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Section 1 • Introduction

During the 2017-18 academic year, the Association will sponsor 90 national championships — 42 for men, 45 for women, and three for both men and women. Of the men’s championships, three are National Collegiate Championships, 13 are Division I championships, 12 are Division II championships and 14 are Division III championships. Of the women’s championships, five are National Collegiate Championships, 13 are Division I championships, 13 are Division II championships and 14 are Division III championships. The combined men’s and women’s championships are National Collegiate Championships.

The Pre-Championship Manual will serve as a resource for institutions to prepare for the championship. This manual is divided into three sections: General Administrative Guidelines, Sport-Specific Information, and Appendixes.

The first section applies to policies applicable to all 90 championships, while the other two sections are sport-specific.

Section 1•1 Definitions

Pre-Championship Manual. Resource for institutions to prepare for the championship.

Administrative Meeting. Pre-championship meeting for coaches and/or administrators.

Appendices. Any supplemental documents to be provided and distributed through the various resources.

Championship Manager(s). The NCAA staff member(s) responsible for the operational oversight of the championship.

Games Committee. The committee assigned to supervise the conduct of each championship session at a specific site. For finals sites, the games committee is typically the NCAA national committee.

NCAA National Committee. The sport committee with direct oversight responsibilities for the championship.

Non-predetermined Sites. Those sites that are selected to host at the time of the participant/team selections announcement.

Playing Rules. The rules under which the competition will be conducted.

Predetermined Sites. Those sites that are selected to host before the participant/team selections announcement.

Preliminary Rounds. The rounds of the championship before the final or championship round.

Regional Alignment. The geographic location of institutions or regional advisory committees.

Schedule of Events. Official event schedule – includes all required activities (e.g., practices, banquets, etc.).

Selection Criteria. Policies and procedures in place to guide the team and/or individual selection process.

Site Selection. Policies and procedures in place to guide the site selection process.

Squad Size. Number of student-athletes per team allowed to dress in uniform and participate at the championship.

Tournament Physician. The physician designated by the host institution/conference to serve as the chief medical advisor for the championship.

Section 2 • Championship Core Statement

The championships and alliances staff strives to administer competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner so that the experience of the student-athlete is paramount.

This is attained by:

Ensuring student-athletes’ optimal experience.

Executing championship events reflecting appropriate quality and values to/for stakeholders — student-athletes, coaches, administrators, member institutions, sport committees, fans, broadcast partners and corporate champions/partners.

Coordinating all aspects of the championship in an efficient, effective manner through common operating policies and practices, using internal and external resources.

Integrating championships with broadcast and corporate relationships in a manner that maintains the integrity of the championship.
Assuring effective management of the business aspects of the operation.  
Enhancing the assets of the NCAA and their value by collaborating with internal and external expertise to achieve heightened exposure (e.g., community programs, fan events, banquets, anniversaries, etc.).

### Section 3 • Concussion Management

[Reference: Concussion Management in Constitution 3.2.4.18 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Constitution 3.3.4.16 in the NCAA Division II Manual, and Constitution 3.2.4.16 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

The NCAA has adopted legislation that requires all active member institutions to have a concussion management plan for their student-athletes. Traveling 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. Within the rules of the sport and policies established for the championship, medical staff should have access to the injured student-athlete without interference (e.g., coach).

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 more severe and/or 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 Sport Science Institute website for additional guidance.

### Section 4 • Conduct

#### Section 4•1 Certification of Eligibility/Availability

[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in Constitution 3.2.4 and Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 31.2.1.7.1, 31.2.1.7.1.2 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Constitution 3.3.4 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaws 31.2.2 and 31.2.1.5 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. Member institutions are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes before the beginning of each academic year and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition.

Member institutions are reminded to notify the NCAA national office before the selection date for each championship of any student-athlete who may have participated in regular-season competition but subsequently is determined to be ineligible or unavailable for NCAA championship competition.

#### DISCOVERY OF INELIGIBILITY OF A STUDENT-ATHLETE AFTER SELECTION

If an institution fails to report an ineligible student-athlete and the omission is not discovered until after the institution is selected to participate in the championship, necessitating the institution’s withdrawal from the championship, that withdrawal shall be considered as one of the years of ineligibility, provided another institution participates in the championship in place of
the disqualified institution. If the discovery of the ineligible student-athlete occurs so near the beginning of the championship that the governing sport committee does not have a reasonable period of time to replace the disqualified institution in the bracket, that fact shall be taken into consideration in determining the number of years the disqualified institution shall be ineligible to participate.

Section 4•2 Drug Testing

[Reference: Bylaws 18.4.1.4 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Division I Manual and Bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Divisions II and III Manuals.]

Student-athletes who compete in NCAA championships may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with Bylaws 18.4.1.4 (Division I), 18.4.1.5 (Divisions II and III) and 31.2.3, and may be determined to be ineligible as a result thereof. Only student-athletes who have consented in writing to such testing are initially eligible for these championships; and thereafter, student-athletes who are tested shall remain eligible only if they test negative.

Section 4•3 Honesty and Sportsmanship

Individuals employed by (or associated with) a member institution to administer, conduct or coach intercollegiate athletics and all participating student-athletes shall act with honesty and sportsmanship at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institutions and they, as individuals, shall represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports.

Section 4•4 Misconduct/Failure to Adhere to Policies

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. Each games committee shall hold an administrative meeting with the representatives of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct.

FAILURE TO ADHERE TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

A governing sport committee may assess a financial penalty against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing the administration of the competition. This includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with the procedures and deadlines for submitting scores, score sheets, schedules, rosters and entry/march-in forms for qualification and other materials necessary for the efficient administration of the competition. Click here to see the full misconduct/failure to adhere to policies and procedures.

Section 4•5 Sports Wagering Policy

Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member’s or student-athlete’s own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur or professional team or contest. Examples of sports wagering include, but are not limited to, the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; internet sports wagering; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize.

The prohibition against sports wagering applies to any institutional practice or any competition (intercollegiate, amateur or professional) in a sport in which the Association conducts championship competition, in bowl subdivision football and in emerging sports for women.

A wager is any agreement in which an individual or entity agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt, dinner, etc.) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value.
STUDENT-ATHLETES

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.

POSTSEASON

In championships in which a bracket format is used, student-athletes, coaches and administrators may not participate in bracket competitions in which 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 in which 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.

HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES

No predetermined or non-predetermined session of an NCAA championship may be conducted in a state with legal wagering that is based on single-game betting on the outcome of any event (i.e., high school, college or professional) in a sport in which the NCAA conducts a championship.

Section 4•6 Student-Athlete Experience Survey

After each championship, institutional administrators, coaches and student-athletes will be asked to participate in a post-event survey intended to capture feedback on their recent championship experience. Institutional administrators and coaches will receive an email containing a link to the survey and will be asked to ensure participation from all student-athletes.

Section 5 • Elite 90 Award

The Elite 90 award was created to recognize the true essence of the student-athlete by honoring the individual who has reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level in his or her sport, while also achieving the highest academic standard among his or her peers. The award is presented in every sport, every division, and goes to the student-athlete who has the highest cumulative grade-point average of all student-athletes on all teams competing at the finals site. Each institution that has at least one student-athlete qualify for the final round/site is eligible to nominate a student-athlete for the award. One student-athlete per championship will receive the award, and the announcement of the winner will be made at the finals site.

Institutions that wish to nominate a student-athlete must do so through an online nomination process. To receive more information or access the online form and submit a nomination, go to ncaa.org.

Section 6 • Fan Travel

NCAA Travel provides an easy and affordable way for family and fans to follow their favorite student-athlete(s) and team(s) as they participate in NCAA championships competition. Travel arrangements completed through NCAA Travel help support NCAA student-athletes. Please direct your fans to ncaa.com/travel to search and book online.

Section 7 • Logo Policy

[Reference: Bylaws 12.5.4, 31.1.7 and 31.1.8 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Bylaw 12.5.3 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

A student-athlete may use athletics equipment or wear athletics apparel that bears the trademark or logo of an athletics
equipment or apparel manufacturer or distributor in athletics competition and pre- and postgame activities (e.g., celebrations on the court, pre- or postgame press conferences), provided the following criteria are met:

1. Athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, helmets, baseball bats and gloves, batting or golf gloves, hockey and lacrosse sticks, goggles and skis) shall bear only the manufacturer’s normal label or trademark, as it is used on all such items for sale to the general public; and

2. The student-athlete’s institution’s official uniform (including numbered racing bibs and warm-ups) and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, head bands, T-shirts, wrist bands, visors or hats, swim caps and towels) shall bear only a single manufacturer’s or distributor’s normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed 2¼ square inches in area (rectangle, square, parallelogram) including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. 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.

Section 8 • Research

It is essential that all research efforts be coordinated by a single entity within the national office structure in order to ensure maximum efficiency and quality, avoid unnecessary duplication of effort on the part of staff and membership, allow the NCAA to prioritize research efforts given the limited time and resources of our members and adhere to federal guidelines on the responsibilities of researchers to properly protect research participants from harm.

For the purpose of this policy, “research” is defined as any systematic collection of data for the purpose of drawing generalized conclusions.

Any proposal to conduct research must be submitted to the NCAA research staff for review at least six weeks before the project begins. Research to be conducted during NCAA championships or related events, and which involves competing student-athletes or attendees, is also subject to review. This includes all research, including that conducted by or under the direction of any employee, contractor or paid consultant of the NCAA. It also includes any research conducted by other persons, but funded totally or in part by the NCAA. Any research that detracts from the student-athlete experience or requires physical activity may not be permitted at the championships (preliminary rounds and finals sites). The NCAA retains sole discretion as to whether to allow such research.

Examples of activities considered research include: Conducting surveys of athletics administrators, college presidents, faculty, coaches and student-athletes; leading an organized focus group; funding an outside study under the auspices of the NCAA; conducting market research at championship events; secondary analysis of data originally collected by the NCAA from people for other purposes; any systematic collection of data from the membership or other entities; etc.

Section 9 • Division III

Section 9•1 Division III Philosophy

The Division III championships philosophy is to field the most competitive teams possible while minimizing missed class time; to emphasize regional competition in regular-season scheduling; and to provide representation in NCAA championship competition by allocating berths to eligible conferences, independent institutions and a limited number of at-large teams, realizing that this may be done at the expense of leaving out some championship-caliber teams.

Section 9•2 Commencement Conflicts

If an institution’s commencement conflicts with participation in the championship, it shall inform the NCAA championship manager in writing one week before the selection date for the governing sport committee to consider an accommodation and a change to the championship schedule.
The following guidelines apply to commencement requests:

- Applies to team sports only.
- The governing sport committee, in consultation with participating institutions, may reschedule the game on the nearest possible date.
- Does not apply to predetermined finals sites.
- The governing sport committee shall make a good-faith effort to accommodate participating institutions in non-predetermined preliminary-round contests with multiple teams participating at the same site.

Section 9.3 Religious Conflicts

Institutional Policy. If a participating institution has a written policy against competition on a particular day for religious reasons, it shall inform the NCAA national office before May 1 of the preceding academic year to be excused from competing on that day. The notification shall be valid for a period of two years. The championship schedule shall be adjusted to accommodate that institution, and such adjustment shall not require its team or an individual competitor to compete before the time originally scheduled.

Individual Championships. In individual championships, a student-athlete must compete according to the institution’s policy regarding Sunday competition (if the institution has no policy against Sunday competition, the student-athlete shall compete on Sunday if required by the schedule).
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*Institutions with a Sunday No-Play policy will compete on Friday and Saturday or Saturday and Monday instead of Saturday and Sunday.*
DATE FORMULA

Each year, the championship finals are scheduled for the fourth full weekend in May (semifinals Saturday, with final Sunday). Regional competition is held the Saturday through Sunday before the final. Second-round games are held the Sunday before regionals and first-round games are held the Saturday before the second round. As per Bylaw 31.1.4, a religious or graduation exemption may alter game schedules to include Friday or Monday.

FUTURE DATES

Note: All future dates are tentative and are subject to change.

2019 Dates

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Section 1.5 Equipment

The STX yellow lacrosse ball is the official ball of the NCAA women’s lacrosse championship and will be used in all tournament games. Game balls will be sent by the manufacturer to the tournament manager at the host institution for each round of competition. Four dozen practice balls will be provided at the site of the semifinals and final.

In accordance with Bylaw 12.5.4, athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, gloves, helmets, sticks) may bear only the manufacturer’s normal label or trademark as it is used on all such items for sale to the general public. Failure to comply with this regulation may jeopardize a student-athlete’s eligibility.

All equipment must conform to the specifications outlined in the 2018 and 2019 NCAA Women’s Lacrosse Rules and Interpretations book.

Section 1.6 Rules

The 2018 championship will be conducted according to the 2018 and 2019 NCAA Women’s Lacrosse Rules and Interpretations book. Questions regarding the interpretation of rules should be addressed to Stefanie Sparks Smith at 603-494-1865 or ssmithsre@gmail.com.

Section 1.7 Uniforms

Competing teams shall have both light- and dark-colored uniforms available. The home team (top team on bracket) must wear a uniform white in color and in clear contrast with the visiting team. The coaches/schools shall agree upon contrasting
colors before the day of the game. If both teams have uniform shirts of the same or similar color, the home team shall be obligated to change or wear numbered pinnies or vests of a contrasting color.

Student-athletes competing in the championship shall wear the official uniform of their institution in competition and related ceremonies. This applies to both warm-ups and competitive uniforms.

LOGOS
Refer to General Administrative Guidelines, Section 7.

Section 1•8 Video Exchange Policy

For all rounds of the championship, there will be a direct video exchange with opponents. All games completed prior to selection must be uploaded to the open exchange by noon Eastern time Monday after selection.

During all rounds of the championship, the host will provide each advancing team a flash drive/memory stick following the first round, regional semifinal and national semifinal. Following the second round, regional final and national championship, the game film must be uploaded by noon Eastern time Monday after competition.
Section 2•1 Championship Format

The championship provides for a 42-team, single-elimination tournament. Ten first-round games will be conducted at ten campus sites. Sixteen second-round games will be conducted at 16 campus sites. Regional games will be conducted at four regional sites to determine the teams that will advance to the semifinals. (Refer to Appendix A on page 22 the bracket and Appendix on page 23 for a listing of the regions.)

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem will be played once per session (one session is equal to all games played on the same day at the same site).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

A complete championship schedule of events will be available in the championship participant manual.

START TIMES

Starting times for the games shall be as follows:

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<th>Event</th>
<th>Time Details</th>
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<td>First and Second Rounds</td>
<td>All games will be played at 1 p.m. (local time).</td>
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<td>Regional</td>
<td>Option 1: Semifinals at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; Final at 1 p.m. (local time)</td>
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<td>Option 2: Semifinals at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.; Final at 2:30 p.m. (local time)</td>
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<td>Championship</td>
<td>2 p.m. Eastern time.</td>
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[Note: Participants in the second game are guaranteed 45 minutes of warm-up time on the game field.]

Deviation From Game Times

If you cannot host the games at the specified times, please submit the reasons to deviate in the facility evaluation form and your preferred game times.

Note: This information MUST be submitted with the facility evaluation form no later than April 29. If your institution fails to submit this information within the time frame, the Division III Women’s Lacrosse Committee WILL NOT deviate from the original dates and times. Submitting this information does not guarantee that the Division III Women’s Lacrosse Committee will provide your institution with accommodations.

TRAVEL PARTY

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<td>33 individuals</td>
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<td>Bench Size</td>
<td>38 individuals</td>
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Additional Information/Requirements on Team Personnel

**Squad Size.** Participating teams are limited to a maximum of 28 players. Each team must designate its 28 players to be used in that round during the pregame meeting. After the game starts, no replacements will be permitted for any reason. An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not promptly conform to it automatically shall forfeit the competition. There shall be no inordinate delay of the competition to allow the institution to conform to the rule.

**Official Travel Party.** There are 33 individuals in each team’s official travel party with not more than 28 participants in uniform. The members of the official travel party will receive a credential, and transportation and per diem will be provided to cover the 33 individuals. The bench and travel party credentials will be distributed at the coaches meeting.

**Bench Area.** For all NCAA championship games, the home bench is located to the right as one faces the scorer’s table from the field.
Bench Size. Each institution is allotted five bench passes to distribute to team personnel beyond the 33 members of the official travel party. Up to two of the five bench passes should go to medical personnel from the participating institution. If only one medical personnel is present, then the bench personnel number will be 37. Each institution should designate one person to serve at the official scorer’s table. No photography is allowed in the bench area.

A total of 38 individuals from each institution may be in the bench area during the competition. The 38 individuals in the bench area must be institutional personnel or team members; no other individuals (i.e., family members or children) are allowed in the immediate bench area.

Section 2•2 Results

The host sports information director, media coordinator or designee is responsible for reporting official championship results to the Association’s website, NCAA.com:

For preliminary competition, please specify the division, sport, region, date of competition, round and official result(s) (including any overtimes, etc.). For championship finals competition sites, please specify division, sport, round, date, official results, photos and provide a brief game summary.

Host institutions and sponsoring agencies should use the following method to report:

- Email the information to: ncaa-content@turner.com, immediately following competition.
- Specify the division, sport and region in the SUBJECT area.
- Paste the text (official results, including date of competition, round, etc.) directly into an email; or
- Send email as an attachment in a MS Word document or Windows Notepad text document.
- Please convert photos to JPEG format and attach to an email.

Stat Crew

All host sites should use Stat Crew programs to submit statistics for postseason contests. At the end of each game or day of competition, a packed file from each preliminary/championship contest must be sent to Lauren McLaughlin (lmclaughlin@ncaa.org) and ncaastats@ncaa.org at the NCAA national office. These files should be sent immediately following each contest or day of competition.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. McLaughlin.

REGIONAL RANKINGS

The Division III women’s lacrosse committee will release regional rankings on the following dates:

- April 18
- April 25
- May 2
- May 6

The committee will rank the top 15 percent of eligible teams in each region (or a minimum of four teams, whichever is greater) by applying the championship selection criteria. Based on 2017-18 sponsorship reports, the following number of teams will be ranked in each region:

- East Region – 8
- Mid-Atlantic Region – 10
- Mid-South Region – 7
- New England Region – 11
- West Region – 6

SCORE REPORTING

Schools will submit all schedule and results information to the NCAA statistics site (http://web1.ncaa.org/stats/StatsSrv/login), and this information is transferred into the score-reporting system for use by the sport committees. Specific instructions and
reporting deadlines are communicated to SIDs in a preseason memo distributed by the media coordination and statistics staff. For questions regarding the reporting process, please contact Lauren McLaughlin at (lmclaughlin@ncaa.org or 317-917-6889).

Section 2.3 Selections Information

[Reference: Bylaws 31.01.2, 31.01.3 and 31.3 in the NCAA Manual.]

Teams shall be selected for the women’s lacrosse championship by the five-member NCAA Division III Women’s Lacrosse Committee. Each member of the national committee serves as the chair of the advisory committee in his/her respective region. Regional advisory committees (RACs) assist the national committee by evaluating teams, sites and officials within their regions through a series of conference calls.

The committee will select teams for the championship on Sunday, May 6. The selection show will be streamed live on NCAA.com on Sunday, May 6. The bracket and press release will be available following the selection show on NCAA.com.

ALLOCATION OF BERTHS

- Pool A will be composed of the conference champions from each conference that meets the requirements for automatic qualification (NCAA Bylaw 31.3.2). Conferences that meet automatic-qualification requirements are guaranteed only one Pool A berth. After the determination of the automatic (Pool A) berths, the committee will determine the Pool B selections followed by the Pool C selections.

- Pool B will be composed of independent institutions and institutions that are members of conferences that do not meet the requirements for automatic qualification.

- Pool C will be reserved for institutions from automatic-qualifying conferences that are not their conference champion and the remaining teams in Pool B. There shall be a minimum of two berths in Pool C.

- Berths from Pools B and C will be selected on a national basis, using regional selection criteria. There will be no predetermined regional allocations for Pools B and C.

- There will be no maximum or minimum number of berths from one region.

- No conference will receive more than one automatic berth.

The Championships Committee has clarified Bylaw 31.3.2 to reflect that institutions participating in conferences that meet the automatic-qualification requirements and are eligible to be selected to a championship via Pool A and/or Pool C may not elect instead to be selected via Pool B as an independent institution.

Based on the sponsorship data, the following allocations will be implemented for the 2018 championship:

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<td>11 teams</td>
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AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

The 29 conferences that qualify for automatic qualification in 2017-18 are:

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IN-REGION COMPETITION

Regional Alignments

Each Division III women’s lacrosse team is assigned to one of five geographic “evaluation” regions. For women’s lacrosse, all conference members are placed in the same region for evaluation purposes, unless the Championships Committee has granted an exception.

Recommendations that significantly affect championships formats or the membership in general must be approved at least one year before implementation, unless there is sufficient reason (e.g., overwhelming and documented support from the membership for such a recommendation) to establish an earlier effective date.

In-Region Definitions

1. All competition within an institution’s defined sport/evaluation region. (See Appendix B on page 23)
2. All competition within a 500-mile radius from one institution to another. (Bylaw 31.3.2.3)
3. All conference competition.
4. All competition within an institution’s defined geographic membership region. (Bylaw 4.13.1.1)
   - Region 1. Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Vermont
   - Region 2. New York, Pennsylvania
   - Region 3. Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia

The NCAA Travel Expense System mileage calculator will be used to confirm distance from campus to campus (https://web1.ncaa.org/TES/exec/TES/exec/miles).

SELECTION REQUIREMENTS

To be considered during the at-large selection process (Pools B or C), an institution must play at least 70 percent of its competition against in-region opponents, unless a waiver has been approved by the Division III Championships Committee.

Countable Competition

For NCAA team-championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Constitution 3.2.4.4) of four-year, degree-granting institutions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Transportation and per diem expenses will be provided for an official traveling party of a maximum of 33. Please refer to the NCAA Travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found online at http://www.ncaa.org/championships/travel/championships-travel-information.
Section 2.4 Selection Criteria

The sports committee will select teams in Pools B and C based on the criteria below. The criteria of two or more teams will be compared to determine the higher ranked team.

PRIMARY CRITERIA

The primary criteria emphasize regional competition (all contests leading up to NCAA championships); all criteria listed will be evaluated (not listed in priority order).

- Won-lost percentage against Division III opponents;
- Division III head-to-head competition;
- Results versus common Division III opponents;
- Results versus ranked Division III teams as established by the final ranking and the ranking preceding the final ranking. Conference postseason contests are included;
- Division III strength of schedule.
  - Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OWP).
  - Opponents' Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OOWP).
- Nullification (Bylaw 31.02.4).

Note:
- Contests versus provisional and reclassifying members in their third and fourth years shall count in the primary criteria. Provisional and reclassifying members shall remain ineligible for rankings and selections.

** Please note. To calculate Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OWP) and Opponents' Opponents' Average Winning Percentage (OOWP), please see the examples and explanation in Appendix C on page 28.

SECONDARY CRITERIA

If the evaluation of the primary criteria does not result in a decision, the secondary criteria will be reviewed. All the criteria listed will be evaluated (not listed in priority order). The secondary criteria introduce results against out-of-region Division III and all other opponents including those contests versus opponents from other classifications (i.e., provisionals, NAIA, NCAA Divisions I and II).

- Won-lost percentage during the last 25 percent of the season;
- Non-Division III won-lost percentage;
- Results versus common non-Division III opponents; and
- Division III non-conference strength of schedule.

Additionally, input is provided by regional advisory committees for consideration by the Division III Women’s Lacrosse Committee. In order to be considered for selection for Pools B or C, an institution must play at least 70 percent of its competition against in-region opponents. Coaches’ polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used by the Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee for selection purposes.

Section 2.5 Determination of Teams

Once automatic qualifiers are identified and the Pools B and C teams are selected, the following guidelines should be followed:

- Once selected, teams will be grouped in clusters according to natural geographic proximity. Teams will then be paired according to geographic proximity. A team may be moved to numerically balance the bracket if geographic proximity is maintained. Teams should be paired and eligible sites should be selected according to geographic proximity (within 500 miles);
- Teams may be seeded on a regional basis using the regional-selection criteria. However, geographic proximity takes precedence over seeding;
- Teams from the same conference shall not play one another in the first round as long as geographic proximity is maintained; and
- The highest-seeded team that meets all selection criteria will be selected as the host institution, provided geographic proximity is maintained.

The top team on the bracket is the designated home team and will wear the light (white) colored jersey.
Section 2•6  Site Selection

Any institution interested in hosting preliminary-round competition of the 2018 championship must submit a proposed budget, respond to sport-specific questions and ensure that the institution's key contacts and facility information are complete and current in the Championships Bid and Profile System. Please note that in order to submit a bid, you must first locate the desired championship in the “Championships Available for Bidding” section and select “Start Bid.” A separate proposed budget must be submitted for each round that an institution or conference is interested in hosting.

Please note that all member institutions have regular and easy access to their profiles by visiting championships.ncaa.org. For profile issues, user access or to reset a password, please email championshipbid@ncaa.org or contact the respective championship manager.

The following criteria are used in the evaluation of sites for all competition in NCAA championships:

- Quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations;
- Geographic location (including such factors as rotation of sites, weather, accessibility and transportation costs);
- Seeding; and
- Attendance history and revenue potential, which shall be considered necessary to assure fiscal responsibility.

CHAMPIONSHIPS BID AND HOST PROFILE PORTAL

The Championships Bid and Profile System can be accessed at championships.ncaa.org. The deadline to submit all bid materials for this championship is **Sunday, April 29, at 5 p.m. Eastern time.**

In addition to projected ticket sales and game expenses, prospective hosts should include the following when completing a proposed budget:

- Committee/site representative lodging.
- Game officials lodging.
- State and city taxes/fees.
- Ticket and facility fees.

Committees/site representative’s per diem, mileage and luggage fees will be paid by the NCAA, not the host institution. Game officials will be paid by the NCAA via ArbiterPay for their game fees, per diem, mileage and luggage fees.

For both the game officials and committee/site representatives, hosts will pay for their lodging expenses and be reimbursed by the NCAA. However, if the NCAA manages the hotel block for the game officials, the officials’ lodging expenses shall be directly billed to the NCAA. The NCAA typically manages the officials’ hotel block at the final site for the championship.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please contact Kevin Alcox at 317-917-6085 or kalcox@ncaa.org, or email championshipbid@ncaa.org, if you have any questions regarding the bid process.

FACILITY EVALUATION FORM

Institutions wishing to submit a bid to host a preliminary round of the 2018 NCAA Division III Women’s Lacrosse Championship must fill out the facility evaluation form tab of the Championships Forms system.

Facility Diagram

In addition, prospective hosts must upload a field diagram to the host reporting system bid document upload tab.

FINANCIAL REPORT FORM

The host for each championship round must complete a financial report form, which is incorporated as part of the proposed budget form and located on the NCAA website. A separate financial report form must be submitted for each round of competition. Each form must be submitted to the NCAA not later than 60 days after the conclusion of the competition. Failure to submit the report within 60 days will result in financial penalties.
KEY CONTACTS FORM

Institutions interested in hosting a preliminary round of the 2018 NCAA Division III Women’s Lacrosse Championship must submit a key contacts form. The website may be found at https://web1.ncaa.org/champsBidV20/exec/login?loginSubmit=LoginWithTabs. The deadline for submitting the key contacts forms is Sunday, April 29, at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

SAFETY AND SECURITY PLAN

Based upon a review of current and future Championships competition venues, discussions with safety and security experts, and their own expertise and knowledge, the NCAA has established a Safety and Security Advisory Group (SSAG) to develop a compilation of Best Practices for NCAA Championships, which can be found in the “Championship Resources” section of ncaa.org. We urge each competition venue to take these Best Practices into account when developing its safety and security program.

As part of your bid, please submit a safety and security plan for your venue, which would be inclusive of the NCAA Championships Safety and Security Team contact information form, located in Appendix A of the Best Practices document. This information should be uploaded to the “Bid Document Upload” tab of the Championships Forms system as part of your bid to be considered for championship site selection. If an institution wishes to submit this information via email, please send it to Kevin Alcox at the NCAA (kalcox@ncaa.org).
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# MID-ATLANTIC REGION

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- Christopher Newport University
- Frostburg State University
- University of Mary Washington
- Marymount University (Virginia)
- St. Mary's College of Maryland
- Salisbury University
- Southern Virginia University
- Wesley College
- York College (Pennsylvania)

AQ – Conference Championship

## Centennial Conference (10)
- Bryn Mawr College
- Dickinson College
- Franklin & Marshall College
- Gettysburg College
- Haverford College
- McDaniel College
- Muhlenberg College
- Swarthmore College
- Ursinus College
- Washington College (Maryland)

AQ – Conference Championship

## Colonial States Athletic Conference (10)
- Cabrini University
- Cedar Crest College
- Centenary University (New Jersey)
- Gwynedd Mercy University
- Immaculata University
- Keystone College
- Marywood University
- Neumann University
- Notre Dame of Maryland University
- Rosemont College

AQ – Conference Championship

## Landmark Conference (8)
- Catholic University
- Drew University
- Elizabethtown College
- Goucher College
- Juniata College
- Moravian College
- University of Scranton
- Susquehanna University

AQ – Conference Championship

## Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth (9)
- Albright College
- Alvernia University
- Arcadia University
- Hood College
- Lebanon Valley College
- Lycoming College
- Messiah College
- Stevenson University
- Widener University

AQ – Conference Championship

## Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom (8)
- Delaware Valley University
- DeSales University
- Eastern University
- Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham
- King's College (Pennsylvania)
- Manhattanville College
- Misericordia University
- Wilkes University

AQ – Conference Championship

## Old Dominion Athletic Conference (11)
- Bridgewater College (Virginia)
- Guilford College
- Hollins University
- Lynchburg College
- Randolph College
- Randolph-Macon College
- Roanoke College
- Shenandoah University
- Sweet Briar College
- Virginia Wesleyan University
- Washington and Lee University

AQ – Conference Championship
## MID-SOUTH REGION

### North Coast Athletic Conference (9)

- Allegheny College
- Denison University
- DePauw University
- Hiram College
- Kenyon College
- Oberlin College
- Ohio Wesleyan University
- Wittenberg University
- The College of Wooster

\[ AQ \text{ – Conference Championship} \]

### Ohio Athletic Conference (9)

- Baldwin Wallace University
- Capital University
- Heidelberg University
- John Carroll University
- University of Mount Union
- Muskingum University
- Ohio Northern University
- Otterbein University
- Wilmington College (Ohio)

\[ AQ \text{ – Conference Championship} \]

### Ohio River Women’s Lacrosse Conference (12)

- Chatham University
- Earlham College
- Franklin College
- Hanover College
- Mount St. Joseph University
- Saint Vincent College
- Thiel College
- Thomas More College
- Transylvania University
- Washington and Jefferson College
- Waynesburg University
- Westminster College (Pennsylvania)

\[ AQ \text{ – Conference Championship} \]

### Southern Athletic Association (7)

- Berry College
- Birmingham-Southern College
- Centre College
- Hendrix College
- Oglethorpe University
- Rhodes College
- University of the South

\[ AQ \text{ – Conference Championship} \]

### USA South Athletic Conference (10+2 reclassification)

- Averett University
- *Brevard College [reclass 2021-22]*
- Ferrum College
- Greensboro College
- Huntingdon College
- LaGrange College
- Meredith College
- Methodist University
- North Carolina Wesleyan College
- *Pfeiffer University [reclass 2021-22]*
- Piedmont College
- Salem College

\[ AQ \text{ – Conference Championship} \]

### Pool B Institutions (1)

- Franciscan University of Steubenville
### NEW ENGLAND REGION

#### Commonwealth Coast Conference (9)
- Curry College
- Endicott College
- Gordon College
- University of New England
- Nichols College
- Roger Williams University
- Salve Regina University
- Wentworth Institute of Technology
- Western New England University

*Not eligible for NCAA championship competition.*

#### Great Northeast Athletic Conference (11)
- Albertus Magnus College
- Emmanuel College (Massachusetts)
- John & Wales University (Rhode Island)
- Lasell College
- Mount Ida College
- Norwich University
- Regis College (Massachusetts)
- Rivier University
- University of St. Joseph (Connecticut)
- St. Joseph’s College (Maine)
- Simmons College

#### Little East Conference (7)
- Eastern Connecticut State University
- Keene State College
- University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
- Plymouth State University
- Rhode Island College
- University of Southern Maine
- Western Connecticut State University

#### Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (8)
- Bridgewater State University
- Fitchburg State University
- Framingham State University
- Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
- Massachusetts Maritime Academy
- Salem State University
- Westfield State University
- Worcester State University

#### New England Collegiate Conference (7+1 provisional)
- Bay Path University
- Becker College
- Elms College
- *Dean College [active 2021-22]*
- Mitchell College
- Newbury College
- Southern Vermont College
- Wheelock College

#### New England Small College Athletic Conference (11)
- Amherst College
- Bates College
- Bowdoin College
- Colby College
- Connecticut College
- Hamilton College
- Middlebury College
- Trinity College (Connecticut)
- Tufts University
- Wesleyan University (Connecticut)
- Williams College

#### New England Women’s and Men’s Athletic Conference (9)
- Babson College
- Emerson College
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Mount Holyoke College
- Smith College
- Springfield College
- U.S. Coast Guard Academy
- Wellesley College
- Wheaton College (Massachusetts)

AQ – Conference Championship
North Atlantic Conference (8)
Castleton University
Colby-Sawyer College
Husson University
Lyndon State College
University of Maine, Farmington
Maine Maritime Academy
New England College
Thomas College

AQ – Conference Championship

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WEST REGION

College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (7)
Augustana College (Illinois)
Carroll University (Wisconsin)
Carthage College
University of Dubuque
Elmhurst College
Illinois Wesleyan University
North Central College

AQ – Conference Championship

Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (9)
Adrian College
Albion College
Alma College
Calvin College
Hope College
Kalamazoo College
Olivet College
Saint Mary’s College (Indiana)
Trine University

AQ – Conference Championship

Midwest Women’s Lacrosse Conference (11+1 Provisional)
Augsburg University
Aurora University
Beloit College
Benedictine University (Illinois)
Concordia University Chicago
Concordia University Wisconsin
Cornell College
Hamline University
*Illinois Institute of Technology [active 2018-19]
Loras College
Monmouth College (Illinois)
Wartburg College

AQ – Conference Championship

Pool B Institutions (16)
^Chapman University
^Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges
Colorado College
University of Dallas
#George Fox University
#Linfield College
Northland College
University of Northwestern-St. Paul
^Occidental College
#Pacific University (Oregon)
^Pomona-Pitzer Colleges
#University of Puget Sound
^University of Redlands
Southwestern University (Texas)
#Whitman College
^Whittier College

#Northwest Conference – No AQ
^Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference – No AQ

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Appendix C • OWP and OOWP Calculation

Opponents’ Average Winning Percentage (OWP) and Opponents’ Opponents’ Average Winning Percentage (OOWP) Calculation Explanation

The strength of schedule is made up of two factors: the opponents’ winning percentage (OWP) and the opponents’ opponents’ winning percentage (OOWP).

Opponents’ Winning Percentage. Take each opponent’s won-lost record against other Division III teams (excluding the results against the team in question); add all wins and all losses to get the cumulative won-lost record that is used to determine the opponents’ winning percentage.

To Calculate. Team A’s schedule is as follows:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Opponent</th>
<th>Record</th>
<th>vs. Team A</th>
<th>Wins</th>
<th>Losses</th>
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<td>Team B</td>
<td>21-7</td>
<td>1-0</td>
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<td>14-11</td>
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<td>Team E</td>
<td>8-17</td>
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<td>16</td>
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<td>Team F</td>
<td>19-8</td>
<td>1-0</td>
<td>18</td>
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<td>Totals:</td>
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<td>69</td>
<td>54</td>
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\[ \frac{69}{69 + 54} = 0.561 \text{ (OOWP)} \]

Opponents’ Opponents’ Winning Percentage (OOWP). The strength of each opponent’s schedule is measured by taking all of their opponents’ won-lost records and finding the winning percentage based on the total opponents’ opponents’ won-lost record. This recognizes the fact that two opponents with similar won-lost records may have played far different schedules (in terms of strength of opponents).

To Calculate. Using the total opponents’ won-lost record for Teams B, C, D, E and F (Team A’s opponents), perform the same calculation as the OWP.

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<th>Opponents’ Wins</th>
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<td>Team C</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>40</td>
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<td>Totals:</td>
<td>272</td>
<td>267</td>
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</table>

\[ \frac{272}{272 + 267} = 0.505 \text{ (OOWP)} \]

It is important to note that the OOWP will support the OWP (i.e., if Teams A and C have the same OWP of .561; Team A has an OOWP of .505 and Team C has an OOWP of .456; it would indicate Team A has the stronger strength of schedule).

Strength of Schedule Calculation. To calculate the strength of schedule, add two-thirds of the OWP to one-third of the OOWP. Team A’s strength of schedule calculation is as follows:

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<th>Value</th>
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<tr>
<td>OWP</td>
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<td>.667</td>
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<tr>
<td>OOWP</td>
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<td>.333</td>
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<td>Strength of Schedule</td>
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Appendix D • Officials

POLICIES AND SELECTION OF OFFICIALS

All officials for NCAA Division III postseason games shall be appointed by the Division III Women’s Lacrosse Committee in conjunction with the NCAA national coordinator for officials. Any committee member whose team is selected to the championship will be recused from the process.

A sports committee or games committee may not require membership in any specific officials’ association as a prerequisite for selection to officiate in an NCAA meet or tournament. Officials shall adhere to the Association’s policies relating to gambling activities, drugs and alcohol, and must conduct themselves in a manner befitting intercollegiate athletics. Failure to do so may result in termination of the officiating assignment.

REQUIREMENTS

All officials assigned to an NCAA postseason tournament game:

1. Must annually attend an NCAA rules interpretation session;
2. Must hold a nationally recognized rating;
3. Must complete the online NCAA registration for officials (Arbiter Central Hub);
4. Will not be assigned to a game if it involves an institution he or she attended, was or is an employee of, or if his or her spouse/partner or relatives have any of these affiliations;
5. Score 90 percent or higher on the annual rules test;
6. Evaluations through NCAA national coordinator of officials and assignors; and,
7. Referee a minimum of six NCAA contests during the current lacrosse season.

ASSIGNMENTS

Three field officials and one alternate official will be assigned to all games.