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## Introduction



During the 2009-10 academic year, the Association will sponsor 88 national championships, of which 41 are for men, 44 are for women, and three are for both men and women. Among the men's championships, three are National Collegiate Championships, 13 are Division I championships, 12 are Division II championships and 13 are Division III championships. Among the women's championships, four 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.
A championships handbook is produced for each NCAA championship and posted on the NCAA Online Web site (www.ncaa.org).
How to Use This Publication. The handbook is divided into four sections: (1) General Administration; (2) Determination of Competing Institutions; (3) Instructions to Participants; and (4) General Championship Information. The first three sections pertain only to the respective sport, while the fourth deals with NCAA policies applicable to all 88 championships. [Note: Some policies listed in the general section have been revised by individual sports committees. The revision(s) will appear in the sport-specific section of the handbook.]
Each topic included in the handbook is referenced to other applicable areas in the handbook or in the NCAA Manual, where appropriate. For example, if you wish to know about regional advisory committees, the basic information for that particular sport would be included in an appendix. However, as referenced under the heading "Regional Advisory Committees," more information concerning the general NCAA policy governing regional advisory committees can be found later in the handbook and in the NCAA Manual.

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## Baseball Championship Information

## Important Dates

Friday, April 16-Preliminary conference call (11 a.m. Eastern time) with prospective NCAA game representatives.
Tuesday, April 20-Committee conference call (11 a.m. Eastern time) to prepare for the 2010 championship.
Friday, April 23-Regional and super regional proposed budget e-mail sent to prospective preliminary round hosts from the NCAA national office.
Monday, May 17-Committee conference call (11 a.m. Eastern) to evaluate teams.
Friday, May 21 -Deadline for proposed budgets for regionals and super regionals to be submitted to the NCAA national office.
Monday, May 24-Committee conference call (11 a.m. Eastern time) to confirm championship umpires and evaluate teams.
Friday, May 28-Prospective NCAA game representatives conference call (11 a.m. Eastern time)
Friday, May 28-Committee begins meeting to finalize selection of teams
Sunday, May 30-Announcement of regional sites on the ESPN family of networks (time TBD).
Monday, May 31-Televised selection show (12:30 p.m. Eastern time on ESPN) to announce teams and pairings.
Monday, May 31-Bracket announcement telephone press conference (1:30 p.m Eastern time).
Friday-Monday, June 4-7-Regional tournaments.
Monday, June 7-Committee conference call to select super regional sites (10 p.m Eastern time).
Monday, June 7-Super regional site selection announcement via press release (approximately 11 p.m. Eastern time).
Friday-Monday, June 11-14-Super regional tournaments.
Monday, June 14-Committee conference call to discuss Men's College World Series (MCWS) (10 p.m. Eastern time).
Monday, June 14-First-round MCWS game dates and times announced via press release.
Tuesday, June 15-NCAA staff conducts call with representatives from the eight CWS teams.
Thursday, June 17-Men's College World Series pre-tournament meeting - Embassy Suites Omaha-Downtown/Old Market [10 p.m. Eastern; 9 p.m. Central (local) time]
Saturday, June 19-Men's College World Series begins.
Monday - Tuesday/Wednesday, June 28-29/30-Men's College World Series best two-of-three MCWS Finals.

## General Administration

## Dates and Sites

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.3 in the NCAA Manual.]
Dates and sites for the Men's College World Series (MCWS), super regionals and regional tournaments are determined by the baseball committee, subject to the approval of the Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet.

Ordinarily, all regional and super regional tournaments will be located on or near the campus of one of the competing institutions; however, a regional or super regional tournament may be scheduled at a neutral site provided advance approval is obtained from the Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet.
Regionals-June 4-7, on- and off-campus sites.
Super Regionals-June 11-14, on- and off-campus sites.
MCWS-June 19-29/30, Johnny Rosenblatt Stadium, Omaha, Nebraska. Creighton University-host institution.
In 2011, the championship dates are June 3-6 (regionals), June 10-13 (super regionals) and June 18-28/29 (Men's College World Series).

## Site Selection Criteria

[Reference: Site Selection of this handbook and Bylaw 31.1.3 in the NCAA Manual.]
Regarding the regional tournaments, with the criteria listed in Bylaw 31.1.3, the Division I Baseball Committee also follows the additional criteria
a. Regional competion shall take place at on-campus sites or alternative sites approved by the baseball committee
b. The committee shall attempt to place regional tournaments so that maximum national balance can be obtained, preferably at least one regional in each of the eight Division I baseball regions.
c. Prospective host institutions must submit a minimum financial guarantee of $\$ 50,000$, which shall be 75 percent of the estimated net receipts as submitted on the hosting proposal (online proposed budget).
d. Once that guarantee is met, the committee shall consider the additional criteria as listed in Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1.
e. Lights are highly recommended at all prospective regional sites. These lights should meet the NCAA standards found by clicking on the "NCAA Broadcast Manual and Policies" link at www.ncaa.com/broadcast.
f. The committee will consider previous crowd control and behavior of the prospective host institution.
Regarding the super-regional tournaments, with the criteria listed in Bylaw 31.1.3, the Division I Baseball Committee also follows the additional criteria:
a. Super regional competition shall take place at on-campus sites or alternate sites approved by the baseball committee.
b. Prospective host institutions must submit a minimum financial guarantee of $\$ 35,000$, which shall be 75 percent of the estimated net receipts as submitted on the hosting proposal (online proposed budget). The $\$ 35,000$ minimum applies to both two-day and three-day super regional competitions.
c. Consideration for hosting shall be given to the higher seed, including the eight national seeds, if a suitable hosting proposal has been received (e.g., meets financial guarantee and quality of facility criteria). If the higher seed has not submitted a proposal, the lower-seeded team will host if their proposal is acceptable.
d. If the super regional match-up is between equally seeded teams, the committee shall review the hosting proposals according to the site selection criteria (e.g., quality and availability of the facility, revenue potential and other available accommodations) to determine the host. If only one of the teams has submitted a proposal, that team shall host if the proposal is acceptable.
e. Lights are highly recommended at all prospective super regional sites. These lights should meet the NCAA standards found by clicking on the "NCAA Broadcast Manual and Policies" link at www.ncaa.com/broadcast.
f. The committee will consider previous crowd control and behavior of the prospective host institution.

## Sports Committees

[Reference: Administration and Management in this handbook, and Bylaws 31.1.1 and 31.1.2 in the NCAA Manual.]

The Division I Baseball Championship is under the control, direction and supervision of the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee. Current members of the committee are the following:

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## Annual Forms

[Reference: Selection of Participants in this handbook.]
Team Roster. A team roster form will be sent to all participating teams before the competition. The form must be submitted during the precompetition meetings and list all 27 players and auxiliary personnel.
Online Proposed Budget/Facility Questionnaire. Information on these forms is used by the committee to select regional and super regional sites. Please note that for the 2010 championship, the facility questionnaire, proposed budget(s) and the key contact forms must be submitted via the NCAA Web Site.

Materials will be sent to the directors of athletics of Division I member institutions and must be returned to the national office by the following date:

## Sent from NCAA <br> April 23 <br> May 21

Expense Reimbursement Form. Expense forms with instructions will be available on the NCAA Web site at http://www.ncaa.org/wps/ncaa?ContentID=36359. Please contact the travel department at the national office (317/917-6757; e-mail: travel@ ncaa.org) to receive hard copies of the form. Completed forms must be received at the national office within 30 days of the competition. Please note that when planning travel, keep in mind that the baseball committee, in consultation with the televising network(s), may adjust times of regional and super regional games.
Teams and/or individuals should provide themselves sufficient money to meet all expenses throughout the tournament, including ground transportation, lodging, meals and miscellaneous expenses.
[Reference: Official Traveling Party, Per Diem and Transportation in this handbook, and Bylaw 31.4.6 in the NCAA Manual.]
Financial Report Form. The NCAA has implemented an online proposed budget and financial report process. We request that prospective hosts no longer complete hard copies of the proposed budget for this championship. The online version of the proposed budget and financial report form may be accessed on the NCAA Web site at http:// web1.ncaa.org/champs_bid/. Please note that the online form is password protected. Your institution's director of athletics should have the necessary membership database username and password on file. The final financial report must be submitted online to the NCAA within 60 days after the conclusion of the competition. Failure to submit the financial report within 60 days shall result in a financial penalty. Written instructions on how to complete the automated forms are located at the site referenced above and on each sport specific Web site in the Document and Forms section. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Randy L. Buhr or Amber Feldman at the NCAA national office.

## Determination of Competing Institutions

## Championship Structure

The championship provides for a field of 64 teams. Thirty conference champions qualify automatically; the balance of the field is selected at-large by the baseball committee.
Sixteen four-team regionals will be conducted with the winners advancing to eight, two-team super regionals. Winners of the eight super regional tournaments will qualify for the Men's College World Series in Omaha, Nebraska. All regional tournaments will be double-elimination. The super regionals will be best-of-three series. The bracket used for the regional competitions may be found in Appendix A.

The Men's College World Series bracket may be found in Appendix B.

## At-Large Selection

[Reference: Annual Forms in this handbook and Bylaws 31.01.2, 31.01.3 and 31.3 in the NCAA Manual.]
The baseball committee will follow Bylaw 31.3.3 in selecting at-large participants.
In addition, the committee also uses the Rating Percentage Index (RPI), a computer program that provides the committee with (1) the institution's Division I winning percentage, (2) opponents' success and (3) opponents' strength of schedule. The RPI is an additional tool used in the evaluation of at-large teams. Please note that the adjusted RPI takes into account a bonus/penalty structure. Bonus and penalty values will only be used for nonconference games. For more specific questions, please contact J.D. Hamilton at 317/917-6124.

Regular-season conference standings and/or conference postseason competition shall be considered by the committee when selecting at-large teams.

The committee may consider comparing data of individual teams, including, but not limited to, overall record, Division I record, overall RPI rank, nonconference record and RPI rank, conference regular-season record and conference tournament results, road record and RPI, last 15 games' record, its record against teams ranked 1-25, 26-50, 51-100, 101-150 and below 150 in the RPI, head-to-head record, common opponents' record and input from regional advisory committees.

The 2010 Division I Baseball RPI release will occur on the following dates: April 21; April 28; May 5; May 12; May 19; May 26 and June 2 (final selection RPI).
Regular-Season Contests. At the time the game is scheduled, both teams shall agree as to whether the game is to be counted for purposes of won-lost records and team and individual statistics. A game will be counted by both teams as an official contest unless both teams agree in writing before the game that it is to be an exhibition contest. If it is an exhibition contest, the team and the individual statistics and records cannot be counted for either team. In any event, the contest or exhibition remains countable as a
contest for the purpose of Bylaws 17.02 .3 and 17.2.5.1. Further, all games will be of regulation length.
Coaches should be aware of the application of Bylaw 14.2.3.1 (seasons of competition). Any participation by a student-athlete against outside competition, however limited, shall constitute a season of competition.
No games played during the fall will be included in a team's won-lost record and statistics.

Forfeited games shall be categorized separately in considering won-lost records.
The committee will meet in-person or via teleconference to make the final selections, regional and super regional site determinations and pairings.
Announcement of the entire 64-team bracket will tentatively be made by the NCAA national office on May 31 at 12:30 p.m. Eastern time on ESPN.
The committee shall have full authority to select the number of at-large teams to compete in the respective regional tournaments. The committee may consider other outstanding teams from automatic-qualifying conferences and independent teams for the at-large selections. The committee shall appoint regional advisory committees to assist it in evaluating teams, but recommendations of the regional advisory committee members are not binding upon the committee.

At-large teams will be assigned to the various regionals by the committee. The committee will seed the top eight national seeds. The 16 No. 1 teams, including the top eight national seeds, will not be assigned to the same regional. Whenever possible, other teams will be assigned to regionals using the closest possible geographical consideration. However, teams may be moved outside their regions, if necessary, to balance the bracket numerically, or if the proximity to an opponent outside the region would be comparable and a better competitive match-up would occur.
Teams from the same conference will be placed in different regionals. Teams from the same conference and seeded first in their respective regional will be placed on the bracket to avoid meeting in the super regionals. The Division I committee will not reseed the teams once the initial bracket is determined.

The committee will conduct telephone conferences April 20, May 17 and May 24. The committee will conduct an in-person meeting Friday through Monday, May 28-31, to complete the selection process. Regional sites will be announced on Sunday, May 30. All teams and regional assignments will be announced during an ESPN selection show Monday, May 31.

## Automatic-Qualifying Conferences

[Reference: Bylaws 31.3.4 and 31.3.5 in the NCAA Manual.]
Conference champions that have been certified as automatic qualifiers for the Division I championship are listed in Appendix C. Conference champions must be determined not later than Sunday, May 30.

## Regional Format

The procedures outlined below shall be used in the conduct of all 16 regional competitions.
The regionals must start the Friday after Memorial Day and will be conducted over a four-day period. There might not be a game played on Monday, provided the "if necessary" game is not needed. All regional competition should be completed not later than the Monday before the start of super regional competition.
Prospective host institutions must submit recommended starting times for all games with the hosting proposal material for approval by the baseball committee.

For regional competitions, the following procedure will be observed:

## Day 1

Game 1-No. 1 vs. No. 4
Game 2-No. 2 vs. No. 3

## Day 2

Game 3-Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2
Game 4 -Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2

## Day 3

Game 5-Winner Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4
Game 6-Winner Game 4 vs. Winner Game 5

## Day 4

Game 7-If necessary, same teams as in Game 6.
For additional information regarding the regional bracket, see Appendix A.
During the first day of competition only, the host institution for a regional competition may determine the playing order for the two games. It should be noted that the pairings in the bracket may not be altered and the game times during the remainder of the tournament may not be adjusted. Please note that the baseball committee, in consultation with the televising network(s), may adjust the dates and times of regional games.

If, for unforeseen circumstances, it becomes impossible to play a regional tournament game(s), the committee is authorized to determine which team in a respective regional shall advance to the super regionals. The inclement weather guidelines for regional competition are listed in the preliminary-rounds operations manual.

## Super Regional Format

The procedures outlined below shall be used in the conduct of all super regional competitions.

The super regionals will start either the Friday or Saturday after regional competition (four super regionals will begin Friday and the other four super regionals will begin Saturday) and will be conducted over a three-day period (if necessary). Super regional competition should be completed not later than the Monday before the start of the

Men's College World Series. The inclement weather guidelines for super regional competition are also listed in the preliminary-rounds operations manual.

Prospective host institutions must submit recommended starting times for all games with the hosting proposal material for approval by the baseball committee. Please note that the baseball committee, in consultation with the televising network(s), will determine the dates and times of super regional games.

For all super regional competitions, the following procedure will be observed:

## Day 1

Game 1—Team A vs. Team B

## Day 2

Game 2-Team A vs. Team B

## Day 3

Game 3-If necessary, Team A vs. Team B
If, for unforeseen circumstances, it becomes impossible to play and complete a super regional tournament(s), the committee is authorized to determine which teams shall advance to the Men's College World Series. Consult the preliminary round operations manual for inclement weather scenarios.

## Men's College World Series Format

The eight winners of the super regional competitions will advance to the Men's College World Series.

The committee will determine the order in which the games will be played during a June 14 telephone conference. Each four-team bracket then will play a doubleelimination tournament to determine the bracket champions. The two bracket champions will play a best two-of-three championship series to determine the national champion. The MCWS Finals format consists of single games Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (if necessary), June 28-30.
The Men's College World Series bracket, including dates, pairings and game times, may be found in Appendix B.

## Certification of Eligibility/Availability

[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in this handbook, Constitution 3.2.4, and Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in the NCAA Manual.]

Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. In accordance with Constitution 3.2.4, 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.

For the baseball championship, the NCAA baseball and football staff must be notified before Friday, May 28.

## Pairings

Except for the 16 No. 1 regional seeds, the pairings for the regionals, whenever possible, will be based on closest geographical location of the teams to the tournament sites. Teams may be moved outside their regions, if necessary, to balance the bracket, or if the proximity to an opponent outside the region would be comparable and a better competitive match-up would occur. Teams from the same conference will be placed in different regionals.
Teams from the same conference and seeded first in their respective regional will be placed on the bracket to avoid meeting in the super regionals. The committee will be responsible for determining the regional first-round pairings and bracket.

Super regional pairings are determined by the initial placement of teams on the bracket. Two winners of regional competitions will meet in one of eight super regional tournaments.

## Instructions to Participants

## All-Tournament Team

Regional and CWS all-tournament teams, consisting of the following positions, will be selected by the working news media or an all-tournament selection committee: catcher, first baseman, second baseman, shortstop, third baseman, left fielder, center fielder, right fielder, designated hitter and two pitchers.

The most outstanding player(s) will be selected from among these positions. No allsuper regional teams will be selected.

## Audio Coverage (Radio and Internet)

Please refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual polices and guidelines that can be found by clicking on the "NCAA Broadcast Manual and Policies" link at www.ncaa.com/ broadcast.

## Awards

[Reference: Awards in this handbook and Bylaw 31.1.12 in the NCAA Manual.]
Team trophies and 35 individual awards shall be presented to the eight teams that compete in the Men's College World Series. Participation awards will be provided or can be purchased for all other eligible student-athletes.

## Bands, Cheerleaders and Mascots

During regionals and super regionals, bands are permissible, with a maximum of 20 band members plus a band director being admitted via a pass gate. The seat location for any bands is left to the discretion of the host institution (ideally place in a location behind their respective team dugout). The band must be institutionally sponsored/ controlled and may only play at games in which their institution participates. A band may play only between half innings. If both teams playing in a given game have their band in attendance, the bands must alternate playing between each half inning (designated home team will play first).

During regionals and super regionals, a maximum of 12 cheerleaders may be admitted in uniform via a pass gate. A uniformed mascot is also permissible, however, the uniformed mascot may never enter the playing field. Live mascots are also permissible, provided there is institutional control.

## Banquets

Banquets or celebratory dinners are not permitted for the participating teams during the regional and super rounds of the baseball championship. Baseballs

The Rawlings R1NCAA baseball (with Extra Innings Technology) has been selected as the official baseball for all games in the regionals, super regionals and Men's College World Series.

The appropriate number of balls will be sent to all tournaments. The balls will be shipped to the director of athletics or tournament director at the host institution.

Each team must furnish its own practice balls.

## Bat Handlers

Bat handlers must be 13 years of age or older to serve in this capacity at any NCAA regional, super regional and Men's College World Series competition. Bat handlers shall be required to wear a helmet at all times. The bat handlers are excluded from the 35-person official traveling party.

## Box Scores

Stat Crew packed files from all regional and super regional games must be sent via e-mail to Jeff Williams (jswilliams@ncaa.org) immediately after each game. Host institutions also are responsible for reporting results to the Association's Web site, www. ncaa.com. E-mail results (including box scores, if possible) to updates@ncaa.com.

## Ceremonial First Pitch

Ceremonial first pitches will not be permitted during the regional or super regional rounds of the baseball championship. During the CWS ceremonial pitches may only occur as specifically approved by the NCAA.

## Clubhouse Usage Policy

Clubhouse Usage. The host institution will be allowed to use its clubhouse regardless of being designated as the home or visiting team in any given game in which it participates. Access to the clubhouse will be provided to the host institution up until two hours prior to the scheduled game time in which it participates. The restroom facilities section of this manual will take effect two hours prior to the scheduled game time throught the entirety of the actual game. All teams besides the host institution participating in the championship should come to the venue in uniform. Security shall be provided in the clubhouse during the pregame, the entire game and the postgame. The intent of this rule is to provide equitable restroom facilities for each participating team during the course of a game.
Restroom Faclities. Both teams participating in a given game must be provided access to comparable restroom facilities in close proximity to the dugout and/or bullpen starting two hours prior to the scheduled game time through the entirety of the actual game.
Inclement Weather Accommodations. If there is inclement weather, the host institution may have access to its clubhouse during a game delay regardless of being designated as the home or visiting team in any given game in which it participates; however, the host institution must provide access to adequate comparable space to accommodate the other participating team(s).The intent of this rule is to provide equitable inclement weather facilities for each participating team during the course of any inclement weather delays.

## Courtesy/Rental Vehicles

## (Regionals and Super Regionals)

Courtesy Cars. Courtesy cars are not permitted to be provided to participating teams during the regional and super regional rounds of the baseball championship.
Officials and NCAA Game Representatives. The NCAA will pay for the rental of cars for a predetermined number of game officials and NCAA game representative(s). The officials and game representative(s) who have been approved to rent cars will need to make their rental car arrangements through Short's Travel Management (866/8218547). Short's will book your rental car reservation using Enterprise Rent-A-Car or National Rental Car. When using Enterprise or National a direct bill to the NCAA will be set up to pay for the charges. In the event that Enterprise or National are not available in the particular area, another rental car company can be used. If another company is used the official/game representative(s) should pay for the charges and submit the receipt to the NCAA along with their expense reimbursement form.
Rental Vehicles (Men's College World Series). Rental vehicles will be provided by the NCAA with assistance from the Men's College World Series local organizing committee for championship participants, NCAA game representatives and umpires.

## Determination of Home Team

For first-round games during championship competition, the highest-seeded team shall be designated as the home team. In subsequent games, the home team shall be determined according to a formula applied by the games committee

In determining which of two teams in any game will be the home team, the games committee or the NCAA game representative shall designate the home team using the following guidelines:

1. The institution that has been the home team the fewer number of times in that particular tournament.
2. If the two teams are equal in this respect but unequal in the number of times they were the visitor, then the team that has been the visitor more often will be designated the home team.
3. If the two teams are equal in the number of times that they have been home and visitor, the games committee or the NCAA game representative shall observe the following procedures in the order stated:
a. If the two teams have met previously in that particular tournament, the visitor in the previous game shall be the home team in the game in question;
b. The team that was visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were visitors in their preceding games; or
c. If the above procedures do not resolve the matter, the home team shall be determined by coin flip. The higher seeded team can determine whether they will call the coin toss, or defer the call to their opponent.

During the pre-championship meeting for the regionals and super regionals, the host instiution must designate whether the first or third base dugout will be the home team dugout for the entire tournament. For the Men's College World Series, the third base dugout will serve as the home team dugout.
The home team shall occupy the home team dugout designated in the pre-championship meeting, take infield practice first and select the uniform/jersey it decides to wear. It is the responsibility of the visiting team to wear a uniform of contrasting color. The NCAA game representative will resolve any conflict in the selection of uniforms.

For the Men's College World Series Finals, if one team advances to the finals with no losses and the other team has one loss, then the undefeated team would be provided the choice in game one of selecting to be either the home or visiting team for the best-ofthree series. The other team not receiving the choice in game one would be designated as the opposite option for game two (e.g., if the team with the choice in game one chooses to be the home team, then in game two the team not receiving the choice in game one would be the home team). The home team for game three, if necessary, would be determined by a coin flip prior to the game. If both teams enter the MCWS Finals either undefeated or with one loss, then the home team for game one will be determined by a coin flip at a designated time on the day prior to the game. The other team not designated as the home team in game one would be the home team in game two of the MCWS Finals. If the MCWS Finals goes to a third game, the home team for game three (if necessary) would be determined by another coin flip prior to the game. Please note that for any required coin toss, the higher seeded team can determine whether they will call the coin toss, or defer the call to their opponent.

## Determination of Home Team (Super Regionals)

Two Teams Advancing With Different Regional Seeds. For game one, the higher seed will be the home team. The lower seed will be the home team in game two. A coin flip will determine the home team in game three, if necessary. The coin flip must take place at the pre-tournament meeting and the higher seeded team can determine whether they will call the coin toss, or defer the call to their opponent.
[Note: A national seed (seeded No. 1 to No. 8 nationally) is considered a higher seed than a regular No. 1 seed.]
Two Teams Advancing With Equal Regional Seeds. For game one, the winner of a coin flip will be the home team. The loser of the coin flip will be the home team in game two. A second coin flip will determine the home team in game three, if necessary. The visiting institution will call the coin toss for game one, while the host institution will call the coin toss for game three, or defer the call to their opponent. Both coin flips must occur at the pre-championship meeting.

## Drug Testing

[Reference: Drug Testing in this handbook and Bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 in the NCAA Manual.]

Student-athletes who compete in this championship may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with Bylaws 18.4.1.5 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
eligible initially for this championship; and thereafter, student-athletes who are tested shall remain eligible only if they test negative.
Teams should be aware that drug testing procedures may affect team travel arrangements.

## Dugout Provisions

As a general rule, all equipment and provisions in team dugouts should be free of commercial branding, to protect the integrity of the NCAA corporate partner program. Regular season sponsorships or other marketing and/or advertising agreements in place during the regular season are not carried forward to the NCAA Division I Baseball Championship.
The NCAA will provide complimentary vitaminwater product and equipment for team needs at two Regional sites (to be determine by the NCAA) and at all eight Super Regional sites. Specifically, Dasani water, vitaminwater revive beverages, Powerade powder and vitaminwater revive-branded cups, coolers, ice chests and water bottles will be shipped to two Regional host sites and all Super Regional sites. As such, teams are not permitted to use refreshment equipment in dugouts branded with commercial identification other than vitaminwater. Teams may fill their vitaminwater revivebranded equipment with the beverages of their choice. Teams at Regional sites that do not receive complimentary product may use their normal equipment, provided the branding is either removed or covered. If additional product is needed, please contact Damani Leech at the NCAA national office.

Teams should use white, unbranded towels for during Regional and Super Regional games. As a result, teams may not use towels of any other color or that contain any commercial branding (e.g., Gatorade) in team dugouts or on the field of play during the Division I Baseball Championship.
NCAA corporate partner Kraft will supply each team Planters branded sunflower seeds for each game of the Super Regionals (not Regionals). Kraft will ship 1502.5 ounce bags of various flavors to each of the eight Super Regional sites. If teams want to use sunflower seeds of a different brand at either the Regionals or Super Regionals, the seeds will need to be placed into unbranded containers in the dugout.

## Electronic Communication Devices/Bullpen Phones

No electronic communication devices (e.g., cellular phones, televisions) are permitted in the bullpens or dugouts during the regionals, super regionals or Men's College World Series. Any such devices that are in the team clubhouse should also not be on and, if possible, should be removed from the clubhouse.

However, new for the 2010 championship, a direct hard-line telephone from the dugout to the bullpen (i.e., "bullpen phone") will be permissible in stadiums where the techonology is available. If a direct hard-line telephone is not available in both dugouts and bullpens, the host institution must provide a two-way radio to serve as the bullpen phone.

## Institutional Fight Songs

If an institutional fight song is played before the start of a tournament game, it must occur during that institution's infield practice or during the time allotted for pregame preparation of the field. Under no circumstances can the game be delayed to accommodate the playing of an institutional fight song.

## Instructions to Teams

An instruction sheet setting forth the pertinent information contained herein and containing specific information as to regional and super regional plans will be sent immediately after qualification or selection by each tournament director, to teams competing in the particular tournament for which he/she is responsible.
Men's College World Series. Teams advancing to the Men's College World Series will receive a Men's College World Series participants manual at the super regional sites outlining specific instructions regarding travel, lodging and scheduling in Omaha.

## Introductory/"Walk-Up Music" Music

The NCAA Division I Baseball Committee voted to eliminate introductory/"walkup" music during all rounds of the NCAA Division I Baseball Championship. Such music has sometimes been played in the past before a hitter steps into the batter's box.

## Length of Game-Halted-Game Rule

All games shall be nine innings. If play has been stopped before nine innings have been completed, the halted-game rule (Rule 5-9) shall be used.
[Note: The 10-Run Rule - Rule 5-8-b-(4) - shall not be used for regionals, super regionals or the Men's College World Series.]

## Line Up Cards

The coach of each team must present an unofficial line up card to the official scorer no later than one hour prior to the start of the game. The official line up card must be presented by the head coach at the pre-game meeting with the home plate umpire at least during the first game of the regionals, super regionals, the Men's College World Series and the MCWS Finals.

## Lodging

Tournament directors will make local reservations for the competing teams and advise them of the arrangements. All hotels used for team lodging should be of equal quality. It is ideal and recommended to have all teams housed in separate properties.
If an institution does not wish to stay at the designated hotel, it must obtain a written release of the reserved rooms from the hotel management (general manager) or use the rooms for persons accompanying the official travel party. In either case, the institution is responsible for securing arrangements at another property. If an institution fails to make satisfactory arrangements for the use of the rooms at the designated hotel, the institution will be charged for those rooms. These room charges may be deducted from the team's per diem.

Regionals and Super Regionals. Only if it obtains a written release from the hotel's general manager before $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on practice day may a participating institution be released from all or a portion of its room obligation. The hotel is under no obligation to provide this release. The institution must file a copy of the written release with the tournament director. Unless approved by the NCAA in advance, an institution is precluded from relocating to a hotel where another institution or the umpires have been assigned.
Men's College World Series. Hotel rates for the official traveling parties of the eight competing teams in the Men's College World Series will be obtained by the Men's College World Series local organizing committee. Each team will be provided with 35 rooms, at a discounted rate, guaranteed for use by the team's travel party. An additional 15 rooms, at a different rate, are available to teams through a negotiation process with the assigned hotel. These additional rooms are for use by others affiliated with the team (e.g., administrators, alumni, family).

Each team must sign a hotel contract with its assigned hotel. Teams are responsible for the payment of the 35 rooms per night to be used by the traveling squad. The rooms are reserved beginning the Wednesday before the Men's College World Series and the team is committed to pay for these 35 rooms through the night of its last day of competition. The 35 -room traveling party requirement is based on two people per room, even if the room is a suite. Hotel assignments in Omaha will be made by the Division I Baseball Committee.
Once a participating team is notified of their hotel assignment, they should contact their assigned hotel immediately to finalize all arrangements (contracts, additional 15 rooms, etc.) of their stay.

Members of the news media covering the series should not be included in the official travel party of a competing team.

## Media Arrangements

## [Reference: Publicity and Promotion in this handbook.]

Media Credentials. The NCAA shall control the issuance of media credentials for each of its championships. Subject to limitations of space, media credentials shall be assigned in accordance with the following priorities: (1) campus media certified by the director of athletics and/or sports information director of each participating and host institution, (2) certified media from the immediate locale of the championship or the immediate locale of the competing teams, and (3) other certified media. It may be necessary for host institutions to create auxiliary media seating outside the permanent press box area.

Credentials for regional and super regional competition will be provided by the NCAA, however, the host institution will be responsible for granting and denying credential requests for regionals and super regionals. Credentials for the Men's College World Series will be issued by J.D. Hamilton, media coordinator (317/917-6124 or via jhamilton@ncaa.org).

Credentials will not be issued to representatives of any organization that regularly publishes, broadcasts or otherwise promotes the advertising of "tout sheets" or "tip sheets" or other advertising designed to encourage gambling on college sports events.

In addition, credentials will not be issued to representatives of telephone reporting services and professional sports organizations.

Other conditions for obtaining media credentials may be implemented, based on the circumstances at the championship site. These conditions must be approved before the competition by the media coordinator in conjunction with the NCAA.
Microphones. The placement of microphones on a team coach or in team huddles and bench areas is prohibited at all NCAA championships.
Postcompetition Interviews. Host institutions are required to provide an interview area large enough to meet the media's needs. All coaches and student-athletes must be made available for post competition interviews after the "cooling-off" period. This not only applies to formal press conferences, but also to any interview requests made to coaches and/or student-athletes not involved in the press conference. Failure to do so may result in possible misconduct, as determined by the baseball committee. Immediately after a 10 -minute cooling-off period (i.e., 10 minutes after a competing team enters its dressing room), an interview area will open to all certified members of the news media; any coach and student-athletes requested by the media will be available for interviews. If a team or individual is participating in an awards ceremony, the cooling-off period will begin immediately after the presentation of awards.

Regardless of any regular-season radio or television contract(s), the coach is obligated to the entire covering media during the championship and must report to the interview room immediately after the 10 -minute cooling-off period. The coach cannot delay a postcompetition interview with the covering media to conduct a program for a single newspaper, radio or television reporter, unless requested to remain for a short interview (not to exceed four minutes) by the television entity that has been granted television rights by the NCAA.

Coaches cannot make themselves available to selected media representatives before the conclusion of the 10 -minute cooling-off period. They may, however, open their dressing rooms and/or report to the interview area before the cooling-off period ends, and make themselves available to all media representatives staffing the championship. Should a coach permit one media agency to enter the dressing room before the 10 minute cooling-off period has ended, the dressing room shall be opened to all other media representatives desiring access to the area. The NCAA championships have an "open locker room policy," which is administered by the media coordinator on site.

## Meetings

[Reference: Misconduct in this handbook and Bylaws 31.02.3 and 31.1.10 in the NCAA Manual. $]$

A meeting of the coaches of the competing teams, umpires and members of the games committee will be held before the beginning of the tournament and before each round of competition (after the first-round games) to determine home and visiting teams, review ground rules, and dispense with any problems that may arise. Head coaches must attend this meeting.

At the pretournament meeting, the chair of the games committee shall acquaint the head coaches of the competing teams with the provisions of Bylaw 31.1.10, governing
misconduct by student-athletes and/or representatives of competing institutions. Each institution shall note in writing on its postseason roster any player who has been suspended and the cause of the suspension (e.g., games penalized).

It is expected that the head coach will participate in all pre-tournament conference calls and pre-tournament meetings related to the regionals, super regionals and the Men's College World Series.
Men's College World Series Mandatory Functions. The following events have been designated as mandatory team functions in Omaha: Men's College World Series opening ceremonies, pretournament coaches meeting and autograph session, and any possible activities for the two teams participating in the Men's College World Series Finals. Dates and times for these functions will be determined.

## Mementos

Participating team gifts may not be provided during the regionals and super regionals.

## National Anthem

The host institution or sponsoring agency must play the national anthem before each game of the regionals and/or super regionals.
For the Men's College World Series the national anthem will be played prior to the start of each game.

## News, Media, Press Conferences and Satellite Feeds

Refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual policies/guidelines that can be found by clicking on the "NCAA Broadcast Manual and Policies" link at www.ncaa.com/ broadcast

## Official Scorer

The official scorer for each game shall be appointed by the tournament director, and his or her duties shall be as outlined in 2010 NCAA Baseball Rules. The official scorer will receive $\$ 20$ per game for all regional and super regional games.

It is recommended that the Official NCAA Baseball Scorebook be used for all tournament games.

## Official Traveling Party

[Reference: Squad Size, Per Diem and Transportation in this handbook.]
Please refer to the NCAA Travel policies for all information regarding tansportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found online at www.ncaa.org/wps/ ncaa? ContentID=36359.

## Practice

It is permissible for batting practice to be conducted on the game field for the first game of a doubleheader. If possible, both teams should take batting practice on the game field. All teams should be accorded practice facilities of equal quality, beginning
with the day immediately before the tournament and during the tournament. Between games of doubleheaders, each team will be permitted 10 minutes for infield practice. All regional and super regional practices are open to the general public. Please refer to the preliminary rounds operations manual for regional/super regional practice times.

For the Men's College World Series, the following tentative practice times (50 minutes for each practice, with 10 minutes for field preparation) have been established for Friday, June 18:

| 9 a.m. | Game 1 home team |
| ---: | :--- |
| 10 a.m. | Game 1 visiting team |
| 11 a.m. | Game 2 home team |
| Noon. | Game 2 visiting team |
| 1 p.m. | Game 3 home team |
| 2 p.m. | Game 3 visiting team |
| 3 p.m. | Game 4 home team |
| 4 p.m. | Game 4 visiting team |

For additional practice time during the series at sites other than Rosenblatt Stadium, participating teams should contact Ed Servais, head baseball coach at Creighton University, at 402/280-2483 or (cell) 402/660-5846. Additional information will be provided during the precompetition meeting.

During the off day(s) between when the bracket winners are decided and the Men's College World Series Finals, practice times will be communicated to the two participating teams.

## Pregame Schedule

The following pregame schedule shall be followed for all regional, super regional and Men's College World Series games.

## Before Game

Home batting practice 2:00
Visitor batting practice $\quad 1: 20$
Remove cage :40
Home infield :34
Visitor infield :24
Field preparation :14
Introductions (if necessary) :13
National anthem (if necessary) :09
Umpires/coaches meeting :06
Home team on field :02

## First pitch

## :00

It is recommended that, between the last out of the previous game and the start of the next game, a 50 -minute period be allowed, which provides for a 15 -minute warmup period before the home team takes infield. Batting practice shall be conducted on the field of competition only for teams competing in the first game of a session. At the Men's College World Series, introductions shall be conducted only for the first games in which teams compete and for the Men's College World Series Finals games. Please note that during the Men's College World Series, adjustments to the schedule may be made by the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee due to any special circumstances.

## Programs

IMG College will be responsible for all game program production, including layout and design, advertising, printing, vending and distribution to the championship sites. No competing publications, whether sold or free of charge, are permitted at NCAA events without prior permission of the NCAA and IMG College. The championship host should not include expenses or revenues for programs in the championship budget and/or financial report. All program contents are subject to NCAA approval.
Advertising. Each program will include NCAA corporate champion and partner advertising. Additionally, programs may include national advertisements as well as local advertisements. All advertisements must follow NCAA advertising guidelines and are subject to NCAA approval. Advertising sales commissions and discounts are available to host institutions should they desire to sell local advertising or offer program ads to their local patrons. If you know of an individual or staff member who would like to serve as a local advertising representative, please contact Doug Iler (502/4594346; doug.iler@imgworld.com) for information regarding ad rates, availability, specifications and deadlines.
Editorial. If you are interested in the specific content of the program you will receive, please contact Brad Johnson (859/226-4536; brad.johnson@imgworld.com).

## Generally, programs include the following:

1.Participant information - IMG College will request information, including rosters, schedule/results, photos, school quick facts and logos. If your team is eligible for postseason selection, please send all materials that are requested by the date requested. Programs print on the day selections for the championship are announced. If materials are not on file, your school's information will not be included. IMG College will attempt to provide proofs for SID approval when time permits. If you are not sure what/when materials are needed, please contact Mr. Johnson at IMG College.
2. Programs for predetermined sites will include information on the host institution, host city and/or host facility. In addition, some programs provide complimentary advertising space. IMG College will contact via e-mail the tournament director and sports information contacts, as listed on the key contact sheets submitted to the NCAA, with the specifics of what items are needed and when those items are due. Host institution pages are subject to NCAA approval.
3.Event-specific historical information, including past champions, records, all-
tournament teams and/or the previous year's recap.
4. Information on the NCAA, including the sport committee.
5. Feature stories - If you have an idea for a feature story, please submit it to Mr. Johnson at IMG College.
Program Supplements and Update Sheets. Host institutions for single-day/ session championship round may choose to supplement the program with additional information (e.g., updated statistics or updated game notes) pertaining to the event at its site that day. The cost of producing these supplements will be covered by the host institution and will not be expensed to the NCAA or IMG College. The content must be approved by IMG College prior to the event and the supplements must be distributed inside and as a part of the program. The cost of the program cannot be raised as a result of the supplement. Once all programs have been sold, these supplements may be given away or sold at the discretion of the host institution, with all potential revenue for such remaining with the host institution. No advertising of any kind may be sold or placed on the supplements. If supplements are distributed, following the conclusion of the championship event please mail two samples of each supplement to Brad Johnson (IMG College, 904 North Broadway, Lexington, Kentucky 40505, ATTN: Brad Johnson).

For championships that have multiple sessions, matches, events or days, host institutions may choose or be required by the NCAA to produce update sheets (e.g., heat sheets, lane assignments, pairings). IMG College will contact hosts of those championships in advance of their events to discuss projected quantities and the paper on which update sheets should be printed. The cost of producing the update sheets will be covered by the host institution and not be expensed to the NCAA or IMG College. The first update sheet of the event should be distributed inside and as a part of the program. Subsequent update sheets complement the program and are to be redeemed only with a coupon from the program. The cost of the program cannot be raised as a result of the update sheet. Once all programs have been sold, update sheets may be given away or sold at the discretion of the host institution, with all potential revenue for such remaining with the host institution. No advertising of any kind may be sold or placed on the update sheets. If update sheets are distributed, following the conclusion of the championship event please mail two samples of each update sheet to Mr. Johnson (IMG College, 904 North Broadway, Lexington, Kentucky 40505, ATTN: Brad Johnson).
If a host institution would like to supplement the program with additional information, or has a question about the update sheets, please contact Brad Johnson at IMG College (859/226-4536; brad.johnson@imgworld.com).

## Program Sales

1. Predetermined sites: Will be contacted at least two weeks prior to the event. If you have not been contacted within two weeks of your championship, please contact Matt Briggs (859/226-4556; matthew.briggs@imgworld.com). You will receive your vending agreement (contract) and settlement statement prior to the championship
2. Non-predetermined sites: Once sites are announced, IMG College determines how many programs will be sent to each site and will contact the site. Your
vending agreement (contract) and settlement statement will be e-mailed within one day of your site being selected.
3. Distribution of programs: Programs will be shipped to the host institution at least one day prior to the event when possible. If your shipping information is different than that on the contract, please contact Mr. Briggs at IMG College immediately
4. Display of programs: Any posters/banners included with the programs should be hung in a visible location to promote awareness for the programs without obstructing other championship signage.
5. Collections
a. Contracts
1) Upon site selections, all contracts are e-mailed to each site representative.
2) A dedicated fax number will be assigned for receiving all signed contracts back to IMG College (859/226-4575).
3) An IMG College representative will track the return of all signed vending contracts to IMG College.
b. Settlement Reports
4) Three days after the conclusion of the event, all settlement reports must be faxed to IMG College (859/226-4575).
5) The vendor will have two weeks to submit payment to IMG College.
6) An IMG College representative will be assigned to track the receipt of all vending settlement reports and payments.
7) If payment and/or settlement have not been received within the two-week period, IMG College will include the site/championship on its "No Pay" list sent to the NCAA.
8) Do not combine settlement statements for separate rounds/events or combine program settlements with Event 1 merchandise.
9) Please include the event number on the check that is sent.

Please contact Matt Briggs (859/226-4556; matthew.briggs@imgworld.com) at IMG College with any vending-related questions.

## Protest Procedure

The following protest procedure shall be used in all tournaments:

1. Any protest by the coach of a competing team must be made at the time of the action or incident that caused the protest, and before play is resumed;
2. If the game ends (legal contest) in a protestable situation, the offended team has until all fielders have left fair territory to voice its protest intentions;
3. All protests must be made to the umpire crew-chief; however, if he is not working the game, the assistant crew chief or the home plate umpire shall receive the protest;
4. No protest shall be allowed that involves a judgment decision by an umpire; and
5. All protests must be ruled upon immediately by the protest committee. The
protest committee shall confer with the umpires before making its decision, and the protest committee chair shall make a written report to the chair of the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee.

## Publicity and Promotion

[Reference: Programs in this handbook.]
The NCAA Division I Baseball Committee strongly emphasizes the necessity for competing institutions to cooperate fully in providing publicity and program materials to tournament directors at the earliest possible moment.

It is recommended that a member of the sports information department be included in the official traveling party for the championship, to assist the media during the competition.
As soon as a team is selected to compete in its regional baseball tournament or has advanced to the super regional, the sports information director of the institution shall forward to IMG College:

1. Media guide.
2. Final statistics.
3. Color team photo with proper identification.
4. Two or three color action photos of top four players.
5. Numerical roster in the following style:

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6. Head shot and biography of head coach.
7. Head shot of institution's president or chancellor, director of athletics and sports information director.
8. Final season results.
9. Institution logo or mascot.

The information above is to be sent via overnight delivery to the following program manager for regional, super regional and Men's College World Series competition:

## Dan Peters, IMG College <br> 904 North Broadway, Suite 200, Lexington, Kentucky 40505 <br> office 859/226-4531; e-mail: dan.peters@imgworld.com.

The sports information director of the host institution will provide the sports information directors of the competing teams with a listing of the news outlets to which publicity materials are to be directed and shall indicate how each visiting director may assist in the promotion of the tournament.
Institutions that advance to super regional competition must make arrangements for the delivery of the appropriate materials to the host institution.

## Rules

Per NCAA Bylaw 17.30, member institutions shall conduct all of their intercollegiate competition in accordance with the playing rules of the Association in all sports for which the NCAA develops playing rules. For those sports in which the Association
follows rules that are developed by other governing bodies and modified by the governing sports committee, the adopted playing rules shall be used. The governing sports committee will not consider any results for selection purposes that are not played in accordance with NCAA rules, or those rules adopted by an outside organization

- 2010 NCAA Baseball Rules and Interpretations shall be used for championship play.


## Scoreboards

Scoreboards with message capabilities are not to be used to encourage or attempt to intimidate any of the teams in the championship competition.

## Scouting

As long as a team is a participant in the championship competition, it is entitled to two seats for the purpose of scouting opponents.

Any scouting information involving current opponents must not be transmitted to the field. A team may film or videotape its game(s) during tournament competition, but not games involving other teams. At the Men's College World Series, teams may not videotape game action, but can request a feed from the ESPN family of networks through the NCAA corporate and broadcast alliances staff.

## Seats for Nonplaying Teams and NCAA Personnel

Hosts should make every effort to reserve seats for nonplaying teams as long as they are participants in the championship competition. In regionals and super regionals, seats should be reserved for the NCAA game representative(s) on an aisle near home plate that are readily accessible to the playing field. These seats should be covered, if possible. Additional seating in the press box also is recommended.

## Speed Guns

Use of speed guns by participants is prohibited. However, new for the 2010 championship, a pitch speed may be displayed on a video/score board in stadiums where the technology is available.

## Sports Wagering Affidavit

The NCAA Executive Committee has directed the NCAA Division I Baseball Committee to administer a certification procedure to verify the eligibility of studentathletes participating in any NCAA Division I baseball tournament games. Please have each student-athlete that you have certified or intend to certify as eligible for participation in postseason baseball tournament games complete the affidavit and swear to its truthfulness before a notary public.

If a student-athlete refuses to sign the affidavit, please promptly advise Rachel Newman-Baker at the NCAA national office (317/917-6222). If a student-athlete answers "yes" to any of the odd numbered questions or refuses to agree to the continuing truthfulness of his answers, please forward a copy of his affidavit to Ms. Newman-Baker's attention immediately. Please retain all original affidavits on file in
your office. This file should be available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.
The sports wagering affidavit can be found online at http://www.ncaa.org/wps/ ncaa? ContentID=671.

## Squad Size

[Reference: Official Traveling Party, Per Diem and Transportation in this handbook.]
On the field, including the practice field, bullpen, bench and dugout, each team is limited to four official coaches in uniform (head coach, assistant coaches and volunteer coach), 27 eligible student-athletes in uniform, and student assistant coaches. Only uniformed personnel, including coaches and eligible student-athletes, may be permitted between the white lines and in the bullpens. Other nonuniformed personnel (up to the maximum limit of 35 individuals) in the dugout should be performing official team functions that they have performed during the season. A bat handler, who must be 13 years of age or older, does not count against the maximum limit of 35 individuals. Nonuniformed personnel in proper attire may participate in pregame warm-ups. Once a game begins, the athletic trainer or manager is permitted on the field only to perform his/her appropriate duty (e.g., warming up a pitcher is not considered an appropriate duty).
An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not conform to it promptly automatically shall forfeit the competition. This is not an "appeal play"; further, there shall be no inordinate delay of the contest to allow the institution to conform to the rule.

## Starting Times

Starting times will be determined by the NCAA in conjunction with the host institution. Please note that the Division I Baseball Committee, in consultation with the televising network(s), will determine the dates and times of super regional games, and possibly even some regional games. The NCAA has the final authority in determining all starting times.

## Television News Access

The NCAA's broadcast partners (CBS, ESPN and Westwood One) retain all rights to the television broadcast or cablecast, Internet or radio broadcast of NCAA championships. For specific questions regarding policies governing the broadcast of championships, please refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual policies and guidelines that can be found by clicking on the "NCAA Broadcast Manual and Policies" link at www.ncaa.com/broadcast.

## Tickets

[Reference: Tickets in this handbook and Bylaw 31.1.13 in the NCAA Manual.]
Ticket prices for all tournaments will be determined by the respective games committee with the approval of the chair of the committee, and shall be in accordance with the minimum prices outlined below.

Two hundred (200) tickets must be held for each visiting regional team for the games in which they will participate. During the regional round, visiting teams shall not be required to purchase all-session ticket packages. They will only need to purchase tickets for the game in which their team is involved. Six hundred (600) all-session tickets must be held for each visiting super regional team. Tickets must be held until 10 a.m. local time on the day of the game for the particpating team(s) for the games in which they participate in the regionals and super regionals. These tickets must all be located in a prime location between first and third base

The minimum ticket price for regional and super regional competition may not be less than what the host institution charges for regular-season games. In addition, hosts may sell a single ticket for all games during a day of regional competition if the price of an all-day ticket equals the number of games times the ticket price for a single game. Finally, an all-session ticket may be offered at a discounted rate.
Ticket prices may be scaled according to seat location, but the following minimum prices shall prevail:

|  | Reserved | General <br> Admission | Students | Box Seat |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Regional Tournaments | $\$ 8$ | $\$ 6$ | $\$ 4$ | $\$ 9$ |
| Super Regional | $\$ 10$ | $\$ 7$ | $\$ 4$ | - |
| Tournaments |  |  |  |  |

During the Men's College World Series, each participating institution will have the opportunity to purchase approximately 700 tickets for each game in which their school is playing. These tickets will be in reserved sections and will cost $\$ 22$ per ticket for Games \#1-14 and \$29 per ticket for the MCWS Finals.

## Tobacco Products

The use of all tobacco products is prohibited by student-athletes and game personnel (e.g., coaches, umpires, athletic trainers, managers) during practice sessions and game competition. The use of tobacco products during other championship activities, such as banquets, autograph sessions, press conferences and postgame interviews also is prohibited. Violations of this regulation shall be dealt with by the baseball committee in accordance with Rule 3-11 of NCAA Baseball Rules and Interpretations and the misconduct provisions of Bylaw 31.1.10.

## Umpires

Eight umpires will be assigned to the Men's College World Series. Six umpires will be assigned to the regionals and four umpires will be assigned to the super regionals.
Four umpires will be assigned to each tournament game, except six umpires will be assigned to the Men's College World Series Finals.
If different umpires are assigned to the continuation of a suspended game, the umpiring fee will be divided equally among the officials.

The umpires must report to the tournament director one hour before the game they are to work and be on the field 15 minutes before the start of the game.

An umpire shall not work more than two games in one day except in an emergency situation.
It is recommended that the host institution for regional and super regional competition provide seats for nonworking umpires.
Umpires for regional and super regional tournaments and the Men's College World Series will be selected by the baseball committee based on recommendations of conferences and a review of the umpires by the national coordinator of umpires, and the Division I baseball committee.

Each umpire will receive $\$ 1,380$ for regionals, $\$ 945$ for super regionals and $\$ 3,685$ for working the Men's College World Series, plus coach airfare or 50 cents per mile. A $\$ 45$ per diem is also provided. The NCAA will reimburse the umpire for the above expenses. Each crew chief should collect the completed NCAA Officials Expense Forms (provided by the host institution tournament director) for each umpire on their crew and return them to Chad Tolliver at the NCAA national office via fax (317/9176710) or e-mail (ctolliver@ncaa.org).

The host instiution tournament director should make all hotel lodging arrangements for any umpires working at their regional/super regional site. While the quality of lodging for the umpires should be consistent with that of the student-athletes, the umpires should not be housed in the same property as any of the participating teams. The host institution should be responsible for the umpires' lodging costs (room and tax only). The host institution should work with the hotel to set up a direct bill back to the institution for these charges.
Policies. 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 be selected and assigned by the sports committee or games committee, which shall ensure that officials adhere to the Association's policies relating to gambling activities and drug and alcohol use. Furthermore, officials must conduct themselves in a manner befitting intercollegiate athletics. Failure to do so may result in termination of the officiating assignment. Please note that again for the 2010 championship, the conference umpire coordinator or baseball administrator from a particular conference must have attended the annual umpire coordinator's meeting the previous year (e.g., 2009 meeting for the 2010 championship) in order for that conference to receive an automatic umpire assignment for the championship.

## Uniforms

## [Reference: Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Manual.]

Once a team enters the stadium/field, it is required that the team be in full pregame or regular-game uniform. In addition, team representatives must be in appropriate attire, not necessarily in uniform, for all other championship functions (i.e., press conferences, banquets, autograph sessions, etc.), which shall include warm-ups, batting practice and infield practice. As for practice uniforms, shorts are permissible provided they are institutionally issued apparel and all team members are wearing shorts during the practice

Game uniforms must adhere to Rule 1-14 of the 2010-11 NCAA Baseball Rules and Interpretations. Please note that for the 2010 championship, it is the responsibility of the visiting team to wear a contrasting uniform color to the jersey worn by the home team. The home team gets to select their desired uniform color first. Please note that it is also required that the base coaches wear a helmet.
This bylaw will be strictly enforced at all NCAA championships and the names of individuals and institutions that are not in compliance with this bylaw shall be forwarded to the NCAA enforcement staff.
Logos. 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 studentathletes in competition may bear a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal trademark, not to exceed $21 / 4$ 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 or parallelogram).
In addition, an institution's official uniform cannot bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's that is in addition to another logo or that is contrary to the size restriction.

A student-athlete representing an institution in intercollegiate competition is limited to wearing apparel items that include only the logo (not to exceed $21 / 4$ square inches) of an apparel manufacturer or distributor. The student-athlete may not wear any apparel that identifies another entity other than the student-athlete's institution.
These restrictions apply to all apparel worn by student-athletes and all personnel, including coaches, athletic trainers, managers, team support personnel, cheerleaders, mascots and band and dance team members, during the conduct of practice and competition, which includes any pregame or postgame activities.

## Video Board Replays

Host instiututions with video boards shall adhere to the guidelines set forth in the NCAA Baseball Playing Rules (appendix B). During the championship, all replays (except listed in A-1-a through f) may be shown once, regardless of replay speed. Live video must cease once a student-athlete enters the batters box and may resume upon contact with the bat after the pitch.

## Appendix A

2010 Division I Championship Regional Bracket Four-Team Bracket (four-day/double elimination) June 4-7, 2010


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## Appendix B

## 2010 Men's College World Series

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## Appendix C

## 2010 Division I

## Automatic-Qualifying Conferences

## AMERICA EAST

(Conference champion determined by May 28 through a postseason tournament.)

University of Albany
Binghamton University
University of Hartford

University of Maine, Orono
University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Stony Brook University

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE
(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)
Boston College
Clemson University
Duke University
Florida State University
Georgia Institute of Technology
University of Maryland, College Park
University of Miami (Florida)

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
North Carolina State University
University of Virginia
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State
University
Wake Forest University

## ATLANTIC 10 CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)

University of Dayton
Duquesne University
Fordham University
George Washington University
La Salle University
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of North Carolina, Charlotte

University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
St. Bonaventure University
Saint Joseph's University
Saint Louis University
Temple University
Xavier University

## ATLANTIC SUN CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)

Belmont University
Campbell University
East Tennessee State University
Florida Gulf Coast University Jacksonville University

Kennesaw State University
Lipscomb University
Mercer University
University of North Florida
Stetson University

## BIG EAST CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)

University of Cincinnati
University of Connecticut
Georgetown University
University of Louisville
University of Notre Dame
University of Pittsburgh

Rutgers, The State University of New
Jersey, New Brunswick
St. John's University (New York)
Seton Hall University
University of South Florida
Villanova University
West Virginia University

## BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
Charleston Southern University
Coastal Carolina University
Gardner-Webb University
High Point University
Radford University

High Point Univers
Winthrop University
Liberty University

## BIG TEN CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
University of Illinois, Champaign University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Indiana University, Bloomington

Northwestern University
University of lowa
University of Michigan
Michigan State University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
BIG 12 CONFERENCE
(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)
Baylor University
University of Kansas
Kansas State University
University of Missouri, Columbia
University of Nebraska, Lincoln

University of Oklahoma
Oklahoma State University
University of Texas at Austin
Texas A\&M University, College Station Texas Tech University

BIG WEST CONFERENCE
(Conference champion determined by May 30 through regular-season play.)

University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Riverside
University of California, Santa Barbara
California Polytechnic State University

California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Northridge
Long Beach State University
University of the Pacific (California)

COLONIAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
University of Delaware Northeastern University
George Mason University
Georgia State University
Hofstra University
James Madison University
University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Old Dominion University
Towson University
Virginia Commonwealth University
College of William and Mary

CONFERENCE USA
(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)
University of Alabama, Birmingham
University of Central Florida
East Carolina University
University of Houston
Marshall University
University of Memphis
Rice University
University of Southern Mississippi
Tulane University

## HORIZON LEAGUE

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)

Butler University
Cleveland State University
University of Illinois at Chicago
Valparaiso University

University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Wright State University
Youngstown State University

## IVY GROUP

(Conference champion determined by May 9 through a postseason tournament.)
Brown University
Columbia University
Cornell University
Dartmouth College

Harvard University
University of Pennsylvania
Princeton University
Yale University

METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)

Canisius College
Fairfield University
Iona College
Niagara University

Manhattan College
Marist College
Rider University
St. Peter's College
Siena College

## MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
University of Akron
Kent State University
Ball State University
Bowling Green State University
University at Buffalo, the State University of New York

Miami University (Ohio)
Northern Illinois University
Ohio University
University of Toledo
Central Michigan University
Eastern Michigan University

Western Michigan University

## MID-EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 23 through a postseason tournament.)
Bethune-Cookman University University of Maryland, Eastern Shore
Coppin State College
Delaware State University
Florida A\&M University
North Carolina A\&T State University

## MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
Bradley University
Creighton University
University of Evansville
Illinois State University
Indiana State University
Missouri State University
Southern Illinois University at Carbondale Wichita State University

## MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
Brigham Young University
Texas Christian University
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
U.S. Air Force Academy

University of New Mexico
University of Utah
San Diego State University

## NORTHEAST CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
Central Connecticut State University
Mount St. Mary’s College
Fairleigh Dickinson University, Metropolitan Quinnipiac University
Long Island University-Brooklyn Campus Sacred Heart University
Monmouth University
Wagner College
OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE
(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)
Austin Peay State University
Eastern Illinois University
Eastern Kentucky University
Jacksonville State University
Morehead State University

## PACIFIC-10 CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through regular-season play.)

University of Arizona
Arizona State University
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Los Angeles
University of Oregon

Oregon State University
University of Southern California
Stanford University
University of Washington
Washington State University

PATRIOT LEAGUE
(Conference champion determined by May 23 through a postseason tournament.)

Bucknell University
College of the Holy Cross
Lafayette College

Lehigh University
U.S. Military Academy
U.S. Naval Academy

## SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa University of Arkansas, Fayetteville Auburn University
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Kentucky

Louisiana State University
University of Mississippi
Mississippi State University
University of South Carolina, Columbia
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Vanderbilt University

## SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)

Appalachian State University
The Citadel
College of Charleston (South Carolina)
Davidson College
Elon University
Furman University
University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Samford University
Western Carolina University
Wofford College
SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE
(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)

University of Central Arkansas
Lamar University
McNeese State University
Nicholls State University
Northwestern State University
Sam Houston State University

Southeastern Louisiana University
Stephen F. Austin State University
University of Texas at Arlington
University of Texas at San Antonio
Texas A\&M University-Corpus Christi
Texas State University-San Marcos

## SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)

Alabama A\&M University
Alabama State University
Alcorn State University
University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff
Grambling State University

Jackson State University
Mississippi Valley State University
Prairie View A\&M University
Southern University, Baton Rouge
Texas Southern University

SUMMIT LEAGUE
(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)
Centenary College (Louisiana) Oral Roberts University
Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort
Wayne
North Dakota State University South Dakota State University
Southern Utah University
Western Illinois University
Oakland University

## SUN BELT CONFERENCE

(Conference champion determined by May 29 through a postseason tournament.)

University of Arkansas, Little Rock
Arkansas State University
Forida Atlantic University
Florida International University
University of Louisiana at Lafayette
University of Louisiana at Monroe

## WEST COAST

(Conference champion determined by May 30 through regular-season play.)

Gonzaga University
Loyola Marymount University
Pepperdine University
University of Portland

WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
(Conference champion determined by May 30 through a postseason tournament.)
California State University, Fresno
California State University, Sacramento
University of Hawaii, Manoa
Louisiana Tech University

## INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS

Chicago State University
Dallas Baptist University
LeMoyne College
Longwood University
New Jersey Institute of Technology

* Reclassifying and provisional institutions are not listed in this appendix.

Middle Tennessee State University
University of New Orleans
University of South Alabama
Troy University
Western Kentucky University

## Appendix D

## Division I Regional Alignments <br> ATLANTIC

Appalachian State University Bethune-Cookman University Boston College
College of Charleston (South Carolina) Charleston Southern University
The Citadel
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Coppin State College
Davidson College
Delaware State University
Duke University
Elon University
Florida A\&M University
Florida State University
Furman University
Gardner-Webb University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
High Point University
Liberty University
Longwood University
Total Schools in Atlantic Region: 40

## CENTRAL

Alabama A\&M University
Alabama State University
University of Alabama, Birmingham
Alcorn State University
University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff
University of Central Arkansas
University of Central Florida
East Carolina University
Grambling State University
University of Houston
Jackson State University
Lamar University
Marshall University
McNeese State University
University of Memphis
Mississippi Valley State University
Total Schools in Central Region: 32
Rice University

University of Maryland, College Park
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore
University of Miami (Florida)
Norfolk State University
University of North Carolina, Asheville University of North Carolina,
Chapel Hill
University of North Carolina,
Greensboro
North Carolina A\&T State University
North Carolina State University
Radford University
Samford University
University of Virginia
Virginia Military Institute
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University
Western Carolina University
Winthrop University
Wofford College

Nicholls State University
Northwestern State University
Prairie View A\&M University
Sam Houston State University Southeastern Louisiana University University of Southern Mississippi Southern University, Baton Rouge Stephen F. Austin State University Texas A\&M University - Corpus Christi
Texas Southern University
University of Texas at Arlington
University of Texas, Pan American University of Texas at San Antonio Texas State University-San Marcos Tulane University

Brown University
University of Cincinnati
Columbia University
University of Connecticut
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
University of Dayton
University of Delaware
Duquesne University
Fordham University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Georgia State University
Harvard University
Hofstra University
James Madison University
La Salle University
University of Louisville
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of North Carolina, Charlotte
University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Northeastern University
Total Schools in East Region: 45

## EAST

University of Notre Dame Old Dominion University University of Pennsylvania University of Pittsburgh
Princeton University
University of Rhode Island
University of Richmond
Rutgers, The State University
of New Jersey, New Brunswick
St. Bonaventure University
St. John's University (New York)
Saint Joseph's University
Saint Louis University
Seton Hall University
University of South Florida
Temple University
Towson University
Villanova University
Virginia Commonwealth University
West Virginia University
College of William \& Mary
Xavier University
Yale University

## MIDEAST

MIDWEST

University of Akron
Austin Peay State University
Ball State University
Bowling Green State University
University at Buffalo,
the State University of New York
Centenary College (Louisiana)
Central Michigan University
Chicago State University
Eastern Illinois University
Eastern Kentucky University
Eastern Michigan University
University of Illinois, Champaign
Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort Wayne
Indiana University, Bloomington
University of lowa
Jacksonville State University
Kent State University
Miami University (Ohio)
University of Michigan

Total Schools in Mideast Region: 40

Michigan State University
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Morehead State University
Murray State University
North Dakota State University
Northern Illinois University
Northwestern University
Oakland University
Ohio University
Ohio State University
Oral Roberts University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
South Dakota State University
Southeast Missouri State University
Southern Utah University
University of Tennessee at Martin Tennessee Technological University University of Toledo
Western Illinois University
Western Michigan University

Baylor University
Bradley University
Butler University
Cleveland State University
Creighton University
Dallas Baptist University
University of Evansville
Illinois State University
University of Illinois at Chicago
Indiana State University
University of Kansas
Kansas State University
Missouri State University
University of Missouri, Columbia

Total Schools in Midwest Region: 26

## NORTHEAST

University at Albany
Binghamton University
Bucknell University
Canisius College
Central Connecticut State University
Fairfield University
Fairleigh Dickinson University, Metropolitan
University of Hartford
College of the Holy Cross
Iona College
Lafayette College
Le Moyne College
Lehigh University
Long Island University-Brooklyn Campus
University of Maine, Orono
Manhattan College

Total Schools in Northeast Region: 32

University of Nebraska, Lincoln
University of Oklahoma
Oklahoma State University
Southern Illinois University at Carbondale
University of Texas at Austin
Texas A\&M University, College Station
Texas Tech University
Valparaiso University
Wichita State University
University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Wright State University
Youngstown State University

Marist College
University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Monmouth University
Mount St. Mary's University
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New York Institute of Technology
Niagara University
Quinnipiac University
Rider University
Sacred Heart University
St. Peter's College
Siena College
Stony Brook University
U.S. Military Academy
U.S. Naval Academy

Wagner College

## SOUTH

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa Arkansas State University
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville University of Arkansas, Little Rock Auburn University
Belmont University
Campbell University
East Tennessee State University
University of Florida
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida International University
University of Georgia
Jacksonville University
Kennesaw State University
University of Kentucky
Lipscomb University
Total Schools in South Region: 34

## University of Arizona

Arizona State University
Brigham Young University
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Riverside
University of California, Santa Barbara
California Polytechnic State University
California State University, Fresno
California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Northridge California State University, Sacramento
Gonzaga University
University of Hawaii, Manoa
ong Beach State University
Louisiana Tech University
Loyola Marymount University
University of Nevada
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
University of New Mexico
Total Schools in West Region: 43

* Reclassifying and provisional institutions are not listed in this appendix.


## Appendix E

## Regional Advisory Committees

[Reference: Regional Advisory Committees in this handbook and Bylaws 21.4.1.4 and 21.5.1.6 in the NCAA Manual.]

Sports committees shall appoint an advisory committee in each of their respective regions to assist in the evaluation of teams throughout the season.

## Atlantic Region

Lynn Thompson, Bethune-Cookman University, chair
Kyle Kallander, Big South Conference, vice-chair
Pete Hughes, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Mervyl Melendez, Bethune-Cookman University
Chris Pollard, Appalachian State University
Joe Raccuia, Radford University

## Central Region

Gary Overton, East Carolina University, chair
Bobby Staub, University of Louisiana at Monroe, vice-chair
Scott Berry, University of Southern Mississippi
Michael Bumpers, University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff
Mark Johnson, Sam Houston State University

## East Region

Chris Monasch, St. John's University (New York), chair John Hardt, Bucknell University, vice-chair
Ed Blankmeyer, St. John's University (New York)
Scott Bradley, Princeton University
Loren Hibbs, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Frank Leoni, College of William and Mary

## Mideast Region

John Anderson, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, chair Lynn Thompson, Bethune-Cookman College, vice-chair Gary McClure, Austin Peay State University
Doug Schreiber, Purdue University
Scott Stricklin, Kent State University
Rob Walton, Oral Roberts University

## Midwest Region

Tim Weiser, Big 12 Conference, chair
Mark LaBarbera, Valparaiso University, vice-chair
Rob Childress, Texas A\&M University, College Station
Scott Doffek, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Keith Guttin, Missouri State University

## Northeast Region

John Hardt, Bucknell University, chair
Chris Monasch, St. John's University (New York), vice-chair
Greg DiCenzo, College of Holy Cross
Charle Hickey, Central Connecticut State University
Jon Mueller, University of Albany
Tim Murray, Marist College

## South Region

Bobby Staub, University of Louisiana at Monroe, chair
Gary Overton, East Carolina University, vice-chair
Mike Bianco, University of Mississippi
Pete Dunn, Stetson University
Bobby Pierce, Troy University
West Region
Mark Marquess, Stanford University, chair
Kyle Kallander, Big South Conference, vice-chair
Mike Batesole, California State University, Fresno George Horton, University of Oregon
Larry Lee, California Polytechnic State University Jim Schlossnagle, Texas Christian University
Jedd Soto, St. Mary's College of California

