



As you are all aware, yesterday the [NCAA announced](#) that NCAA President Mark Emmert and the Board of Governors canceled the 2020 Division I men's and women's basketball tournaments, as well as all remaining winter and spring NCAA championships in all three divisions. This decision was based on the evolving COVID-19 public health threat, our ability to ensure the events do not contribute to spread of the pandemic, and the impracticality of hosting such events at any time during this academic year given ongoing decisions by other entities.

In addition, the Board of Governors directed Divisions I, II and III to enact modifications, changes, or waivers to legislation and rules where appropriate to provide necessary relief due to regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19.

In order to provide timely guidance to our membership, and in accordance with the directive from the Board of Governors, the Division II Administrative Committee met via teleconference this afternoon and took action on issues in several areas, including recruiting, reinstatement, benefits, financial aid, progress-toward-degree and full-time enrollment, playing and practice seasons and membership requirements. The Administrative Committee is charged with addressing items of business clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of Division II between meetings of the Presidents Council and Management Council.

**Among the changes, the committee adopted emergency legislation to immediately establish a recruiting dead period in all sports at least until April 15,** at which time the Administrative Committee will re-evaluate the status of the situation. Additionally, the committee voted to allow institutions to **self-apply season-of-competition waivers for student-athletes whose 2019-20 spring season was canceled**, subject to criteria listed [here](#).

View all the action items [here](#).

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

We will continue to respond to individual questions and provide further updates as necessary. Please email them to [d2news@ncaa.org](mailto:d2news@ncaa.org).

Thank you for your patience and cooperation in these challenging times.

*This email was sent to NCAA Division II chancellors and presidents, directors of athletics, faculty athletics representatives, senior compliance administrators, senior woman administrators, head coaches, head athletic trainers, sports information directors, conference commissioners, conference compliance administrators and the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee based on contact information in the [NCAA Directory](#).*