



Men's Basketball

Division I

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I. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

A. Administration

In concert with the Director of Member Relations, the National Men's Basketball Chair and the Championship Director shall comprise the National Men's Basketball Championship Games Committee and shall be responsible for the administration of the National Championship. In the event that the National Basketball Chair and/or the Championship Director's teams are participating in the championship, participation on this committee shall be appointed by either of the men involved.

B. National Championship Bid Information (see [Forms & Procedures Section](#))

All necessary information pertaining to the National Championship Bid Contract is answered in the [Forms & Procedures Section](#).

C. Date and Site

See the [Directory Section](#) for dates and sites.

D. Team Information

1. The National Championship shall be an eight-team championship.
2. Eligibility Certification (See [Eligibility Section](#)): Each participating team shall be expected to send a roster and team photo immediately after qualifying to the Championship Director for use in the championship program. In addition, participating teams must be certified as eligible through the respective Regional Sport Chair.
3. Publicity: Send all publicity releases to the publicity chairman designated by the Championship Director.
4. Squad Size: Participating teams must submit an official roster for the National Championship. The official party size is limited to 18.
5. Transportation: Transportation to the National Championship is the responsibility of the participating institution.
6. Practice: Practice for participating teams shall be arranged through the Championship Director.
7. Community Service: Each team shall be expected to be involved in ministry that shall provide service to the community. This shall be coordinated by the Championship Director.
8. Each participating team in the National Championship shall receive 18 tickets for the Tip-Off Banquet. All teams, including coaches and players, are expected to be in attendance. Coat and tie are strongly recommended for the banquet. Coaches shall be asked to come to the front table and briefly present their squad members and comment on their season.

E. NCCAA National Basketball Championship Timetable

Saturday Prior to Championship	Each region shall have determined their representative to the National Championship
Sunday Prior to Championship	All teams shall be seeded
Tuesday-Saturday	Christian Service Project (TBA) Banquet at 8:00 p.m. Parade of Champions prior Game Times TBA

F. Additional Administrative Information

1. Insurance: Each participating institution shall furnish its own accident, medical, life and travel insurance.
2. Basketballs
 - a. The official game ball used in the National Championship shall be determined by the Basketball Games Committee. The **Spalding Top Flight – 1000** basketball is presently used.
 - b. Practice balls are available to participating teams during the arranged practice times and before the start of each half of the game in which they are competing.
3. Referees: Officials for the NCCAA National Men's Basketball Championship are selected and assigned by the National Men's Basketball Chair and/or the Championship Director. **The National Men's Basketball Chair and the Championship Director shall select the officials for the final game.**
4. Tickets: Each member of the official party of the participating teams shall be provided championship passes that shall be presented to them upon arrival at the championship site.
5. Uniforms: Each participating team in the National Championship shall bring to the championship a complete set of light and a complete set of dark uniforms. The higher seeded team shall wear the light uniforms.

6. Radio and Television: Arrangements for radio and television are available through the NCCAA Executive Director's predetermined rates. **Arrangements should be made at least one week in advance of the broadcast date.**
7. A maximum of \$250 shall be paid to the NCCAA National Office for administrative expenses. A detailed expense sheet shall be submitted.
8. Timeouts: Teams shall receive the normal allotted number of timeouts per game, in addition to one media timeout per half at the first dead ball after the ten minute mark. If a timeout is taken at or after the ten minute mark, it shall cancel the media timeout. Music must be played at each timeout (see Championship Music Policy in Forms and Procedures section).
9. Each team shall receive a championship ball.

G. Selection of Teams

The teams to participate in the National Championship shall be chosen under the following format: Six spots in the National Championship shall go to regional winners, one spot shall go to the host school, and one at-large team for a total of eight schools. Should the host school be a regional champion, then an at-large team shall be selected to join the field. The at-large team shall be the highest rated team that has declared its intent (see Forms & Procedures section) to play in the championship. 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.

H. Seeding

Teams for the National Championship shall be seeded using the Revised Burbridge Rating System (See [Appendix A](#)).

1. Seeding for the National Championship shall take place on the Sunday immediately prior to the Championship event.
2. Teams from the same region shall not play in the first round National Championship games. Therefore, minor adjustments of the teams' pairings may be necessary. (See [Appendix E](#)).
3. If two or more regions do not send a team to the National Championship, the Men's Basketball Committee shall select an additional at-large team that is the highest Burbridge seeded team available.

I. Awards

1. Championship awards: The following awards shall be presented at the conclusion of the National Championship game:
 - a. Team awards to each of the top four finishers in the National Championship (first, second, third and fourth).
 - b. Individual awards to the official 15-member party of the championship team.
 - c. Five man All-Tournament team plus Most Outstanding Player (6 players) shall be selected by the coaches in attendance at the National Championship (by ballot). All Tournament awards are the responsibility of the tournament host. The NCCAA furnishes the Most Outstanding Player award plaque.
 - d. Most Valuable Player Award of the championship
2. Pete Maravich Award: The Pete Maravich Award shall be presented at the Tip-Off Banquet of the National Championship. This award is sponsored by Mr. Gary Beck, manager of the Gary Beck Foundation and a former NCCAA All-American student-athlete from Greenville College, IL.
 - a. The recipient: The outstanding Christian men's basketball player in the NCCAA for Division I.
 - b. The nominee must:
 1. Be a team member at an NCCAA institution
 2. Possess a vital Christian testimony both on and off the court
 3. Exhibit outstanding leadership qualities
 4. Be highly skilled in the sport of basketball
 5. Be a senior in good academic standing
 - c. Purpose: To enhance the Christian purpose of athletic excellence in Christian athletic competition, and to perpetuate the Christian philosophy and faith in evangelical Christian colleges and universities across our nation.
 - d. Procedures:
 1. Student-athletes must be nominated by the head coach.
 2. The nomination form (See Appendix B) must be used and submitted/postmarked to the National Chair one week prior (March 6) to the National Championship.
 3. Final selection shall be made by a selection committee appointed by the National Men's Basketball Chair.

II. REGIONAL PLAY-OFF GUIDELINES

A. Dates and Sites

1. The regional final game is to be played no later than the Saturday prior to the National Championship. The regions involved in the bi-regional play-off must make allowances to have their regional final earlier so that the bi-regional game can be played in a timely matter.
2. The site is under the direction of the Regional Basketball Chair, taking into consideration:
 - a. Seeded teams based on final Burbridge rating.
 - b. Continuation of past plans of alternating sites among areas.
 - c. Economic status of various sites.
3. Regional Representation: If only one team in a region declares to participate, it must hold a season winning percentage of .500 or better OR be ranked in the top half of the Burbridge ranked teams in order for that team to receive a bid to the National Championship.

B. Selection of Teams

All member institutions in good standing are eligible to participate.

C. Eligibility (see [Eligibility Section](#))

1. Individual Eligibility: Each participant in the NCCAA National Basketball Championship must be eligible under the rules of:
 - a. His own institution.
 - b. The NCCAA eligibility rules as set forth in the [Eligibility Section](#).
2. Institution Eligibility: Any active participating institution of the NCCAA that has paid its dues and statistical fees for the current year and is in good standing is eligible for the National Men's Basketball Championship play-off system.
3. Team Eligibility
 - a. Weekly statistics must be reported to the National Statistician (stats@thenccaa.org). 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 post season play.
 - b. Each member institution is required to declare its intent to participate (see Forms & Procedures section) in the NCCAA playoffs to the Regional Basketball Chair. 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. Should an institution declare to participate in postseason competition in another association, their declaration to participate in the NCCAA shall be placed on hold until such time as they are eliminated from further play. The institution shall then honor their commitment to participate in the NCCAA postseason competition. No team shall participate in two National Championships in the same year.
 - c. Should the institution's Chief Executive Officer determine that the earlier declared team does not meet pre-existing institutional standards to participate, the Chief Executive Officer shall personally notify the NCCAA Director of Member Relations and National Men's Basketball Chair of such a decision within 24 hours of the elimination from a prior committed championship (i.e., .500 rule, budget expectations). A suspension of one year from regional and national play shall be assessed to a team that fails to honor their declaration to participate unless the above procedure is followed.

D. Financial Report

1. Regional play-off game site managers are to submit within 10 days after the completion of the play-offs.
2. Monies in excess of the expenses of administration of the play-off games shall go to the team advancing to the National Championship.

E. Squad Size

The squad size for the regional play-offs shall be to list any number of members on the championship roster, all of whom may dress out. There is a roster limit of 20.

F. All-Regional Team and Regional Coach of the Year

The All-Regional Team (see [Appendix C](#)) and Regional Coach of the Year shall continue to be developed at the regional level under the direction of the Regional Basketball Chair. This information shall be submitted to the National Men's Basketball Chair for consideration of All-American and National Coach of the Year recognition, which is determined by the National Men's Basketball Coaches' Meeting held at the National Men's Basketball

Championship. All information must be given to the National Chair by Monday prior to the start of the Championship.

G. Publicity

Publicity for Regional Championship play shall be the responsibility of each participating team and shall be supported and encouraged by the Regional Basketball Chairs.

1. Press releases shall be provided by the Regional Basketball Chair to each institution for publicity in their area.
2. Regional Basketball Chairs should publicize the honors within their respective region.

III. NATIONAL AWARD QUALIFICATIONS

A. All-American

1. Players who have finished in the top five of their All-Region teams are eligible to be nominated for All-American. No student-athlete is eligible for All-American if his institution is on NCCAA probation.
2. Individual coaches must complete a nomination form for any of their players who are eligible and forward it to the Region Sport Chair (see [Appendix C](#)).
3. Each Region Sport Chair shall fill out an All-American Nomination and Rating Form (see [Appendix D](#)) and forward it to the National Men's Basketball Chair prior to the National Championship.
4. Selection to the All-American Team shall be made at the coaches' meeting held at the National Championship. The meeting shall take place on Wednesday night after the Tip-Off Banquet. Each region shall have one voting representative.
5. The All-American Team shall consist of 10 members on the first team, 10 members on the second team, and the remainder of the nominees shall be named honorable mention. Members of the first team shall receive plaques and certificates from the National Office and members of the second team shall receive certificates.
6. The purpose of the selection of an All-American team in basketball:
 - a. To recognize outstanding performance in Christian intercollegiate basketball competition.
 - b. To publicize and promote the Christian student-athlete.
 - c. To promote the presence and prominence of Christian character in intercollegiate athletics.
 - d. To publicize and promote the participating institutions within the NCCAA.
 - e. To publicize and promote the NCCAA, its presence and its programs.
7. A Player of the Year award shall be given to the best player in NCCAA Division I men's basketball.

B. Coach of the Year

1. Each Regional Coach of the Year is eligible for National Coach of the Year.
2. The Regional Basketball Chair should complete a nomination form (see Forms and Procedures) and forward it to the National Men's Basketball Chair prior to the National Championship.
3. No coach is eligible for this honor if his institution is on NCCAA probation.
4. Selection of the Coach of the Year shall be made at the coaches' meeting at the National Championship.
5. A plaque and certificate shall be presented from the National Office.
6. The purpose of the selection of an NCCAA Coach of the Year in basketball:
 - a. To recognize outstanding effort and/or achievement by a Christian coach in intercollegiate basketball.
 - b. To publicize and promote the presence and prominence of Christian character in intercollegiate coaching.
 - c. To promote and publicize NCCAA basketball and the organization as a whole.

C. Scholar-Athlete

The Scholar-Athlete nomination ballot must be presented (or emailed) to the National Basketball Chair one week prior to the National Championship meetings (see [Forms & Procedures Section](#)).

IV. STATISTICS

Statistical fees must be paid in full, with membership dues, to the National Office by August 15.

V. OFFICIAL RULEBOOK

Rule Book: Official National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Men's Basketball Rules. To obtain rules, contact: NCAA, P.O. Box 6222, Indianapolis, IN 46206-6222.

Appendix A
NCCAA Men's Basketball
Revised Burbridge Rating System Method

I. FORMULA

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

1. If a win 4 points
2. If a loss 0 points
3. If an away or neutral court contest 1 point
4. If a home contest 0 points
5. For opponents .667+ ("A" team) 3 points
6. For opponents .500-.666 ("B" team) 2 points
7. For opponents .333-.499 ("C" team) 1 point
8. For opponents .000-.332 ("D" team) 0 points
9. If the opponent's affiliation is:
 - a. NCAA I 4 points
 - b. NCAA II 3 points
 - c. NAIA I 2.5 points
 - d. NCCAA I, NAIA II, NCAA III 2 points
 - e. NCCAA II/ other 4 year institution 1 point

II. POWER POINTS

- A. The sum of those criteria determines the power points for a game. The maximum points for a game is 12 (win on the road vs. an "A" NCAA I team). The minimum points for a game is 1 (loss at home vs. a losing NCCAA II team).
- B. The rating is determined by adding the power points for the season, dividing by the number of games, and carrying the result to the third decimal place.

III. RANKINGS BASED ON POWER POINTS

Teams shall be ranked each week throughout the season using this rating system. The rating system is only as accurate as the information supplied on the game results form. Each institution shall report the most accurate data possible.

IV. OPPONENT'S RATING

The opponent's win-loss record for games played in November and December shall be based on their record as of December 14, which is prior to the first report date. **Each institution shall contact the opposing team by the December 14 date to determine if the opponent is a winning or losing team.**

Appendix B - Men's Basketball The Pete Maravich Memorial Award Nomination Form

The purpose of this award is to recognize the outstanding NCCAA student-athlete in Division I Men's Basketball and highlights excellence in competition, skill, academics, and Christian service during his career. This award is sponsored by Mr. Gary Beck, manager of the Gary Beck Foundation and a former NCCAA All-American student-athlete from Greenville College, IL. The award shall be presented annually at the National Men's Basketball Championship. Due one week prior to the start of the National Championship (March 6).

Mail to: The NCCAA Division I Men's Basketball National Chair

Region _____ Chair _____

Player's Name _____ Year _____

Hometown _____ City _____ Zip _____

Institution _____ Coach _____

Position _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Height _____ Weight _____

20__ - 20__ Season Record: Won _____ Lost _____

20__ - 20__ Season Record: Won _____ Lost _____

20__ - 20__ Season Record: Won _____ Lost _____

20__ - 20__ Season Record: Won _____ Lost _____

Scoring

Points Per Game Average _____ Total Season Points _____

High Game _____ vs. _____ Date ____/____/____
opposing team

Individual Field Goal Percentage _____ Individual Foul Shot Percentage _____

Individual Assists Per Game _____ Total Season Assists _____

Rebounding

Rebounds Per Game Average _____ Total Season Rebounds _____

High Game _____ vs. _____ Date ____/____/____
opposing team

Team Rebound Per Game Average _____ Team Per Game Percentage _____

Defense

(Comment as to the effectiveness and contribution of the player to the total team success)

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Leadership

Scholarship (Academic)

Degree Program _____ Major _____

GPA _____ Honors _____

Christian Character

Honors Received (Athletic)

Individual _____

Team _____

Comments and/or Recommendations

Include three recent photos and a varsity schedule.

Appendix C
NCCAA Division I Basketball All-American
Regional Nomination Form

To be completed by the nominating coach

Region _____ Regional Chair _____

Player's Name _____ Class _____

Hometown, State _____

Institution _____ Coach _____

Position _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____

20_____ - 20_____ Season Record: Won _____ Loss _____

Scoring

Points Per Game Average _____ Total Season Points _____

High Game _____ vs. _____ Date _____
opposing team

Individual Field Goal Percentage _____ Foul Shot Percentage _____

Team Field Goal Percentage _____ Team Foul Shot Percentage _____

Rebounding

Rebounds Per Game Average _____ Total Season Rebounds _____

High Game _____ vs. _____ Date _____
opposing team

Team Rebounds Per Game Average _____ Team Rebounds Per Game Percentage _____

Defense: Comment as to the effectiveness and contribution of the player to the total team success

Leadership: Comment as to the player's contribution to the team's success

Scholarship (Academic)

Degree Program _____ GPA _____

Honors _____



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Christian Character _____

Honors Received (Athletic)

Individual _____

Team _____

Comments and/or recommendations

The above named student-athlete has my support as a viable nominee for NCCAA postseason honors. His/her behavior both on and off the field/court is complimentary to the NCCAA and its Christ-like standards.

Coach's signature

Date

Institution

Appendix D
NCCAA Division I Basketball
All-American Nomination and Rating Form

To be completed by Regional Basketball Chair

Region _____ Basketball Chair _____ Date _____

Signature of Regional Basketball Chair _____

Rating	Christian Commitment (Yes/No)	Name	Institution	Pos.	Ht.	Pts/G	Rb/G	Ast/G	Hometown State

Rating System

I = Player is agreed upon to be a definite first team All-American

II = Player is agreed upon to be a definite second team All-American

HM = Player is agreed upon to be an honorable mention All-American

Christian Commitment: A “Yes” in this space indicates that the player is in harmony with the ideals of the NCCAA and has the endorsement of the member institution concerning its position on Christian conduct and commitment.

Guidelines for selecting All-American candidates

1. The player must be a member of a basketball team at a participating institution in the NCCAA. No student-athlete is eligible for All-American status if his/her institution is on NCCAA probation.
2. The player must be nominated by a participating institution from within the region in which the player is a member.
3. The player must be worthy of consideration for the honor of All-American.
4. An All-American nominee must be one of the top five players from within the region he/she represents. NOTE: A maximum of five players can be nominated by any one region.
5. Each regional player nominated for All-American consideration shall have a nomination form sent to the National Basketball Chair on his/her behalf by the Regional Chair.
6. The player must be a member of an institution that has participated in the NCCAA Regional and National Statistical Reporting Procedure (see Basketball III.D.2.).
7. Each nominating coach shall send a completed All-American and Regional Nomination form to the National Basketball Chair in support of his/her player(s).

Appendix E
NCCAA Division I Men's Basketball National Basketball Playoffs

