



**2025-26 NCAA DIVISION II STREAMLINED REVIEW PROCESS  
AMATEURISM CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES**

In the amateurism certification process, the NCAA Eligibility Center may apply relief, as follows:

- 1. Minimal Competition.** When a prospective student-athlete has participated in organized competition beyond the legislated grace period, staff will calculate the number of contests (or dates of competition) in which the PSA participated as a percentage of the maximum number of permissible contests (or dates of competition) in the sport, per NCAA Division II Bylaw 17.

If the PSA’s participation in organized competition beyond the legislated grace period is less than the amount below, staff will provide full relief from the delayed-enrollment condition. Staff may provide relief per season or average the amount of competition by the number of delay periods to provide relief for the entire delay, whichever is more favorable for the PSA.

Sport	Contests*	Dates of Competition*	Sport	Contests*	Dates of Competition*
Acrobatics and Tumbling		4	Rowing, Women’s		6
Baseball	15		Rugby, Women’s		5
Basketball	8		Skiing		10 (Alpine) 10 (Nordic)
Beach Volleyball		5	Soccer	6	
Bowling, Women’s		10	Softball	17	
Cross Country		3	Stunt		5
Equestrian		5	Swimming and Diving		5
Fencing		4	Tennis		8
Field Hockey	6		Track and Field (Indoor and Outdoor)		6
Football	4		Triathlon, Women’s		2
Golf		7	Volleyball, Men’s		9
Gymnastics		4	Volleyball, Women’s		8
Ice Hockey, Men’s	10		Water Polo		7
Ice Hockey, Women’s	11		Wrestling, Men’s		5
Lacrosse		6	Wrestling, Women’s		5
Rifle		4			

*\*Note: When calculating the maximum number of contests and dates of competition for the above chart, the totals have been rounded up to the next whole number.*

- 2. COVID-19 Delayed Enrollment Relief.** Due to the impact of COVID-19, the Division II Administrative Committee and the Division II Committee on Legislative Relief approved flexibility that permits PSAs who have not previously enrolled full time at a collegiate institution, and their legislated grace period ends before or during the 2021-22 academic year, to receive relief from the delayed-enrollment legislation for organized competition that occurs in either 2020-21 or 2021-22 (whichever is more beneficial).
- 3. Released Error Policy.** In accordance with its [released error policy](#), the Eligibility Center may consider an error in the waiver process.