

NCAA Track & Field Games Committee Issues/Required Decisions

*The following matters are specified by NCAA Rules as being decisions of the Games Committee.
Answer each item below months prior to the competition.*

1. Decisions specified by rule; include in the Championship or Participant Manual:
 - a. Appoint a Jury of Appeals to serve as the final authority on appeals of the referees' decisions, if such a panel is deemed appropriate, and provide for the jury and/or other pertinent officials to remain at the competition site at least 30 minutes after the final results are posted (Rules 3.2 & 3.4.3)
 - b. Determine the number of competitors an institution is allowed in each event (Rules 3.2 & 4.4.9)
 - c. Determine the use and placement of competitors' numbers (Rules 3.2 & 4.3.4)
 - d. Approve the time schedule and changes in order of events (Rules 3.2, 4.4.3, 4.4.4, & 4.4.6)
 - e. Determine the number of lapped runners who shall remain in the competition (Rules 3.2 & 5.9.2, note 2)
 - f. Determine the structure for running timed-section finals (Rules 3.2 & 5.10.1)
 - g. Determine qualifying procedures and drawing for lanes (Rules 3.2, 5.11.1, 5.11.2, & 5.10.3)
 - h. Decide procedures to resolve ties for the last qualifying position in subsequent rounds (Rules 3.2 & 5.10.5)
 - i. Set the relay substitution policy (Rules 3.2 & 5.8.2)
 - j. Determine the use of implements for the meet (Rules 3.2 & 6.1.10)
 - k. Set the time and place for inspecting, weighing and measuring all implements to be used in the meet (Rules 3.2 & 6.1.10)
 - l. Designate field-event site or runway, including direction, at least one hour before event competition begins (Rules 3.2 & 6.1.16)
 - m. Designate running event direction at least one-half hour before event competition begins (Rule 3.2)
 - n. Determine the number of field-event competitors who will advance to the final round (Rules 3.2 & 6.3.5)
 - o. Group field-event competitors (Rules 3.2 & 6.4.1)
 - p. Determine the use of facilities for and the conduct of combined events (Rules 3.2 & 9.2.2.f)
 - q. Designate the athletes' check-in time and location (clerk or field event head judge) (Rule 4.2.1)
 - r. Establish a policy on field event athletes leaving their venues (Rule 4.2.3.b)
 - s. Establish a policy on coaches boxes and coaches access to the infield (Rule 4.4.14)
 - t. Establish a starting block policy (Rule 5.1.3)
 - u. Determine the length of warm-ups for field events (Rule 6.1.9)
 - v. Determine the method of conducting vertical jumps with fields greater than 20 (Rule 6.4.3)
 - w. Establish a policy on acceptable runway markers (Rule 6.1.7.e)
2. Additional decisions to include in the Championship or Participant Manual:
 - a. Establish a spike length policy (Rule 4.3.5)
 - b. Determine if athletes are required to exit the field of play through a "Mixed Zone"
 - c. Establish a policy for the filing of protests – formal vs. informal; verbal vs. written; fee or no fee
3. Additional decisions specified by rule:
 - a. Determine the number and assignments of officials (Rule 3.2)
 - b. Verify that all events are held at the main meet venue (Rule 3.2)
 - c. Approve the timing equipment to be used (Rule 3.2)
 - d. Approve measuring apparatus (Rule 3.2)
 - e. Set starting heights and increments (Rules 3.2, 6.5.2, 6.6.1, & 9.2.2.i)
 - f. Establish a policy and procedures for dealing with severe weather and lightning (Guideline 1d)