invited).
APPENDIX A

Regional Diving Information Form

Name of Institution: ____________________________________________________________________

Institution Address: ____________________________________________________________________

Diving Coach: ________________________ Diving Coach’s Email: ________________________

Diving Coach’s Office #: _______________ Diving Coach’s Cell #: ______________________

Diving Coach’s Total Years’ Experience: ______ Diving Coach’s years at current Institution: 

Head Swim Coach: _____________________ Head Swim Coach’s Email: _____________________

Head Swim Coach’s Office #: _______________ Head Swim Coach’s Cell #: ______________________

Region: 1 (Chicago)  2 (Trinity)  3 (Middlebury)  4 (Ithaca)

Qualifying Student-Athletes Name:  Last: ____________________  First: __________________

Sex:  Male  Female

Year:  FR  SO  JR  SR

Qualifying Scores (Must match the qualifying scores that are being sent in with this form)

6 Dives

1 Meter (Score 1) _______ Date _______  (Score 2) _______ Date _______

3 Meter (Score 1) _______ Date _______  (Score 2) _______ Date _______

11 Dives

1 Meter (Score 1) _______ Date _______  (Score 2) _______ Date _______

3 Meter (Score 1) _______ Date _______  (Score 2) _______ Date _______

Conference Championships

1 Meter (Score ) _______ Date _______ Conference_______________________________

3 Meter (Score ) _______ Date _______ Conference_______________________________

*This form, along with the signed qualifying diving sheet(s), must be sent to
Lewis Fellinger divencd@gmail.com OR Fax: 888-578-5719

DEADLINE: 8 p.m., Eastern time, Feb. 26.
NCAA Regional Judging Panel Selection Form

Use this form to aid in the selection of judges for each day / event. (Make copies as necessary.)

1. Fill out the respective Regional form as names are pulled.
2. Identify the number of institutions competing / judges available; this will determine the number of judges needed.
3. Draw names at random selection and complete the respective column.
4. Head Referee will be hired by host site and used as head Referee and Judge for all Panels.
5. The Head Referee will name an assistant Referee for each panel.
6. If a coach-coaches 2 institutions, a representative from both institutions will be included in
   the judging pools. However, both representatives cannot serve on the same panel. The selection
   process in this instance will be the following:

   a. Both institutions are entered into the selection pool.
   b. For the 6-12 judge panels, once one institution is selected for Panel A, the other institution is automatically put on Panel B or vice versa.
      (There is no opportunity for the 2nd institution to be selected for Panel A&B).
   c. In the 13+ judge panel, once one institution is selected for Panel A, the 2nd institution is taken out of consideration for Panel A.
      The second institution is then put back in for selection for Panel B.
      If neither institution is selected for Panel A, once one is selected for Panel B, the other institution is removed from the pool.

The NCAA Rep on site will manage the Judges Selection process.

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Judging Rounds:
Panel A (Rounds 1-3)
Panel B (Rounds 4-5)
Panel A (Rounds 6-8)
Panel B (Rounds 9-11)