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The Division II Administrative Committee met this afternoon and discussed the Division II Planning and Finance Committee's recommendation regarding reductions to the 2021 winter and spring championships brackets/field sizes. The committee also discussed a one-year waiver of regional site determination.

The committee approved a recommendation from the Division II Planning and Finance Committee and the Division II Championships Committee to reduce the brackets/field sizes of the 2021 winter and spring championships. The reductions reflect recommendations from the Division II winter and spring sport committees, which the Division II Championships Committee approved. These reductions determine appropriate brackets/field sizes that help mitigate projected budget shortfalls without compromising the student-athlete experience.

Most sport committees arrived at a 25% reduction. Instances where the recommended reductions are more or less than 25% are primarily due to logistical or practical concerns with operating the event. See below for the approved brackets/field sizes reductions.

The Division II governance structure, including sports committees and the Championships Committee, will continue to monitor and adapt to any possible changes due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition to the approval by the Administrative Committee on brackets/field sizes reductions, the Championships Committee agreed that given the challenges inherent within the selection process this year with reduced competitions (particularly nonconference competitions), winter and spring sport committees and their regional advisory committees (RACs) will be allowed to use any or all of the selection criteria available to them, provided the criteria are applied consistently throughout the season. The availability of all criteria will start this winter for the men's and women's basketball committees and RACs for the selection of participants for the men's and women's basketball championships.

The committee also approved the Championships Committee's recommendation to provide a one-year waiver of regional site determination for the 2020-21 academic year only. This waiver provides sport committees flexibility in selecting regional hosts. Due to 2021 winter and spring championships moving to predetermined sites, this waiver provides the necessary flexibility to prepare for a scenario in which a top-seeded team is unable to host regional competition.

The committee received the Membership Committee's recommendation to delay the Institutional Self-Study Guide submission deadline for institutions in Class 1. Institutions in ISSG Class 1 will now be required to submit the ISSG by May 31, 2022. This relief does not apply to Provisional Year One institutions in the membership process.

The committee supported flexibility for prospective student-athletes who delay initial full-time collegiate enrollment and would be impacted by organized competition occurring in the 2020-21 academic year. A prospective student-athlete who has not previously enrolled full-time at a collegiate institution and whose legislated grace period concluded prior to or during the 2020-21 academic year may engage in organized competition during the 2020-21 academic year without using a season of competition.

View the action item [here](#). A list of the committee's actions can also be found on the [Division II compliance page](#) on NCAA.org.

A document containing common questions and answers related to the Administrative Committee's COVID-19 action continues to be updated as needed on the [DII compliance page](#).

Please work with your compliance administrator on any questions you have.

We continue to encourage institutions to make decisions and act in the best interest of your student-athletes and communities.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

<b>Winter Sports</b>			
<b>Sport</b>	<b>Sponsorship</b>	<b>Full Bracket/ Field Size</b>	<b>Recommended Bracket/ Field Size (% reduction)</b>
Men's Basketball	304	64	48 (25%)
Women's Basketball	305	64	48 (25%)
Men's Indoor Track and Field	176	270	202 (25%)
Women's Indoor Track and Field	201	270	202 (25%)
Men's Swimming and Diving	76	175	146 (17%)
Women's Swimming and Diving	102	205	146 (29%)
Wrestling	63	180	132 (27%)
<b>Spring Sports</b>			
<b>Sport</b>	<b>Sponsorship</b>	<b>Full Bracket/ Field Size</b>	<b>Recommended Bracket/ Field Size (% reduction)</b>
Baseball	252	56	42 (25%)
Men's Golf	224	108	84 (22%)
Women's Golf	200	96	72 (25%)
Men's Lacrosse	72	12	10 (17%)
Women's Lacrosse	111	16	12 (25%)
Women's Rowing	16	6 teams per event (2)	4 teams per event (2) (34%)
Softball	290	64	48 (25%)
Men's Tennis	148	48	36 (25%)
Women's Tennis	207	48	36 (25%)
Men's Outdoor Track and Field	225	377	283 (25%)
Women's Outdoor Track and Field	256	377	283 (25%)

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