



Baseball

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I. GUIDELINES

- A. Bids to host the NCCAA National Baseball Championship shall be submitted to the National Baseball Chair.
- B. Dates of the National Championship for the upcoming years are as follows:
May 24-27, 2017 – Mason, Ohio May 23-25, 2018 – Mason, Ohio May 22-25, 2019 – Mason, Ohio
- C. All Regional Championships are to be completed by the Saturday evening prior to the National Championship. Regional Championships may be completed earlier if agreed upon by members within each region. Regions may choose whatever format is most expedient for the number of teams participating, but must send a copy of their Regional Championship pairings, along with the NCCAA Power Rating (see [Appendix D](#)) and results, to the National Baseball Chair and the Director of Membership & Compliance *two weeks prior to the start of their Regional Championship*. The NCCAA Power Rating System shall be used for regional seeding. All Regional Sports Chairs must double check each NCCAA Power Rating System before seeding the regionals. If there are any discrepancies, they must be reported to the National Chair and to the National Statistician. Regions must accommodate all dual members as much as possible and work around their NAIA/NCAA schedules.

Each school must submit the weekly statistical report on time to the NCCAA National Statistician (stats@thenccaa.org) to be eligible to participate. The penalty for not reporting statistics or for being late: 1st offense=warning; 2nd offense=\$100 fine paid before regional playoffs; 3rd offense=team is not allowed postseason play. All NCCAA member institutions must send to the National Office a completed Declaration of Intent to Participate form by September 15 for all varsity sports. Amendments for winter sports must be submitted by January 15 and spring sports by March 1 (see Forms & Procedures section).

D. Regional Representation

The following regions would advance one team automatically to the National Championship as a result of Regional play:

East Region	1 Bid	North Central Region	1 Bid
Mideast Region	1 Bid	Central Region	1 Bid
South Region	1 Bid	West Region	1 Bid
Midwest Region	1 Bid	At-Large	3 Bids

- a. In the event there is no Regional Championship due to lack of participation, a lone region representative may be selected by that region to receive their automatic bid provided they have a record of .500 or better. This may occur when only one team is seeking to participate or if other teams are alive in NAIA/NCAA play and are unable to participate in the NCCAA regional. A team that had originally declared its intent to participate (see Forms & Procedures section) but could not because of NAIA/NCAA tournament participation may still be considered for an at-large bid.
- b. Any team that chooses not to participate in their Regional Championship is NOT eligible for at-large consideration.
- c. The NCCAA Power Rating System shall be reported starting the second Monday of April and every week after that date. The rating shall be used in seeding for the Regional Championship.
- ### E. Selection of At-Large Bids
- a. The National Baseball Committee shall consist of the National Chair, the Vice-Chair and one at-large selection, selected by the National Chair, who must come from a team not playing in the championship.
- b. Runners-up in regions shall be given priority for consideration of at-large bids over other teams in regions that held a regional championship provided they have a record of .500 or better.
- c. The at-large request to be considered for the NCCAA National Championship is on the Declaration of Intent to Participate. Athletics Directors may list the conditions by which they shall accept at-large berths on the Declaration of Intent to Participate. To be considered for an at-large, you must have played in the NCCAA regional playoffs or been exempt due to NCAA or NAIA conflicts.
- d. At-large bids shall only be given to teams that have sought to participate in their respective Regional Championship. If a team does not play in its NCCAA Regional Championship due to NAIA/NCAA regional conflict, that team may be considered for an at-large berth if it was declared to participate in its NCCAA Regional Championship and provided that it has submitted its weekly statistical report to the NCCAA National statistician and its results to the National Baseball Chair. The Intent to Participate form must be filed by the listed deadline. At-large selections will be based on the following:
1. Overall record

2. Information given by Region Sports Chair during the conference call
3. Final season NCCAA Power Rating System and strength of schedule
4. Head to head, if applicable.

The process shall be as follows: Saturday evening there will be a conference call that includes all Regional Sports Chairs, the National Baseball Committee and a representative from the National Office. This call shall include discussion of regional winners and who would like an at-large bid from that region. The Regional Sports Chairs shall give their opinion about those teams at this time. Following this call, the National Baseball Committee shall have a call to discuss at-large selection and championship seeding. If a coach whose team is asking for an at-large bid is on the committee, he shall excuse himself from this process and the National Chair shall choose a replacement. The National Baseball Chair shall email all region sports chairs with the 10 team field and the seedings after the call.

F. Ranking

The TOP 10 shall be selected on a weekly basis by the Regional Sports Chairs and the list shall be compiled by the National Chair and sent to Brandon Gilmore (bgilmore@thenccaa.org) by noon on Tuesday. When casting votes for the national TOP 10 Rankings, regional voters must follow the order of the regional polls when casting their TOP 10 vote.

G. Election of Sport Chair and Vice-Chair

A National Baseball Chair and a Vice-Chair are elected to serve three-year terms. Elections take place at the ABCA convention coaches' meeting. The Vice-Chair replaces the National Baseball Chair after three years to serve as the National Baseball Chair.

H. Championship Administration

To insure proper administration, transportation and expenses to the National Championship shall be paid for the National Baseball Chair by the Host Site. (Flight must be scheduled 21 days in advance.) The Vice-Chair's transportation and expenses shall be paid in the event that the National Baseball Chair's team is involved in the National Championship. In the event that both the National Baseball Chair and the Vice-Chair's teams are in the National Championship, an NCCAA head baseball coach of a team not in the National Championship may be designated to act as the Championship Administrator.

I. NCCAA Regional Player of the Year

Each region shall select one Regional Player of the Year from players nominated at the Regional Championship. Teams may nominate only one player for consideration for each honor. Coaches shall determine this award by vote at the Regional Championship. Regional Players of the Year shall be automatically selected to the All-American team unless there are more Regional Players of the Year than there are openings at that position. If that occurs, a vote shall take place between the Regional Players of the Year for that All-American spot(s). All-Region certificates shall be awarded to the recipients by the Region Sports Chair.

J. National Player of the Year

A National Player of the Year shall be selected from the submitted Regional Players of the Year during the All-American conference call. The All-American Selection Committee shall meet on Tuesday following the championship by way of a conference call. Region Sports Chairs are to notify the National Baseball Chair of their respective Regional Player of the Year prior to the National Championship.

K. All-American Team

An All-American Team shall be selected Tuesday following the championship by phone conference. Only individuals from institutions who have paid their sport-participation fees and who have been selected to the All-Regional Team shall be considered. The All-American team shall not be voted on by position but shall be awarded as the top players regardless of position. There shall be 12 players each on the first team, second team, and third team. There shall be no honorable mention. Coaches who wish to have players considered for the All-Regional Team and/or the All-American Team must submit completed DAN Statistics (see [Appendix A](#) and [Appendix B](#)) to their respective Regional Sports Chairs and shall follow the same format as the All-American Team selection. The Region Sports Chair is then responsible for presenting their All-Regional Team at the coaches' meeting during the National Championship for All-American consideration. A trophy/plaque shall be awarded to each member of the All-American first team and a certificate shall be presented to each recipient and his respective institution.

L. Scholar-Athlete Award

A Scholar-Athlete Award shall be selected at the coaches' meeting during the National Championship. All candidates shall be submitted on the ballot to the National Baseball Chair one week prior to the World Series (See

Forms and Procedures section). Candidates to be considered must meet the following criteria:

1. Be of junior, senior, (or graduate student) academic standing making normal progress toward a degree.
2. Have completed at least one semester or quarter at the nominating institution.
3. Be a competing student-athlete or a varsity letter winner or that institution's equivalent in the sport for which nominated.
4. Player must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.40, which must be confirmed by the Registrar.

M. **Hank Burbridge Award sponsored by Unlimited Potential, Inc.** (see [Appendix C](#))

In order to be eligible for this award, a student-athlete must:

1. Be at least a junior, senior, or grad student academically.
2. Possess and demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities.
3. Possess and demonstrate outstanding athletic ability.
4. Possess and demonstrate a vibrant and clear Christian testimony on and off the field.
5. Possess and demonstrate an unlimited potential in serving Christ through: athletics, his local fellowship, sports evangelism, and/or other Christian organizations.
6. Possess at least a 2.50 grade point average.

N. Regional Baseball Chair

The listing of the Regional Baseball Chairs is found on the NCCAA website: www.thenccaa.org

Selection of All-Regional Team and Regional Coach of the Year

1. The Regional Baseball Chair is responsible for the administration of the vote and shall notify the National Baseball Chair of the All-Regional Team selection by May 16. The All-Regional Team shall have the same make up as the All-American Team. At the time of the selection of the various All-Regional Teams, each region is required to rank each player to aid in the selection of the All-American Team under the following guidelines:
A Player – A definite All-American candidate
B Player – An above average All-Regional performer
C Player – An average All-Regional performer
2. A Regional Coach of the Year is to be selected by a vote of the regional coaches. The Regional Baseball Chair is responsible for the administration of the vote and shall notify the National Baseball Chair of the Regional Coach of the Year selection by May 16. Criteria to be considered should include the following:
 - a. Christian testimony
 - b. Conduct of the team
 - c. Win/loss record
 - d. Development of overall program
3. Special care should be given to insure that the win/loss record does not become the lone consideration for this award.

O. The National Coach of the Year

The National Coach of the Year award shall be selected on the Tuesday telephone conference and the candidates shall be the seven Regional Coaches of the Year plus the National Championship Coach. A plaque shall be mailed and award recipient shall be announced on the NCCAA website.

P. National Championship Banquet

There shall be a "Lead Off" banquet on the Tuesday evening prior to the National Championship. All teams are required to participate and awards will be presented.

Q. National Championship Housing

All teams are required to lodge in the hotel designated by the host institution or city for this championship.

R. National Championship All-Tournament Team

A total of 10 players plus Most Outstanding Player of the Tournament (with plaque) shall be selected to the All-Tournament Team during the National Championship. Each coach shall nominate the appropriate number of players from his team based on his team's final place in the championship. The number of players selected per team is as follows:

First Place Team	1 player (plus the Most Outstanding Player)
Second Place through tenth place teams	1 player for each team

S. National Championship Christian Service Project (CSP)

Each player and coach participating in the National Championship shall be asked to donate up to, but not more than,

two hours of his time to visit with members of an organization or school. The host Championship Director, in concert with the Director of Membership & Compliance, is in charge of securing the sites and setting up the times for the visits.

T. National Championship Format

There shall be two five-team pools allowing each team to play at least four games. The top two teams from each pool shall advance to a semi-final game. The winner of Pool A will play the second place team from Pool B. The winner of Pool B shall play the second place team from Pool A. The winners of the semi-final game shall play one game for the championship. The championship pool play shall be:

Sample Baseball Pool Play Schedule

Pool A Seeds: 1, 4, 5, 8, 9
 Pool B Seeds: 2, 3, 6, 7, 10

		<u>Prasco Park</u>				<u>Legacy</u>		
Wed	10am	3	v	6	9am	4	v	5
	1pm	1	v	8	12pm	2	v	7
	5pm	4	v	9	4pm	3	v	10
	8pm	1	v	5	7pm	2	v	6
Thu	10am	6	v	7	9am	5	v	8
	1pm	2	v	10	12pm	1	v	9
	5pm	7	v	10	4pm	8	v	9
	8pm	2	v	3	7pm	1	v	4
Fri	10am	4	v	8	10am	3	v	7
	1pm	5	v	9	1pm	6	v	10

Semifinals: #1 Pool A v #2 Pool B and #1 Pool B v #2 Pool A. Winners advance to the championship match with an additional game if needed.

Tie Breaker:

1. If there is a tie between two teams with identical records, the tie breaker is the score of the game played between the two teams (head-to-head result).
2. If there are two teams, and no clear victor can be determined through head-to-head competition, then the total number of defensive runs given up, divided by the number of innings played on defense, is computed for each team involved in the tie. The one team with the lowest "run differential" advances.
3. If the two teams are still tied, the number of defensive runs given up, divided by defensive innings played will be re-computed using just the teams involved in the tie.
4. If a three-or-more-team tie exists and one team has defeated all of the other teams tied through head-to-head competition, that team will advance.
5. If there are three or more teams tied, and no clear victor can be determined on head-to-head competition, then the total number of defensive runs given up, divided by the number of innings played on defense, is computed for each team involved in the tie. The one team with the lowest "run differential" advances.
6. If a three-or-more-team tie still exists, the number of defensive runs given up, divided by defensive innings played, shall be re-computed using just the teams involved in the tie. However, if a two way tie exists after advancing a team, refer to two way tie above.

NOTE: If a team only plays part of a half-inning on defense before the game is ended, that partial inning will count as a full half-inning for the purpose of computing run differential.

U. Official Rulebook

Baseball: Professional Baseball Rules with National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Baseball Coaches Association modifications. Rule books may be purchased by contacting: The Sporting News, Book Department, Box 11229, Des Moines, Iowa 50340.

ADDENDUM A

Official Speed-up and Championship Rules Mandatory for NCCAA Regional and National Championships

A. Speed-up Rules

1. There shall be a 10-minute warm-up period for each team between games. A National Baseball Committee member shall be charged with timing the warm-up. Home team shall take infield practice first.
2. Infielders shall be allowed to throw the ball around infield while the pitcher takes five warm-up pitches. RECOMMENDATION: The pitcher in the game is permitted to use the bullpen between innings to stay loose as long as he does not delay the start of the next half-inning.
3. Relief pitchers shall be allowed eight warm-up pitches when entering a game.
4. Batter must be on deck when his turn at bat comes around.
5. On an intentional walk, the batter is waved to first base (no pitches to be thrown).
6. ENFORCE the 20-second rule: The pitcher shall deliver the ball or make a play, or an attempted play, within 20 seconds after receiving the ball.
7. Umpire shall insist that both the pitcher and batter be ready in a reasonable time. If not, they shall be penalized. If the batter delays, the umpire shall instruct the pitcher to pitch and shall call "strike" on each such pitch. If the pitcher delays, a "ball" shall be called under normal pitching rules.
8. The Ten-Run Rule shall be in effect at the end of seven innings or any inning thereafter. This is applicable only to the first complete round of play, including the loser's bracket games in the Regional Championships and to all pool play games in the National Championship.
9. All batters/runners are required to wear a double earflap helmet. The same helmet, worn while batting, shall be worn on the basepaths.
10. It is mandatory that teams use a courtesy runner for the pitcher or catcher with two men out in all championship games. With less than two outs, this rule is optional. NOTE: A team may not use the same runner for the pitcher and catcher in the same inning. If the pitcher is also designated hitter for the game, a courtesy runner is allowed. A player removed from the line-up may not be used as a courtesy runner.
11. A pitcher is permitted to go to his mouth on the dirt portion of the mound as long as he is not on the rubber and that he wipes off before going to the rubber.

B. Regional and National Championship Rules

1. The Regional Championship shall be double elimination tournament and the National Championship shall be pool play.
 - a. Any other type of championship which may be caused by weather, playing conditions, etc., shall be determined by the Region Sports Chair (for Regional Championship) and/or by the National Baseball Committee, in consultation with the Director of Membership & Compliance, for the National Championship.
 - b. Regions, which determine a champion without conducting a Regional Championship event, must certify that the regional representative complies with all NCCAA championship policies.
2. The home team for the first-round games in the NCCAA Regional Championships and NCCAA World Series shall be determined by a coin flip.
 - a. Teams drawing a bye in the first round of all championships shall be assigned either home or visitor, based upon their opponent's status in the first-round game.
 - b. For subsequent games, the Games Committee shall designate the home team as the institution that has been the home team the fewer number of times. 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 most often shall be designated the home team.
 - c. If the two teams are equal in the number of times that they have been home and visitor, the NCCAA Game Committee shall observe the following procedures in the order as listed:
 - 1) the team that was visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were visitors in their preceding game;
 - 2) if the two teams have met previously in the championships, the visitor in the previous game shall be the home team in the game in question;
 - 3) if the above procedures do not resolve the matter, the home team shall be determined by a flip of a coin.

In the NCCAA World Series, this method shall be used for all pool play games. The semifinals shall already be determined by pool play results. The championship game home team shall be the highest seed team in the series.

3. The designated hitter rule is in effect for all championship games. It is permissible for the pitcher to remain as the designated hitter after he is removed as pitcher providing he was listed as the designated hitter prior to the start of the game.
 - a. A hitter may be designated to bat for the starting pitcher and all subsequent pitchers in any game without otherwise affecting the status of the pitcher(s) in the game. A designated hitter for the pitcher must be selected prior to the game and must be included in the line-up card presented to the Umpire-In-Chief. The starting pitcher may be designated prior to the start of the game as the designated hitter and, in this case, it is only permissible for the pitcher to remain as the designated hitter after he is removed as the pitcher. It is not mandatory that a team designates a hitter for the pitcher, but failure to do so prior to the game precludes the use of a designated hitter for that game.
 - b. Pinch hitters for a designated hitter may be used. Any substitute hitter for a designated hitter becomes the designated hitter. A replaced designated hitter shall not re-enter the game in any capacity.
 - c. The designated hitter may be used defensively, continuing to bat in the same position in the batting order, but the pitcher must then bat in the place of the substituted defensive player, unless more than one substitution is made. The manager (coach) then must designate their spots in the batting order.
 - d. A runner may be substituted for the designated hitter and the runner assumes the role of designated hitter.
 - e. A designated hitter is “locked” into the batting order. No multiple substitutions may be made that will alter the batting rotation of the designated hitter.
 - f. Once the game pitcher is switched from the mound to another defensive position, this move shall terminate the designated hitter role for the remainder of the game.
 - g. Once the game pitcher bats for the designated hitter, this move shall terminate the designated hitter role for the remainder of the game.
4. Any of the starting players, with the exception of the pitcher and the designated hitter, may withdraw from the game and re-enter once, provided such players occupy the same batting position whenever they re-enter the line-up.
5. The aluminum bat is approved for all championship games.
6. The official traveling party (for expense purposes) is not to exceed 30. All teams with more than 30 in their party shall have their institution assume financial responsibility for every person over the official 30-person traveling limit. Only coaches, players, manager and trainer shall be permitted in the dugout.
7. No one is permitted on the playing field unless in proper uniform.
8. Coaches and assistant coaches (or players) are allowed to occupy the coaching boxes at first and third base provided they are properly uniformed.
9. There shall be no tobacco use of any form in the dugout or on the playing field by managers, coaches, players, umpires, honorary coaches or any other personnel associated with the championship.
10. The National Baseball Committee is given the authority to suspend, for the next game, a player or coach who is removed from a championship game for improper behavior.
11. The National Baseball Committee shall decide upon championship protests before the next pitch is thrown. All protests must be made to the Umpire-in-Chief before the next pitch is thrown.
12. Any game that is suspended (including tie games) shall be continued from the point of suspension at a time designated by the National Baseball Committee. All games shall be nine innings except those affected by the 10-run rule.
13. Rules governing the final game of each championship (regional or national) shall be decided by the Regional Baseball Chair (for the Regional Baseball Championship) and by the National Baseball Committee, in consultation with the NCCAA liaison (for the National Championship) before the game is played.
 - a. If a game is interrupted after five innings and cannot be completed before the completion deadline established for Regional and National Championships, it shall be considered a regulation game.
 - b. If a rain date has been established for the championship, then the rain date becomes the official completion date for the said championship.
14. Once a team has committed (Declaration of Intent to Participate – see Forms & Procedures section) to the Regional Championship, it must agree to continue through the National Championship, if it so qualifies.
15. The NCCAA’s designated baseball season is spring and **ONLY GAMES AGAINST A FOUR YEAR DEGREE-GRANTING INSTITUTION SHALL COUNT ON A TEAM’S RECORD** (winning percentage, ties do count) **AND SEASON STATISTICS**.
16. Teams are responsible for their own accident insurance. Neither the NCCAA nor the championship host/sponsor is responsible for hospital or doctor bills.
17. The **OFFICIAL BASEBALL RULES** (professional) shall govern play, except as cited in Addendum A, Section A (Speed-up Rules).
18. NAIA Mandatory Slide Rule shall be in effect.

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19. Throwing helmets or bats is not acceptable as appropriate Christian conduct. One warning per team may be given per contest. Any subsequent violation shall result in the ejection of the offender. A member of the National Baseball Committee or an umpire has the authority to give this warning and the head coach shall be notified of this warning.

II. 2016-2017 DEADLINES

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Destination</u>
January 5-8, 2017	National Coaches' Meeting at ABCA Convention	Anaheim, California
Postmarked Prior to First Game or Scrimmage	Eligibility Certificate Mailed (for NCCAA only members)	National Eligibility Chair
March 1	Last date to amend the Declaration of Intent to Participate Form (see Forms & Procedures section)	All Coaches
April 10	First NCCAA Power Ratings due	National Statistician
May 1	Hank Burbridge Unlimited Potential Award Nominations	National Baseball Chair
May 15	Conference call with Region Sports Chair by 10:00 p.m. Eastern time Scholar-Athlete Nominations Due DAN Stats for All-Region Players Due	National Baseball Chair
May 15	Conference call with National Baseball Committee following the previous call. Selection of at-large teams and seeding the National Championship	National Baseball Chair
May 23	National Championship Teams participate in CSPs & Championship Banquet	Mason, Ohio
May 24-27	NCCAA National Championship	Mason, Ohio
May 30	All-American /Coach of the Year Conference Call	All Region Sports Chairs
May 31	All-American/Coach of the Year and Scholar-Athletes list due at National Office	National Baseball Chair

Appendix C
Hank Burbridge Award sponsored by Unlimited Potential, Inc.
Due May 1 to the National Baseball Chair

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this award is to honor the NCCAA's Outstanding Christian Baseball Player of the Year with potential in Christian service through baseball.

II. AWARD

Both the recipient and his institution receive a trophy, provided by Unlimited Potential, bearing the title, date, and name of player receiving this award. Unlimited Potential, Inc. is an organization that ministers to baseball programs around the world "serving Christ through Baseball". Hank Burbridge was the long time baseball coach at Spring Arbor University and mentor/leader in NCCAA as well as NAIA baseball.

III. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

In order to be eligible for this award, a student-athlete must:

1. Be at least a junior.
2. Possess and demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities.
3. Possess and demonstrate outstanding athletic ability.
4. Possess and demonstrate a vibrant and clear Christian testimony on and off the field.
5. Possess and demonstrate an unlimited potential in serving Christ through: athletics, his local fellowship, sports evangelism, and/or other Christian organizations.
6. Possess at least a 2.50 grade point average.

IV. NOMINATIONS

Coaches of their respective institutions may nominate only one player per year for this award. Completed nomination forms and current DAN Statistics are to be copied and mailed no later than May 1 to the National Baseball Chair. The National Baseball Chair will send copies to the committee. The committee members shall then make their recommendations with the final announcement to be made at the National Baseball Championship Banquet by the Director of Unlimited Potential, or a representative from their ministry, if possible.

V. SELECTION COMMITTEE

The selection committee shall be comprised of the following:

1. Director of Unlimited Potential
2. Board members of Unlimited Potential (up to two)
3. NCCAA National Office Representative
4. NCCAA National Baseball Chair
5. NCCAA National Baseball Vice-Chair

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Hank Burbridge Award sponsored by Unlimited Potential, Inc.
Nomination Form

Due May 1 to the National Baseball Chair

Nominee _____ Age _____ Year ____junior ____senior ____grad student

Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Institution _____ Coach _____

Christian Character (“testimony on and off the field”)

Summary of Student-Athlete’s Career (Batting Average, ERA, etc.)

Athletic Honors Received (Institutional, All-Conference, All-Regional, All-American, etc.)

“Unlimited potential in serving Christ through: athletics, his local fellowship, sports evangelism, and/or other Christian organizations”

Academic Major _____ GPA _____

Academic Honors _____

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Leadership Qualities

Additional Comments

Certification of Nomination Data

Coach _____ Date _____
Signature

Athletics Director _____ Date _____
Signature

Nomination form must be postmarked by May 1 and sent to the NCCAA Baseball Chair

Appendix D NCCAA Power Rating System

I. Formula

For each game played at team earns power points based on the following formula:

1. Win/Loss
 - a. if a win 4 points
 - b. if a loss 0 points
2. Home/Away/Neutral Contest
 - a. if away or neutral 1 point
 - b. if home 0 points
3. Opponent's Record
 - a. .667 - 1.000 winning percentage 3 points
 - b. .500 - .666 winning percentage 2 points
 - c. .333 - .499 winning percentage 1 point
 - d. .000 - .332 winning percentage 0 points
4. Opponent's Affiliation
 - a. NCAA I 4 points
 - b. NCAA II/CIS 3 points
 - c. NAIA/NCAA III/NCCAA I 2 points
 - d. NCCAA II/USCAA/Other 1 point
5. Ranked Opponent
If opponent is ranked in Top 25 of NCAA or NAIA poll at reporting date. 1 point

II. Power Points

- A. The sum of those criteria determines the power points for a game. The maximum points for a contest is 13 (a win on the road against a .667 or better NCAA I Top 25 team). The minimum points for a game is 1 (loss at home against a .332 or lower losing NCCAA II/USCAA team).
- B. The rating is determined by adding the power points for the season and dividing by the number of games (to the third decimal place).

III. Rankings Based on Power Points

The rating system is only as accurate as the information supplied on the game results reporting form. Each institution should report the most accurate data possible. Each region should have a system in place for ensuring the accuracy of the reported ratings at the initial reporting date. The end of the regular season power rating for each institution shall determine the seeding and any at-large selections for the National Championship.

IV. Reporting Dates

Team and individual statistical data, along with game results, game location, and opponent's affiliation shall be reported each week. For individual player statistics, only stats for players who qualify for national rankings need to be reported.

NCCAA Power Ratings, including the opponent's record and Top 25 ranking information, shall be calculated beginning the second Monday of April and each week following. The opponent's win-loss record should reflect their record at this reporting date. After this date, it should reflect the opponent's record at the time of the contest.