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Second Publication of Proposed Legislation 112th Annual Convention

This publication presents all proposed amendments to NCAA Division II legislation that were properly submitted in accordance with the September 1 deadline in the NCAA legislative calendar. The proposals herein appear in the order in which they would appear, if adopted, in the NCAA Division II Manual. No attempt has been made to place them in topical groupings or in the order in which they eventually might appear in the Convention agenda. Each proposal is accompanied not only by the traditional statement of intent and proposed effective date, but also by a statement of rationale.

The order of the membership-sponsored proposal(s) contained in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation has changed in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. The order of the five proposals in the second publication will change in the Official Notice. The numeral 2 has been placed in front of the proposal number to help identify its position in the second publication. In addition, for each proposal that appeared in the initial publication, a parenthetical follows the proposal number, which identifies the proposal's number as it appeared in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation.

No new proposals may be submitted for the 2018 Convention inasmuch as the July 15 and September 1 deadlines have passed. Member institutions and conferences, as well as the Presidents Council, have until 5 p.m. Eastern time November 1 to submit amendments to these proposals. Such amendments-to-amendments may not increase the modification set forth in the printed proposal. Amendments-to-amendments submitted by the membership must have eight sponsors from active member institutions in Division II. In addition, amendments-to-amendments may be sponsored by at least one member conference (on behalf of eight or more of their active member institutions) in Division II. It should be noted that proposals that are withdrawn after the September 15 sponsor-modification deadline appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation; however, information will be included in the Official Notice to indicate the sponsor's intent to withdraw the proposal at the Convention.

Member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. Refer to Appendix B for information about how to request an interpretation.

This publication represents the second of three publications dealing with Convention legislation, as dictated by the provisions of Constitution 5. The third publication will be as follows:

November 15 - Official Notice of the 2018 Convention. This publication will contain all legislation for the Convention, including all amendments-to-amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline.

2017-18 Legislative Calendar

The legislative calendar, as set forth in Constitution 5, is summarized here for convenience of reference.

July 15: Deadline for submission of amendments by the Division II membership. Each amendment must include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale (200 words or less), as well as identification of the designated primary contact person.

July 15: Legislation Committee Review. The committee reviews proposals by the membership and works with the primary contact person for each amendment to ensure that the proposal meets the intent of the sponsor, to ensure that the placement of the amendment is consistent with the organizational integrity of the Manual, and to edit the intent and rationale statements of the sponsors for clarity and brevity.

August 9: Presidents Council Consideration. The NCAA Division II Presidents Council considers legislative proposals that it may wish to sponsor. It also reviews the proposals submitted by the membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline.

August 15: Posting of Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation.

August 15-September 15: Sponsor-Modification Period. Sponsors are permitted to refine and change their proposals in any manner germane to the original proposal. Member institutions and conferences are invited to offer any suggested revisions of a proposal to the primary contact person listed with the proposal. Also, members that believe an amendment should not be modified should inform the primary contact person.

September 1: Deadline for submission of amendments sponsored by the Division II Presidents Council.

September 15: Deadline for submission by all sponsors (with submission by the primary contact person) of any modification to their original amendments. These modifications may represent either greater or lesser changes; they need only be germane to the original proposal.

September 23: Posting of Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. This publication includes all Division II membership-sponsored proposals (as modified) and includes all proposals sponsored by the Division II Presidents Council.

September 23-November 1: Amendment-to-amendment period. The Division II Presidents Council as well as the membership (see Constitution 5.3.5.3) may submit amendments to the proposals in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. These amendments-to-amendments may not increase the modification of the provisions to be amended; they must fall between the provisions of the circularized amendment and the current provisions.

November 1: Deadline for all amendments-to-amendments to be received in the national office. No amendments-to-amendments sponsored by the membership may be submitted after this date. The Presidents Council is authorized to submit further amendments-to-amendments at the Convention if it deems such action necessary.

November 15: Mailing and Posting of the Official Notice of the Convention. This publication includes all Division II proposed legislation and properly submitted amendments-to-amendments.

January 17-20, 2018: NCAA Convention. Delegates may receive the Convention Program when they register at Convention or they may use the NCAA Convention app. The Convention Program and app also contain the most up-to-date meeting schedule and other helpful Convention information.

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Division II Membership

[Note: Pursuant to Constitution 5.3.12, all amendments shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August following adoption by the Convention; however, if a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date prior to the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Further, all amendments with an effective date other than the first day of August following the Convention, will contain in the rationale statement reasons for such an effective date. Those proposals that receive the required vote to carry an immediate effective date and that are adopted, become effective upon adjournment of the Convention.]

[Note: In the following proposals:

- Those letters and words that appear in *italics* and ~~strikethrough~~ are to be deleted;
- Those letters and words that appear in **bold** and underlined are to be added; and
- Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division II legislation.]

Membership

No. 2-1 (1-1) NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP -- GENERAL -- MEMBERSHIP FOR INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS -- INSTITUTIONS LOCATED IN MEXICO

Intent: To specify that an institution located in Mexico may join Division II upon the successful completion of the membership process.

A. Constitution: Amend 3.02.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.02.3 Membership Categories.

3.02.3.1 Active Member. An active member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for a ~~Canadian~~ **international** institution) and duly elected to active membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.3.3). Active members have the right to compete in NCAA championships, to vote on legislation and other issues before the Association, and to enjoy other privileges of membership designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. (See Constitution 3.3.2.1.1 regarding restrictions on the privileges of for-profit institutions.)

[3.02.3.1.1 unchanged.]

3.02.3.2 Provisional Member. A provisional member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for a ~~Canadian~~ **an international** institution) and that has applied for active membership in the Association. Provisional membership is a prerequisite for active membership in the Association. The institution shall be elected to provisional membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.6.3). Provisional members shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. For specific requirements, see Bylaw 20.2.

[3.02.3.3 unchanged.]

3.02.3.4 Provisional Conference. A provisional conference consists of a group of at least 10 four-year colleges or universities or two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for a ~~Canadian~~ **international** institution), and that has applied for provisional conference membership in the Association. Provisional conference membership is a prerequisite for active conference membership in the Association. The conference shall be elected to provisional conference membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.4.1) and shall follow the guiding principles of a model Division II conference, set forth in the "Division II Long-Range Financial Plan." Provisional conferences shall receive all publications and mailings received by voting member conferences in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

[3.02.3.5 unchanged.]

B. Constitution: Amend 3.2.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.2.1 General. Membership is available to colleges, universities, athletics conferences or associations and other groups that are related to intercollegiate athletics; that have acceptable academic standards (as defined in Constitution 3.3.3.2); and that are located in Canada, **Mexico** and the United States, its territories or possessions. Such institutions or organizations must accept and observe the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

3.2.1.1 Membership of ~~Canadian~~ **International** Institutions. ~~Canadian institutions~~ **Institutions located in Canada and Mexico** invited to explore Division II membership must accept or observe the policies and

procedures as developed and approved by the Board of Governors, in addition to the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

3.2.1.1.1 Accreditation Standard for ~~Canadian~~ **International** Institutions. ~~A Canadian institution~~ **An institution located in Canada or Mexico** must satisfy the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards to be elected to and maintain active membership in the Association by meeting one of the following standards:

[3.2.1.1.1-(a) through 3.2.1.1.1-(b) unchanged.]

C. Constitution: Amend 3.3.3.2, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.3.3.2 Accreditation. An institution shall meet the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards by accreditation through one of the six regional accrediting agencies* (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for ~~a Canadian~~ **an international** institution). The application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division and sport classification in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee.

D. Constitution: Amend 3.6.1.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.6.1.1 Types of Institutions. Membership in the provisional period is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for ~~a Canadian~~ **an international** institution) and duly elected to the membership process under the provisions of Constitution 3.6.3 and Bylaw 20.2.

E. Constitution: Amend 3.6.3.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.6.3.3 Accreditation. An institution shall meet the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards by accreditation through one of the six regional accrediting agencies* (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for ~~a Canadian~~ **an international** institution). The application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division and sport classification in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee.

F. Bylaws: Amend 14.8.2.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

14.8.2.1 Residence Requirement. The one-year residence requirement for student-athletes may be waived under the following conditions or circumstances:

[14.8.2.1-(a) through 14.8.2.1-(c) unchanged.]

(d) For a student-athlete who transfers to a member institution to continue the student-athlete's opportunity for full participation in a sport because the student-athlete's original institution lost regional accreditation [or no longer meets the accreditation standard for ~~a Canadian~~ **an international** institution (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1)] and forfeited immediately its membership in the Association per Constitution 3.3.5.2.

G. Bylaws: Amend 20.02.5, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.02.5 Provisional Membership. A provisional member institution is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for ~~a Canadian~~ **an international** institution) and that has applied for active membership in the Association. The institution shall be elected to provisional membership under the provisions of this article and Constitution 3.6.3. Provisional membership is a prerequisite for active membership

and shall last for a minimum of three years. During year one of the membership process, an institution shall administer its athletics programs in accordance with NCAA legislation regarding full-time enrollment, good academic standing, sports sponsorship and health and safety. During years two and three of the provisional period, an institution shall administer its athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association. Provisional members shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. For specific requirements, see Bylaw 20.2.

[20.02.5 unchanged.]

H. Bylaws: Amend 20.2.1.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.2.1.1 Types of Institutions. Membership in the provisional period is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency (see Constitution 3.2.1.1.1 for the accreditation standard for ~~a Canadian~~ **an international** institution) and duly elected to the membership process under the provisions of Constitution 3.6.3 and Bylaw 20.2.

[20.2.1.1 unchanged.]

I. Administrative: Amend 31.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

31.3.3.1.1 Countable Competition. For NCAA team-championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Constitution 3.3.4.4) of four-year, degree-granting institutions located in Canada, **Mexico** and the United States, its territories or possessions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.

Source: California Collegiate Athletic Association, Great Northwest Athletic Conference and Pacific West Conference.

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: In 2008, Division II adopted Proposal No. 2008-3 which established a pilot program to allow Canadian institutions to join the Division II membership. In April 2017, the NCAA Board of Governors voted to end the 10-year international pilot and established a formal policy regarding international membership in the NCAA. Division II remains the only division with an international member. This proposal will expand the legislation to institutions in Mexico. Giving institutions in Mexico the opportunity to apply for Division II membership will allow Division II student-athletes the chance to benefit from cross-cultural competition, gain experience in international travel and potentially reach new markets. Finally, allowing institutions located in Mexico the opportunity to join the Division II membership, will help expand the number of institutions located in the West region. This proposal would not require institutions to compete in Mexico. Institutions located in Mexico will be required to apply and go through the Division II membership process, which would include receiving a bona fide invitation for membership from an active Division II conference before applying for Division II membership. The immediate effective date will permit institutions located in Mexico to apply for Division II membership by February 1, 2018.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: What is the current policy regarding international membership in Division II?

Answer: In April 2017, the NCAA Board of Governors established a formal policy regarding international membership in the NCAA, which provides each division the authority and autonomy to determine whether to open its membership to Canadian or Mexican institutions. Currently, Division II permits membership from institutions located in Canada.

Question No. 2: Will institutions located in Mexico follow the same membership process as a domestic institution?

Answer: Yes. Institutions located in Mexico will be required to complete the membership process outlined in Bylaw 20.2 (Division II membership process), which would include receiving a bona fide invitation for membership from an active Division II conference before applying for membership (see Bylaw 20.2.2.2).

Question No. 3: What is the effective date for this proposal?

Answer: The proposal has an immediate effective date to permit institutions located in Mexico to apply to enter the membership process by February 1, 2018.

Question No. 4: Will institutions be required to travel to and/or compete in Mexico?

Answer: No. However, a conference may have more stringent policies for conference competition.

Ethical Conduct

No. 2-2 ETHICAL CONDUCT -- SPORTS WAGERING ACTIVITIES -- SANCTIONS -- ELIMINATION OF LEGISLATED SANCTIONS

Intent: To eliminate the legislated penalty for sports wagering.

Bylaws: Amend 10.3, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote, Roll Call]

10.3 Sports Wagering Activities. The following individuals shall not knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition:

[10.3-(a) through 10.3-(d) unchanged.]

[10.3.1 unchanged.]

~~10.3.2 Sanctions. The following sanctions for violations of Bylaw 10.3 shall apply:~~

~~(a) A student-athlete who engages in activities designed to influence the outcome of an intercollegiate contest or in an effort to affect win-loss margins (i.e., "point shaving") or who participates in any sports wagering activity involving the student-athlete's institution shall permanently lose all remaining regular season and postseason eligibility in all sports.~~

~~(b) A student-athlete who participates in any sports wagering activity through the Internet, a bookmaker or a parlay card shall be ineligible for all regular season and postseason competition for a minimum period of one year from the date of the institution's determination that a violation occurred and shall be charged with the loss of a minimum of one season of eligibility. If the student-athlete is later determined to have been involved in a violation of any portion of Bylaw 10.3, the student-athlete shall permanently lose all remaining regular season and postseason eligibility in all sports.~~

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement)].

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: The student-athlete reinstatement process offers the opportunity for the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement and NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff to review cases on an individual basis and consider the totality of the circumstances. For violations that trigger the legislated sports wagering sanctions, the minimum penalty is automatic and cannot be appealed. To promote increased fairness, the committee believes it is important to conduct a case-by-case review of these sports wagering violations and also provide for an appellate opportunity. Further, it is important to note that, if the proposal is adopted, the legislated sanctions will be incorporated into the Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement guidelines, which would recognize the Association's continued emphasis on the severity of sports wagering violations. [Note: Bylaw 10.3.2 is a common provision across NCAA Divisions I, II, and III.]

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: Does this proposal eliminate the prohibition on sports wagering?

Answer: No. This proposal eliminates the current, legislated minimum sanctions for sports wagering. Sports wagering will remain impermissible under NCAA legislation, but the adoption of this proposal will allow the NCAA Division II Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement authority to develop appropriate guidelines for review of cases on an individual basis and consider the totality of the circumstances. Further, the existing legislated sanctions will be incorporated into the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement guidelines.

Question No. 2: Does the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement currently have discretion to reduce or waive the legislated sanction for sports wagering violations?

Answer: No. The legislated minimum sanction must be applied to all cases involving sports wagering activity through the Internet, a bookmaker or a parlay card, regardless of the amount wagered (e.g., \$5 or \$500).

Question No. 3: If this proposal is adopted, will each sports wagering violation be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine appropriate sanctions?

Answer: Yes. This proposal would eliminate the automatic application of the legislated sanctions, and each case would be evaluated on an individual basis using the guidelines developed by the Committee on Student-Athlete reinstatement.

Question No. 4: Is the same proposal being considered in Divisions I and III?

Answer: Yes. Bylaw 10.3.2 is a common provision across all three divisions and requires a majority vote of each of the three divisions, voting separately, for adoption or amendment.

Awards and Benefits

No. 2-3 AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- AWARDS -- APPLICATION OF AWARDS LEGISLATION AND TYPES OF AWARDS, AWARDING AGENCIES, MAXIMUM VALUE AND NUMBERS OF AWARDS -- AWARDS RECEIVED FOR PARTICIPATION WHILE NOT REPRESENTING THE INSTITUTION AND INCREASE IN MAXIMUM VALUES

Intent: To amend the awards legislation, as follows: (1) to specify that the limitations on awards received by a student-athlete are governed by Bylaw 16.1 if the student-athlete is representing the institution or by the rules of the amateur organization that governs the competition if the student-athlete is not representing the institution; (2) to increase the limitation on the maximum value of the annual participation award for a senior by \$100 and to increase the limitation on the maximum value of all other participation awards by \$50; and (3) to eliminate the restrictions on the type of award that can be provided for a specialized performance in a single contest or during limited time period (e.g., player of the game, player of the week).

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

12.1.3 Permissible -- Following Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment. Following initial full-time collegiate enrollment, participation in the following activities and receipt of the following benefits will not jeopardize the amateur status of an individual:

[12.1.3-(a) through 12.1.3-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Awards Based on Performance in Outside Competition. Receipt of an award (e.g., trophy, medal, saddle) based on place finish or performance in outside competition, subject to the ~~applicable post-enrollment awards limits (see Bylaw 16.1)~~ **rules of the amateur organization that governs the competition;**

[12.1.3-(e) through 12.1.3-(g) unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 16.1.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

16.1.1 Application of Awards Legislation.

[16.1.1.1 unchanged.]

16.1.1.2 Awards Received ~~by a Student Athlete While Enrolled as a Full-Time Student~~ **for Participation While Representing the Institution**. The awards limitations of Bylaw 16.1 apply to awards received by a student-athlete ~~while enrolled during the academic year (i.e., from the beginning of the fall term through completion of the spring term, including any intervening vacation period) as a regular student in a minimum full-time academic load, or awards received by a student athlete while representing the student athlete's institution at any other time. Such awards may not include cash, gift certificates, a cash equivalent award (i.e., an item that is negotiable for cash or trade or other services, benefits or merchandise) for athletics participation, or a country club or sports club membership~~ **for participation in competition while representing his or her institution.** [R]

16.1.1.3 ~~Student Athlete Not Regularly Enrolled.~~ **Awards Received for Participation While Not Representing the Institution**. Awards received by a student-athlete ~~participating in an event while not enrolled as a regular student during the academic year, or received during the summer while not representing his or her institution,~~ **for participation in competition while not representing the institution** shall conform to the regulations of the recognized amateur organization that governs the competition. Such awards may include gift certificates, but not cash. **[See Bylaw 12.1.3-(c) for prize money based on place finish in individual sports.]** [R]

[16.1.1.4 through 16.1.1.5 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend Figure 16-1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

Figure 16-1 Participation Awards

FIGURE 16-1
Participation Awards [R]

Type of Award	Maximum Value of Award	Number of Times Award May Be Received	Permissible Awarding Agencies	Maximum Number of Permissible Awarding Agencies
Annual Participation — Underclassmen	\$175 \$225	Once per year per sport	Institution	1
Annual Participation — Senior	\$325 \$425	Once per year per sport	Institution	1
Senior Scholar-Athlete Award	\$150 \$200 (tangible item) \$10,000 (postgraduate scholarship)	Once per year to two graduating seniors	Institution	1
Special Event Participation				
• Participation in postseason conference championship contest or tournament	\$325* \$375*	Once per event	• Institution • Management of event (may include conference office)	2
• Participation in postseason NCAA championship contest or tournament	Institution — \$325 \$375 NCAA — No limit	Once per event	• Institution • NCAA	2
• Participation in all-star game or post-season bowl	\$350** \$400**	Once per event	• Institution • Management of event	2
• Participation in other established meets, tournaments and featured individual competition	\$350** \$400**	Once per event	• Institution • Management of event	2

* The combined value of all awards received for participation in this type of event from the institution and the management of the event may not exceed ~~\$325~~ ~~\$375~~.

** Each permissible awarding agency is subject to a separate \$350 ~~\$400~~ limit per award.

D. Bylaws: Amend Figure 16-3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

Figure 16-3 Special Achievement Awards

FIGURE 16-3
Special Achievement Awards [R]

Type of Award	Maximum Value of Award	Number of Times Award May Be Received	Permissible Awarding Agencies	Maximum Number of Permissible Awarding Agencies
Special attainments or contribution to team's season (e.g., scholar-athlete, most improved player, most minutes played, most valuable player)	\$175	Once per category of award per year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institution • Conference 	2
Most valuable player — special event*	\$325**	Once per event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institution • Conference • Organization approved by institution or conference 	Unlimited
Most valuable player — bowl game or all-star contest	\$350	Once per event	Sponsoring entity of all-star contest or postseason bowl	1
Established regional/national recognition awards (e.g., Wade Trophy, Heisman Trophy, Conference academic award)	\$325	Once per year per award	Management of award program	1
Trophy recognizing established national award	Unlimited	Once per year	Management of award program	1
Specialized performance in single contest or during limited time period (e.g., player of the game, player of the week)	\$80 (certificate-medal or plaque only)	Unlimited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference • Outside organization (e.g., local business) 	Unlimited
Hometown award	\$80	Unlimited	Group (other than institution's booster club) located in the student-athlete's home town	Unlimited; other than institution's booster club
Recognition of a student-athlete for community engagement achievements	\$80	Unlimited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institution • Organization/Entity in the institution's community 	Unlimited
Conference student-athlete of the year award	\$350	Once per year for one male student-athlete and one female student-athlete	Conference	1
Conference scholar-athlete of the year award	\$350	Once per year for one male student-athlete and one female student-athlete	Conference	1

* The award recipient must be selected by a recognized organization approved by a member institution or conference.

** Each permissible awarding agency is subject to a separate \$325 limit per award. Each awarding agency may provide only a single award for each event to each student-athlete.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Effective Date: August 1, 2018

Rationale: This proposal simplifies the awards legislation by providing greater flexibility for student-athletes to receive awards for outside competition. This change also reduces the burden on institutional staff by eliminating the need to determine whether an award received while the student-athlete was not representing the institution but was enrolled full time satisfies the Bylaw 16 award limitations. Additionally, the proposed award limits have not been adjusted for inflation since 2006 and due to inflation, particularly in the market rate for gold, it has become more difficult to provide the same or similar awards to student-athletes. While all institutions may not approach the dollar limit, the rate of inflation should not restrict those who wish to provide certain awards that may be traditional marks of recognition (e.g., rings). Further, the inequity among the divisions will exist if Division II does not increase the limits in a similar manner.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: May an amateur organization provide a monetary award in excess of actual and necessary expenses?

Answer: No [see Bylaw 12.1.3-(c)].

Question No. 2: When were the participation award limits last increased in Division II?

Answer: 2006.

Question No. 3: How do the participation award limits in this proposal compare to Divisions I and III?

Answer: The participation award limits would align with the limits in Divisions I and III.

Question No. 4: Would this proposal increase the award limit for a specialized performance in a single contest or during a limited time period (e.g., player of the game, player of the week)?

Answer: No, the limit will remain \$80. However, an award given for a specialized performance will no longer be limited to a certificate, medal or plaque. For example, it would be permissible to award a t-shirt or sweatshirt for a specialized performance.

Playing and Practice Seasons

No. 2-4 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- PRESEASON PRACTICE -- FIRST PRACTICE DATE -- CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT

Intent: In football, to specify that an institution shall not begin official preseason practice sessions in the championship segment before 24 days prior to the first permissible contest or 10 days before the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

Bylaws: Amend 17.10.2.1, as follows:

[Roll Call, football only]

17.10.2.1 First Practice Date -- Championship Segment. A member institution shall not commence official preseason football practice sessions in the championship segment, for the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team, before ~~21~~ **24** days before the first permissible contest or ~~seven~~ **10** days before the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Championships Committee)].

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: The Interassociation Consensus on Year-Round Football Practice Contact for College Student-Athletes Recommendations included a recommendation to discontinue two-a-day practices. Accordingly, the Division II Presidents Council adopted emergency legislation (Proposal No. EM-2018-1) to eliminate multiple on-field practices in the same day. To account for that, the Division II Committee for Legislative Relief provided waiver relief for the 2017 football season only to allow institutions additional days for preseason practice. This proposal would amend Bylaw 17.10.2.1 (first practice date -- championship segment) to codify the waiver relief and specify that the first practice date in the championship segment is 24 days before the first permissible contest date, or 10 days before the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Adoption of this proposal would ensure that institutions are able to adhere to the emergency legislation without compromising their student-athletes' preparedness for the upcoming 2018 season. Additionally, allowing institutions to begin practice three days earlier will provide adequate time for football teams to take the recommended day off per week during the preseason.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: Under current legislation, when is the first permissible preseason practice date in the championship segment?

Answer: The first permissible preseason practice date is 21 days before the first permissible contest or seven days before the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

Question No. 2: Would institutions be required to begin preseason practice 24 days before the first permissible contest date, or 10 days before the institution's first day of classes?

Answer: No.

Question No. 3: Would this proposal change or eliminate the five-day acclimatization period?

Answer: No.

No. 2-5 (1-3) PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- FIRST DATE OF COMPETITION -- CHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT -- WOMEN -- EXCEPTION -- DIVISION II NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FALL FESTIVAL

Intent: In women's volleyball, to specify that in years in which the Division II National Championships Festival occurs in the fall, a member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition before the Thursday preceding August 30.

Bylaws: Amend 17.25.2.3, as follows:

17.25.2.3 First Date of Competition -- Championship Segment -- Women. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition with outside competition in the championship segment before the Thursday preceding September 6.

17.25.2.3.1 Exception -- Division II National Championships Fall Festival. In years in which the Division II National Championships Festival occurs in the fall, a member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition in women's volleyball before the Thursday preceding August 30.

[17.25.2.3.1 renumbered as 17.25.2.3.2, unchanged.]

Source: East Coast Conference and Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: Under current legislation, women's volleyball loses a week of its competitive season during years in which the Festival occurs in the fall, due to the timing of the Festival. The loss of a week results in less time for student-athletes to recover between matches. In addition, it increases missed class time due to the need to schedule more midweek games because of the condensed regular season. The shortened season also results in a competitive disadvantage for schools located in remote geographic areas, as the opportunity to play midweek games is limited for those institutions due to travel considerations. The compacted season also reduces the opportunity for nonconference, in-region play, which is essential to the ranking and selection of teams for the postseason. This exception will provide student-athletes with the opportunity to participate in Division II's marquee championship event without having to experience the negative impact of a shortened season.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question No. 1: How does this proposal change the current legislation?

Answer: This proposal would provide an exception in years in which the Division II National Championships Festival occurs in the fall, moving up the first permissible date of competition in the championship segment to the Thursday preceding August 30.

Question No. 2: How does this proposal affect the first permissible practice date for women's volleyball?

Answer: In years in which the Festival occurs in the fall, institutions would be permitted to begin practice one week earlier.

Question No. 3: Will institutions be required to start the playing season one week earlier in Festival years?

Answer: No.

Appendix A

Legislative Proposal Number Changes

This appendix lists proposals that are included in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation and gives their corresponding numbers in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation. Please note that not all proposals that appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation were included in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation.

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Appendix B

Request for Interpretation

Member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. Interpretations related to the proposed legislation in this Second Publication of Proposed Legislation may be requested via electronic mail to the primary contact persons at kwolf@ncaa.org or gbentzel@ncaa.org, not later than November 22, 2017. When submitting such a request, please include the proposal number in question, your institution's name and your title. All resulting interpretations will be distributed to the delegates in time for the conference meetings held in conjunction with the Convention.