

NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION CRITERIA DEFINITIONS

- **Application of Nullification:** A penalty imposed on an institution for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to compete in intercollegiate competition. The penalty is imposed by the Championships Committee and applied by the governing sports committee during selections.
- **Availability of Student-Athlete:** Whether a student-athlete(s) who is otherwise eligible has become unavailable due to academic, discipline, suspension (either by institution or conference) or other extenuating circumstances for the NCAA postseason.
- **Division II Head to Head Competition:** Divisional opponents that compete against each other.
- **Division II Record on the Road:** Divisional team record for competitions conducted away from the home venue, including neutral sites.
- **Division II Results versus Teams with a Record of .500 or Better:** Outcome against divisional opponents that have won at least 50 percent of their competitions.
- **Division II Results versus Teams with a Winning Record:** Outcome against divisional opponents that have more wins than losses.
- **In-Region Non-Conference Won-Lost Record:** A team's record against in-region* opponents from conferences other than its own.
- **In-Region Strength of Schedule:** The cumulative won loss records of the team's in-region opponents and the cumulative won loss records of the team's opponents' opponents.
- **Late-Season Performance:** The latter part of a team's competition schedule as defined by the sports committee.
- **In-Region Winning Percentage:** Percentage of games won against in-region opponents (number of in-region wins divided by total number of in-region competitions).
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- **Performance Indicator (PI):** A system that assigns numerical values to game results depending on the site and quality of the opponent.
- **In-region Rating Percentage Index (RPI):** Numerical value determined by:
 - Won-lost-tied record (25 percent);
 - Opponents' winning percentage (50 percent);
 - Opponents' opponents' winning percentage (25 percent)
- **Results versus Division II Common Opponents:** A comparison of results of teams that have played against the same divisional opponents.
- **Results versus In-Region Opponents:** A team's results versus opponents within the region.

- **Results versus Ranked Division II Opponents:** A team's results versus divisionally ranked opponents (i.e., teams that were ranked the previous week).

* In-region is defined as the following:

- Sport region (as defined in the sport-sponsorship list);
- Contiguous states (refer to the "Regionalization Talking Points" on ncaa.org);
- Members of the same conference; and
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities.