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PREFACE TO THE 1996 EDITION

I am pleased to issue this fifth *Ivy Manual* in a new graphic format and for the first time as a permanent bound volume, as the Ivy League enters its fifth decade of formal competition. The new *Manual* especially reflects the care and craft of Carolyn Campbell, Senior Associate Director of the Ivy Group. The substance of our rules, the clarity of their presentation and the effectiveness of their application all benefit immeasurably from her oversight.

This edition continues to be based on the substantial changes in organization made in 1987, under the direction of then Assistant Director Constance A. Huston [Hurlbut]. Production of the text has been the responsibility most recently of Jane Antis, and earlier of Marcia Staton, Lynda Jarvis and Celia Jacobowitz. We owe special thanks for format revisions in this edition to Marion Carty of Princeton University Printing Services.

Although the Preface to the third edition of the *Manual* (following) refers to it as “less a statute book than a statement of common procedures”, the *Manual* clearly now is a book of rules, albeit one which we hope is directed toward high purposes. Our ability to play together by these rules depends on both our wisdom in developing them and our fidelity and good sense in applying them. The founding Ivy Presidents’ words in 1954 are no less relevant today:

It is the spirit of this agreement that it shall be carried out through wise and flexible administration and in a setting of mutual respect and confidence among the members of the Group, as institutions having a common dedication to the purposes and principles of higher education.

This revised *Ivy Manual* is dedicated to all those who have dedicated themselves, in countless ways, to Ivy athletics.

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PREFACE (THIRD EDITION)

The Ivy Group began as a formal group in 1954 when the eight institutions extended a 1945 agreement regarding football to all competitive athletics. The 1954 *Ivy Group Agreement* established both formal rules and standing committees to enforce and to interpret these rules.

Experience and changing circumstances led to many modifications of the original rules. In addition, the decisions by the various committees established a body of procedures and policies governing the actions of Ivy Group members. In 1967, Jeremiah Ford II, former Director of Athletics at the University of Pennsylvania, prepared the first edition of the *Ivy Group Handbook*. Designed for intra-group guidance of and information for the standing committees, this handbook collected, synthesized and presented in a usable form Ivy policies previously found only in committee minutes and selected policy statements.

Further decisions and changes led, in 1972, to a second edition prepared by Adolph W. Samborski, Director of Athletics Emeritus at Harvard University. The second edition established a format in which each section was as self-contained as possible and organized by the areas of major responsibilities of the standing committees.

The establishment of an Ivy office in late 1973 meant for the first time there was an Ivy officer whose regular duties included participation in the deliberations of all Ivy Committees. Preparation of this edition was initiated by Ricardo A. Mestres, Executive Director of the Council of Ivy Group Presidents, and completed after his retirement. This third edition of the *Ivy Handbook* not only updates the second edition but extends the coverage to areas of common agreement less related to the conduct of athletics.

The task faced in turn by Messers. Ford, Samborski and Mestres makes clear that the *Handbook* must be an ever changing document if it is to serve its purpose of guiding and informing Ivy officers and the standing committees. It is less a statute book than a statement of common procedures. It is hoped that the loose leaf format will allow for annual updating of the contents by the insertion of new or revised pages. These inserts will be sent to the offices of each member of a standing Ivy committee. Other users of the book should be careful to see that their copies include all revised pages.

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August 1, 1977
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PART I PRINCIPLES**A. Introduction**

In the more than forty years since the signing of the initial Ivy Presidents Agreement, the Ivy Group has developed a variety of rules to govern individual eligibility and to specify the nature of Ivy athletic competition. These rules have reflected changes at Ivy institutions, including particularly admission of women to all our Colleges, and numerous national changes.

Various sections of the original Agreement thus have been tempered by specific changes, agreed to within the Group as being within the original spirit and intention of that Agreement. And in 1979, on the Agreement's 25th Anniversary, the Council of Presidents issued a Statement of Principles that applies the Agreement's intentions to the circumstances which the Council then observed.

The current texts of the Agreement and of the Statement are printed hereafter as Sections I-B and C, as self-contained references. Pertinent specific provisions of the Agreement and Statement also have been incorporated as athletic rules in the remainder of the *Manual*. In each case, the Agreement and the Statement have been amended as necessary to comply with the final judgment in **United States v. Brown University, et al.** Where necessary, other provisions of the Manual also have been revised to comply with the judgement.

The reader should remember that Ivy rules and NCAA and ECAC rules may differ in general scope, detail, or both. Those differences are noted here only occasionally, because this *Manual* is intended primarily to specify the particular rules and practices of our own Group. In most instances Ivy regulations are more restrictive than those of the NCAA or ECAC, but there are instances in which the national or regional associations are more restrictive.

Eligibility officers and athletic administrators thus should take the greatest care to assist students and coaches in applying differences between Ivy and national rules. Students in doubt should direct questions to their campus eligibility officers.

B. Ivy Group Agreement: Selected Provisions of the 1954 President's Agreement, the original text in its entirety is reproduced as Appendix A.

In November, 1945, the undersigned institutions entered into an agreement regarding football, with the purpose of maintaining the values of the game in the service of higher education. In order to extend to all competitive athletics in which they mutually participate the benefits derived from this agreement, these institutions here affirm and revise their agreement as follows:

- I. The subscribing institutions constitute themselves, for the purposes covered by this agreement, members of a group to be known as "The Ivy Group."
- II. The Group reaffirm the principle that in each institution the academic authorities should control athletics.

III. A. The Group affirm their conviction that under proper conditions intercollegiate competition in organized athletics offers desirable development and recreation for players and a healthy focus of collegiate loyalty. These conditions require that the players shall be truly representative of the student body and not composed of a group of specially recruited athletes. They further require that undue strain upon players and coaches be eliminated and that they be permitted to enjoy the game as participants in a form of recreational competition rather than as professional performers in public spectacles. In the total life of the campus, emphasis upon intercollegiate competition must be kept in harmony with the essential educational purposes of the institution.

B. The Group conclude that these conditions and requirements can best be fulfilled by denying to the fullest possible extent external pressures for competitive extremes.

C. To this end, the Group will foster intra-group athletic competition in all sports. No member institution, however, shall necessarily field a team in every sport.

D. The Group approve a round-robin schedule in football and the principle of round-robin schedules in as many sports as practicable.

IV. The Group establish the following policies to govern intercollegiate athletic activities of its members. Interpretations may be made by the appropriate committees.

A. **Eligibility Rules**

1. No student shall be eligible for a varsity team unless he has previously filed with the appropriate authorities of his institution a written statement in which he agrees to abide by the policies and spirit of the Ivy Group agreement.
2. [Except as may be provided by exception] Only undergraduate students shall be eligible for a varsity team.
3. No student shall be eligible unless he is in good scholastic standing as determined by the standards set by the faculty of his institution and unless he is enrolled in an academic program leading to a recognized degree and is making normal academic progress, both quantitatively and qualitatively, toward the degree.
4. The members of the Group reaffirm their prohibition of athletic scholarships. Athletes shall be admitted as students and awarded financial aid only on the basis of the same academic standards and economic need as are applied to all other students (provided that each institution shall apply its own standard of economic need).
5. No student shall be eligible who has received financial support from any source except (i) from personal or family resources; (ii) in return for services

(other than of an athletic character) rendered through employment at normal wages; (iii) from financial aid awarded by or with the specific approval of the regular academic authority of the institution in which the player is a student; (iv) from Government grants to war service veterans or regularly enrolled members of ROTC units.

6. No student entering after September 1, 1953 shall be eligible whose secondary school education was subsidized or whose post-college education is promised by an institution or group of individuals not closely related to the family as a consideration for his attending the particular institution.

v. It is the spirit of this agreement that it shall be carried out through wise and flexible administration and in a setting of mutual respect and confidence among the members of the Group as institutions having a common dedication to the purposes and principles of higher education.

This agreement shall become effective upon the prior approval thereof by all the governing boards of the subscribing institutions as attested to by the signatures of the Presidents. A subscribing member may withdraw from the Group upon giving written notice of such intention two years in advance. Amendments of the agreement pertaining to membership shall be made only with the approval of all the institutions acting through their respective governing boards.

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c. **1979 Statement of Principles, reflecting subsequent modifications by the Council through December, 1991, and amended June 1999**

In July of 1979, on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Ivy Agreement, the Council agreed to the following Statement of Principles.

1. Intercollegiate athletics ought to be maintained within a perspective that holds paramount the academic programs of the institution and the academic and personal growth of the student athlete.
2. The member schools are committed to equal opportunities in athletics for men and women.
3. The member schools ought to look primarily within the Group for standards of competitive excellence and, for most sports, ought to measure success or failure in competition with each other.
4. Each member school ought not merely to tolerate, but to value a balance of competitive success within the Group. Although schools may differ in those sports in which they excel, a reasonable competitive balance among institutions over time over all sports should be sought.
5. Wide participation in intercollegiate athletics should be sought. Although many of our student athletes will have been at least recognized by alumni, admissions staffs, coaches, or faculty with athletic participation in mind, we should encourage non-recruited athletes to earn places on our teams.
6. Student athletes should be generally representative of their class and admitted on the basis of academic promise and personal qualities as well as athletic ability.
7. Student athletes must be admitted and notified of admissions status only by the admissions office, and must be awarded financial aid and notified of financial aid awards only by the office of financial aid. **[Council; Spring 1999]**
8. Financial aid for student-athletes must be awarded and renewed on the sole basis of economic need with no differentiation in amount or in kind (e.g., in packaging) based on athletic ability or participation, provided that each school shall apply its own standard of economic need.
9. The student athlete should be held accountable to the same academic standards as other students.
10. Athletic participation ought never to interfere with or otherwise to distort normal academic progress toward the degree or post-baccalaureate plans for graduate work or employment.

D. **NCAA Relations:** from The 1977 Ivy Manual reflecting subsequent modifications by The Council through December 1991

1. It is a fact of athletic history that the Ivy Group members were prime movers in the founding and initial organization of each of the so-called “parent” national organizations [NCAA, AIAW, ECAC]. At times the needs and objectives of the National Associations have set them on a course of action that is not always consonant with the objectives of the Ivy Group institutions, or institutions with similar philosophies.
2. To establish an Ivy posture of institutional autonomy in order to prevent parent organizations from committing Ivy assets in NCAA power struggles with the AAU and with the professional (sport) interests, the following resolution was passed:

The Ivy Group believes that an institution has the basic right to:

- a. Determine what individuals or groups, and for what purpose those individuals or groups may use the facilities of that institution;
 - b. Hold institutional membership in any amateur sports organization;
 - c. Participate without restraint in any or all programs designed to develop sports on a local, sectional, or national scale;
 - d. Encourage and permit its athletes to participate in non-collegiate events which are certified to be amateur by the organization conducting same, with the provision that these are in consonance with Ivy Group rules, in particular those relating to post-season contests.
3. Similarly, the Ivy Group has led the attempt within the AIAW to establish an institution’s right to adopt more restrictive rules.
 4. The principle of need as the basis for financial aid for student-athletes is a cornerstone of Ivy belief. The Ivy Group has consistently adopted positions with the objective of requiring need as the basis for all such aid, while arguing against any related limitations on the number of scholarships awarded to athletes or any special admissions restrictions for athletes i.e., letters-of-intent.

PART II ORGANIZATION

A. Generally

1. Standing Ivy committees

The Group establishes the following five inter-institutional committees for the purpose of carrying out the cooperative purposes of this agreement: the Council of Ivy Group Presidents, the Policy Committee, the Committee on Administration, the Committee on Admissions, and the Committee on Financial Aid.

2. Chairs

- a. The terms of office of the Council’s officers, and of the Chair of each of the Committees, shall begin July 1. The sequence is keyed to the alphabetical rotation in accordance with the table below [for Policy Committee, see §II-C].
- b. Years listed at left indicate Chairs; Vice-Chairs to be representatives of institutions next in alphabetical order of institutions. The Committees may choose to deviate from the above order when circumstances dictate, such as a new appointment to the Committee.

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| <i>Council of Ivy Group Presidents [2 Year]</i> | | <i>Committee on Administration [2 Year]</i> | |
| 2011-12/2012-13 | Princeton | 2010-11/2011-12 | Columbia |
| 2013-14/2014-15 | Yale | 2012-13/2013-14 | Cornell |
| 2015-16/2016-17 | Brown | 2014-15/2015-16 | Dartmouth |
| 2017-18/2018-19 | Columbia | 2016-17/2017-18 | Harvard |
| 2019-20/2020-21 | Cornell | 2018-19/2019-20 | Pennsylvania |
| 2021-22/2022-23 | Dartmouth | 2020-21/2021-22 | Princeton |
| 2023-24/2024-25 | Harvard | 2022-23/2023-24 | Yale |
| 2025-26/2026-27 | Pennsylvania | 2024-25/2025-26 | Brown |

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| <i>Committee on Admissions [1 Year]</i> | | <i>Committee on Financial Aid [1 Year]</i> | |
| 2011-12 | Yale | 2011-12 | Brown |
| 2012-13 | Columbia | 2012-13 | Columbia |
| 2013-14 | Cornell | 2013-14 | Cornell |
| 2014-15 | Dartmouth | 2014-15 | Dartmouth |
| 2015-16 | Harvard | 2015-16 | Harvard |
| 2016-17 | Pennsylvania | 2016-17 | Pennsylvania |
| 2017-18 | Princeton | 2017-18 | Princeton |
| 2018-19 | Brown | 2018-19 | Yale |

B. The Council of Ivy Group Presidents**1. Responsibility**

The Council shall have full and final responsibility, through the Policy Committee, for the determination of all agreed policies of the Group and with respect to the organization and operation of the Committees on Administration and Admissions.

2. Membership

The Council of Ivy Group Presidents shall consist of the Presidents of the eight subscribing institutions.

3. Relations with Committees

The Council may from time to time request the Committees on Admissions or Administration, or the Policy Committee, to study and report on specific policy problems and may, from time to time, invite one or all these Committees to meet with the Council.

4. Chair

The Council shall have a Chair and a Vice Chair. The chairmanship of the Council shall be held in biennial rotation by the Presidents of the member institutions proceeding in the alphabetical order of the institutions. The Vice-Chair shall be the member of the Council next in line for the chair [see §II-A-2].

5. Meetings and minutes

The Council shall meet at least once a year at the time and place to be arranged by the Chair. Special meetings may be called at any time upon the initiative of the Chair or by the request of three members. Minutes shall be compiled by the Executive Director.

6. Votes and decisions

- a. Except as provided below, the Presidents' Council shall make decisions on all matters within its responsibility by the affirmative vote of six members of the Group, whether it is meeting in person or by conference call. The Council may, upon the request of the Chair, consider and act upon a matter by mail or electronic vote, provided that the vote is unanimous.
- b. When only seven members of the Council participate in a Council meeting (whether in person or by conference call), the Council shall make decisions by the affirmative vote of five members of the Council. Within a reasonable time after a decision, as determined by the Chair, the absent Council member may ask the Council to reconsider the decision with unanimous attendance and a decision by

six affirmative votes. In the event such reconsideration can only be done by a poll vote (e.g. email), six affirmative votes will be sufficient for a decision.

7. **Appointment of Legal Counsel [Council; Spring 1989]**

- a. Upon request from the Executive Director, the Chair of the Council is authorized to approve the appointment of counsel as may be needed in specific instances, including approval of specific firms or persons and of fee arrangements.
- b. Any counsel fees shall be paid from the Ivy Office Reserve account; any costs in excess of amounts available in that account will be added to the Ivy Office budget.
- c. Counsel will report to and be supervised by the Executive Director, who in turn will report to an informal committee consisting of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council, their institutional counsel, and institutional counsel for the institution at which the Ivy Office is located. Day-to-day contact between the Executive Director and Ivy counsel on the one hand, and this committee on the other, will be through the institutional counsel for the Chair.
- d. This arrangement is intended to provide the Executive Director and Ivy counsel adequate continuing guidance and supervision, and to provide the Council and institutional counsel adequate involvement, without unduly burdening either group. When possible and appropriate, as they may determine, the Executive Director and institutional counsel for the Chair will consult with counsel for all eight Ivy institutions about the engagement of counsel and other significant decisions in connection with the legal matter involved.

c. **The Policy Committee**

1. **Origins and responsibilities**

- a. The Policy Committee was established in 1977 to replace the Coordination and Eligibility Committee. This replacement continued the expansion in authority and function of the Eligibility Committee, established in 1975, to act on behalf of the Presidents and to study and make recommendations on most types of problems that might arise. Those policies and procedures jointly agreed to by the old Committee on Coordination and Eligibility and other standing committees remain applicable except where creation of the Policy Committee explicitly redefined authority.
- b. The Committee will monitor on a continuous basis the policies and programs in the Group to assure they are consistent with the spirit and intent of this Agreement. As circumstances warrant, it may recommend changes in basic policy or the Agreement itself to keep current the spirit of the Ivy Agreement. The primacy of the Policy Committee is recognized by the Presidents' statement that all recommendations from other standing Ivy Committees are to be reviewed by the Policy Committee before they come to the Council.

- (1) All policies and interpretations of policy relating to intercollegiate athletics fall within the purview of the Committee. In addition, league-wide rules on admission and financial aid, particularly as they affect directly or indirectly the recruitment, admission, and financial aid of student athletes, are to be considered by this Committee.
 - (2) The intention of this responsibility is not to usurp the authority of other Committees, but to provide independent review for the Council and to assure that policy changes are considered in light of their impact on all constituencies. The Policy Committee will undertake such studies as are requested by the Council and may undertake studies on its own initiative.
- c. The Committee shall maintain a set of rules of eligibility for athletics consistent with the policies and principles agreed to by the Group, which rules shall be administered by the Executive Director. The Committee may hear appeals from eligibility decisions of the Executive Director at the discretion of its Chair, as set forth in §III-B-3.
 - d. It is in the spirit and intent of this Agreement that any questions or rumors concerning matters covered by this agreement shall be made the subject of full and frank discussion in the Policy Committee, in order that the utmost mutual confidence and respect may be maintained among members of this Group.
 - e. In discharging its duties, the Committee may review the actions of other committees or may initiate independently recommendations to these committees.
 - (1) The Committee shall be free at all times to request from member institutions and Committees whatever information it deems necessary to the successful discharge of its duties.
 - (2) Intensity of schedule and length of season come under continuing review by the Policy and Administration Committees. It has been agreed that one joint meeting each year between the Committees would be valuable.
 - (3) Half-time football shows come under periodic discussion by the Policy and Administration Committees; the Policy Committee has responsibility for actual review of specific shows.
2. Membership
 - a. The Policy Committee has twelve members.
 - b. Each institution through its President shall appoint a representative to the Policy Committee. This representative shall be a senior University officer to

whom the President or Provost would naturally turn for advice or support on matters involving athletics, admissions or financial aid.

- c. Four members shall be selected by the Chair and the Executive Director, one each from the members of the Committees on Athletic Administration and Admissions and one Director of Financial Aid. Also included shall be one representative of the Senior Associate Athletic Directors, or equivalent. These members shall serve staggered three-year terms with one new appointment each year, and shall be selected in a manner assuring a balance of talents and a diversity of institutional representation. No two of these four representatives should be from the same institution at any one time. At least one of the two Administration and Senior Associate representatives shall be a woman, and the terms of these two representatives shall not be simultaneous. [Council, Spring 1994]

3. Chairs and meetings

- a. The Chair of the Policy Committee will be appointed by the Council to serve for a three year term.
- b. The Chair shall set the date and place of regular meetings and of any special meetings requested by any three members.
- c. The Chair shall report as necessary to the Council on the work of the Committee.
- d. The Chair shall have the authority to place appropriate issues on the agenda of the other committees.

4. Votes and decisions

- a. *Policy:* Each member shall have a vote. To carry, a motion must receive at least **seven** affirmative votes, with **five** institutions represented among the affirmative voters.
- b. *Eligibility Appeals:* Only institutional members shall have a vote, the school appealing not voting. Each of the remaining institutions shall cast one vote and the majority will rule.

D. Committee on Administration

1. Responsibilities

- a. It shall be the responsibility of the Committee on Administration to handle the various operational aspects of matters dealt with in this Agreement, other than those affecting the eligibility of players and the establishment of basic policies. In particular, it shall be the responsibility of this Committee

to keep under close and constant review and appraisal the conditions under which intercollegiate sports are conducted and to promote inter-institutional cooperation designated to effectuate the spirit and intent of this Agreement.

- b. The Committee on Administration, through the Policy Committee, makes recommendations to the Council for the interpretation, revision and amendments of the Ivy Group regulations as the changing circumstances of Ivy athletic administration seem to warrant. A legislative proposal from the Administration Committee that requires approval by the Policy Committee or the Council and is not approved by that body may not be resubmitted by the Administration Committee in the next two legislative cycles, unless the Executive Director determines that there are compelling changes in the relevant circumstances under which the sport is conducted (see §II-I). [**Council, Spring 2000**]
- c. Most of the Committee's responsibilities are shared with either or both of the Policy Committee or the Committee on Admissions. Prime responsibility lies with the Committee on Administration for: management of the separate Ivy Athletic Leagues; League awards and trophies and all-Ivy teams and certificates; financial considerations; coaches' activities; public relations; and representation for the Ivy Group in the councils of national and regional athletic associations.
- d. It is expected that the Committee on Administration will from time to time make recommendations to the Policy Committee with respect to the matters identified in §II-D-1-c as well as any other such matters of general concern, including, e.g.: the proper place and treatment of scouting; athletic publicity; common contracts, including tickets and other game proceeds; and the control of "extra-curricular" activity of coaches (e.g., broadcasting, telecasting or writing for publication on the subject of athletics).
- e. Each institution agrees to furnish the Committee on Administration such information affecting the organization, support and conduct of intercollegiate sports, other than with respect to player eligibility, as the Committee may deem necessary to the effective discharge of its purpose.
- f. Administration Committee discussions should be as candid and direct as possible. Similarly, the Committee's freedom and flexibility to act, and to take unanimous or consensus public positions, should not be affected by public discussion of prior Committee conversations. These goals are best served when all participants know that their remarks are "off the record", and will not be quoted or referred to in subsequent discussions. [**Administration, Summer 2002**]
- g. Accordingly, in any remarks about Administration Committee discussions, Administration Committee members, Ivy Office representatives and any other participants should comment only on their own views, and should

refrain from characterizing the Committee's discussions or actions beyond what the Committee chooses to say in its minutes or public statements. Such minutes or statements ordinarily are circulated after all meetings, and are intended to provide a clear record of Committee decisions to all persons, including those who do not participate in the meetings. [**Administration, Summer 2002**]

- h. Participants in Administration Committee discussions should not share with staff members, coaches, Committee liaisons to coach groups or any other persons the positions or votes of other participants, and should not characterize other participants as having particular views or as favoring or disfavoring particular proposals. [**Administration, Summer 2002**]
 - i. When positions of other participants need to be shared with a third party—e.g., with a President or other non-athletics administrator, or in order to prepare a colleague to represent a Director in an Administration Committee meeting—there should be an explicit understanding that this person should not share those positions further. [**Administration, Summer 2002**]
2. Membership, meetings, and decisions
 - a. Each institution shall name a representative to the Committee on Administration who shall be the responsible administrative officer dealing with intercollegiate athletics at the institution.
 - b. The Chair of the Committee shall be held in biennial rotation by the representatives of the member institutions in the order indicated in §II-A-2. [**Administration, Summer 2006**] The Chair shall set the date and place of the regular meetings and of any special meetings, as requested by the representatives of any three institutions, and shall be responsible for recording and distributing the minutes of such meetings, with this task normally delegated to the Ivy Office
 - c. The members of the Group agree to abide by any decisions within the purview of the Committee on Administration which are approved by a majority of the Committee. Committee action requires a vote of all eight schools present and voting. In counting a majority, abstentions are considered countable votes, thus five affirmative votes are required for the Committee to act. An institution is eligible to vote on issues involving a sport that it does not sponsor.
 - d. For the annual spring meeting of the Committee on Administration, the Ivy Office will pay common Committee meeting room, meal and other expenses which it has approved in advance, up to a total amount approved by the Council and contained in the Ivy Office budget (this provision replaces a comparable prior provision under the Ivy Fund; see Sect. IX-C). If those expenses total less than the approved amount, the excess will be used to

offset hotel accommodation expenses pro-rated among the institutions. In addition, with advance approved from the Ivy Office, the Office will pay the travel expenses for coach group chairs who are invited to attend the spring meeting. [**Ivy Office, Spring 2007**]

- e. (1) A quorum ordinarily is all 8 schools, but 7 schools in case of an emergency or if a school fails to be represented at a call or meeting for which reasonable advance notice was given and does not have a compelling reason.
- (2) A majority is a majority of schools present and voting, i.e., 5 of 8 or 4 of 7.
- (3) Abstentions are countable votes and have the effect of negative votes, i.e. with 8 votes present and 4 affirmative votes, either a negative vote or an abstention denies a majority. An absent vote, however, is not counted—so a 4-3 vote with school not present passes, a 4-3-1 vote with a school present but abstaining fails.
- (4) The Committee has the expectation that all schools in fact will vote on any issue and that a school is eligible to vote, and will do so, even when it doesn't sponsor a sport, given that many voters about sports with less than 8 sponsoring schools potentially can affect many 8-school sports (e.g. a vote on whether MLax should have a tournament). [**Administration, Summer 2000**]

E. The Committee on Admissions

1. Responsibilities

- a. The Committee on Admissions has jurisdiction over all matters of admissions that are affected by the spirit and purposes of this Agreement. Consequently it is particularly concerned with the admissions process as it relates to prospective students who wish to participate in intercollegiate athletics at Ivy Group colleges. Admission matters include the recruitment activities of all persons so involved and acceptance procedures.
- b. The Committee on Admissions shall prepare detailed rules for the effective control of recruitment according to the policies agreed to by the Group. Together with the Committee on Administration, it shall maintain constant review of the financial aid and recruitment regulations promulgated by national and regional conferences in which individual institutions of the Group hold membership, with particular reference to the effect such regulations may have on the policies and procedures of the Ivy Group institutions.

2. Relations with other Committees and institutions
 - a. The Policy Committee will oversee eligibility requirements and assume responsibility for their coordination, to the end that appropriate academic standards are maintained in relation to the athletic activities of the colleges. It is thus the Policy Committee that will be concerned with eligibility of students prior to their matriculation. The two Committees will consult and agree on matters of general policy that must be referred to the Council.
 - b. Each institution agrees to provide complete information to the Committee on Admissions about recruitment procedures and the local regulations governing same, acceptance data, permissible financial aid data (excluding needs analysis or methodology), and such other information as may be helpful in the implementation of the purposes of this Agreement.
 - c. The Committee shall make recommendations jointly with the Committee on Administration to the Policy Committee, with respect to any changes in policies deemed to be advisable.
3. Membership, meetings, and decisions
 - a. Each institution shall name a representative to the Committee on Admissions who shall be the administrative officer having admissions responsibility at the institution.
 - b. The Committee on Admissions shall have a Chair whose position shall be held in annual rotation by the representatives of the member institutions in the order indicated in §II-A-2. The Chair shall set the date and place of the regular meetings and of any special meetings, as requested by the representatives of any three institutions. The Chair shall be responsible for recording and distributing the minutes of such meetings.
 - c. The members of the Group agreed to abide by any decision within the purview of the Committee on Admissions which are approved by a majority of the Committee.

F. The Committee on Financial Aid

1. Responsibilities
 - a. The Committee on Financial Aid has jurisdiction over certain matters involving the determination of financial aid for students applying for admission to the institution, as well as for those students who have matriculated and continue to be enrolled at the institution. The Committee's jurisdiction, however, is limited by the consent decree and relevant antitrust legislation, including Section 568. (See Section 2 below.)

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- b. The Committee on Financial Aid will maintain close liaison with the Committee on Admissions and Administration. It shall maintain constant review of the financial aid and recruitment regulations promulgated by national and regional conferences in which individual institutions of the Group hold membership, with particular reference to the effect such regulations may have on the policies and procedures of the Ivy Group institutions.
2. Consent Decree and Section 568
 - a. On May 22, 1991 the Ivy Group institutions agreed to settle a civil antitrust case filed against them by the U.S. Department of Justice through a common Consent Decree. The Decree, which will be in force until September 20, 2001, prohibits, among other things, certain agreements and exchanges of information relating to financial aid.
 - b. Section 568 of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 permits, until September 30, 1997, certain financial aid agreements with respect to undergraduate education among institutions that practice "need-blind" admissions. Thus, with respect to undergraduate education and notwithstanding the Consent Decree, Section 568 permits (with certain limitations) institutions that practice "need-blind" admissions:
 - (1) to use a common financial aid application;
 - (2) to agree on principles of need analysis;
 - (3) to exchange certain pre-award letter family financial information; and,
 - (4) to agree to award aid only on the basis of need.
 - c. Members of the Committee should familiarize themselves with the specific terms of the Consent Decree, Section 568 and other relevant antitrust legislation, as all Committee activities must be consistent therewith.
 3. Relations with other Committees and institutions
 - a. To the extent permitted by the Consent Decree and relevant antitrust legislation including Section 568, and any successor provision, the Committee on Financial Aid shall make recommendations to the Policy Committee with respect to any changes in policy deemed to be advisable.
 4. Membership and meetings
 - a. Each institution shall name a representative to the Committee on Financial Aid who shall be the administrative officer having financial aid responsibility at the institution.

- b. The Committee on Financial Aid shall have a chair whose position shall be held in annual rotation by the representatives of the member institutions in the order indicated in §II-A-2, normally to agree with the Committee on Admissions. The Chair shall set the date and place of the regular meetings and of any special meetings, as requested by the representatives of any three institutions. The Chair shall be responsible for recording and distributing the minutes of such meetings.
- c. In order to determine which institutions meet the Section 568 “needblind” criteria, a certification form must be provided to the Executive Director by the Antitrust Compliance Officer of each institution which qualifies. Those institutions not providing such certification will not be eligible to participate in any discussions, agreements or exchanges otherwise permitted by Section 568, as described in §II-F-2-b.

5. Decisions

- a. To the extent permitted by the Consent Decree and relevant antitrust legislation (including Section 568), the members of the Group agree to abide by any decision about administrative matters within the purview of the Committee on Financial Aid that are approved by a majority of the Committee.
- b. Policy issues falling within the purview of the Committee on Financial Aid, but requiring broader institutional decisions, will be voted on by the Committee. The results of such votes will be forwarded with, or as recommendations to, the Policy Committee and/or the Council.
- c. Votes may be taken by mail or telephone unless there is an objection by one or more institution(s). Such objection(s) will table the issue until the next formal Committee meeting.

g. The Ivy Office and League Administration [rewritten 1989]

1. Executive Director

- a. It was agreed to establish the full-time position of Executive Director of the Council of Ivy Group Presidents as defined in the minutes of the July 11, 1973 meeting of the Policy Committee.
- b. The Director is responsible to the Council through the Chair of the Council. The Director is the Council’s executive officer, charged with administering the Group’s rules and activities, by and among the Ivy institutions, in the spirit of the Ivy Agreement.
- c. Among the Director’s principle responsibilities are:

- (1) Administering the Ivy Agreement, Ivy Group and national eligibility rules and Ivy Group and national rules for the conduct of athletics (see II-G-2,3, below);
 - (2) Representing the Council within and outside the Ivy Group and in NCAA and other national activities;
 - (3) Compiling and revising the **Ivy Manual**;
 - (4) Coordinating the activities of the various Ivy Committees, including the annual Ivy Legislative process;
 - (5) Carrying out selected league-wide informational activities and maintaining certain Ivy records; and
 - (6) Carrying out studies desired by the Council or the Policy Committee.
- d. The Executive Director shall maintain a central file of Council and all Committee minutes.
 - e. The budget of the Ivy Office is approved by the Council and divided equally among the eight institutions.
2. Rules administration
- a. The Executive Director shall administer the Ivy Agreement and relevant national rules, the imposition of penalties as may be appropriate and the implementation of such procedures for exceptions to Ivy rules as may be established by the Committee with authority in such areas. Administration of eligibility rules is governed by §III-B and C. Each institution shall furnish the Director such cooperation as he or she may require in any of his or her duties.
 - b. In the event of an alleged violation of the Ivy Agreement or Ivy rules initiated by an Ivy institution (including complaints concerning recruitment, admission or financial assistance offered prospects for admission), the allegation should be discussed first by the concerned institution with the responsible officer at the other institution involved. Should the issue not be resolved at this level, or if circumstances then indicate a violation may have occurred, the matter should be referred to the Executive Director.
 - c. If an alleged violation is referred to the Executive Director, or when the Ivy Office initiates inquiry into a possible violation, the Executive Director or Associate shall investigate on behalf of the Ivy Group.
 - (1) The Executive Director shall attempt to resolve disputes between institutions when informal discussion between institutional representatives cannot resolve the dispute or is deemed inappropriate.

- (2) The Executive Director is empowered to speak directly with the parties involved and any other University representatives, employees or students, or others who may have information pertinent to resolving the allegation, or the Director may request the institution to investigate and prepare a report.
 - (3) The President and Policy Committee representative of the institution will be informed whenever a charge involving a serious violation is being investigated.
- d. Except as provided in Section II-G-3 below, the Executive Director shall make and report the final determination to the complainant (if any) and appropriate representatives of the institution(s) involved. In the event a violation is involved, the Director may prescribe a penalty and/or course of remedial action. All such findings and penalties may be reviewed by the Policy Committee and the Council.
 - e. The Executive Director may grant an exception to any Ivy Group rule for which a specific exception procedure is not provided, in individual cases in which the circumstances are unusual and in his or her judgment such an exception is in accord with the spirit of the Ivy Agreement. The Committee on Administration also may consider exceptions to the Ivy rules under its jurisdiction, in unusual circumstances, and refer favorable recommendations to the Ivy Office under this section. The Executive Director's denial of any exception request may be addressed to the Chair of the Policy Committee who has sole discretion as to whether the case shall go to the Policy Committee.
3. Processing 'serious' cases; Advisory Disposition Committee
[Council, Spring 2001]
- a. The Executive Director shall refer cases of possible violations of Ivy or NCAA rules that he or she considers potentially "serious" to the Chairs of the Council and Policy Committee, and the process set forth in this section shall attach if they agree that the case is "serious". The Executive Director may conduct a preliminary inquiry into the matters as a basis for recommending to the Chairs whether or not to invoke this process. It is the Council's expectation that in considering whether to refer a case, the Director will take an expansive view of the process's potential application.
 - (1) If the institution which the Chair of the Council represents is involved in the case, the Vice-Chair of the Council shall participate instead.
 - (2) If the institution which the Chair of the Policy Committee represents is involved in the case, the Executive Director shall designate a different institutional representative to the Policy Committee to participate instead.

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- b. A “serious” case is one wherein the nature or scope of the alleged activity is deemed to call into question compliance with a fundamental Ivy rule or the integrity of the institution’s commitment to fundamental Ivy principles.
 - c. In processing cases that are determined to be “serious”, the Executive Director shall be advised by an Advisory Disposition Committee (ADC), whose composition is described in section (i). The ADC is intended to provide “institutional” and “Committee” perspectives to the Executive Director in processing such cases, but not to investigate or process cases itself. The ADC also is expected to propose changes or additions to Ivy League rules that may be suggested by its work, especially as to the definition of Ivy League rules, for consideration in the regular Ivy legislative process.
 - d. The Executive Director will notify the Council, Policy and Administration Committees of all “serious” cases; where appropriate in view of the issues involved, the Admissions and /or Financial Aid Committees also will be notified. Council and Committee members will not discuss such cases either within their institutions or publicly, and will refer all public and media inquiries to the Executive Director.
 - e. The ADC will review the initial allegations with the Executive Director and will advise the Director on the proposed conduct of the inquiry, which will be conducted by the Ivy Office with such cooperation of the institution(s) involved as the Director may require.
 - f. The Ivy Office will seek to process any issues of NCAA compliance as promptly as possible, without waiting for resolution of Ivy issues if appropriate, especially when seeking to maintain or restore the eligibility of individual athletes.
 - g. At the conclusion of the inquiry, the Executive Director will submit to the ADC his/her proposed findings, disposition, and report, and the ADC will provide the Director its views as to:
 - (1) the completeness of the inquiry;
 - (2) the definition and identification of Ivy or NCAA violations;
 - (3) the completeness, clarity and adequacy of the proposed disposition, as to both remedy and deterrence of future such activities by any Ivy institution;
 - (4) the statements proposed to be made to the Group and to the public and media; and,
 - (5) whether the full report should be disclosed to the Group and the public, and if so, whether in redacted form (it will be presumed that

the full report will be disclosed, either with or without redaction, unless the Executive Director and the ADC find a compelling reason not to do so).

- h. After the Executive Director and the ADC are satisfied in all these respects, the proposed findings, disposition and report will be submitted to the Chair of the Council, who will approve it, seek further action from the Executive Director, or refer it to the Policy Committee or the full Council for further action.
- (1) The ADC shall consist of eight members, chosen by the Chair of the Policy Committee and the Executive Director to include one representative from each institution and two representatives from each of the Ivy Committees. [Policy (from among the eight institutional representatives), Administration, Admissions, Financial Aid]
 - (2) Four of the members shall be the Chair of the Policy Committee and the Administration, Admissions and Financial Aid representatives to the Policy Committee; the other members shall be an institutional representative to the Policy Committee and one other member each from the Administration, Admissions and Financial Aid Committees.
 - (3) The membership of the ADC shall be chosen prior to August 1 for the academic year beginning that summer, reflecting changes that may be required by changes in the Committee representatives to the Policy Committee or for other reasons (e.g., retirements, or if the Chair of the ADC and one of the three Committee representatives to the Policy Committee are from the same institution). Subject to such changes, the Chair of the Policy Committee and the Committee representatives to the Policy Committee ordinarily shall serve on the ADC during the terms of their functions on the Policy Committee, and the other four members of the ADC ordinarily shall serve non-renewable two-year terms, with two terms expiring each year.
 - (4) Provided that there remains one representative from each institution, the Chair of the Policy Committee and the Executive Director also may adjust the composition of ADC to better address the subject matter of a particular case (e.g., if in their judgment there should be more Policy or Administration representatives and fewer Admissions or Financial Aid representatives), or to assure greater diversity of representation (in particular, to assure that a minimum of two ADC members are women). For the purposes of seeking greater diversity, the Chair and the Executive Director may select a Senior Woman Athletics Administrator for the ADC. An institution that is the subject of a serious case inquiry also may request that there be a change in its representative on the ADC.

4. Relations with national and regional athletic associations
 - a. The Ivy Group is committed to active ECAC and NCAA participation by the Ivy Office and the Ivy institutions. The individual Ivy institutions hold membership in the NCAA and ECAC; the Ivy Group is an affiliated member through the Ivy Office.
 - b. The Executive Director and the members of the Committee on Administration usually represent the Ivy Group at the official meetings of the ECAC and the NCAA. Such representation requires:
 - (1) Thorough review, with one or all of the standing Committees, of proposed legislation as it may affect the Ivy Group.
 - (2) Development of a Group position on pertinent issues when necessary for the benefit of the Group representatives.
 - (3) Communication to all concerned of the content, and of the import to the Group, of legislation enacted at the official meetings of these athletic governing organizations.

H. **The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee [Administration, Spring 1999]**

1. Student Representatives

The committee is comprised of two representatives from each institution, to be selected by the institution.

2. Voting

Each representative gets a vote on any issue where a vote is taken. If one institutional representative is missing, the other assumes two votes. An institution may appoint one alternate to attend if one representative is not available. If institution is not represented, it does not get a vote.

3. Meetings

- a. Funding—conference calls, meeting expenses and travel (by car or train) are funded by Ivy Office budget.
- b. In-person meetings will be held two times per year
- c. Conference calls will be held as necessary (1 or 2 per semester)

I. Ivy Legislative Process

1. Any Ivy institution or coaches group may propose a change in Ivy League legislation. Changes also may be proposed by the Ivy League Office. The process for submitting proposals will be communicated by the Ivy Office at least two months in advance of the due date.
2. Those proposing changes are required to complete an “impact” statement in a format approved by the Policy Committee and administered by the Ivy League Office, describing how the change will affect student-athlete welfare, institutional resources, and team competitiveness.
3. A sub-committee consisting of Athletic Administrators and Policy Committee members will review the proposals and provide feedback to the proposers, ensuring that all of the information the Committees need to make an informed decision is available.
4. The submitted proposals will be voted on at the Committee on Administration meeting in May. Prior to voting, the Committee on Administration will review the Statement of Principles (I-C). Those approved by the Committee on Administration that would increase the scope of athletics will be forwarded to the Policy Committee for its approval, and then to the Council of Ivy Group Presidents as indicated (see also II-D-1-b).
5. A legislative proposal from the Administration Committee that requires approval by the Policy Committee or the Council and is not approved by that body may not be resubmitted by the Administration Committee in the next two legislative cycles, unless the Executive Director determines that there are compelling changes in the relevant circumstances under which the sport is conducted (see §II-D-1-6). **[Council, Spring 2000]**
6. Changes in the following areas will require both Policy Committee and Council action:
 - a. the Ivy League athletic admissions structure, or the administration of financial aid for athletes;
 - b. the length and starting dates of competitive and practice seasons;
 - c. the number of playing dates in competitive seasons;
 - d. in practice seasons, the total number of playing dates and the kinds of permissible activities that may take place on those dates (e.g. formal contests or scrimmages, practice dates);
 - e. any changes in scheduling approaches that would create academic conflicts;
 - f. any changes in the format for determining Ivy League championships that would lengthen playing seasons or create academic conflicts;
 - g. Ivy League participation in post-season team competition;
 - h. The kind and general frequency of permissible activities in any off-season activity.

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7. Changes in the following areas will require Policy Committee action and will be presented to the Council as a “consent agenda”: The Council Chair will review the agenda and indicate to the Council whether he or she believes any items should be considered separately by the Council (any Council member also may remove any item from the consent agenda):
 - a. the effect on Ivy athletes of changes in the Olympic support structure for individual athletes;
 - b. the number of any permissible activity that may occur during practice or competitive seasons; provided that the total number of dates for all such activities in either season are subject to Council approval under 6-c/d above.
 - c. the number of any permissible activity that may occur during practice season (e.g. practice dates or contests).
 - d. scheduling changes and changes in the format for determining Ivy League championships that would not affect season limits or contest numbers and would not create academic conflicts;
 - e. participation by Ivy League athletes in individual post-season events;
 - f. the number of any permissible activity that may occur in an off season;
 - g. travel squad limits.

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A. Establishment and application of rules

1. Establishment of Ivy rules

- a. The Ivy Group, acting through the Committee on Coordination and Eligibility established by the Articles of Agreement and its current successor, the Policy Committee, have adopted the following regulations to govern the representation of these institutions in intercollegiate athletic competition.
- b. It is the spirit of this agreement that it shall be carried out through wise and flexible administration and in a setting of mutual respect and confidence among the members of the Group, as institutions having a common dedication to the purposes and principles of higher education.
- c. The Ivy Group rules of eligibility shall apply equally without regard to sex.

2. Application of Ivy rules

- a. Every undergraduate student of a member college or university shall be eligible to represent his or her institution in intercollegiate athletic competition, subject to the provision of these rules and provided the student has filed with the appropriate institutional authorities a written statement in which the student agrees to abide by the policies and spirit of the Ivy Group Agreement, and the rules of national and regional governing bodies.
- b. First-year students participating in NCAA sports must have NCAA initial eligibility certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. First-year students only participating in non-NCAA sports (e.g. sprint football, men's rowing, men's squash) do not have to have initial eligibility certified. **[Council, Spring 2005]**
- c. These rules apply to [This text also at VI-A-2.]:
 - (1) Every varsity, freshman and sub-varsity **athlete and team** (whether or not in a sport that is an Ivy round-robin sport) engaged in intercollegiate sports and officially sponsored by more than one Ivy institution or listed as a championship or emerging sport by the NCAA; **[Council, spring 2010]** and,
 - (2) Every other Ivy athlete or team participating in Ivy round-robin or championship competition officially sponsored by the Group.

3. National and regional rules

It is the intention of the members of the Ivy Group to subscribe to the principles and practices approved by the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the Eastern College Athletic Conference, and other regional or national governing bodies which the

Group may join, and to keep abreast of the annual amendments and special rulings of these bodies.

Ivy rules and NCAA and ECAC rules may differ in general scope, detail or both. In most instances Ivy regulations are more restrictive, but there are instances in which the reverse is true. The more important differences between Ivy and NCAA rules are noted in Parts VI and X-G of this *Manual*, but the *NCAA Manual* should be consulted directly as necessary. Eligibility officers and athletic administrators should take the greatest care to assist students and coaches in applying differences between Ivy and national rules.

B. Procedures in eligibility matters, including appeals

1. Institutional eligibility officer

- a. Each institution shall appoint an eligibility officer. This individual, if not the institution's representative on the Policy Committee, should maintain a close working relationship with that representative. He or she should not be a member of the athletic department.
- b. The eligibility officer is responsible for advising students of their eligibility under Ivy rules.
- c. All requests for exceptions to Ivy rules, interpretations of such rules, reports as required under these rules and other eligibility requests to the Ivy Group will be made by the eligibility officer or designee.

2. Eligibility Decisions

- a. The Executive Director is responsible for all eligibility decisions on behalf of the Ivy Group. Requests should be submitted in writing to the Executive Director with a copy to the institution's Policy Committee representative. Decisions will be returned in writing. The Executive Director, after discussion with the Chairman, may choose to submit the case to the Policy Committee for action.
- b. Each institution agrees on request to provide complete information to the Executive Director concerning any candidate in any sport.
- c. The Executive Director will inform institutions when the case requires action by other associations such as the NCAA or ECAC. When a case involves action by these other associations as well as the Ivy Group, eligibility requests always should be directed first to the Group.

- d. Exceptions to these rules may be allowed in individual cases in which the circumstances are unusual and the Executive Director, after consulting with the Chair of the Policy Committee, decides the exception is in accord with the spirit of the Ivy Agreement.
 - e. A master file of completed decisions shall be maintained at the office of the Council of Ivy Group Presidents. Reports will be made as necessary to the Policy Committee and/or all eligibility officers on decisions and cases, particularly as they might apply to other possible cases.
3. Appeals
 - a. Appeals from decisions by the Executive Director shall be directed to the Chair of the Policy Committee in writing. The Chair has sole discretion as to whether the case shall go to the Policy Committee.
 - b. In appeal cases, the institution appealing shall not vote.
 4. Eligibility responsibilities and coaches [**Ivy Office, 1987 and 1989**]
 - a. In determining eligibility within an institution all relevant officers—eligibility, admission, disciplinary and athletic—and all coaches should understand that a student’s eligibility status can be ascertained officially only from the appropriate institutional officer, who should be clearly identified. There should be in place at each institution a procedure for promptly and accurately communicating eligibility decisions to the coach of the sport in question, through whatever channels are deemed necessary. Although the eligibility officer is primarily responsible for assuring compliance in this regard, not the athletic authorities, athletic officers also must carry out their obligations clearly. In particular, coaches under any circumstances should seek and rely only on official opinion, and not on students’ representations.
 - b. In determining eligibility of another institution’s students, questions should be approached as follows:
 - (1) An Ivy institution should be assumed to have verified the eligibility of any competitor who steps up to represent it.
 - (2) It is an institutional matter whether questions about another institution’s students may be raised preliminarily between coaches, or should from the beginning be made by administrative officers.

- (3) If there continue to be questions after initial coach discussions, further inquiry is the responsibility of institutional athletics or eligibility administrators—whether the communication is with the competing institution or any third institution, or is with the Ivy, ECAC or NCAA offices.
 - (4) Although coaches should feel free in these instances to consult their sports liaisons as well as their Directors for clarification of the rules, individual cases are to be pursued institutionally, not through liaisons or coach chairs.
5. Competition while ineligible — effect on records
- a. This section applies whenever an institution per penalty assessment by the Ivy Office or Advisory Disposition Committee, as appropriate, forfeits a contest (or, as appropriate in an individual sport, an individual's points or match) because of participation by an ineligible student-athlete, when the ineligibility is declared subsequent to the playing of the contest.
 - b. The following shall apply to all Ivy League and overall records for all affected institutions, including standings, wins and losses, and coaches' records, both seasonal and cumulative.
 1. The score of the contest as played shall be listed in the records of contests played.
 2. The contest shall be recorded as a loss for the forfeiting team and as a win for the team receiving the forfeit, and any standings shall be computed on that basis.
 3. There shall be added to all applicable records an asterisk and a footnote, which shall read as follows: "Records reflect that per [NCAA and/or Ivy as applicable] rules, Team X forfeited [#] Ivy League and [#] other victories [Teams A, B...] due to use of a player subsequently declared ineligible."
 4. Team and individual statistics for all affected teams shall be unchanged.
 - c. When the forfeit of one or more contests would result in a different team winning (or tying for) an Ivy League championship, that team shall be declared the sole (or joint) champion, and the following footnote shall be added to the relevant championship listing: "Team X victories over Teams A, B, etc. forfeited due to subsequent declaration of participation by an ineligible student-athlete; Team Y declared Ivy champion."
 - d. This section shall apply to all publications of the Ivy Office and of all Ivy institutions. The Ivy Office shall prepare, and shall distribute to all institutions, listings of all records that are required to be based on this section.

c. Determination of forfeiture as a penalty [Council, Spring 2002]

1. Whenever it has been determined that a student-athlete participated in competition while ineligible, this section will be applied to determine whether, in addition to any penalties imposed by the NCAA, forfeiture of any kind shall be imposed as a penalty by the Ivy Group.
2. If the student-athlete(s) competed in individual sports, the team shall forfeit any advantage gained (e.g., tennis matches won, track points earned), and the final scoring of the competition shall be adjusted accordingly.
3. If the student-athlete(s) competed in team sports, the determination will be made according to this section, beginning with an investigation by the Ivy Office.
 - a. In any case which the Ivy Office determines to be one of inadvertent violation (e.g., “paperwork” error by the institution when the student-athlete was otherwise eligible, overdue financial forms, NCAA clearinghouse formalities) there will be no forfeiture, unless the Ivy Office identifies other circumstances that require review by the Advisory Disposition Committee.
 - b. In any case which the Ivy Office determines to involve unethical conduct (e.g., attempt to cover up violation, knowingly allowing student to compete while ineligible), forfeiture will be imposed unless the Advisory Disposition Committee determines otherwise, based on specific mitigating evidence.
 - c. In all other cases, forfeiture will be imposed unless the Advisory Disposition Committee determines otherwise, based on specific mitigating evidence.
4. In making recommendations or determinations as set forth Section III-C-3-c above, the Ivy Office and the Advisory Disposition Committee shall:
 - a. Give substantial weight to the institutional process in investigating and remedying the violation, and to the behavior and forthrightness of institutional personnel (e.g., took corrective action immediately and on its own initiative, versus passive response to inquiries made by investigating authorities).
 - b. Not consider the extent or effect of the student-athlete’s participation in the competition.
 - c. Consider the nature of the student’s conduct in creating and/or resolving the violation.
5. The Ivy Office shall maintain a file of all cases decided under this Section.

PART IV ELIGIBILITY: AMATEURISM

A. Principles (This text also appears in Section IB.)

1. 1954 Ivy Agreement §IV A-6, 7, 8
 6. The members of the Group reaffirm their prohibition of athletic scholarships. Athletes shall be admitted as students and shall be awarded financial aid only on the basis of economic need.
 7. No student-athlete shall be eligible who has received financial support from any source except (i) from personal or family resources; (ii) in return for services (other than of an athletic character) rendered through employment at normal wages; (iii) from financial aid awarded by or with the specific approval of the regular academic authority of the institution in which the player is a student; (iv) from Government grants to war service veterans or regularly enrolled members of ROTC units.
 8. No student-athlete shall be eligible whose secondary education was subsidized or whose post-college education is promised by an institution or group of individuals not closely related to the family as a consideration for the student attending that particular institution.
2. 1979 Statement of Principles, Number 8
 8. Financial aid for student-athletes must be awarded and renewed on the sole basis of economic need with no differentiation in amount or in kind (e.g., in packaging) based on athletic ability or participation, provided that each school shall apply its own standard of economic need.

B. Specific Issues

1. Prohibited practices

A student competing in intercollegiate athletics shall be an amateur in good standing. A student ceases to be an amateur by committing any of the following acts:

- a. Participating in any athletic competition under an assumed name, or otherwise with intent to deceive.
- b. Directly or indirectly receiving money or other remuneration for participation in any competition in *any* sport. [Note: NCAA rules govern only sports in which a student is seeking eligibility; Ivy rules proscribe eligibility in *all* sports if a student is professionalized in any sport sponsored at the varsity level by any Ivy League institution. IV-E] In accordance with NCAA rules, prospective student-athletes may have received prize money up to actual and necessary expenses in the event, and current student-athletes may receive prize money up to actual and necessary expenses in events during the summer vacation period. [Council, Spring 2009]

- c. Engaging for money or other substantial consideration in any occupation, business transaction or advertising promotion wherein that money or consideration is dependent on the student's usefulness as an athlete or the value of the student's name as an athlete, rather than from the ability to perform the usual and normal acts and duties incident thereto [see §IV-C-2, below].
 - d. Signing a contract with, practicing with, or playing on a professional team in any sport sponsored by any Ivy institution at the varsity level at the time of the student's initial enrollment at an Ivy institution at any time even though there is no payment or expense allowance [except as provided in IV-B-3, below].
 - e. Prior to matriculation, trying out with a professional team in any sport sponsored by any Ivy institution at the varsity level at the time of the student's initial enrollment at an Ivy institution if any payment or expense allowance is provided [this provision does **not** permit the 48-hour expense-paid tryout of NCAA B. 12.2.1.1].*
 - f. After matriculation, trying out with a professional team at any time during the academic year even though there is no payment or expense allowance [except as provided in IV-B-3, below].*
 - g. After matriculation, a student **may** try out with a professional team in any sport any time **not** during the academic year, provided there is no payment or expense allowance involved.*
 - h. Entering his or her name in a professional draft other than as provided by NCAA rules.
 - i. For Ivy League amateurism purposes, a professional team is defined as a team that competes in a professional sports league in North America (e.g. Major and Minor League Baseball, Major Junior A Hockey), or declares itself to be professional *and* competes at the highest level of the sport in other countries. [**Council, spring 2010**]
2. Confirming amateur status [**Policy, Spring 1994**]

Exceptions to §IV-B-1 will be considered on an individual case basis. In granting such exceptions, particular attention will be paid to each of the following:

- a. the remuneration involved;
- b. the nature of the act and the extent to which it did not involve pay for play;
- c. whether the professionalizing act renders the student ineligible to compete in amateur events according to the national governing body of the amateur sport in question.
- d. whether the professional team in question was clearly understood to be a "professional" team.

* [Policy Committee, 12/89].

3. Non-professionalism and multiple sports [**Ivy Office, 1987**]

Unlike NCAA rules, Ivy rules proscribe eligibility in *all* sports if a student is professionalized in *any* sport; see §IV-B-1 above. A student who is considered a professional in one sport may compete on the sub-varsity level in a different sport [**Council, Spring 1995**]. A student who has been determined under NCAA rules to be a professional in a sport shall be considered ineligible under IVY League rules for varsity competition unless granted a waiver per IV-B-2. A student willing to give up eligibility in one sport under NCAA rules may retain IVY eligibility in other sports under the following guidelines:

a. The student *may*:

- (1) sign with an agent for representation in the one sport, as long as the student receives no money;
- (2) assemble clippings, photographs, etc. for use by the agent;
- (3) enter his/her name in that sport's draft;
- (4) travel to a professional team's location in that sport to have a physical examination and to be tested as long as the student pays his/her own way.

b. The student may *not* [**Council, Spring 1989**]:

- (1) participate in practice or competition with a professional team in any restricted sport;
- (2) sign a contract with a professional team in any restricted sport unless the student has no potential Ivy eligibility remaining in that sport;
- (3) attend a mini-camp or tryout with a professional team in any restricted sport during academic year unless the student has no potential Ivy eligibility remaining in that sport;
- (4) receive any compensation, including any pay for any expenses involved in traveling to be tested by a professional team in any restricted sport.

c. **Employment [Policy, March 1986; rewritten 1989]**

1. Generally

Ivy governance of student employment historically has addressed a few specific situations and otherwise relied on this general admonition, as taken from the 1977 **Manual**: "Students should be careful to clear with the appropriate institutional authorities any employment opportunities that might jeopardize their amateur standing." The absence of detailed regulation has reflected, in part, not only the development of extensive NCAA rules but a general acceptance of their broad outline, as well as the frequently restrictive nature of their specific application; the few rules in the 1977

Manual paraphrased specific NCAA rules. This Part IV-C sets out both the few traditional Ivy rules and the more generally applicable NCAA rules.

2. Coaching, teaching, instruction and camps
 - a. The 1977 *Manual* specifically permits “employment, or competition incident to such employment, at a summer camp.” See NCAA B.12.4.3 and B.13.12.2 for NCAA regulations.
 - b. There have not been Ivy limits on employment as a coach, or instructor in a physical education class. See B.12.4.2 for NCAA rules.
 - c. Fee for lesson instruction

NCAA and Ivy rules allow student-athletes to receive fee-for-lesson compensation for coaching and teaching sports, with the following provisions:

- (1) Institutional facilities are not used;
- (2) Playing lessons shall not be permitted;
- (3) The institution obtains and keeps on file documentation of the recipient of the lesson(s) and the fee charged for the lesson(s) provided during any time of the year; and
- (4) The compensation is paid by the lesson recipient (or the recipient’s family) and not another individual or entity.

These restrictions do not apply prior to a student-athlete’s enrollment in a collegiate institution.

3. Other specific employment
 - a. Ivy rules do not limit employment unrelated to athletics ability. See NCAA regulations for questions related to the following activities:
 - promotional activities B.12.5.1
 - modeling B.12.5.1.3
 - commission based sales B.12.4.2.4

4. Olympic Participation

In accordance with NCAA bylaw 12.4.2.2, 12.4.2.2.1, and 16.10.1.1 student-athletes are permitted to receive broken-time payments.

D. Special elements of men’s ice hockey

1. A student who has played on any Junior A team in the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association will not be considered eligible for participation until the NCAA has reviewed the case. A strict application of these guidelines presumes that Junior A hockey players will ordinarily be ineligible and thus subject to the NCAA penalties set forth at B.12.2.3.2.4 [Policy, Spring 1996]
2. A student who has played on any Junior B team in the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association will be considered eligible for participation in accordance with NCAA and Ivy League rules as long as he has not signed a professional contract, and has not received any remuneration in connection with such participation beyond actual and necessary expenses for practice and competition. This may include meals and lodging expenses during the practice and playing season, but not outside of the season. [Policy, Spring 1996]

E. Ivy Sports

Ivy rules deny eligibility in all sports if a student is professionalized in any sport sponsored at the varsity level by any Ivy institution. A student who is considered a professional in one sport may compete on the junior varsity level in a different sport. The sports sponsored by Ivy League institutions at the time the student enters any collegiate institution will apply. Any derivations of these sports, as defined by NCAA interpretation, are also included (e.g. sculling is considered rowing, triathlon is considered swimming, track, and cross country; roller hockey is considered hockey, freestyle skiing is considered skiing, biathlon is considered skiing, box lacrosse is considered lacrosse, all running is considered track and field). The following sports are offered at the varsity level by at least one Ivy institution during the 2011-2012 academic year:

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| Archery | Field Hockey | Rowing | Tennis |
| Baseball | Football | Sailing | Track & Field |
| Basketball | Golf | Skiing | Volleyball |
| Cross Country | Gymnastics | Soccer | Water Polo |
| Diving | Ice Hockey | Softball | Wrestling |
| Equestrian | Lacrosse | Squash | |
| Fencing | Polo | Swimming | |

PART V ELIGIBILITY: ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND RESIDENCE**A. Residence and years of eligibility**

1. Seasons of competition
 - a. No student shall be eligible for more than four seasons of intercollegiate eligibility in any sport.
 - b. Subject to V-A-2 below, all students are expected to use their years of varsity eligibility in a particular sport during the first four seasons of that sport (even though they may be formally enrolled in a five-year program), provided the student is enrolled as a full-time student during each of those seasons.
 - c. In determining years of competition in all cases:
 - (1) Participation, however brief, in any intercollegiate athletic competition in any college year will cause that season to count as one of the allotted seasons of competition in that sport [see NCAA definition of competition], B.14.02.6, 14.2.3.1, 14.2.5.
 - (2) In the sports of women's volleyball, field hockey, and men's and women's soccer, a student-athlete may represent the institution in outside competition during the segment of the playing season that does not conclude with the NCAA championship without using a season of competition, provided the student-athlete was academically eligible during the segment that concludes with the NCAA Championship.
 - (3) The year or years during which a student may have represented any institution in intercollegiate athletic competition shall normally count in the total years of eligibility.
2. Season of Competition Waivers [**Ivy Office, 2005**]
 - a. Season of competition waivers will normally be granted when a student misses a season due to illness or emergency beyond the student's control. Waivers will normally be denied when students choose not to participate in athletics during a term in which they are enrolled and eligible, or do not participate at the discretion of the coach.
 - b. A student may have a season of Ivy League eligibility restored on the basis of a medical hardship that prevents or terminates athletic participation when an illness or injury occurs prior to the completion of the first half of the season and prior to participation in more than 30% of the scheduled in-season contests or dates of competition per NCAA bylaw 14.2.4, and results in incapacity to compete for the remainder of the season. [**Council, 2007**]

- c. Medical and contest count information should be documented when the injury occurs, and a waiver should be requested from the Ivy Office during the academic year of the missed season. [**Ivy Office, 2005**]
 - d. A student who receives an Ivy or NCAA medical hardship exception in wrestling may not have competed in “outside” wrestling events from the first practice date after the injury through the EIWA meet in the season in which he suffered the injury on which the exception is based. [**Administration, Spring 2001**]
 - e. A Medical Advisory Committee comprised of three team doctors from the Ivy Leagues schools will review applications for Ivy Non-Participation Medical Waivers in cases where the nature of the injury or level of documentation does not very clearly meet the criteria for restoring a season of competition. The Ivy Office will determine which cases to forward to the Committee, and will consult the Chair as needed. The Ivy Office will make the final determination of whether or not a season of eligibility is restored. [**Ivy Office, 2005**]
3. Years of Eligibility [**Council, 2005**]
- a. Students are normally expected to use their four seasons of eligibility within the four calendar years following initial enrollment. Eligibility beyond four calendar years requires the approval of the Executive Director.
 - (1) Students who request a leave of absence or extension of enrollment with the intent to participate in athletics during a 5th calendar year must talk personally with an academic advisor who will certify that the student appropriately considered academic and career goals when choosing this enrollment pattern, that the decision was in the student’s interest regardless of athletics participation, and was made by the student, without pressure to do so from a coach or other athletics department staff member.
 - (2) A transfer student is not subject to the four-year limit unless he or she has transferred from one Ivy League institution to another, or takes a leave of absence after enrolling at the second institution.
 - b. Under Ivy League and NCAA rules, a student shall not represent an institution in intercollegiate competition after a period of five calendar years from the first date of matriculation at any university, college or junior college. [**Council/Policy, 1978**]
- The rules of the NCAA and ECAC permit only limited exceptions to this rule, which the Group applies (B.14.2.1, 30.6), and students should not presume they will be eligible after five years from initial matriculation.
- c. Compare the 1979 Statement of Principles, No. 10: “Athletic participation ought never to interfere with or otherwise to distort normal academic progress toward the degree or post-baccalaureate plans for graduate work or employment.

B. Freshman eligibility generally

1. During the freshman year of residence a student shall be eligible for competition on freshman teams only in men's crew and for freshman or varsity and junior varsity teams in all other sports. [**Council, 1992**].
2. In the event that the season in a freshman sport is prolonged beyond the end of the semester which results in the student being advanced to the sophomore class, the student shall have the option of completing the season as a member of the freshman team or of completing it as a member of the varsity squad, but not both. If the student competes on the varsity, the student shall be charged with a season of varsity competition.
3. A student who enrolls initially at an Ivy institution shall be eligible for only three years of varsity competition in sports in which freshmen are eligible only for freshman competition.
4. No student (except a transfer or one admitted with advanced standing, §V-D below) shall be eligible for a varsity team in men's crew unless the student has completed satisfactorily an academic year's work at the institution to be represented. Exceptions to this rule may be applied by the institution in accordance with current EARC policy. [**Administration, Spring 1998**]
5. Upperclassmen will be allowed to participate in freshman light and heavy weight crew only if they are novices and have no collegiate participation. They may not compete in the first boat. [**Administration, Spring 1994**] Exceptions to this rule may be applied by the institution in accordance with current EARC policy. [**Administration, Spring 1998**]
6. It is an institutional decision whether or not to retain freshman programs for sports in which freshmen are permitted to compete on the varsity level.
7. All first year students must have NCAA initial eligibility certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. [See III.A.2b. for exceptions] [Effective August 1, 1997]

C. Freshman eligibility: admission with advanced standing

1. Students admitted as freshmen to the second semester in the middle of the academic year will have the option of participation on freshmen **or** varsity team in **fall** sports during their first fall semester on campus, but are eligible **only** for varsity **winter** teams in that semester.
2. A student admitted into the sophomore year under a program of Advanced Standing shall be eligible at once:
 - a. In sports where Ivy freshmen are varsity-eligible [currently, all sports **except** men's crew] for four years of varsity competition.

- b. In sports for which Ivy freshmen are eligible only for freshman teams pursuant to §IV-B-1 [currently, **only** men’s crew]: for one year of freshman and three years of varsity competition subject to §V-F, or for three years of varsity competition.
3. Once a student chooses to compete at the varsity level in a sport requiring separate freshman teams, the student is ineligible for freshman participation in other sports requiring separate freshman teams.

D. Transfer students

1. Except as set out below, the Ivy Group has no specific rules for the eligibility of transfer students. The NCAA and ECAC do maintain such “sit-out” rules and they are frequently quite complex, B.14.5. Therefore, no transfer student should assume that he or she will be eligible in the first year of Ivy residence until having received explicit approval from the institutional eligibility officer. NCAA transfer provisions are administered by the institutions unless NCAA or conference approval is specifically required; questions about transfer status should be directed to the Ivy Office.
2. A temporary student who is a participant in a bona fide exchange program may be eligible to represent an Ivy institution if the student satisfies institutional, Ivy, and NCAA standards of eligibility. But after initial enrollment at **any** post-secondary institution, even informal temporary attendance at a second institution requires careful attention as to whether “transfer” status has attached and, if so, whether the student may use any of the various exceptions to the “sit-out” rule, B.14.5.5.2, 14.5.2, 14.5.3.
3. When a student transfers into an Ivy institution from any other institution, is classified as a freshman, and wishes to compete in a sport in which Ivy rules require separate freshman participation [currently, men’s crew]:
 - a. If the student has used a season of eligibility in that sport in his/her prior institution(s), whether on a “freshman” or “varsity” team, the student may not compete on the institutional freshman team and must compete on the varsity team.
 - b. If the student has not used a season of eligibility in that sport, the student must compete on the institution’s freshman team while classified as a freshman.
4. When a student transfers into an Ivy institution having participated as a freshman at the varsity level, in a sport for which Ivy freshmen are eligible only for freshman teams pursuant to §IV-A-1 [currently, men’s crew], that season shall count as one of the four permissible seasons of intercollegiate eligibility but not as one of the three seasons of Ivy varsity eligibility.

E. Matriculation and academic standing

1. Generally: 1979 Statement of Principles, Nos. 9 and 10
 - a. The student athlete should be held accountable to the same academic standards as other students.
 - b. Athletic participation ought never to interfere with or otherwise to distort normal academic progress toward the degree or post-baccalaureate plans for graduate work or employment.
2. Matriculation
 - a. No student shall be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletic competition unless the student is a duly matriculated student regularly studying for a Baccalaureate degree. No “special” student shall be eligible [**Council, Spring 1988**].
 - b. A student carrying less than the number of courses normally taken by members of his or her class shall not be eligible without Ivy Group approval unless the student’s schedule has been temporarily reduced by academic authorities because of illness or other circumstances warranting such reductions, or unless the provisions of B.14.1.8.1.3 apply in the last semester of study for the Baccalaureate degree.
 - c. Cases of foreign students coming for a year under exchange programs and not studying for a Baccalaureate degree should be presented to the Group.
3. Standing
 - a. No student shall be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletic competition unless the student is in good **academic** standing as determined by the faculty of that institution, and is making normal academic progress, both quantitatively and qualitatively, toward the degree [*1954 Ivy Agreement, §IV-A-5*].
 - b. Making “normal academic progress quantitatively” requires that a student have attained sufficient credits toward the degree to be able to graduate on schedule by successfully completing the remaining semesters with programs within the limits of points and courses normally permitted by the faculty of the institution.
 - c. Each institution will inform the others:
 - (1) Of its categories of academic or disciplinary probation;
 - (2) The grounds upon which such probation may be imposed; and,
 - (3) The terms and conditions of such probationary status.

4. Changes in eligibility status

- a. A student who has been declared ineligible for any reason and whose period of ineligibility terminates at the close of any term or semester, other than the last term of the year, shall be eligible for competition the day after the end of the exam period of that term.
- b. A student absent the previous term will also be eligible the day after the end of the exam period.
- c. A student first entering an institution at any time other than the beginning of an academic year may begin practice, participate in scrimmages, and travel with the team on the day after the examination period ends for the previous term, and may begin competition on the first day of classes of the term for which he or she first registers in accord with §V-E-2-a,b above. **[Policy, Fall 1988].**
- d. A student who is eligible during one term but will not be eligible in the subsequent term (because not registered or for any other reason) remains eligible for practice and competition until the first day of classes for that term.
- e. A student who is participating in an institutional off campus academic program and is considered by the institution to be a full time student at the institution, may practice and compete on the same basis as any full time student.

5. Practice **[Policy, Fall 1985]**

- a. A student who has been ruled ineligible to compete for reasons relating to transfer status or academic progress limits may practice so long as he or she:
 - (1) meets the requirements for matriculation and good standing set forth in this Section; *and,*
 - (2) is enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies **[Administration, Spring 1992].**
 - (3) otherwise is permitted to practice under institutional rules; and,
 - (4) is eligible to practice under NCAA rules.
- b. A student who has been ruled ineligible to compete for any other reasons may practice only if, **in addition,** an institutional or Ivy appeal is pending.

6. Dartmouth Calendar and Athletic Eligibility

Dartmouth's unique calendar creates unique eligibility questions. In response, the Committee on Coordination and Eligibility made a number of decisions which refine the eligibility rules as they apply to Dartmouth students.

- a. Students may compete in their twelfth term as long as they are registered in the normal way.
- b. Students returning after being absent in the previous term may begin eligibility the day after the day of the official end of term (including examination period).
- c. Students enrolled and eligible in a term remain eligible until the first day of classes of the subsequent term.
- d. Students may train but not compete in terms in which they are not registered. (Note: NCAA waiver approved 2004)
- e. Room and board may not be paid for students in terms in which they are practicing but are not registered. Room and board may be paid during intersession prior to registration.
- f. Special tuition and room and board charges are not permissible. Expenses and course loads must be those permitted for all students by the institution and not special arrangements for athletes.

F. Completion of Baccalaureate requirements

1. Except as indicated below, no student who completes the requirements for a Baccalaureate or equivalent degree shall be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletic competition, even though the actual award of the degree is postponed. This Section does not apply to a student enrolled for a second Baccalaureate degree at the same institution.
2. Unlike NCAA rules, a student who has received the Baccalaureate degree and is enrolled in the graduate or professional school of the institution from which that degree was awarded, and who has athletic eligibility remaining, is not permitted to participate in intercollegiate athletics [compare B.14.1.9] [**Council, Fall 1985**].
 - a. Exception

Student-athletes who complete their undergraduate degree requirements in fewer than eight semesters of enrollment, and have not exhausted their athletic eligibility, may compete while enrolled in a full-time graduate program of study at the institution granting the undergraduate degree. Eligibility is limited to four calendar years from the time of matriculation [**Council, Spring 1996**].
3. A student who completes the requirements for a Baccalaureate or equivalent degree at the end of a spring term, shall be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletic competition through the date of the national collegiate championships in any given sport; and at a later date only if the student represents his or her institution in any event duly authorized by that institution as part of its athletic program.

4. A student who completes the requirements for a Baccalaureate or equivalent degree at the end of a fall or summer term, shall be eligible to represent an institution in inter-collegiate athletic competition until the opening of the succeeding academic term.

PART VI ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION: SPORTS AND LEAGUES**A. Generally****1. The Ivy Spirit**

It is the spirit of this agreement that it shall be carried out through wise and flexible administration and in a setting of mutual respect and confidence among the members of the Group as institutions having a common dedication to the purposes and principles of higher education.

2. Application

These rules apply to:

- a. Every varsity, freshman, and sub-varsity **athlete and team** (whether or not in a sport that is an Ivy round-robin sport) engaged in intercollegiate sports and officially sponsored by an Ivy institution and,
- b. Every other Ivy athlete or team participating in Ivy round-robin or championship competition officially sponsored by the Group. [This text also at III-A-2.]

3. Specific Sports

These rules have been adapted to circumstances of specific sports in matters such as squad size, travel, and scheduling. As far as possible, such changes have been removed from this text to Part VII, which should be consulted carefully.

4. Principles of Conduct [Committee on Administration, Spring 1997; Council, Spring 2002]**a. Expectation of Good Sportsmanship in Ivy League Athletics**

- (1) The Council of Presidents has traditionally relied on the Committee on Administration to define appropriate standards of good sportsmanship in the conduct of Ivy League athletes, and that Committee has rightfully expected that the primary responsibility for assuring good sportsmanship among both participants and spectators should be and is assumed by the individual institutions.
- (2) The Committee now believes that it is important to support institutions and coaches in this effort by stating explicitly that it expects good sportsmanship to be practiced by Ivy League institutional administrators, staff members, coaches, athletes and spectators.

- (3) Specifically, members of all these groups are expected to abide by standards of good sportsmanship in connection with any athletic activities involving their institutions, and are expected not to commit, nor to lead others to commit, any act of verbal or physical abuse in connection with any such activities. Each Ivy League institution will make this expectation clearly known, at the beginning of each year or season as appropriate, to its administrators, staff members, coaches, athletes and student bodies.
 - (4) The Committee hopes and expects that it can avoid the need for detailed substantive or procedural rules, and that it can continue to rely on the holding by all Ivy institutions of a mutual sense of appropriate conduct, and on the taking by all Ivy institutions of appropriate actions to teach and secure such conduct.
- b. Conduct of and at Contests
- (1) These policies shall apply to both pre- and post-contest activities as well as to the contests themselves, and shall specifically apply to conduct of spectators, and to conduct directed at spectators, officials, coaches and competitors.
 - (2) As general principles, it is the responsibility of each home institution to make every effort to assure that:
 - (a) Both teams shall be allowed to prepare and to compete in a safe atmosphere;
 - (b) The contest itself will be conducted in a manner that discourages spectators and any other unofficial persons from disrupting or interfering with the event;
 - (c) Visiting spectators will be permitted to support the visiting team as a group, free from interference and intimidation from home team fans and, where possible, seated together; and
 - (d) Visiting team benches are safeguarded from interference and harassment, through "buffer zones" or otherwise as appropriate, and bands are seated so as not to be able to harass or interfere with visiting benches.
 - (3) It is within the spirit of Ivy competition to encourage a positive attitude among spectators in support of their teams, and strong competition between teams in a friendly and sportsmanlike environment.
 - (a) The following statement shall be made or distributed publicly before the beginning of every intercollegiate varsity or junior varsity athletic contest held at an Ivy League institution (e.g., through a public address system, or by inclusion in a game program):

“Ladies and gentlemen, [Host Institution] and the Ivy League welcome you to today’s contest. We ask that you join us and today’s coaches, players and officials in practicing good sportsmanship in supporting your teams and in your conduct toward players, coaches, officials and other spectators. [Please note that the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages also are prohibited.]”

Home institutions may add to this statement as they deem appropriate. Decisions about facility control, and regulation and removal of spectators, are within the purview of the home institution.

- (b) The Council of Presidents has noted that banners or signs that contain potentially offensive language or pictures (particularly displays that may be vulgar or obscene) should be discouraged without inappropriately limiting spectators’ opportunities to express themselves [**Council, Spring 1987**].
 - (4) In addition to adherence to IX-B as to complimentary tickets, adequate provision should be made on behalf of visiting team fans to minimize interference and intimidation from home team fans, including seating visiting team fans contiguously.
 - (5) Decisions about facility control, and regulation and removal of spectators, are within the purview of the home institution.
 - (6) The firing of cannons is banned from all Ivy stadia.
 - (7) The use of artificial noisemakers by spectators is prohibited in Ivy League venues unless the noisemaker is provided by the athletic department. [**Administrative Committee, Spring 2011**]
5. Use of Tobacco and Alcohol [**Ivy Office and Administration, Spring 1991**]
- a. The Committee on Administration discourages the abuse of alcohol and does not condone its possession or consumption by persons under the legal drinking age. Each member institution has adopted and implemented a program designed to prevent the abuse of alcohol by students, faculty and staff. The Committee fully supports each institution’s efforts and encourages each athletic department to assist in these institutional efforts and to develop complementary departmental policies or guidelines. Alcoholic beverages should not be served or consumed in any activity related to athletics in circumstances that would result in violations of law or that would serve to encourage their use by students.

- b. The Committee on Administration discourages the use of tobacco products in all activities related to athletics.
- c. Except to the extent an institution may be legally responsible for a student's possession or use of alcohol or tobacco products, the Committee on Administration views the above statements as matters of principle rather than as rules in the usual sense. Because of the important personal and health consequences involved, however, the Committee believes it is important to state these principles and to encourage each institution's policies and practices to support them.
- d. The distribution of smokeless tobacco product samples in Ivy locker rooms is prohibited [**Administration, Spring 1992**].

6. Use of Ergogenic Aids

Ivy League institutions and staff members are prohibited from providing, distributing, and/or recommending muscle-building supplements (as defined by the NCAA) to student-athletes at any time. Permissible muscle-building nutritional supplements are identified according to the following classes: carbohydrate/electrolyte drinks, energy bars, carbohydrate boosters and vitamins and minerals. [**Administration, Spring 2001**]

B. Ivy Sports and Championships

1. Ivy sports [**Administration, Spring 1995**]

- a. "Ivy sports" are defined in this section as those sports in which a minimum of five Ivy institutions have made a commitment to Ivy League championship competition with official institutional varsity teams.
- b. An official Ivy champion will be determined only in those sports designated as Ivy sports, through the competition and championship formats established in this Section.
- c. An official institutional varsity team:
 - (1) receives institutional financial support, including support for coaching, scheduling and recruiting, and regular access to institutional facilities; and, [**Administration, Spring 1996**]
 - (2) receives full athletic administrative support and supervision for scheduling, event management, and overall program development; and,
 - (3) is fully subject to all applicable Ivy, ECAC and NCAA rules and to the exercise of full institutional compliance responsibility.

- d. A sport designated as an Ivy sport will:
 - (1) have a liaison appointed from the Committee on Administration and be expected to have regular coaches meetings, as described in Section VIII below; and,
 - (2) be the subject of periodic official Ivy League publicity, from the Ivy Office or under its supervision, and have its records included in the *Ivy League Record Book*. Records for men's and women's gymnastics, for the time during which they were Ivy sports, will also be included in the *Ivy League Directory and Record Book*. [**Administration, Spring 1998**]
 - (3) name an All-Ivy team, for which members will receive an All-Ivy Certificate. [**Administration, Spring 1996**]
 - e. If in any year fewer than five schools sponsor varsity teams in a particular Ivy sport, the sport will retain that designation, and be permitted to have championship competition, during that one year only.
2. Ivy Championships Generally
 - a. The conduct of Ivy League championships is addressed in detail in the Ivy League Championships Handbook. [**Administration, Spring 1999**]
 - b. When a tournament is held to determine the official Ivy champion, any institution entering a club team must guarantee on an official entry form signed by the Director of Athletics [**Administration, Spring 1989**]:
 - (1) That the student-athletes are eligible to compete according to all NCAA and Ivy rules; and,
 - (2) That the institution will be responsible for the team's share of expenses.
 - c. Playoffs will be conducted only in sports in which the League champion receives an automatic bid to a post-season championship. Such playoffs determine only the post-season participants: teams that are tied at the end of regular season round-robin play shall be declared Ivy Co-Champions. [**Administration, Spring 1988**]
 - d. Any net revenue from an Ivy playoff in basketball, volleyball, or a divisional playoff in baseball or softball will be distributed in equal shares to each school sponsoring the sport in which a playoff was held. Any net deficit from an Ivy playoff will be shared equally by each school sponsoring the sport in which the playoff is held, up to a maximum of \$200 per school; any additional deficit will be paid for through the Ivy Office. [**Administration, Spring 1999**]
 - e. Any net revenue from an Ivy championship or tournament will be distributed in equal shares to each school sponsoring the sport. Any net deficit from an Ivy championship or tournament will be shared equally by each school sponsoring that sport, with the exception of the baseball and softball cham-

pionships, where the maximum to be paid will be \$200 per school, with any additional deficit paid by the Ivy Office.

- f. Junior varsity competition is prohibited during the conduct of Ivy League and Heptagonal championship events. **[Administration, Spring 2001]**

3. Round-Robin Championships

- a. Except as provided below, Ivy championships are determined by round-robin Ivy League competition or by the best record in Ivy-vs.-Ivy play in leagues that include non-Ivy teams (e.g., ECAC Ice Hockey).
- b. All Ivy championships in round-robin competition will be determined by best Ivy record with the exception of soccer and ice hockey which will be determined based on point systems (Soccer, W=3, T=1; ice hockey, W=2, T=1). Every attempt will be made to play games having a bearing on the championship in a sport.
- c. Except as otherwise provided in Part VII for a specific sport, when a playoff is required to determine a post-season representative, the schools involved (in coordination with the sport Liaison) shall attempt to find a mutually acceptable date and site (preferably an Ivy site). Failing agreement, the Liaison will inform the Executive Director who will have final authority to resolve the issue.

4. Qualifying Championships

Baseball and softball championships are determined by qualifying championships. **[Council, Fall 2008]**

5. Inclusive Championships

Cross country, indoor and outdoor track and field, swimming and diving, and golf championships are determined on the basis of the best team score at the Championship for each sport. Women's rowing championship is determined by the first place finish of the varsity 8 grand final race. **[Committee on Administration, May 2011]**

6. Men's Rowing Championships

The Eastern Sprints will be considered the Ivy Championship race for men. The Champion is determined by the First place finish of the varsity 8 grand final race.

- 7. Tournament to determine automatic qualification.
In lacrosse (what copy is missing?)

8. Budgets and Finances

- a. An institution hosting an Ivy inclusive championship or round robin event must have estimated budget approved by the Ivy Office and CFO's at least 60 days in advance. **[Administration, Spring 1999]**

- b. After the event, any net loss or profit is shared equally by all the schools that are official Ivy League members in that sport, except when provided otherwise in a specific sport. The host institution shall submit the championship financial report to the Ivy League office, according to the schedule found in Championships Handbook. Each school then will be sent a statement from the Ivy Office for centralized cost-sharing of each championship event. The championship events will be reconciled on a seasonal basis (as recommended and agreed by the Chief Financial Officers in May, 2003). The schedule for those seasonal reconciliations is also found in the Championships Handbook.
- c. A school that hosts an Ivy inclusive championship will receive a stipend of \$1,000 for a one-day event, \$2,000 for a two-day event, and \$2,500 for a three day event. **[Administration, Spring 2010]**

9. Awarding Championship Trophies

- a. When possible, an Ivy Office representative will present the Ivy League championship trophy at the conclusion of a contest in which a team has won an outright Ivy championship in a “round-robin” sport. The presentation will be made on the field or venue and will include use of the public address system; except in football, with the specific arrangements to be made by the home institution. The home team will be required to provide sufficient security to ensure a safe and secure environment for the teams and fans.
- b. A trophy will not be presented if it is not possible for an Ivy Office representative to attend and/or if the trophy cannot be available (e.g. when a sole League champion could emerge from more than one contest on the same day.)
- c. There should be no other activities when a visiting team wins a championship (e.g. cutting down nets).
- d. Trophies will not be presented at the end of a contest to teams that clinch a tie for a championship, only to those who clinch an outright championship. The only exception would be the presentation of the trophy to all tying teams before a playoff game (e.g. volleyball).

c. Squad Sizes

The following are mandatory limits for squad sizes (eligible players who are dressed) for Ivy teams in all term-time contests, except when post-season championship limits may apply. **[Administration, Spring 1993, 2008]**

1. *Home Teams* There are not limits on the number of eligible home team squad members who may dress for a varsity contest.

2. *Away Teams: Travel Squad Limits* There are limits (see #4 below) on the number of eligible away team squad members who may travel with a team and dress for any regular season term-time contests (i.e. during the academic year, non-vacation).
3. *Varsity and Junior Varsity Teams Traveling Together during the Academic Year (nonvacation)* [**Administration, Spring 2000, Spring 2008**]

A team may travel with greater than the varsity travel squad limit only to contests for which there is a junior varsity competition. Those competing for or scoring for the varsity must be declared in advance, and may not exceed the varsity travel squad limit. Administrators should confirm in advance (via contract, e-mail, or telephone) that these provisions will be met before allowing greater than the varsity limit to travel.

- a. **Cross Country Exception**
Up to three times per season, teams may travel with the varsity and junior varsity travel squads and compete in the same event as one team. The contests count against the Ivy contest limit for both the varsity and junior varsity teams if five or more junior varsity participants travel (the number which constitutes a team as defined in VI-E-2-d).
- b. **Other Individual Sports Exception**
In the following individual sports, up to the following number of times per season, teams may travel with the varsity and junior varsity travel squads if the institution is entering two separate teams in a multi-team event that does not include other "junior varsity" competitors. The contests count against the Ivy contest limit for both the varsity and the junior varsity teams if the number of junior varsity participants which constitutes a team (as defined in VI-E-2-d) travels.
Fencing 3
Golf 5
Squash 3
Swimming 3
Tennis 5
Track and Field 5 (total indoor and outdoor)
Wrestling 3
- c. **Definition of Separate JV Event**
A JV team may travel to an event held in conjunction with a varsity event that does not meet the provisions of (a) or (b) above, only if the JV team has its own competition. The junior varsity competition (i.e. swim meet, track meet) does not have to be conducted separately from the varsity (e.g. heats for varsity and JV in the 100 free may be scheduled one after the other, the jumping and diving events may include varsity and JV participants, there does not have to be a team score kept for the junior varsity), so long as any event in which a junior varsity competitor participates includes a junior varsity competitor from at least one other school. A junior varsity competitor is one who is declared as such in advance and who does not compete for or score for the varsity in any event. The contests count against the Ivy contest

limit for both the varsity and the junior varsity teams if the number of junior varsity participants that constitutes a team (as defined in VI-E-2-d) travel to the meet.

4. The sport-by-sport travel squad limits are:

| <i>Sport</i> | <i>Away</i> | <i>Exception</i> |
|------------------|------------------|---|
| Baseball | 20 ⁷ | 22 when playing 2 or more doubleheaders on one trip. No limit in fall. |
| Basketball | 15 | JV limit is 12 away, 15 home |
| Crew | 46 | includes varsity and novice, distribution at school's discretion |
| Cross Country | 12 | limit applies to varsity and JV away teams |
| Fencing | 12 ⁴ | 15 for multiple matches of four or more teams and Ivy Round Robin weekends ⁸ |
| Field Hockey | 22 ⁹ | |
| Football | 62 | JV limit is 52 |
| Golf | 8 | (championship) |
| Gymnastics | 16 ³ | |
| Ice Hockey | 20 | limit also applies to JV home teams; for back-to-back weekends 22 may travel, 21 may dress, including 18 skaters and 3 goalies ¹ |
| Lacrosse (men) | 32 | |
| Lacrosse (women) | 26 ⁷ | no limit in fall |
| Soccer (men) | 18 | 20 when playing 2 or more away contests on one trip ¹ |
| Soccer (women) | 20 | 22 when playing 2 or more away contests on one trip ⁴ |
| Softball | 20 ⁷ | no limit in fall |
| Squash | 10 | |
| Swimming | 26 | limit also applies to JV home teams (championship) |
| Tennis | 10 | |
| Track (indoor) | 38 | 44 for triangular or greater, limit also applies to JV home teams |
| Track (outdoor) | 46 | limit also applies to JV home teams |
| Volleyball | 15 | |
| Water Polo | 16 ² | |
| Wrestling | 13 ¹⁰ | 15 for tri-meets and above, JV home teams, and when competing in two or more contests on one trip ⁵ 15 for "National Duals" Tournament ⁶ |

¹ Administration, Spring 1996

² Policy, Spring 1996

³ Council, Spring 1998

⁴ Council, Spring 1999

⁵ Council, Spring 2000

⁶ Council, Spring 2004

⁷ Council, Spring 2005

⁸ Council, Spring 2007

⁹ Council, Spring 2008

¹⁰ Council, Spring 2010

5. *Exceptions*

- a. Injured or otherwise incapacitated squad members may also travel with a team (but not dress), provided that this does not result in any additional transportation expenses (lodging and normal food support may be provided); these players may be on the sideline or bench. No other eligible squad members may travel with the team, result in additional expenses, be on the sideline or bench, or receive complimentary tickets.
- b. Post-season non-Ivy tournament limitations, if any, supersede these Ivy limits.
- c. One manager who is an eligible player may travel with the team.
- d. In sports other than football, travel squad limits do not apply to trips for competition vs. non-Ivy opponents that involve no missed freshman orientation activities, and no overnight travel. Additional transportation expenses may not be paid (i.e. addition to travel party may not result in changing the mode of transportation or number of vehicles used). This provision does not apply to any trip where the team travels overnight (e.g. the first or second contest of a two-contest trip).

D. **Practice and Season Calendars [revised generally 1991, 2006]**

1. Generally

- a. With the advice of the Committee on Administration, the Policy Committee establishes the starting dates of practice in all sports, as well as limitations on out-of-season practice. Competitive seasons are set out below; specific calendars for each season are set out in **Part VI-D-3** and notes about the fall, winter and spring seasons are in **VI-D-5,6,7,8**.

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Baseball | Spring |
| Basketball | Winter |
| Crew | Fall/Spring |
| Cross Country | Fall |
| Fencing | Winter |
| Field Hockey | Fall |
| Football | Fall |
| Golf (men-women) | Fall/Spring |
| Gymnastics (women) | Winter |
| Ice Hockey | Winter |
| Lacrosse | Spring |
| Soccer | Fall |
| Softball | Spring |
| Squash | Winter |
| Swimming | Winter |
| Tennis | Fall/Winter/Spring |

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Track, Indoor | Winter |
| Track, Outdoor | Spring |
| Volleyball (women) | Fall |
| Water Polo (men) | Fall |
| Wrestling | Winter |

- b. All sports are restricted to practice and competition (including alumni games) in the periods set forth except as may be noted otherwise in **Part VII**. Any other out-of-season team participation must be approved by the Administration and Policy Committees. Consult **Part VI-F** as to permissible off-season activities.
 - c. Students who wish to participate in more than one sport during an academic year should not be negatively influenced in this regard by coaches or administrators, particularly in the student's choice to compete in one sport during the practice season of another sport. [**Administration, Spring 1989**]
 - d. Out-of-season practice opportunities must be scheduled as not to conflict with facility usage (practice or competition) for in-season sports. Athletes shall not be required to attend out-of-season practice or contests if they wish to participate in another sport [**Administration, Spring 1992**].
2. Team Rest Periods [**Council, Spring 2002**]

Students in each sport will have a "rest period" totaling 49 days during the academic year. These periods shall have no required athletic activity, no voluntary activity under the supervision of a team-coach, no team athletic activities [e.g. no "captain's practices"], and no team or team member athletically related activities resulting from encouragement by the coaching staff to engage in such activity. Under no circumstances will any athletically related activity involving team members be supervised by a team-coach, nor will facilities be reserved for team activities.

- a. Team members will be free to participate in any recreational venue or activity open to all other students, and to have whatever supervision is provided in those circumstances. Sport specific facilities and equipment normally open only to team members or permitted to be used only under the supervision of the coaching staff for safety reasons (e.g. archery range, gymnastics venue, rowing tanks, rowing shells) may not be used by team members during these "rest periods". Institutions may permit the use of "varsity" weight rooms and cardiovascular equipment (including ergometers), but with no advance scheduling or team-coach supervision. Strength and conditioning coaches who perform such duties on a department-wide basis may supervise the use of the weight room and cardiovascular equipment, but may not conduct workouts.
- b. When a rest period is scheduled in the first two weeks of the fall term, a team coach may conduct one organizational meeting for prospective team members during that time provided no physical or sport-related activity occurs.

- c. Rest periods will be scheduled so that each student has a rest period of 49 days per academic year. The choice of rest periods must include the seven days prior to out of season examination periods. All rest period schedules must be approved by a designated institutional administrator.
 - (1) Periods must be scheduled at a time when classes, reading period, or examinations are in session.
 - (2) For an in-season day to count as a day off, the entire team must have the day off. Out-of-season days may be scheduled separately for individuals.
 - (3) Periods may be scheduled during times when there is the possibility of post-season play only if time remains in the academic year for that time to be rescheduled (note especially in spring sports). With the permission of the Ivy Office, a rest period may be scheduled in individual sports during time of post-season play if a very small number of students are participating in such play and the time is rescheduled for those individuals.
 - (4) In spring sports no more than two weeks (14 days) may be scheduled after the end of the regular season.
 - d. Students who participate in three seasons (particularly cross country, indoor and outdoor track) will be encouraged to take time off between seasons.
 - e. The Ivy Office may grant a waiver for reduced rest periods if requested by the institution's Policy Committee member for individual "elite" athletes who are training for a specific national or international event and who would be significantly disadvantaged if prohibited from training with a team coach (e.g., swimmer preparing for national-team/Olympic selection trials in April, after end of college season).
3. Season Declarations [**Administration, Spring 1989**]
 - a. By August 1 preceding each academic year, the following must be submitted to the Ivy Office for approval:
 - (1) Schedules for practice and competition start dates **all** fall sports; and,
 - (2) NCAA playing season declarations in **all** sports.
 - b. NCAA playing season regulations, including the requirement for declarations, are found at **Bylaw 17.1** and are charted at **Figures 17-1 and 17-2**, **B.17.1** should be consulted in its entirety for complete rules about duration, dates, and periods to be included in "playing season" declarations. Note B.17.1.5.3 as to counting "weeks" and holiday, vacation, examination and summer periods.

- c. “Alumni” Games and NCAA Season Declarations [**Administration, Spring 1989**]
 - (1) An “alumni” or reunion game that occurs within a sport’s regularly declared traditional or non-traditional season requires no further action.
 - (2) An event that does not fall within a regularly declared NCAA “season,” see VI-D-2 above and is not organized so as to be exempt from such requirements, will require a season declaration.
4. Fall Practice and Competition Prior to Start of Classes
 - a. Preseason Practice Meals and Lodging Prior to Start of Practice
 - (1) On the day before the first day of fall practice, member institutions may gather their squads for administrative tasks (e.g. physical examination, photographing, and equipment issue) and may serve an evening meal followed by a squad meeting.
 - (2) Lodging (not meals) may be provided starting two nights before the first practice.
 - (3) No athletically related activity may be conducted until the official first day of practice.
 - b. Freshman Participation Prior to the Start of Classes
 - (1) Freshmen in all sports may report to practice on the date the varsity reports, provided that freshmen are required to attend all mandatory freshman orientation activities. The decision about what activities would preclude practice whether “required” or otherwise at the institution’s choice, is left to the appropriate non-athletic authorities at each institution. [**Council, Spring 1993**]
 - (2) If an Ivy versus Ivy contest is scheduled initially on a date at which one institution’s first-year students are precluded from participating due to orientation activities that are mandatory to all freshmen, the two institutions should attempt to change the contest date to avoid this conflict. If no compromise date is agreed upon by both schools, then neither team may utilize any freshman students in that contest. During the previous year, each institution shall supply the Ivy office with its next fall’s orientation dates during which its freshman students shall be precluded from participating in contests. The Ivy schedulers are encouraged to avoid scheduling Ivy versus Ivy contests on these dates if possible. [**Council, Spring 1993**]

5. Fall sport calendar provisions—sports other than football with fall seasons
 - a. Practice and Competition Start Date Formulas
 - (1) In cross country the first permissible fall contest date is the 11th Friday before Thanksgiving (**Formula adopted by Policy, Spring 1993**). Practice may begin on the date determined by counting 20 NCAA practice units back from the first contest date (regular season, not scrimmage) in accordance with the provisions of B.17.02. [**Administration, Spring 1989**]
 - (2) Field hockey, men's and women's soccer, women's volleyball and men's water polo:
 - (a) the first permissible contest date is 12 Fridays before Thanksgiving [**Council; spring 2002, 2003, 2008**]. (Note: Under NCAA rules water polo may not begin competition before the 1st Saturday in September.)
 - (b) The first permissible practice date is 14 days prior to the first permissible contest date. Within the 14 days there must be 2 days off (one per week) that include no athletically related activity that is required or expected or supervised by a coach. The 12 practice days include 6 days during which there is a limit of 5 hours of practice per day, and 6 days during which there is a limit of 3 hours of practice per day. [**Council, Spring 2008**]
 - (c) In these sports it is expected that students will not gather on their own to engage in practice activities prior to the practice start date, and that each athletic department will re-emphasize this expectation with coaches and student-athletes during the previous spring term.
 - (3) In rowing, fall practice may begin on the first day of classes, and fall competition may begin on the second Friday in September.
 - (4) In tennis, fall practice and competition may begin on September 7.
 - (5) In golf, fall practice may begin on the earlier of September 7 or the first day of classes. Competition may begin on September 7. [**Council, Spring 2009**]

b. Fall Sport Season Calendar

| Fall Sport Seasons | Practice Start Date | | First Scrimmage | | Competition Season | |
|----------------------|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| | Formula | Practice Start Dates 2010-2012 | Formula (per NCAA rules) | First Scrimmage Dates 2010-12 | Start Date Formula <small>ends at NCAA Championship unless specified</small> | Competition Start Dates 2010-12 |
| Crew | 1st day of classes | varies by school | 1st day of classes | varies by school | 2nd Friday in September through 11/30 | Fri 9/9/11 Fri 9/14/12 Fri 9/13/13 |
| Cross Country | Date to allow 20 NCAA practice units | varies by school | 9/1 or Friday before if 9/1 is Sat-Mon | Thu 9/1/11 Fri 8/31/12 Fri 8/30/13 | 11th Friday prior to Thanksgiving | Fri 9/9/11 Fri 9/7/12 Fri 9/13/13 |
| Field Hockey, Soccer | 14 days prior to 1st permissible contest date | Fri 8/19/11 Fri 8/17/12 Fri 8/23/13 | Practice start date | Fri 8/19/11 Fri 8/17/12 Fri 8/23/13 | 12th Friday prior to Thanksgiving | Fri 9/2/11 Fri 8/31/12 Fri 9/6/13 |
| Golf | earlier of 9/7 or 1st class day | varies by school | earlier of 9/7 or 1st class day | varies by school | September 7 | Wed 9/7/11 Fri 9/7/12 Sat 9/7/13 |
| Tennis | September 7 | Wed 9/7/11 Fri 9/7/12 Sat 9/7/13 | September 7 | Wed 9/7/11 Fri 9/7/12 Sat 9/7/13 | September 7 through Sat prior to Thanksgiving | Wed 9/7/11 Fri 9/7/12 Sat 9/7/13 |
| W Volleyball | 14 days prior to 1st permissible contest date | Fri 8/19/11 Fri 8/17/12 Fri 8/23/13 | Friday prior to 9/1 (Fri before if 9/1 is Sat) | Fri 8/26/11 Fri 8/24/12 Fri 8/30/13 | 12th Friday prior to Thanksgiving | Fri 9/2/11 Fri 8/31/12 Fri 9/6/13 |
| M Water Polo | 14 days prior to 1st permissible contest date | Sat 8/20/11 Sat 8/18/12 Sat 8/24/13 | 1st Saturday in September | Sat 9/3/11 Sat 9/1/12 Sat 9/7/13 | 1st Sat in Sept. or 12th Friday prior to Thanksgiving if after 1st Sat. in Sept. | Sat 9/3/11 Sat 9/1/12 Sat 9/7/13 |

c. Spring Practice and Competition in Sports with Fall Championships

- (1) Fall team sports are allowed 12 practice opportunities with coaches during the spring that must be declared as part of the NCAA playing and practice season. Teams are limited to a maximum of three, two-hour sessions per week. During this period it is also permissible for student-athletes to participate in voluntary out of season conditioning and physical education classes under the supervision of a coach for up to six hours per week (see VI-F-2-a). This may not include skill instruction.

- (2) In accordance with NCAA rules, student-athletes may not engage in more than a total of 20 hours of countable athletically related activities (including conditioning activities) in a given week. Further, all countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited during two calendar days per week. **[Council, Spring 1991; Policy, Spring 1994]**
 - (3) Fall team sports may use a maximum of two non-traditional practice opportunities as competition dates provided those dates involve no missed class time and no overnight travel. **[Council, Spring 1992]**
6. Football calendar provisions **[Council, Winter 1991: effective 1993; format revised 2001]**
- a. Fall Practice
 - (1) In football, practice may begin on the date allowing for 35 practice units as determined by the provisions of B.17.02.11. Only 29 actual practices may be held prior to the first contest. The scrimmage permitted under Ivy rules counts toward the 29 actual practices. **[Council, Fall 2003]**
 - (2) In accordance with 17.9.2.3, the first five days of football practice will serve as an acclimatization period. See NCAA 17.9.2.3 for limits on activities and equipment during this period.
 - (3) After the acclimatization period, the number of days on which pads may be worn for both practice sessions on the same day (two-a-days) is limited to one. **[Council, Spring 2011]**
 - (4) An institution may pay expenses for 110 players to return to campus for pre-season practice prior to the start of classes. (e.g., NCAA rules allow for more than 90 student-athletes if the institution has a junior varsity team that will play at least four contests.)
 - (5) Freshman football players may report for practice on the date the varsity reports, provided that freshman are required to attend all mandatory freshman orientation activities. The decision about what activities would preclude practice, whether as “required” or otherwise at the institution’s choice, is left to the appropriate non-athletic authorities at each institution. **[Council, Spring 1993]**
 - (6) Ivy rules do not permit the first-time participant orientation period allowed under NCAA rules.
 - (7) During the season, full-contract practices are limited to two per week. During the remaining days there may be no full-contact practices or live tackles (players may not be taken to the ground). No kneepads may be worn, however helmet, uppers, girdles and thigh pads may be worn for safety reasons. **[Council, Spring 2011]**

- (8) Full-pad contact practice sessions will follow recommended guidelines as set forth in the July 2011 *Report regarding the Ivy League Review of Concussions In Football*, and as the Council may update and circulate from time-to-time, as needed. [Council, Spring 2011]

b. Fall Contests

- (1) In football, the first permissible contest date is 10 Saturdays before Thanksgiving.
- (2) The first permissible date for a scrimmage in football is any time after the start of practice, but in accordance with NCAA rules, no earlier than the Thursday prior to Labor Day. See VI-E-4-b for the definition of an Ivy scrimmage.
- (3) If an Ivy vs. Ivy contest is scheduled on a date at which one institution's first year students are precluded from participating due to orientation activities that are mandatory to all freshmen, then neither team may utilize any freshman students in that contest. [Council, Spring 1993]

c. Football Season Calendar

| Fall Sport Seasons | Practice Start Date | | First Scrimmage | | Competition Season | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|---|
| | Formula | Practice Start Dates | Formula (per NCAA rules) | First Scrimmage Dates 2010-12 | Start Date Formula | Competition Start Dates 2010-12 |
| Football | Date to allow 35 NCAA practice units | varies by school | Thursday prior to Labor Day | Thu 9/1/11 Thu 8/30/12 Thu 8/29/13 | 10th Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Sat prior to TG | Sat 9/17/11 Sat 9/15/12 Sat 9/21/13 |

d. Spring Practice

- (1) Football is permitted 12 practice opportunities with coaches during a 34 day period in the spring. In accordance with 17.9.6(b), the first four practice sessions may involve no contact; only helmets, no other protective equipment, may be worn. In the remaining eight practices, any equipment may be worn; three or fewer practices may primarily involve 11-on-11 scrimmages, including the "spring game"; four may involve tackling but not primarily scrimmaging; one may not involve any contact. [Administration, Spring 1999; Council, Spring 2006, Council, Spring 2011]
- (2) During the declared spring practice period it is also permissible for student-athletes to participate in voluntary out of season weight training and physical education classes and/or review of game film under the supervision of a coach for up to six hours per week.

- (3) In accordance with NCAA rules, student-athletes may not engage in more than 20 hours of countable athletically related activities (including conditioning activities and review of game film) in a given week. Further, all countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited during two calendar days per week.
- (4) Institutions should make every effort to schedule football practices so as not to conflict with competition in spring sports. **[Council, Winter 1992]**
- (5) "Spring Game"

An institution's final spring practice may be an intra-squad scrimmage event. Teams are allowed only one scrimmage event, in which there may be officials, uniforms, announcement to spectators, etc. Intrasquad competition with officials may occur as part of practice, as long as it is not an event. The event may only occur as the last practice of the spring.

- (6) For additional NCAA rules related to spring football practice see B.17.11.6

7. Winter calendar provisions **[Administration, Spring 1989]**

a. Practice and Competition Start Date Formulas

- (1) In men's basketball, practice may begin at 5 PM on the Friday closest to October 15. Competition may begin on the second Friday in November.
- (2) In women's basketball practice may begin on the date that is 40 days prior to the first regular season contest at 5:00 p.m. Practice may be held on no more than 24 dates, individual skill instruction is limited to 4 hours and conditioning to 8 hours. There must be 10 days off on which no athletically related activity may occur.
[Council, Spring 2011]
- (3) In men's and women's hockey, practice begins 14 days prior to the first permissible contest date **[Council, Spring 2006]**. The first permissible contest date in men's hockey is the 4th Friday prior to Thanksgiving **[Council, Spring 2002]**. The first permissible contest date in women's hockey is the 5th Friday prior to Thanksgiving. **[Council, Fall 2004]**
- (4) In swimming practice may begin on October 1, and competition may begin on the 2nd Friday prior to Thanksgiving.
- (5) In gymnastics, squash, track, and wrestling, practice begins on October 15 and competition begins on the evening of the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.
- (6) In fencing, practice begins on October 15 and competition begins in the evening on the third Friday prior to Thanksgiving.
[Council, Spring 2011]

- (7) In rowing, only off-water conditioning and tank work may take place from 12/1 through 1/31, and may be supervised by coaches for only 6 hours per week outside the declared season. In addition a single vacation period trip is allowed between 12/1 and 1/31, with that trip counting as part of the 26 week on-water season.

b. Winter Season Calendar

| Winter Sport Seasons | Practice Start Date | | First Scrimmage | | Competition Season | |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| | Formula | Practice Start Dates 2010-12 | Formula (per NCAA rules) | First Scrimmage Dates 2010-12 | Start Date Formula ends at NCAA Championship unless specified | Competition Start Dates 2010-12 |
| M. Basketball | 5 PM on Friday closest to October 15 | Fri 10/14/11 | Practice start date | Fri 10/14/11 | 2nd Friday in November | Fri 11/11/11 |
| | | Fri 10/12/12 | | Fri 10/12/12 | | Fri 11/9/12 |
| | | Fri 10/11/13 | | Fri 10/11/13 | | Fri 11/8/13 |
| W. Basketball | 40 days prior to first regular season contest at 5pm | varies based on date of first contest | Practice start date | varies based on date of first contest | 2nd Friday in November | Fri 11/11/11 |
| | | | | Fri 11/9/12 | | |
| | | | | Fri 11/8/13 | | |
| Crew | Practice off water (e.g in tanks) 12/1-1/31 | Thu 12/1/11 | None | | | |
| | | Sat 12/1/12 | | | | |
| | | Sun 12/1/13 | | | | |
| Men's Ice Hockey | 14 days prior to competitive season | Fri 10/14/11 | Practice start date | Fri 10/14/11 | 4th Friday prior to Thanksgiving | Fri 10/28/11 |
| | | Fri 10/12/12 | | Fri 10/12/12 | | Fri 10/26/12 |
| | | Fri 10/18/13 | | Fri 10/18/13 | | Fri 11/1/13 |
| Women's Ice Hockey | 14 days prior to competitive season | Fri 10/7/11 | Practice start date | Fri 10/7/11 | 5th Friday prior to Thanksgiving | Fri 10/21/11 |
| | | Fri 10/5/12 | | Fri 10/5/12 | | Fri 10/19/12 |
| | | Fri 10/11/13 | | Fri 10/11/13 | | Fri 10/25/13 |
| Swimming | October 1 | Sat 10/1/11 | Practice start date | Sat 10/1/11 | 2nd Fri prior to Thanksgiving. | Fri 11/11/11 |
| | | Mon 10/1/12 | | Mon 10/1/12 | | Fri 11/9/12 |
| | | Tue 10/1/13 | | Tue 10/1/13 | | Fri 11/15/13 |
| Wrestling | October 15 | Sat 10/15/11 | One open event prior to contest start date but after 11/1 | Tue 11/1/11 | Friday prior to Thanksgiving, in evening | Fri 11/18/11 |
| | | Mon 10/15/12 | | Thu 11/1/12 | | Fri 11/16/12 |
| | | Tue 10/15/13 | | Fri 11/1/13 | | Fri 11/22/13 |
| Fencing | October 15 | Sat 10/15/11 | Practice start date | Sat 10/15/11 | 3rd Fri prior to Thanksgiving | Fri 11/4/11 |
| | | Mon 10/15/12 | | Mon 10/15/12 | | Fri 11/2/12 |
| | | Tue 10/15/13 | | Tue 10/15/13 | | Fri 11/8/13 |
| Gymnastics Squash Track | October 15 | Sat 10/15/11 | Practice start date | Sat 10/15/11 | Friday prior to Thanksgiving, in evening | Fri 11/18/11 |
| | | Mon 10/15/12 | | Mon 10/15/12 | | Fri 11/16/12 |
| | | Tue 10/15/13 | | Tue 10/15/13 | | Fri 11/22/13 |

8. Spring calendar provisions

a. Practice and Competition Start Date Formulas

- (1) In tennis, practice and competition may begin on January 15.
- (2) In baseball, crew, golf, lacrosse, outdoor track, and softball, practice begins on February 1.
- (3) In baseball, softball, crew, golf, and outdoor track, competition may begin on the first weekend in March. When March 1 falls on a Sunday, competition may begin on the last day in February. **[Council, Spring 1990]**
 - a) In softball, competition may begin on Friday when participating in a multi-day tournament that begins on Friday. **[Council, Spring 2004]**
 - b) In baseball, competition may begin on Friday to allow for participation in a three game series or tournament that begins on Friday. **[Council, Spring 2007]**
 - c) In other sports competition may begin on Saturday.
- (4) In lacrosse competition may begin on the last full weekend in February. **[Council, Spring 2005]**

b. Spring Sport Calendar

| Spring Sport Seasons | Practice Start Date | | First Scrimmage | | Competition Season | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| | Formula | Practice Start Dates 2011-2013 | Formula (per NCAA rules) | First Scrimmage Dates 2011-2013 | Start Date Formula ends at NCAA Championship unless specified | Competition Start Dates 2011-2013 |
| Baseball | February 1 | Wed 2/1/12 | 14 Fridays prior to Memorial Day | Fri 2/17/12 | Sat of first weekend in March (Fri for WE tourn or series) | Sat 3/3/12 |
| | | Fri 2/1/13 | | Fri 2/15/13 | | Sat 3/2/13 |
| | | Sat 2/1/14 | | Fri 2/14/14 | | Sat 3/1/14 |
| Crew, Golf, Outdoor Track | February 1 | Wed 2/1/12 | Practice start date | Wed 2/1/12 | Sat of first weekend in March (including when Sun is 3/1) | Sat 3/3/12 |
| | | Fri 2/1/13 | | Fri 2/1/13 | | Sat 3/2/13 |
| | | Sat 2/1/14 | | Sat 2/1/14 | | Sat 3/1/14 |
| Lacrosse | February 1 | Wed 2/1/12 | Practice start date | Wed 2/1/12 | Last Full Weekend in February | Sat 2/25/12 |
| | | Fri 2/1/13 | | Fri 2/1/13 | | Sat 2/23/13 |
| | | Sat 2/1/14 | | Sat 2/1/14 | | Sat 2/22/14 |
| Softball | February 1 | Wed 2/1/12 | Practice start date | Wed 2/1/12 | Sat of first weekend in March (Fri for weekend tourn.) | Sat 3/3/12 |
| | | Fri 2/1/13 | | Fri 2/1/13 | | Sat 3/2/13 |
| | | Sat 2/1/14 | | Sat 2/1/14 | | Sat 3/1/14 |
| Tennis | January 15 | Sun 1/15/12 | Practice start date | Sun 1/15/12 | January 15 | Sun 1/15/12 |
| | | Tue 1/15/13 | | Tue 1/15/13 | | Tue 1/15/13 |
| | | Wed 1/15/14 | | Wed 1/15/14 | | Wed 1/15/14 |

c. Fall Practice and Competition in Sports with Spring Championships

- (1) Spring team sports are allowed 12 practice opportunities with coaches during the fall that must be declared as part of the NCAA playing and practice season. Teams are limited to a maximum of three, two-hour sessions per week [**Council, Spring 1986**]. In baseball and softball, one practice per weekend may be held for up to three hours [**Council, Spring 2009**]. During this practice period it is also permissible for student-athletes to participate in voluntary out of season conditioning and physical education classes under the supervision of a coach for up to six hours per week. This may not include skill instruction.
- (2) In accordance with NCAA rules, student-athletes may not engage in more than a total of 20 hours of countable athletically related activities (including conditioning activities) in a given week. Further, all countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited during two calendar days per week. [**Council, Spring 1991; Policy, Spring 1994**]
- (3) Spring team sports may use fall practice opportunities as competition dates, provided those dates involve no missed class time and no overnight travel. See Parts VII-A, VII-K and VII-M for more detailed information on permissible fall contests. Specific sport limitations are as follows:
 - a) baseball and softball : 4 dates, which count against the Ivy in-term date limit and against the NCAA game limit. [**Council, Spring 1995**]
 - b) women’s lacrosse: 2 dates, which do not count against the NCAA or Ivy contest limit. [**Council, Spring 2004**]
 - c) men’s lacrosse: 1 date, which counts against the Ivy in-term date limit and NCAA game limit. [**Council, Spring 1991**]

E. Contest Limitations [revised generally 1989 and 1991]

1. Season Contest Limits Generally

- a. The limitations below have been established by the Council. In sports not listed, the Committee on Administration, with the concurrence of the Policy Committee, shall establish a maximum number of contests (games and scrimmages) against outside teams whenever desirable. Consult NCAA B.17 for all relevant NCAA definitions and conditions.
 - (1) Any practice or competition with anyone other than members (undergraduate or graduate) of one’s own institution **counts** under the contest and date limitations, as set forth below.
 - (2) A student who participates in both varsity and sub-varsity competition in a sport in any one season shall be subject in total to the varsity limit in that sport.

- (3) Contest and date limits applicable to team participation, VI-E-4 below, also stand as limitations for permissible individual appearances during the practice and competitive season in the sport in question.
 - (4) National championships and selected regional events, as listed in VI-E-6 below, are exempt from NCAA and Ivy count limits.
- b. Except as may be provided in Part VII, individual contests and team scrimmages may be scheduled at any time during the practice **or** competitive season. Team contests, as defined in VI-E-2 below, may be scheduled at any time during the **competitive season only** of that sport as defined in VI-D-3 above. For students who still have eligibility remaining, institutional approval of outside competition in numbers that would constitute a countable team date therefore should not be granted prior to the competitive season.
2. Countable Dates and Contests [**Administration, Spring 1987, 1988, 1991**]
Per NCAA Bylaw 17

- a. A countable **contest**, for individual student-athletes and for institutions, is any game, match or exhibition, regardless of its formality, in which competition occurs between an intercollegiate team and an outside team. [See B. 17.02.2, 17.02.3]
- b. A countable **date** of competition is any single date on which any game(s), match(es), meet(s), exhibition(s) or scrimmage(s) takes place, regardless of formality, in which competition occurs between an intercollegiate team or individual athletes representing a member institution and another team or individual not representing that member institution's intercollegiate athletics program. Each actual date of competition counts as one date. [B.17.02.5]
- c. Contests limits applicable to team participation also stand as limitations for permissible individual dates or contests.
- d. Teams will be charged with a countable contest or date of competition, as defined above, when the number of institutional team representatives equals or exceeds the number in B. 20.9.4.3, as applied by B.17.02.6, as listed below:

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Cross Country | 5 |
| Fencing | 5 |
| Golf(men) | 5 |
| Gymnastics(women) | 5 |
| Squash | 9 |
| Swimming | 11 |
| Tennis | 5 |
| Track (indoor) | 14 |
| Track (outdoor) | 14 |
| Wrestling | 7 |

(Note: Once the minimum number of participants competes in an event, each day of that event counts as a date of competition.)

3. Countable Individual Dates or Contests
 - a. An individual will be charged with a countable contest or date of competition for any contest or date in which the student-athlete competes as a member of an institution's team, or competes as an individual and does **any** of the following:
 - (1) represents the institution in any contest against outside competition, regardless of how the competition is classified (e.g., scrimmage, exhibition);
 - (2) competes in the uniform of the institution, or utilizes any apparel or equipment received from the institution that includes institutional identification [**Administration, Spring 1993**];
 - (3) competes and receives expenses (e.g., transportation, meals, room, or entry fee) regardless of the sources of funds;
 - b. Exceptions per 16.8.1.3.
4. Numerical Contest Limits
 - a. Ivy "contest" limits for all sports have been converted to "date" limits to clarify current counting methods and to more accurately reflect NCAA counting rules. NCAA counting methods are in effect for all sports.
 - b. An Ivy scrimmage must have the following characteristics [**Administration; Spring 1985 and 1989**]:
 - (1) Except when played in conjunction with a countable away contest, the scrimmage must be against a neighboring institution (never overnight), or against an Ivy team on an Ivy campus;
 - (2) Score may be kept, but score/statistics will not be part of team statistics;
 - (3) Admission may be charged. [**Administration, Spring 2006**]
 - c. Any time after the official start of practice for the traditional season, and after the NCAA competitive start date an institution may utilize a countable contest or date (as appropriate to the sport) for a scrimmage. Under these circumstances the scrimmage must have the following characteristics [**Administration, Spring 1993**]:
 - (1) The scrimmage *may* appear on the institution's printed schedule only as a scrimmage

- (2) Score may be kept, but score/statistics will not be part of team statistics;
 - (3) Admission may be charged. [**Administration, Spring 2006**]
 - (4) Travel restrictions do not apply to scrimmages when replacing a contest.
 - (5) The contest must be counted as a scrimmage for both teams.
- d. Round robin or multi-elimination tournaments count according to the number of dates on which teams or individuals actually compete.
 - e. A one-day doubleheader counts as one date.
 - f. The contest and date limits below were set to match weeks available for competition and result in an average of no more than two dates of competition per week when classes are in session. [Text also found at VI-G-2-c below, Schedules and Traveling.]
 - g. The following table lists the maximum number of **varsity and JV** contests or dates in each sport ("term" = academic year, non-vacation) [**Council, 1980 and 1991**]:

| <i>Sport</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Total</i> | <i>JV</i> | <i>Out of Season</i> |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Baseball* | 22 dates | 56 contests | 28 | 4[a][3] |
| Basketball* | 22 contests | 28 contests + 2 scrimmages [6] | 18 | 0 |
| Crew* | 10 dates | 10 dates + 1 scrimmage | 10 date-term 11 dates- total | 0 |
| Cross Country | 7 dates | 7 dates | 7 dates | 0 |
| Fencing | 11 dates | 11 dates | 10 dates | 0 |
| Field Hockey | 17 dates | 17 dates + 1 scrimmage [e] | 10 dates | 2[b] |
| Football* | 10 dates | 10 dates + 1 scrimmage | 7 contests | 1[c] |
| Golf | 14 dates | 18 dates + 1 scrimmage [1] | 10 dates | 0 |
| Gymnastics | 12 dates | 12 dates + 1 scrimmage | 10 dates | 0 |
| Ice Hockey | 24 contests | 29 contests + 1 scr.[2] | 20 contests | 0 |
| Lacrosse (M) | 13 dates | 15 dates + 1 scrimmage | 8 dates | 1[d] |
| Lacrosse (W) | 13 dates | 15 dates + 1 scrimmage | 8 dates | 2[b] |
| Soccer | 17 dates | 17 dates + 1 scrimmage[e] | 10 dates | 2[b] |
| Softball* | 22 dates | 56 contests | 28 contests | 4[a][3] |
| Squash* | 13 dates | 13 dates + 1 scrimmage | 10 dates | 0 |
| Swimming* | 12 dates | 12 dates + 1 scrimmage | 10 dates | 0 |
| Tennis* | 19 dates | 24 dates + 1 scrimmage | 10 dates | 0 |
| Track/Indoor & Outdoor | 18 dates | 18 dates | | 0 |
| Volleyball | 22 dates | 22 dates + 1 scrimmage | 10 dates | 2[b] |
| Water Polo (M) | 20 dates | 20 dates + 1 scrimmage | | 2 |
| Water Polo (W) | 20 dates | 20 dates + 1 scrimmage | | 0 |
| Wrestling* | 12 dates | 12 dates + open event[f][5] | 10 dates | |

* See VII for sport-specific counting rules.

[a] Maximum of 4 dates in fall, maximum of 20 in spring.

[b] Fall sport and women's lacrosse out of season dates do not count against the term date limit.

[c] Football allowed 1 intrasquad scrimmage in the spring.

[d] Men's lacrosse out of season date counts against the term date limit and the total limit.

[e] Note NCAA limit is 20 *contests*.

[f] Open event counts against term date limit.

[1] **Policy, Spring 1992.**

[2] **Council, Winter 1992, Spring 1994.**

[3] **Council, Spring 1995.**

[4] **Council, Spring 1996.**

[5] **Council, Spring 1997.**

[6] **Council, Spring 2006.**

5. Counting Exemptions

- a. In sports other than football and basketball, a contest against a bona fide alumni(ae) team is exempt from Ivy and NCAA contests limits and is permissible at any time during an institution's declared playing season. See VI-D-7 above for scheduling within NCAA "season" limits. [**Policy, Spring 1988**]
- b. In addition, in sports other than football and basketball, one of the following counting exemptions is permitted in each sport within the practice or competitive season of VI-D-3 above [**Council, 1978**]:
 - (1) a contest against a touring foreign team; or,
 - (2) a contest against a U.S. National Olympic or Pan American team.
- c. Basketball

In basketball, teams may exempt up to two practice scrimmages against outside competition. A practice scrimmage must be conducted in privacy, without official scoring. Only athletic staff members and those persons necessary to conduct the scrimmage may be present. One of the two scrimmages may be played off campus, but may involve no missed class time and no overnight travel. [**Council, Spring 2006**]
- d. See VI-H for foreign and non-continental U.S. travel exemptions.

6. Post-Season Contests

- a. The Committee on Administration will submit to the Policy Committee recommendations for post-season competition which it considers acceptable for Ivy participation, and shall maintain a list of those post-season contests which are not excluded by the Agreement. Each member institution shall be free to decide whether or not to participate in a given tournament or contest.

In maintaining such a list, distinctions must be made among the various associations and organizations which conduct post-season contests. Approval for inclusion in the list will be guided by reference to the following considerations:

 - (1) Problems caused by the extension of the season of a given sport as a result of participation, and the effects of such extension on the physical and academic welfare of the students involved.
 - (2) Suitability of the competition for bona fide undergraduate students subject to collegiate eligibility rules.
 - (3) Current conditions in the sport involved, as measured against the principles for the conduct of athletics set forth in the Ivy Group Agreement.
- b. The following competitions are approved as post-season competitions, and are exempt from NCAA and Ivy contest limits:

| <i>Sport</i> | <i>Tournament</i> |
|-----------------------|---|
| Baseball | NCAA, Ivy Tournament |
| Basketball | NCAA, post-season NIT [4] |
| Crew (men) | EARC, IRA, Henley Royal Regatta + one international contest within one week before or after |
| Crew (women) | EAWRC, IRA, NCAA |
| Cross Country (men) | Heptagonals [3], NCAA |
| Cross Country (women) | Heptagonals [3], NCAA |
| Fencing (men) | One of Regional, IFA; NCAA [5] |
| Fencing (women) | One of IFA, NIWFA, Regional; NCAA [5] |
| Field Hockey | ECAC, NCAA |
| Golf | Ivy Tournament [8], NCAA, East-West All Star Match [6], Sun Bowl All American Classic [6] |
| Gymnastics (women) | ECAC, NCAA |
| Ice Hockey (men) | ECAC, NCAA |
| Ice Hockey (women) | ECAC, NCAA |
| Lacrosse (men) | NCAA, Ivy Tournament [10] |
| Lacrosse (women) | ECAC, NCAA, Ivy Tournament [10] |
| Soccer (men) | NCAA |
| Soccer (women) | ECAC [3], NCAA |
| Skiing | NCAA |
| Softball | ECAC, NCAA, NIT, Ivy Tournament |
| Squash (men) | CSA (individual and team), USSRA Individual [7] |
| Squash (women) | WISRA (indiv.) Howe Cup (team), USSRA Individual [7] |
| Swimming (men) | Ivy, NCAA |
| Swimming (women) | Ivy, NCAA |
| Tennis | ECAC Team Tournament, NCAA, ITA Team Indoor |
| Track (men) | Heptagonals [3], NCAA, Oxford/Cambridge [2] |
| Track (women) | Heptagonals [3], NCAA, Oxford/Cambridge [2] |
| Volleyball (women) | ECAC, WIVC [3], NCAA, NACWAA Pre-season [5] |
| Water Polo | Easterns, NCAA [1] |
| Wrestling | EIWA, NCAA, National Wrestling Coaches All-Star Meet [9] |

[1] Administration, Spring 1990

[2] See Foreign Travel, VI-H, regarding Oxford/Cambridge

[3] Policy, Spring 1991

[4] Council, Spring 1991

[5] Administration, Spring 1995

[6] Administration, Spring 1996

[7] Council, Spring 1997

[8] Administration, Spring 1997

[9] Council, Spring 1999

[10] Council, Fall 2008

(Note: Effective fall 2005 ECAC Tournaments will count as one date of competition in field hockey, women's lacrosse, soccer, softball, and volleyball. For programs in existence ten years or less, participation remains exempt.)

7. All-Star Competition

An Ivy Group undergraduate may compete in post-season all-star contests under the following conditions:

- a. The contest in question must be amateur as defined by Ivy, ECAC, and NCAA regulations.
- b. There must be a recommendation from the institutional athletic director and approval of the institutional academic authorities.
- c. The contest occurs between the end of the student's spring academic obligations and the student's fall registration, or in any academic term in which the student is not enrolled, or in a vacation or other period in which there are otherwise no missed classes or pending examinations. [**Council, Spring 1986**]
- d. These limits apply only to those who have remaining eligibility in the sport in which they will participate. [**Policy, Spring 1996**]

F. Out of Season Activities [revised generally 1989, 1991, 1996, and 2001]

This section sets out specific Ivy limits on permissible out-of-season "athletically-related activities" as defined in VI-F-1-b below.

1. Limits on "Athletically-Related Activities" Outside the Declared Playing Season
 - a. Except as otherwise specifically permitted, "athletically-related activities" may occur only during the declared practice and playing season, not out of the season during the academic year or during the summer.
 - b. As specifically defined at B.17.02.1, "athletically-related activities" include but are not limited to: any meeting, activity or instruction involving sports-related information and having an athletics purpose, and held for one or more student-athletes at the direction of, or supervised by, any member or members of an institution's coaching staff. (This definition replaces the Ivy definition for "practice", which is substantially similar.)
 - c. For a period totaling 49 days outside the playing season during the academic year, there will be a mandatory rest period during which there will be no required or voluntary athletic team activity (see VI-D-2).
2. Permissible Coach Supervised Activity Outside the Declared Playing Season
 - a. Conditioning and Skill Instruction

In accordance with B 17.1.6.2, outside of the declared playing season during the academic year (not during vacation), only the following athletically-

related activities are permissible under the supervision of a coach. Ivy rules require that a student's participation in such activities shall be voluntary (NCAA rules allow for it to be required), and shall be limited to a maximum total of six hours per week (NCAA limit is eight hours per week). (See VI-D-5-c, VI-D-8-b, and VI-D-6-d for permissible activities during the non-traditional playing season).

- (1) weight-training and conditioning activities supervised by an institutional staff member;
- (2) participation in a physical fitness class conducted by a member of the athletics staff (see also VI-F-5 below). **[Administration, Spring 1992]**
- (3) In all sports other than football, participation in up to 2 hours per week of skill related instruction, provided no more than six student-athletes from the same team are involved at any one time and it does not occur during reading period or exam period, or during any week in which non-traditional practice is conducted. In sports that include a goaltender a total of seven students, including a goalie, may be involved at the same time. **[Council, Spring 2007]** NCAA rules limit the number of students participating at any one time to four in the period prior to September 15 and after April 15. From September 15 through April 15 the Ivy limit is as indicated above and more than one group may receive instruction at the same time. **[Council, Spring 1995; Spring 2006]**
- (4) In football, participation in up to 2 hours per week of watching and reviewing films in addition to conditioning activities for a total of six hour per week out of season. **[Administration, Spring 2001]**

b. Safety Exception for individual sports

Ivy student athletes in sports designated by the NCAA for a "safety exception" may participate in voluntary workouts outside of the declared playing season during the academic year under the supervision of a coach without counting it as athletically related activity. *Participation must be on the same basis as that of other non-teammember participants.*

- c. Ivy rules are intended to be consistent with B.17.02.13, which provides that individual consultation with a coach, initiated voluntarily by a student-athlete, is not considered to constitute out-of-season practice provided the coach and the student-athlete do not engage in any "athletically-related activities". **[Administration, Spring 1989]**

3. Captain's Practices and Recreation Outside the Declared Playing Season

- a. Ivy and NCAA limits on athletically related activity are not intended to preclude permissible physical education classes (see VI-F-5 below) or

normal recreational activity by individuals or among team members which may involve drills and activities related to their sport. (See VII-G10 for specific limits in football).

- b. Ivy and NCAA limits on athletically related activity outside the declared playing season preclude physical activities that are considered as a requisite for participation in that sport, and confined primarily to members of that team, even if no coach is present.
- c. Any direct supervision through coaches' instructions to captains or others will cause an activity to be considered an athletically related activity, and thus prohibited outside of the declared playing season under both NCAA and Ivy rules.
- d. Athletically related activity is not considered to have occurred if an institution's athletics facilities are used for normal recreation activity by student-athletes out-of-season during the academic year, even if the use of the facility is arranged by the athletic department:
 - (1) Provided the use is not supervised by or held at the direction of any member of the institution's coaching staff, although the facility may be supervised by athletic department personnel other than coaches (i.e. trainers, facility managers); and
 - (2) Provided the use is consistent with policies established for outside groups generally if the use involves a group composed partly of enrolled student-athletes and partly of individuals not otherwise affiliated with the institution.

4. Physical Education Classes

Participation by student-athletes in physical education classes conducted by members of the athletics staff is permissible outside the declared playing season; however, if the class does not meet the following criteria then participation hours must be counted in the 6 hours per week of athletically related activity (see VI-F-2-a).

- a. Classes must be offered by the physical education department, listed in the institution's catalogue, and open to all students. Coaches may conduct these classes.
- b. Credit may or may not be given for attendance depending on college regulations and the status of the individual attending.
- c. The class may not include practice activities conducted under the guise of physical education class work.
- d. Ivy rules restrict the content of exempt physical education classes as follows:

- (1) Classes must be devoted primarily to conditioning exercises such as calisthenics, running agility drills, weight-lifting, etc.
- (2) Some of the drills may be directed towards the development of the skills required for an intercollegiate athlete in a particular sport, but all must be concerned with improving an individual's coordination, strength, speed, stamina, agility, etc., which are beneficial to any member of the student body.
- (3) There may not be instruction in sport-specific skills and techniques, drills related to team play and positioning, etc., or the use of sports-specific equipment. Only such equipment as normally is issued to ensure the health and safety of participants in such classes is permitted.

5. Summer Activity

- a. Ivy rules do not govern athletically related activity during the summer.
- b. The NCAA prohibits athletically related activity that is financially supported by the institution or under the supervision of an institutional sport coach during the summer.
- c. The NCAA allows student-athletes to participate in voluntary conditioning activities conducted by a strength and conditioning coach who performs such duties on a department wide basis during the summer and other vacation periods without counting it as athletically related activity.
- d. The NCAA allows student-athletes in individual sports to participate in skill related individual workout sessions with a member of the coaching staff during the summer, if at the request of the student-athlete, without counting it as athletically related activity. Access to institutional facilities is permitted in this case, but the institution may not pay a fee for the use of an outside facility, and may not provide transportation.
- e. See VI-F-6-b below regarding participation on outside teams during the summer.

6. Non-institutional clubs and teams

a. Supervision by Institutional Sport Coaches

Under NCAA and Ivy rules, out of season during the academic year a student may not compete or practice in his or her sport under the direct supervision of his or her college coach on an outside team, other than in Olympic and National team development programs.

- (1) These restrictions generally are intended to preclude coaching supervision, or special uniform issue, and to preclude the formation of “club” teams, populated by a particular school’s athletes, to compete outside of a declared playing season. [**Council, 1980**]
 - (2) These restrictions also do not permit a coach in any sport to compete or play with or against members of his or her team in their sport, however informally, out of season during the academic year. [**Administration, Spring 1989**]
- b. Outside Practice and Competition by Ivy Student-Athletes
- (1) In accordance with NCAA rules, practice on outside teams is allowed during the academic year, and competition on outside teams is prohibited during the academic year. Student-athletes may compete on outside teams only during the summer and during other vacation periods as listed in the institution’s catalogue. The number of Ivy team members with eligibility remaining may not exceed the following NCAA limits. The limits for all sports apply whether the sport is played outdoors or indoors.

| <i>Sport</i> | <i>Vacation during Year</i> | <i>Summer</i> |
|--------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Baseball | 4 | 4 (see NCAA rules for further restrictions) |
| Basketball | not allowed | 2 (see NCAA rules for further restrictions) |
| Crew | 4 | no limit |
| Field Hockey | 5 | 5 |
| Football | 5 | 5 |
| Ice Hockey | 4 | no limit |
| Lacrosse | 5 | 5 |
| Soccer | 5 | 5 |
| Softball | 4 | 4 |
| Volleyball | 2 | 2 |
| Water Polo | no limit | no limit |

- (2) Ivy rules historically allow for student-athletes to participate on outside teams during the academic year, as long as no institutional coach is involved, and the number of players with eligibility remaining who participate on any one team does not exceed half the number of field positions in team sports (no limit for individual sports). This principle would apply should NCAA rules change to allow for participation on outside teams during the academic year. [**Underlying Ivy rule–Council/Parry Ryan Report; 1980**]
- (3) Olympic, Maccabiah, and Pan American games and tryouts, and other traditional international contests, are permissible. Limits on numbers of team members do not apply.

G. Schedules and Travel

1. Scheduling Policies Generally (also see specific sports)
 - a. The Ivy Office prepares composite schedules for each season. The first drafts of the Ivy schedules are to be reviewed at the May meeting, prior to the meeting of the Committee on Administration, for the second year hence. The final schedules for the next year are set in early December each year. Scheduling related issues are presented and discussed at the schedulers' meeting held in conjunction with the Committee on Administration's annual meeting or by conference call when necessary [**Administration, Spring 1992**].
 - b. Ivy football schedules are prepared in two-year cycles. Schedules are balanced 4-3 or 3-4 home and away. An institution never plays any more than 2 home or 2 away games in a row [**Administration, November 2005**].
 - c. Schedules will normally consist of 50% Ivy contests, 25% against local or traditional opponents, and 25% against other opponents. See **VII-B** for additional guidelines for basketball.
 - d. All sports may schedule contests until the Ivy competitive season end date. If the League has an NCAA automatic bid, all contests counting in the League standings must be played before the NCAA selection date. If the Ivy competitive ending date is later than the NCAA traditional season ending date, **any** contest scheduled between the two dates in a team sport requires a non-traditional season [**Administration, Spring 1989**].
2. Academic Considerations
 - a. Contests involving extended class absences from the institution shall not be scheduled.
 - b. Normally, only one contest in a sport shall be scheduled in any Monday through Thursday period when classes are in session [**Council, 1980**].
 - c. The contest limits matched with weeks available for competition are projected to result in an average of no more than two contests per week when classes are in session [**Council, 1980**].
 - d. Mid-week contests should be local in nature so as to interfere as little as possible with class time.
 - e. Contests may not be scheduled during examination periods or the two days prior thereto (Saturday contests are permissible when the exam period begins the following Monday).
 - (1) Dartmouth has been granted an ongoing exemption to Ivy Rule VI-G-2-e to allow its football team to compete during its fall-term examination period.

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- f. Every effort should be made to limit freshman and junior varsity contests to one-day trips.
 - g. Religious Holidays. An institution may decline to schedule or play an Ivy contest on a religious holiday if its appropriate academic authorities have adopted such a policy, in which case other Ivy institutions should seek to accommodate scheduling on a different date. Absent such a policy at any individual institution, it is essential for students to know that they need not participate in athletic events involving religious conflicts, and that mid-week dates for Ivy contests that create such conflicts should be avoided in particular. **[Administration, Spring 1993]**
 - h. Round robin Ivy schedules will be confirmed at the May Administration Committee meeting for the following year, based on Ivy examination schedules received to date. Further changes to academic calendars will not require changes in the Ivy schedule.
3. Other Considerations
- a. On fall "Ivy Weekends", field hockey and soccer games may be scheduled any time Saturday or Sunday at the discretion of the host institution. Friday night fall contests may be scheduled only with the consent of both teams.
 - b. Institutions required to break out of a weekend schedule format (e.g., in basketball and ice hockey) shall bring to the Committee on Administration a proposal for approval. In men's ice hockey, "breakout" weekends shall have priority over traveling partner contests.
 - c. Start times between scheduled back-to-back weekend contests shall be at least 22 hours unless both teams agree otherwise. **[Administration, Spring 1999]**
 - d. Events which utilize basketball floor prior to varsity basketball league games must be scheduled to allow basketball teams 1 hour for pre-game warmup unless preceded by another varsity or JV basketball game. **[Administration, Spring 1996]**
 - e. Break outs from Ivy back-to-back contests in all sports will be permitted in special situation only through agreement of the respective schedulers in all the involved schools. Every effort should be made to avoid a break-out of the front end of a back-to-back weekend. Adjustments to the schedule will be recorded on the master Ivy calendar by Ivy Office. **[Administration, Spring 1994]**
 - f. On dates of Ivy basketball games it is suggested that a time slot be allocated for home and visiting team shooting practices. If the game facility is unavailable an alternative site should be obtained. Every effort should be made to accommodate these requests. **[Administration, Spring 1996]**

- h. Institutions have discretion to schedule league and non-league football games as they wish (e.g., Friday nights) either when television is or is not being considered. This can happen without regard to whether either or both teams have league opponents the following week. However, a move such as this assumes that there are the appropriate institutional approvals in place from both institutions. **[Administration, 2007]**

4. Changes and Conflicts

- a. Any changes in schedule must go through the institution's administrator responsible for scheduling. While coaches are welcome to make recommendations, all changes must be agreed to by the administrators responsible. All changes or cancellations must be confirmed in writing.
- b. A scheduling conflict between two league schools regarding date and/or time that has not been resolved in a reasonable time by the two schools' Athletic Directors (or their designees) will be presented to the Executive Director for review and decision. The Director will solicit information from all parties and render a decision, which will be communicated in writing (if time allows) and will be final. See VII-A for additional information on baseball scheduling.
- c. Ivy League contest dates should take precedence over national tournament dates. If the involved institution is unable to have the tournament date rescheduled and no alternative date is available for the Ivy contest, the Ivy contest will be played.
- d. Any changes from regular Ivy scheduling should seek to assure a neutral effect on men's and women's teams. **[Administration, Spring 1992]**

5. Travel **[Policy and Administration, Spring 1986]**

- a. All travel should be arranged so as to minimize missed class time.
- b. Overnight travel is not permitted for the following Ivy trips **[Administration, Spring 2003]**:

- (1) All sports other than football

| <i>From:</i> | <i>To:</i> |
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| Brown | Harvard, Yale |
| Columbia | Penn, Princeton, Yale |
| Dartmouth | Harvard |
| Harvard | Brown, Dartmouth, Yale |
| Penn | Columbia, Princeton |
| Princeton | Columbia, Penn |
| Yale | Brown, Columbia, Harvard |

(2) Football [**Administration, Fall 1994**]

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| <i>From:</i> | <i>To:</i> |
| Brown | Harvard |
| Columbia | Princeton |
| Harvard | Brown |
| Penn | Princeton |
| Princeton | Penn |
| Yale | Columbia |

- c. Exceptions: Overnight travel in addition to above is permitted in the following situations:
- (1) For morning contests, if necessary for the visiting team to arrive at least two hours before game time and not leave before 7:30am on game day;
 - (2) During back-to-back competition [**Fall 1986**];
 - (3) For post-season tournaments.
 - (4) When a waiver is approved by the Ivy Office for special circumstances (e.g. traffic or weather considerations).
- d. A team may not depart campus more than one day prior to a regular season Ivy contest when classes are in session. [**Administration, Spring 1995**]
- e. Off-campus housing prior to home contests (including tournaments) is prohibited except as may be approved by the Committee on Administration.

6. Ivy League One-Way Mileage Chart

| | <i>Brown</i> | <i>Columbia</i> | <i>Cornell</i> | <i>Dartmouth</i> | <i>Harvard</i> | <i>Penn</i> | <i>Princeton</i> | <i>Yale</i> |
|------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| Brown | \ | 182 | 323 | 165 | 50 | 268 | 226 | 101 |
| Columbia | 182 | \ | 227 | 270 | 221 | 101 | 59 | 76 |
| Cornell | 323 | 227 | \ | 292 | 329 | 225 | 220 | 268 |
| Dartmouth | 165 | 270 | 292 | \ | 120 | 357 | 315 | 190 |
| Harvard | 50 | 221 | 329 | 120 | \ | 307 | 270 | 138 |
| Penn | 268 | 101 | 225 | 357 | 307 | \ | 47 | 167 |
| Princeton | 226 | 59 | 220 | 315 | 270 | 47 | \ | 125 |
| Yale | 101 | 76 | 268 | 190 | 138 | 167 | 125 | \ |

H. Foreign Travel [Ivy Office, 1989]

1. Approval

All foreign trips by any team must have the prior approval of the Ivy Office, whether or not the trip is exempt from “counting” under either Ivy or NCAA rules.

- a. All foreign trips are governed by both Ivy rules at VI-H-3 below, and all NCAA regulations at B.17.29 and VI-H-4 below.
 - b. Approval must be requested by submitting **Form VI-H**, following, at least 30 days before the intended date of departure.
 - c. Approval also must be granted for any foreign trip by an outside team that includes more than the number of student-athletes from the same Ivy school listed at VII-H-4-g below.
 - d. For rules pertaining to Football, see VII-G-15.
 - e. For rules pertaining to Rowing, see VII-C-5
2. Ivy and NCAA calendars and geographical rules
- a. Ivy rules permit a team to take a foreign trip once in any four year period, and provide that contests on such a trip will not count against Ivy contest limitations. Foreign trips may not involve missed class time or be scheduled during examination periods.
 - b. Ivy and NCAA rules permit an Ivy team to take a foreign trip on a no-count, one-in-four-years basis and scheduled in accord with B.17.29. Ivy rules do not permit the regular season “count” foreign travel that NCAA rules provide on the separate “one-in-four” clock. Ivy rules do allow “count” foreign travel on the same “one-in-four” clock as “no count” foreign travel.
 - c. Both Ivy and NCAA rules provide that a team may travel annually to Canada or Mexico on a “count” basis, in addition to any trip to either country that is used as a team’s one-in-four, “no-count” foreign trip.
 - d. Travel to the non-continental United States (Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands) is not foreign travel under either Ivy or NCAA rules.
 - (1) Contests in these areas count against Ivy contest limitations.
 - (2) In sports other than basketball, Ivy rules permit a one-in-four, no-count trip to one of these areas, on a one-in-four basis separate from the one-in-four foreign tour clock, provided the foreign tour is not taken in the same academic year (or the summer immediately prior) in which the institution has utilized the Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Virgin Island exemption. [**Administration, Spring 1990**]
 - (3) In basketball, in lieu of no count travel to the non-continental United States, teams may participate in two NCAA qualifying regular season multi-team events (QRSMTE) per B.17.3.5.1.1 and one foreign tour within any four-year period, with no more than one of these scheduled in any one year. Participation in an exempt event per B.17.3.5.1.1 counts as one contest against the Ivy contest limit. [**Council, Spring 2006, Spring 2008**]

3. Ivy rules
 - a. Foreign trips must be considered special events, and funds for them must come from special gifts rather than from general athletic budgets as certified on Form VII-A [**Council, Policy, 1978**].
 - b. A team making an out-of-season foreign trip may have 5 practice sessions prior to departure (the NCAA limit is 10), not to be held during an exam period [**Policy, Spring, 1985**]. When classes are not in session, teams may hold one meeting per day in addition to the practice session.
 4. NCAA eligibility rules [B.17.32, 30.7]
 - a. If a trip takes place during the summer, only student-athletes who were eligible for intercollegiate competition during the previous year are eligible to participate.
 - b. If the trip takes place after the academic year has started, student-athletes enrolled and eligible for intercollegiate competition are eligible to participate.
 - c. It is permissible for an eligible incoming student-athlete to represent the institution only on a foreign trip that begins after the permissible starting practice date in that sport or after the first day of classes of his or her first regular term at the institution.
 5. NCAA contest rules
 - a. A team shall not compete on the trip against other American teams except for U.S. armed forces teams stationed abroad.
 - b. A team shall be limited to a maximum of three football games, 10 basketball games or ten contests or dates of competition in all other sports during a foreign tour.
 - c. Under both Ivy and NCAA rules, a foreign trip by an outside team (e.g., an all-star team) that includes more than the following number of student-athletes from the same school shall cause the institution to be charged with its once-in-four year opportunity in that sport; see B.17.32.2:
- I. **Awards**
 1. Plaques, Trophies, Medals [**Ivy Office, 1994**]
 - a. Ivy Championship plaques retroactive to and including 1956-57 are authorized for all sports. Such standardized plaques will carry the name of the champion Ivy college and the year.
 - b. Permanent or institutional trophies must be approved by Committee Administration in order to be included in the League award structure.

- c. With the exception of a replica of the Asa S. Bushnell Cup, Ivy trophies to individuals are not authorized, except as stated in VI-I-3-a.
- d. Repairs to Ivy trophies are funded by the Ivy Office, or through the Ivy Fund, upon prior approval of the Ivy Office.

2. Institutional Ivy Trophies

The following is a list of Ivy trophies and their donors or honorees.

Men's Trophies:

Baseball—William C. Matthews (Harvard)
 Basketball—Princeton Alumni Council
 Cross Country—Jeffrey H. Orleans (Ivy Group)
 Fencing—G.T. Kirby (Columbia)
 Football—Class of 1925 (Pennsylvania); Asa S. Bushnell Cup (ECAC Officials)
 Golf—William J. Miller (Columbia)
 Ice Hockey—Hobey Baker (Princeton)
 Lacrosse—Nicky Bawlf (Cornell)
 Heavyweight Rowing—Marc Bergschneider (Brown)
 Lightweight Rowing—Michael W. Christian (Harvard)
 Soccer—E.H. Parkhurst III (Dartmouth)
 Squash—Jack Barnaby (Harvard)
 Swimming and Diving Dual Meet—EISL Men's Swimming & Diving (Penn)
 Swimming & Diving Championships—Bob Kiphuth (Yale)
 Tennis—Albie Collins (Dartmouth)
 Track and Field, Outdoor—John Baxter Taylor (Princeton)
 Wrestling—Brown Club of Rhode Island

Women's Trophies:

Basketball (Penn, Princeton)
 Cross Country—The Orleans Family (Ivy Group)
 Fencing—Lajos S. Csiszar (Pennsylvania)
 Field Hockey—Ivy League Assoc. / Asst. A.D.s
 Golf—Arthur A. Brennan Family (Penn)
 Ice Hockey (Brown)
 Lacrosse—Elizabeth Ely (Dartmouth)
 Rowing—Sally P. Shoemaker (Penn)
 Soccer—Bessie Rudd (Brown)
 Softball—Johnson-Crowley (Penn, Princeton)
 Squash—Friends of Harvard Squash (Harvard)
 Swimming and Diving—Frank Keefe (Yale)
 Indoor Track and Field—Frank Greenberg (Penn)
 Outdoor Track and Field—Lynn Jennings (Princeton)
 Tennis—Cheryl and Richard Gouse (Brown)
 Volleyball—Andrea J. Dutcher (Cornell)

3. Medals

- a. Except for medals for crew, cross country, golf, swimming, and track, no awards are to be given for individual performances by the Ivy Group.

4. All-Ivy Certificates

All-Ivy certificates will be awarded in Ivy sports (see VI-B-1) to first and second team All-Ivy selections and to individual award-winners as follows. Certificates are to be ordered three times a year at the end of each season. Each school is required to notify the Ivy Office within 48 hours of receiving the complete list of selected students from the Ivy Office as to how the certificates will be prepared.

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| Baseball | Two teams: Three starting pitchers, one relief pitcher, one catcher, one first baseman, one second baseman, one third baseman, one shortstop, three outfielders regardless of out-field position, one utility player and one designated hitter. Player, pitcher and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only Secondary contests to consider: All games |
| Basketball, Men's | Two teams: Five players regardless of position. Player, rookie and defensive player of the year. Primary contests to consider: All games |
| Basketball, Women's | Two teams: Five players regardless of position. Player, rookie and defensive player of the year. One five-player all-rookie team regardless of position. Primary contests to consider: All games |
| Cross Country Men's | Two teams: The first seven Ivy finishes at the Ivy championship are named first team; the next seven Ivy finishers are named second team. |
| Cross Country Women's | Two teams: The first seven Ivy finishes at the Ivy championship are named first team; the next seven Ivy finishers are named second team. |
| Fencing Men's | Two teams: Three members per weapon based on overall record during the two-day Ivy Round Robins and on participation in at least 75 percent of a team's overall matches. Most outstanding performer and rookie. |
| Fencing Women's | Two teams: Three members per weapon based on overall record during the two-day Ivy Round Robins and on participation in at least 75 percent of a team's overall matches. Most outstanding performer and rookie. |
| Field Hockey | Two teams: Eleven players regardless of position (one must be a goalkeeper). Offensive player and defensive player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only |
| Football | Two teams: Offense—Five linemen, one quarterback, two running backs, two wide receivers, one tight end and one wild card (must be a running back [RB/FB] or a receiver [WR/TE]). Defense—four linemen, four linebackers, four defensive backs. Special Teams—One placekicker, one punter and one return specialist. Offensive player and defensive player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: All games |
| Golf, Men's | Two teams: The first five finishers at the Ivy Championship are the first team; the next five finishers are the second team. Player and rookie of the year. |
| Golf, Women's | Two teams: The first five finishers at the Ivy Championship are the first team; the next five finishers are the second team. Player and rookie of the year. |

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| Ice Hockey Men's | Two teams: Three forwards, two defensemen and one goaltender. Player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only |
| Ice Hockey Women's | Two teams: Three forwards, two defensemen and one goaltender. Player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only |
| Lacrosse Men's | Two teams: Three attack, three midfielders, three defensemen and one goalie, player and rookie of the year Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only |
| Lacrosse Women's | Two teams: Three attackmen, three midfielders, three defensemen or two wildcards from any of the three field positions and one goalie, player and rookie of the year Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only |
| Rowing, Men's | Heavyweight—Two teams: Members in the first Ivy boat in the varsity eight grand final at the EARC Sprints are named first team; members in the second Ivy boat are named second team. Lightweight—Two teams: Members in the first Ivy boat in the varsity eight grand final at the EARC Sprints are named first team; members in the second Ivy boat are named second team. |
| Rowing, Women's | Two teams: Members in the first Ivy boat in the varsity eight grand final at the EAWRC Sprints are named first team; members in the second Ivy boat are named second team. |
| Soccer, Men's | Two teams: Three defenders, three midfielders, two forwards, two players in any of the preceding three positions and one goalkeeper. Player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only |
| Soccer, Women's | Two teams: Three defenders, three midfielders, two forwards, two players in any of the preceding three positions and one goalkeeper. Player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only |
| Softball | Two teams: Two starting pitchers, one catcher, one first baseman, one second baseman, one third baseman, one shortstop, three outfielders regardless of outfield position, one utility player and one designated player. Player, pitcher and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy games only Secondary contests to consider: All games Position players must have played a minimum of 50 percent of all games played at that position, including that designated player. A utility player must have played a minimum of 33 percent of all games played at other position(s). Pitchers must have pitched a minimum of 40 innings in Ivy play. |
| Squash, Men's | One team: Ten members. Player and rookie of the year. |
| Squash, Women's | One team: Ten members. Player and rookie of the year. |
| Swimming & Diving, Men's | Two teams: The first-place finishers in each event at the Ivy championship are named first team; the second-place finishers in each event are named second team. Most outstanding swimmer and diver, career scoring champion swimming and diving. |

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| Swimming & Diving, Women's | Two teams: The first-place finishers in each event at the Ivy championship are named first team; the second-place finishers in each event are named second team. Most outstanding swimmer and diver, career scoring champion swimming and diving. |
| Tennis, Men's | Two teams: Six singles players and six doubles players. Player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy spring matches only Secondary considerations: Performance in additional contests against Ivy opponents and in all contests, particularly against highly-ranked players and teams Singles players must have competed in a minimum of four Ivy spring matches and doubles teams must have competed in a minimum of three Ivy spring matches. |
| Tennis, Women's | Two teams: Six singles players and three doubles teams. Player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy spring matches only Secondary considerations: Performance in additional contests against Ivy opponents and in all contests, particularly against highly-ranked players and teams Singles players must have competed in a minimum of four Ivy spring matches and doubles teams must have competed in a minimum of three Ivy spring matches. |
| Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field Men's | Two teams: The first-place finishers in each event at the Ivy championship are named first team; the second-place finishers in each event are named second team. Most outstanding performer. |
| Indoor & Outdoor Track & Field Women's | Two teams: The first-place finishers in each event at the Ivy championship are named first team; the second-place finishers in each event are named second team. Most outstanding performer. |
| Volleyball Women's | Two teams: Six players regardless of position and one libero Player and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy matches only |
| Wrestling | Two teams: One wrestler at each of the 10 weight classes. Wrestler and rookie of the year. Primary contests to consider: Ivy matches only |

5. All-Ivy Eligibility and Voting

- a. A student-athlete shall be in good academic standing at the conclusion of the sport season to be eligible to receive post season All-Ivy recognition in that sport. Any student required to withdraw for academic or disciplinary reasons prior to the conclusion of the sport season shall not be eligible for All-Ivy selections. **[Administration, 1989]**
- b. Non-varsity athletes are not eligible for postseason All-Ivy honors.

6. All-Ivy Selection and Distribution

- a. All-Ivy teams, Players and Rookies of the Year are selected by vote of the coaches in each sport, under the supervision of the Ivy Office.

- b. Prior to each academic year, the Ivy Office will develop and circulate to Sports Information Directors and coach groups an All-Ivy timeline for dates of nominations, ballot distribution in voting in all sports.
 - c. The Ivy Office will provide for nominations and voting to be done electronically or on-line.
7. All-Ivy Nominations
- a. Coaches nominate their own players for All-Ivy, Player and Rookie of the Year in the sports where applicable. The following information must be provided for each nominee: name, uniform number (if applicable), classification and position. In selected sports, All-Ivy nominations (and voting) will be by position. Coaches are encouraged to be inclusive when making nominations; however, a nominee must have played a significant portion of the season at a position to be considered for All-Ivy at that position.

Coaches are permitted to submit multiple nominees for Player and/or Rookie of the Year.
 - b. For the purpose of postseason honors, a “rookie” is defined as either a freshman, or an upperclassman in the first year of collegiate participation at any level (including junior varsity or junior college) in that particular sport.
[Administration, 1989]
8. All-Ivy Voting
- a. The Ivy Office will compile all nominations into a ballot for voting and distribute to the coaches following the designated nomination deadline.
 - b. Coach groups will be expected use regular-season statistics distributed by the Ivy Office, as well as online statistical sources, for statistical information. The Ivy Office will not provide additional statistical reports.
 - c. A coach may not vote for his/her own players. A ballot must be completed in its entirety, including the coach’s name/signature and date, to be counted.
 - d. At its discretion, a coach group may conduct a conference call to discuss nominations. This call should be coordinated by the Chair of the coach group and should not delay the deadlines for nominations and/or ballot. A representative of the Ivy Office will not participate unless requested by the coach-group Chair.
 - e. The following points system will be used in tabulating the votes: All-Ivy—Two points for first team and one point for second team (where applicable). Player/Rookie of the Year—Five points for first choice, three points for second choice and one point for third choice.

- f. In the case of a tie in the voting, more than one player may be named at the same position to an All-Ivy team; if the tie is in Player/Rookie of the Year balloting, co-winners will be named.
 - g. To receive honorable mention, a player must receive at least one first-team vote, or two second-team votes. In men's and women's tennis, honorable mention All-Ivy is not awarded.
 - h. Any situation wherein the Ivy Office has questions about a ballot, it may contact a coach's Director of Athletics or his/her designee to discuss and confirm the coach's vote or to have a replacement ballot submitted if the administrator determines that is appropriate. **[Administration, 2005]**
 - i. The final votes for Player and Rookie of the Year will be circulated to the coaches in that sport for internal purposes only. This information should not be included in any press releases, distributed and/or posted on any Web sites or otherwise distributed to anyone outside of the athletics department. **[Administration, 2006]**
 - j. The All-Ivy team(s), Player and Rookie of the Year will be released by 3:00 p.m. on the day after ballots are due.
9. Academic All-Ivy Honors—Selection and Certificates **[Administration, 1991]**

The Committee on Administration approved the Academic All-Ivy Honors program beginning with the 1991-92 school year.

- a. Institutions will submit the names of 10 student-athletes—five men and five women—each season (fall, winter and spring) with grade-point averages of 3.00 or higher. The individual must be a starter or key reserve on an officially sponsored varsity sport.
- b. Institutions can nominate student-athletes in multiple seasons and/or in multiple years.
- c. Each honoree will be given a certificate, which is ordered in the same manner as noted above for All-Ivy teams.

J. Communications Activities **[Ivy Office, 2009]**

1. Generally

Overall public relations with respect to Ivy policy rests with the Presidents. The day-to-day public information activities of the Group become the responsibility of those Ivy representatives most accessible to the general public, through the news media. These representatives are the members of the Committee on Administration, the Executive Director and the Ivy Office staff, the Directors of Sports Information, and the coaches.

2. Specific assignments
 - a. All Ivy Group sports information activities are funded through the Ivy Office budget.
 - b. With the cooperation of the Sports Information Directors, the Ivy Office will produce three publications (records book and football and basketball media guides) and organize press conferences or communications-related functions in all sports as warranted.
 - c. The Ivy Office will produce weekly releases in baseball, men's and women's basketball, field hockey, football, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, softball and women's volleyball. All releases will be posted on the League's web site.
3. Coaches' Responsibilities
 - a. Coaches and Directors of Sports Information are answerable to the various Ivy standing committees through the respective Directors of Athletics for actions and statements that focus public notice on Ivy matters.
 - b. Each coach is responsible for seeing that weekly reports required for League publicity are filed promptly with the Ivy Office.
 - c. Coaches are not permitted to make pre-season predictions in their sports, either individually or on a consensus basis, but may express their views in general when queried by the media.
 - d. Coaches' recommendations on matters of selection to All-Ivy teams, or other matters of Ivy public relations, should be made through the specific coach groups to the Committee on Administration. The Ivy Office will solicit input from the Sports Information Directors on any coaches' recommendations on matters of selection to All-Ivy teams or other matters of Ivy public relations.
4. Display of the Ivy League® Logo [**Administration, Spring 1995**]
 - a. The Ivy League logo, as portrayed below and in the PMS color noted, shall prominently be displayed at all home contests and in all venues on Ivy campuses which come under any of the conditions listed in this section.



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- b. The Ivy Office shall pay for the first purchase of each flag, banner, floor decal and permanent sign which is needed to carry out this section.
 - c. The Ivy League logo shall be displayed as follows:
 - (1) by painting or floor decals on each basketball venue, except that the logos may be in institutional colors or in black or white, and a different font may be used and/or the Ivy leaves deleted;
 - (2) for each contest in any venue which displays flags or banners of the host institution, the competing institutions, or the Ivy League institutions, whether temporarily or permanently, by a comparable flag or banner;
 - (3) for each contest conducted in the institution's football stadium, swimming pool, or any outside venue (besides the football stadium) with a press-box;
 - (4) for each baseball, softball, tennis and women's volleyball contest not otherwise covered by this section.
5. Competition while ineligible — effect on records
- a. This section applies whenever an institution forfeits a contest (or, as appropriate in an individual sport, an individual's points or match) because of participation by an ineligible student-athlete, when the ineligibility is declared subsequent to the playing of the contest.
 - b. The following shall apply to all Ivy League and overall records for all affected institutions, including standings, wins and losses, and coaches' records, both seasonal and cumulative.
 1. The score of the contest as played shall be listed in the records of contests played.
 2. The contest shall be recorded as a loss for the forfeiting team and as a win for the team receiving the forfeit, and any standings shall be computed on that basis.
 3. There shall be added to all applicable records an asterisk and a footnote, which shall read as follows: "Records reflect that per [NCAA and/or Ivy as applicable] rules, Team X forfeited [#] Ivy League and [#] other victories [Teams A, B...] due to use of a player subsequently declared ineligible."
 4. Team and individual statistics for all affected teams shall be unchanged.

- c. When the forfeit of one or more contests would result in a different team winning (or tying for) an Ivy League championship, that team shall be declared the sole (or joint) champion, and the following footnote shall be added to the relevant championship listing: "Team X victories over Teams A, B, etc. forfeited due to subsequent declaration of participation by an ineligible student-athlete; Team Y declared Ivy champion."
 - d. This section shall apply to all publications of the Ivy Office and of all Ivy institutions. The Ivy Office shall prepare, and shall distribute to all institutions, listings of all records that are required to be based on this section.
6. Ineligibility for Ivy League championship — effect on records
- a. This section applies whenever an institution is determined to be ineligible for the Ivy League championship in a particular sport.
 - b. The following shall apply to all Ivy League records, including standings and wins and losses.
 - (1) Ineligibility for the championship does not affect the score or result of any individual contest. The score of each contest, and its result as a win or loss for the competing teams and coaches, shall be included as played in the records of each team and of the League.
 - (2) There shall be added to all applicable records an asterisk and a footnote, which shall read as follows: "Per League ruling, Team X ineligible for the Ivy League championship".
 - (3) The ineligible team shall be listed as the bottom team in the Ivy League standings, regardless of the position in which it would be listed based on its win/loss record, with an asterisk referring to the above footnote.
 - (4) Team and individual statistics for all affected teams and coaches shall be unchanged, and players' eligibility for Ivy League awards is not affected.
 - c. When a team's ineligibility for the Ivy League championship results in a different team winning (or tying for) an Ivy League championship, that team shall be declared the sole (or joint) champion.
 - d. This section shall apply to all press releases and publications of the Ivy Office and of all Ivy institutions. At the conclusion of the season, the Ivy Office shall prepare, and shall distribute to all institutions, listings of all records that are required to be based on this section.

PART VII **ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION:
SPECIAL REGULATIONS IN PARTICULAR SPORTS**

A. **Baseball**

1. Generally

- a. NCAA baseball regulations are found at B.17.2.
- b. The Ivy Baseball League is split into two four-team divisions: the **Lou Gehrig** Division consisting of Columbia, Cornell, Pennsylvania and Princeton; and the **Red Rolfe** Division made up of Brown, Dartmouth, Harvard and Yale. The League has a 20-game schedule, which gives each school four games against the teams within its division and two against the teams in the other division. The Ivy Champion is determined by a three game playoff between the two division winners. **[Administration, Spring 1992, effective 1993]**
- c. Varsity baseball schedules should include no more than six (6) non-Division I games per season. If an institution is not able to meet this scheduling requirement, the institution may ask for a waiver from the Ivy Office. The request must be accompanied by compelling evidence that the institution set out to meet the requirement but was unable to do so because of circumstances beyond its control. **[Administration, Spring 2001]**
- d. All Ivy teams are required to have full infield tarps by spring 1993. Any game cancelled as a result of inclement weather where a tarp is not in place will result in a forfeit against the home team. **[Administration, Spring 1992]**
- e. The first game of all Ivy League doubleheaders shall be 7 innings, and the second game shall be 9 innings. **[Administration, Spring 1999]**
- f. Presumptive start time is 12 noon for Ivy doubleheaders after daylight savings time has begun. Start time for doubleheaders prior to daylight savings time is 11:30 a.m. The start time should remain at 12:00 noon for those facilities with lights. Waivers shall be available from the Ivy Office for those institutions where facility conflicts necessitate later start times.
- g. NCAA tournament qualifiers in baseball may schedule one game every four days with a local opponent, when not in exam time, between selection and NCAA play. These contests count toward the NCAA contest limit.
- h. The Ivy schedule shall be contested on Saturdays and Sundays. **[Council, 2011]**

2. Fall season regulations **[Council, Spring 1986]**

Fall practice and play must be scheduled within the institution's declared "non-traditional" season. A school may use four of the permitted 22 in-term contest dates in the non-traditional season for contests under the following conditions. **[Administration, Spring 1995]:**

- a. Each such contest will count both as one of the 12 permitted fall practice dates and as one of the permitted in-term contest dates and as one of the 56 permitted contests.

- b. The competition may not involve overnight travel, and no individual student-athlete may miss class to compete.

3. Procedures for inclement weather [**Administration, Spring 1987**]

When inclement weather requires a team to leave an away site or to modify an itinerary, without completing or playing a scheduled League contest, the procedures are as follows:

- a. For weekends not involving travel partners, if only one site is playable on the first day, but the doubleheader is not completed, teams remain at same sites the following day before moving on to next site. [**Administration, 5/95**]
- b. On the travel-partner weekend of the season (Brown v. Yale; Columbia v. Penn; Cornell v. Princeton; Dartmouth v. Harvard) — where teams are playing at one site the first day and then at another site the second day — the inclement weather procedure is as follows. If the first day is rained out, the second day gets played as originally scheduled. The third day then becomes the make-up day for the rain out. The exception is when a travel-partner series has an off day in between the first doubleheader and the second doubleheader. In this case if the first day is rained out, the teams will stay and try to make up the rain out on what was the off day. [**Administration, Spring 2004**]
- c. Decisions under this section shall be made by schedule-makers (or their alternates), rather than by coaches, as follows. The visiting coach must speak with his schedule-maker and the two schedule-makers then must discuss the situation, keeping in mind that the home team is responsible for deciding whether conditions are or are not playable. The visiting schedule-maker then should advise the visiting coach of the decision reached.
- d. This procedure may be waived only with the agreement of all four institutions involved.
- e. During intra-division weekend play, if, due to inclement weather only one scheduled game has been completed after the first two days of play then teams may schedule three 7 inning games on Day 3 to start at 10:30 a.m. This must be mutually agreed upon by both participating teams, otherwise only a double header may be played that day. [**Administration, Spring 1996**]

4. Rescheduling [**Administration, Spring 1992 and Fall 1994**]

- a. If the home team field is determined not to be playable, the home team is obligated to secure an alternative field within 130 miles of its own field. If an alternative field within 130 miles is not available, the contest must be rescheduled within two weeks pursuant to this section. Whether at home or at an alternative site, the home team will make every possible effort to have the game played on the scheduled date.

- b. All postponed or halted Ivy games must be made up during the regular season within two weeks of the originally scheduled date, but in any event before the championship and any divisional playoff dates. All such games will take preference over any non-League game, and Ivy teams must be willing to “bump” non-League games in the interest of finishing the Ivy schedule.[#]
 - c. These rules shall apply unless the Executive Director determines that there is no practical possibility of observing them. If for any reason an agreement for rescheduling within these time frames cannot be reached within two days after the originally scheduled date, the home team’s schedule-maker will contact the Ivy Office, which will arrange as mutually an agreeable makeup schedule as is possible.[#]
5. Regulation and suspended games [**Administration, Fall 1994**]
- a. If a game is called by the umpires for any reason once enough innings have been played to determine a regulation game with a decision, the game is complete.
 - b. If the game is not regulation when called, it shall be voided and replayed from the beginning, before any remaining games between the teams involved.
 - c. If the game is regulation when called but a tie, it shall be a suspended game and shall be resumed before any remaining games between the teams involved, with the remaining innings played from the point at which it was called.
 - d. All such replayed or suspended games must be completed, unless a waiver is granted by the Ivy Office.
6. Protests
- a. All protests should follow the procedures outlined in the NCAA Baseball Rules Manual.
7. Divisional ties [**Administration, Spring 1994; Spring 2011, Ivy Office, Spring 1996**]
- a. A Divisional tie between two teams will be resolved by a one-game (nine-inning) playoff, at the site of one of the two teams the Friday, Saturday or Sunday following the final regular season weekend. The better team in head-to-head regular-season competition, or the team favored by the divisional tie-breaker (below) if the teams split, will host the game and bat last. If weather or other conditions require the Ivy Office to have the other team host, the team winning the tie-breaker still will bat last. When a divisional playoff is held the Ivy Championship playoff will be moved to the following weekend.
 - b. A Divisional tie among three or four teams will be resolved by a series of playoff games (nine innings each), at a single and preferably neutral site the Friday, Saturday or Sunday season weekend (with Friday as the rain date). The team that receives the first-game bye and the home team for the first game, in the event of a three-team tie, and the pairings and home team designations, in the event of a four-team tie, will be determined by head-to-head competition among the tied teams, and by the divisional tie-breaker (below) if any tie still persists.

[#] These policies are currently under review and may be altered after the fall 2011 Committee on Administration meeting.

- c. If one or more divisional playoff games cannot be played, or if a tie-breaker otherwise is needed, the tie will be broken first by comparing each team's record against the other team(s) with which it is tied. If the teams have split, the tie will be broken by comparing each team's record against the next common opponent with the highest league winning percentage (regardless of division), continuing through the standings until one team gains an advantage. If at any point in the standings there is more than one such common opponent, the combined records of those common opponents against the tied teams shall be used. If a tie persists, it will be broken by a telephone coin toss conducted by the Executive Director.[#]
 - d. A "common opponent" is a team that has played an equal number of games against each of the tied teams, or that was scheduled to play an equal number of games but did not when the possible results of the unplayed games would not change which of the tied teams has the advantage against the common opponent games.
8. Ivy League Championship format and administration is listed in the Ivy Championship Handbook.

B. Basketball

1. NCAA basketball regulations are found at B.17.3. All NCAA basketball regulations apply.
2. Any deviation from the Friday/Saturday basketball league schedule format must be approved by the Committee on Administration.
3. Men's and women's varsity schedules shall include no more than one non-Division I opponent per season. If an institution is not able to meet this scheduling requirement, the institution may ask for a waiver from the Ivy Office. The request must be accompanied by compelling evidence the institution set out to meet the requirement but was unable to do so because of circumstances beyond its control. **[Administration, Spring 1989]**
4. No basketball games may be scheduled after the Wednesday before the NCAA selection date **[Administration, Spring 1992]**
5. Three officials will be used in all men's and women's games, including playoffs.
6. Men and women should be scheduled at opposite sites.
7. Participation in qualifying regular season multi-team event counts as one contest against the Ivy contest limit. Teams may participate in two NCAA qualifying regular season multi-team events and one foreign tour within any four year period. Additional NCAA counting exemption provisions at B.17.3.5.3 do **not** apply to Ivy counting except as indicated at VI-H-2-d.
8. In the event of a tie for the Ivy Championship, playoffs will be held as follows to determine the recipient of the League's NCAA bid **[Administration, Spring 2002]:**

[#] These policies are currently under review and may be altered after the fall 2011 Committee on Administration meeting.

- a. For a two-team tie, a one-game, neutral-site playoff will be held on the Saturday prior to the start of the NCAA Championship first round. Home team will be determined by the following formula:
 - (1) Results of head-to-head competition between the teams;
 - (2) If a tie persists, it will be broken by comparing each team's record against the team occupying the next position in the standings until one team gains an advantage. If teams are tied in the standings, each of the two teams' **combined** record against those tied teams will be used.
 - (3) If a tie persists throughout the standings, it tie will be broken by drawing cards for seeds. The Executive Director will supervise this procedure.
- b. For a three-team tie, there will be a single-elimination, neutral-site playoff with first-game bye determined by the above seeding formula. The first playoff game will be played on Thursday with the home team determined by the same formula, and the second game will be played on Saturday with the first-round bye team being the home team. If possible, both games will be played at the same site.
- c. For a four-team tie, a single-elimination, neutral-site playoff will be held with pairings (1-4, 2-3) determined by the above seeding formula. The first playoff games will be played Thursday; the determining game will be played on Saturday. If possible all games will be played at the same site and the first pair of games will be a double-header.
- d. The Executive Director may change a Thursday game to a Friday or a Saturday game to a Sunday after discussion with the teams involved, when in his/her view there are compelling reasons to do so in order to assure that the games are played (e.g., lack of availability of facilities, threat of inclement weather, other emergency).
- e. Ties of more than four teams will be broken as follows, with sites and schedule to be determined:
 - (1) 5-way tie: draw 5; high/low play 1st and next high/low play 2nd; last card plays 1st winner; winners play.
 - (2) 6-way tie: draw 6; high/low byes to 3rd and 4th games; next high/low play 1st game and others play 2nd; 1st winner plays original high and 2nd winner plays original low; winners play.
 - (3) 7-way tie: draw 7; high/low play 1st game, next high/low play 2nd, others play 3rd; middle card plays 1st winner and 2nd/3rd winners play; winners play.
 - (4) 8-team tie: draw 8; high/low play 1st, next high/low play 2nd, etc.; 1st and 4th winners and 2nd and 3rd winners play; winners play.
- f. Second place tie-breaker. If a tie breaks needed to determine 2nd place to determine post-season eligibility, this tie breaker will be used.

9. Scouting is prohibited by NCAA rules [**NCAA, winter 1994**]
10. Men's and Women's Basketball Video Exchange & Guidelines: [**Administration, Spring 1996**]
 - a. Schools will exchange games via the on-line file exchange platform of the League. The guidelines to be followed for these exchanges are on file in the Ivy Office.
11. Electronic Media Timeouts [**Administration, Spring 2001**]
 - a. Television and Radio

In the event a game is televised or covered by electronic media (television, radio, or Internet with audio or visual broadcast) by either the host or visiting school, there will be four media timeouts per half, the length of which are determined by the media agreement. These timeouts shall occur at the first dead ball after the 16-, 12-, 8-, and 4-minute marks. Each team will receive four 30-second timeouts and one 60-second timeout. The first 30-second timeout of the second half requested by either team becomes a ninth media timeout, the length of which is determined by the media agreement.

- b. In the event a game is not covered by electronic media (Television, Radio or Internet with audio or visual broadcast) or if the media agreement does not call for media timeouts, there will be no media timeouts. Each team will receive four 75-second timeouts and two 30-second timeouts.
12. Uniforms

In men's and women's basketball, the home team will wear light uniforms on Friday night and dark uniforms on Saturday night during the back-to-back Ivy weekends. The visiting team will do the opposite (dark on Friday and light on Saturday).
13. An agreed upon protocol for playing the national anthem prior to men's and women's basketball games will be followed. The anthem will be played immediately prior to lineups being introduced, with both teams lining up at the foul lines.

c. Crew [Policy and Administration, Fall 1988]

1. Rowing is subject to all ECAC and Ivy rules including the NCAA/ECAC 156 day restriction. Womens's Rowing must follow all NCAA rules as of August 1, 1996. NCAA Rowing regulations are found at B.17.15.
 - a. It is permissible to declare separate 156 day seasons for heavyweight and lightweight crew. [**Administration, Fall 1989**]
 - b. The 156 day limit is applicable to all individual rowers.
 - c. The length of the rowing season is defined as 156 days of practice and competition on the water, to be conducted only within the practice periods starting no

earlier than the first day of classes through November 30 and starting no earlier than February 1 and ending no later than the Eastern Sprints.

- d. A single vacation trip is allowed between November 30 and February 1, with that trip counting as part of the 156 day on-water season.
2. Off-water training must be voluntary and can be supervised by a coach up to 6 hours per week.
3. NCAA initial qualifier certification is not required (men's only). [**Administration, Spring, 2005**]
4. Once per season a team may count one two-day event as one date.
5. Foreign travel [**Administration, Spring 1989**]
 - a. The Henley regatta will be exempt from the one-in-four year restriction for freshman, heavyweight and lightweight crews.
 - b. A crew which participates at Henley is permitted to compete in one international regatta either one week before **or** one week following Henley.
 - c. All other foreign regattas will be subject to Ivy and NCAA certified foreign-tour restrictions.
 - d. Except when in conjunction with Henley, the Vancouver Regatta is considered foreign travel.
 - e. All other Canadian regattas are not considered foreign travel and therefore must take place during an institution's declared 26-week season.
 - f. A crew's participation in **one** post-season regatta which takes place in the continental U.S. will not be considered as part of the 26-week season limitation or count as a contest. Participation in any one year is limited to one regatta for any individual athlete and to one regatta for any one class of boat.
6. In rowing, a crew may be transported more than 100 miles (but not more than 200 miles) for a safe practice site. See B.16.8.1.1.3

D. **Cross-Country**

1. NCAA cross country regulations are found at B.17.5.
2. See the Ivy Championship Handbook for event management, budget, and competitive regulations for Cross-Country Heptagonal Championship

E. Fencing

1. NCAA fencing regulations are found at B.17.7.
2. The Ivy League round-robin season shall be conducted over 2 days in a format as laid out in the Ivy League Championship Handbook. **[Administration, Spring 2010]**
3. A champion in each weapon will be named based on Ivy League bout record. The overall team champion, one for men and one for women, will have its name inscribed on the team trophy.
4. Note VI-F-d above regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
5. Once annually, after the start of the practice season but before the start of the competitive season, an institution may send individuals to an "open" event in circumstances which would count on an individual basis and in numbers sufficient to trigger a team count; that contest then counts against the total number of permissible team contests. **[Policy, Fall 1989]**
6. Competitions held during the collegiate season that are used to select national teams shall **not** count against the individual's contest limit as long as the following conditions are met **[Administration, Spring 1989]**:
 - a. The competition is on an NCAA and Ivy approved "no-count" list;
 - b. The student does not represent the institution;
 - c. The student does not receive financial support from his/her institution including transportation, lodging, meals and uniforms;
 - d. The student is not accompanied by the institutional coach unless an Olympic waiver has been obtained by the Ivy office.

F. Field Hockey

1. NCAA field hockey regulations are found at B.17.8.
2. If selected for the NCAA tournament, field hockey teams are permitted one-post season, pre-tournament scrimmage.
3. In the event of a tie in field hockey, the following tie-breaking procedure shall be used to determine the League's automatic bid **[Administration, Spring 1995]**:
 - a. Results of the head to head competition between the teams tied for first place.
 - b. If a tie persists, the tie will be broken by comparing each team's record against the team occupying the next position in the standings until one team gains the

advantage. If two teams are tied in the standings, the combined record against the tied team will be tabulated and compared.

- c. If a tie still persists, the tie will be broken by a drawing conducted by the Executive Director.
4. For Ivy opponents, if the visiting team travels the day prior to competition then the home team shall make every effort to provide a minimum of one hour of practice time on the game field after 2 p.m. on the day prior to competition. Within reason, this practice should be considered a 'closed' practice; i.e. opposing field hockey coaching staff and players should not be present at this session. **[Administration, Spring 1996]**
5. Coaches will not share information on Ivy teams with teams outside the league.

G. Football

1. NCAA football regulations are found at B.17.9.
2. Scrimmages

Subject to the "one-man one-scrimmage" rule, two pre-season football scrimmages are allowable if one is a varsity or "A" scrimmage and one is a junior varsity or "B" scrimmage.

3. Squad limits
 - a. The travel squad limit for varsity football is 62.
 - b. Once during the season, when a JV contest is at the same school on the same weekend, an institution may travel with an unlimited squad.
4. Headphones **[Administration, Spring 1997]**

If one or more phones for either team is not working during the game, an equal number of phones for the other team shall be disconnected until the non-working set has been repaired. The principle is that teams shall have an equal number of phones available at all times during the game.

When a phone becomes inoperable, the coach shall notify the referee, who shall then ensure that the opposing team uses the same number of phones. The coach also shall notify the designated game-administration person on the sideline, who will contact the telephone repair person. Once the phone has been repaired, the sideline game-administration person will notify the referee and sideline person for the other team that the phone is repaired and it may resume using the phone that has been disconnected.

5. Contest management
 - a. For Ivy football games, the offensive team may use whatever type of ball it chooses, and the referee should change game balls as each team goes on offensive.

- b. At the option of the host and with prior notice, games may begin at 1:00 p.m., rather than at 1:30 p.m. as has been usual until daylight saving time has ended. All games after daylight savings has ended must start at 12:30 p.m. unless the stadium is equipped with field lighting. **[Administration, Spring 1996]**
 - c. Each home school shall provide for the visiting team five (5) sideline phones equal/comparable to the home phones. The system will include two lines for offense, two lines for defense and one for the head coach capable of swinging to either line. **[Administration, Spring 1990]**
 - d. Each home institution shall designate an athletic administrator to act as liaison with the visiting team. The liaison or game administrator will be responsible for accommodating the needs of the visiting team during the weekend of play. The administrator will greet the visiting team on Friday, formulate a Friday practice schedule, help with logistics and locker room assignments, help on game day itineraries, pre-game practice procedures, phone set-up and maintenance. **[Administration, Spring 1991]**
 - e. The home team must provide a physician for all contests.
6. Scouting
 - a. For Ivy opponents, Ivy institutions agree to the use of films of three games, one of which may be the opponent's game of the preceding week.
 - b. In person scouting is prohibited by NCAA Bylaw B 11.6 **[NCAA, 1994]**.
 - c. Football visiting teams may travel with one unpaid camera operator and equipment. **[Administration, Spring 1992]**
 7. Fall practice [See VI-D-6-a]
 8. Spring practice [See VI-D-6-d-(1)]
 9. Out-of-Season Activities – Permissible
 - a. See VI-F for restrictions on out of season athletically related activities in all sports
 - b. In addition to VII-G-8, an additional team meeting may be held in a non-athletic setting at the beginning of the second half of the school year for the following purposes:
 - (1) Follow-up on injuries
 - (2) Follow-up on academics;
 - (3) Follow-up on well-being of the student;

- (4) Weight conditioning and training program. [**Administration, Spring, 1990**]
 - (5) Drug Education. [**Administration, Spring 1992**]
 - c. It is permissible to issue football shoes, sweat clothes, and footballs to individual freshmen, sophomores, and juniors on request.
 - d. It is permissible for students on their own, without coaches, to engage in conditioning exercises, forward passing from center, kicking, touch football.
 - e. Physical education classes as described in Part VI-F-4 above.
 - f. Individual pictures of small groups such as backfields, captains and coach, residents of the same community, etc. in football uniforms, under the supervision of the Director of Sports Information.
 - g. Review of films by squad members on an individual basis when no coaches or others set up appointments or call group meetings.
10. Out-of-season activities – non-permissible
- a. See VI-F for restrictions on out of season activities in all sports
 - b. No supervised workouts. No indirect supervision by coaches through the captain or others. Coaches are prohibited from giving any direction, supervision, or plan for any activities whatsoever to potential squad members in groups or as individuals.
 - c. No activities of potential squad members other than those listed in § VII-G-9 are authorized: therefore, no signal drills, regimented passing drills or other tactical work are permitted.
 - d. No football uniforms or protective equipment may be issued except items listed in § VII-G-9.b. No seniors are to be issued equipment.
 - e. No blocking sleds, tackling dummies, and the like may be used.
11. Recruiting activities –non-permissible
- a. No Ivy football coach shall leave campus to recruit from March 1 through April 14 (inclusive). This rule does not prohibit contact on campus or by telephone or correspondence. [**Administration, Spring 1994, 2001**]
 - b. Between April 15 and May 31, the Ivy League allows 12 evaluation days. [**Administration, Spring 2001**]

12. The travel party for Ivy All-Star foreign travel will consist of the following representatives:

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| Football Players | 43 |
| Cheerleaders | 8 |
| Coaches | 4 |
| Equipment Manager | 1 |
| Trainer | 1 |
| Sports Information Director | 1 |
| Ivy Office Personnel | 2 |
| Committee on Administration Chair and Spouse | 2 |
| NCAA Representative and Spouse | 2 |
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In years when the four spaces allotted to the Committee on Administration Chair and Ivy Office Personnel are not used, a Senior Associate may be offered that space. [**Administration, Spring 1994**]

13. Tiebreaker Rule

- a. When an Ivy League game which goes into overtime cannot be completed, it will be terminated and recorded as a tie; the final score shall be the final score at the last point at which teams had an equal number of scoring opportunities.
- b. As provided for NCAA reporting purposes, all team and individual statistics which are generated during playing time shall count, including those which were generated after the point of termination.
- c. All contracts for games between Ivy League teams, and for games between Ivy League and Patriot League teams, shall contain these provisions.

14. Suspended Games [**Administration, Spring 1997**]

- a. If a game between Ivy teams is suspended before the end of the fourth period and cannot be resumed, it will be considered complete if three full periods of play have been completed and shall be considered a no-contest if less than three full periods of play have been completed.
- b. This policy is intended to apply in situations in which weather or similar emergencies, or darkness, make it difficult to begin or complete a game safely. Any decision that may be necessary about whether to begin a game shall be made by the home school's athletic director or his/her designee. Once the game has begun, any decision that may be necessary about whether to suspend or resume a game shall be made by the head of the officiating crew, after consulting with the athletic director or designee of each school and with due consideration for any liability considerations that may be communicated by the home school.

- c. As provided for NCAA reporting purposes, all team and individual statistics which are generated during playing time shall count, whether the game is considered complete or a no-contest.

15. Foreign Travel

In addition to meeting all other applicable foreign travel rules, foreign travel for football is subject to the following conditions:

- a. Travel may take place only during a spring vacation period and may not involve missed class time.
- b. The game and any practices held during the trip each count against the Ivy limit of spring practice opportunities.
- c. The game should not involve net cost to the institution and should include some non-athletic opportunities.
- d. To avoid the creation of any recruiting or other advantage to any institution, no Ivy institution may take a second foreign trip in football until all Ivy institutions have taken such a trip.

H. Golf

1. NCAA golf regulations are found at B.17.10.
2. Note Part VI-F regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
3. The Ivy Champions in men's and women's golf are determined by a three-day 54-hole championship tournament which is exempt from Ivy and NCAA counting limits. Teams may not miss classes on the day prior to the practice round. **[Council, Spring 2008]**

I. Gymnastics (women)

1. NCAA gymnastics regulations are found at B.17.11.
2. An Ivy team may engage in regular season competition through the weekend prior to the ECAC Division I Championship, provided that the starting dates of both practice and competition are advanced equivalently. **[Policy; spring 1987]**
3. Note Part VI-F regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
4. The rotation for the Ivy Classic Championship will be as follows: Cornell, Yale, Brown, Penn. **[Administration, Spring 1996]**

J. Ice Hockey

1. NCAA ice hockey rules are found at B.17.12.
2. Players as a group or individually may arrange to skate prior to the official date for the start of formal practice.
3. Pursuant to NCAA rules regarding out-of-season conditioning:

Outside of an institution's playing season, conditioning activities held at the direction of or supervised by institutional staff members should satisfy the conditions set forth in 17.5.2, 17.5.2.1, and 17.5.2.2. Conditioning drills that may simulate game activities are permissible, provided no offensive or defensive alignments are set up and no equipment is used. **The committee also noted that in the sport of ice hockey, it is permissible for student-athletes to be involved in conditioning activities provided no equipment other than skates, gloves, helmets—no pads are used (i.e. no pucks, sticks).** [NCAA Interpretations Committee]

4. Sub-varsity contests may be scheduled at any time after the start of practice. [Administration, Spring '87]
5. Pre-game resurfacing will be done 20 minutes before the game.
6. Ivy players are required to wear helmets, face masks and mouth guards in all practices and games under standards set by the Committee on Administration.
7. The home team must provide a physician for all contests.
8. In women's ice hockey, home teams are responsible for providing 20 warm-up pucks to visiting teams.

K. Lacrosse

1. NCAA lacrosse regulations are found at B.17.13.
2. Women may compete in specific area All-Star team competitions which serve as qualifiers to the U.S. National Team.
3. Men may compete in the National Lacrosse Hall of Fame North-South Game.
4. NCAA tournament qualifiers may schedule one game every four days with a local opponent when not in exam time, between the selection and the start of NCAA play.
5. The visiting team must agree to any night contest under lights, or the game will be played in daylight hours.
6. In men's lacrosse, officiating assignments will be made by the USILA district assigning director.

7. In women's lacrosse, beginning in 1990, three officials shall be used for all Ivy games.
8. In men's lacrosse, an institution may use one of its permissible 13 in-term dates of competition during the fall practice season. [**Council/Policy/Administration, Spring 1991**]
9. Within the permissible 16 dates during the traditional season, teams are permitted to count one (1) two-day event as one date. When a team takes advantage of this rule, the team would not be permitted a scrimmage date for that particular year. [**Policy/Administration, Spring 1993**]
10. In women's lacrosse, an institution may use a maximum of two fall practice opportunities as competition dates provided those dates involve no missed class time and no overnight travel. [**Council, Spring 2004**]
11. At Yale, when there is a Saturday double header against two Ivy teams, one of the games may be scheduled under the lights at Yale's discretion. When this occurs, Yale will reciprocate with the same opponent the following year if a Saturday Ivy double-header is scheduled. In order for play to occur under the lights, the NCAA minimum lighting specifications must be met. [**Administration, 2009**]
12. Women's Lacrosse Tiebreaker
 1. In the case of two-way ties between teams in the final standings, the higher seed will be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.
 2. In the case of a multiple tie (more than two teams with the same record), the following procedure will be used:
 - a. The highest seed will go to the team with the best cumulative records against all other teams tied at that spot.
 - b. Once a highest seed team (among the tied teams) is determined, the tie between the remaining two teams will be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.
 - c. This procedure will be completed until all ties are broken.
 3. In the case of a multiple tie that cannot be broken on the basis of review of cumulative record against all other teams tied at that spot:
 - a. The higher seed will go to the team that has beaten the highest seeded team outside of the tie.
 - b. Once a highest seed (amongst the tied teams) is determined, the tie between the remaining seeds shall be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.

- c. This procedure will be completed until all ties are broken.
 4. If a tie still persists, add the goals for and against in the games between the tied teams; team with the greatest goal differential gets higher seed (6-goal maximum differential per game). Once a highest seed (amongst the tied teams) is determined, the remaining seeds shall be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.
 5. If a tie still persists, add the goals for and against the highest seeded team(s) outside of the tied teams. The team with the greatest goal differential against the highest seeded team outside of the tie gets higher seed (6-goal maximum differential per game). Once a highest seed (amongst the tied teams) is determined, the remaining seeds shall be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.
 6. If a tie still persists, the tie will be broken by a random draw conducted by the Executive Director.
 7. If this occurs in determining the tournament's #1 seed, the team first drawn in the random draw selects:
 - a. To host the tournament and occupy the #3 seed, or:
 - b. To claim the #1 seed. If drawn teams elects the #1 seed, hosting privileges go to the #2 seed.
 8. The first team drawn must select from the above options before the tie between the remaining two teams is broken.
 9. The highest remaining seed will go the second team drawn in the random draw, continuing with remaining team(s) given the next highest seed remaining.
 10. If any seeds need to be determined by a draw it shall be conducted at 10 AM by the Ivy Office on the Monday prior to the tournament. Institutions are welcome to participate in person or by telephone.
13. Men's Lacrosse Tiebreaker
1. In the case of two-way ties between teams in the final standings, the higher seed will be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.
 2. In the case of a multiple tie (more than two teams with the same record), the following procedure will be used:
 - a. The highest seed will go to the team with the best cumulative records against all other teams tied at that spot.

- b. Once a highest seed team (among the tied teams) is determined, the tie between the remaining two teams will be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.
 - c. This procedure will be completed until all ties are broken.
 3. In the case of a multiple tie that cannot be broken on the basis of review of cumulative record against all other teams tied at that spot:
 - a. The higher seed will go to the team that has beaten the highest seeded team outside of the tie.
 - b. Once a highest seed (amongst the tied teams) is determined, the tie between the remaining seeds shall be determined on the basis of head-to-head competition.
 - c. This procedure will be completed until all ties are broken.
 4. If a tie still persists, it will be broken by a random draw conducted by the Executive Director.
 5. If this occurs in determining the tournament's #1 seed, the team first drawn in the random draw selects:
 - a. To host the tournament and occupy the #3 seed, or:
 - b. To claim the #1 seed. If drawn teams elects the #1 seed, hosting privileges go to the #2 seed.
 6. The first drawn must select from the above options before the tie between the remaining two teams is broken..
 7. The highest remaining seed will go to the second team drawn in the random draw, continuing with remaining team(s) given the next highest seed remaining.
 8. If any seeds need to be determined by a draw it shall be conducted at 10 AM by the Ivy Office on the Monday prior to the tournament. Institutions are welcome to participate in person or by telephone.

L. Soccer

1. NCAA soccer regulations are found at B.17.19.
2. NCAA tournament qualifiers in soccer are permitted one post-season, pre-championship scrimmage.
3. Ivy women's teams shall use NCAA Championship rules in all league games.

4. In the event of a tie in men's and women's soccer, the following tie-breaking procedure will be used in the event of a tie to determine the league's automatic bid recipient [**Administration, Spring 1989, 1990 and 1991**]:
 - a. Results of head-to-head competition between the teams tied for first place;
 - b. If a tie persists between two teams, the tie will be broken by comparing each team's record against the team occupying the next position in the standing and continue through the standing until one team gains an advantage.
 - c. If the tie persists, the tie will be broken by a telephone coin-toss conducted by the Executive Director.
5. Ivy men's soccer coaches agree not to share scouting reports with teams outside the league.

M. Softball

1. NCAA softball regulations are found at B.17.20.
2. Fall practice and play must be scheduled within the institution's declared "non-traditional season". A school may use four of the permitted 22 in-term contest dates in the non-traditional season for contests under the following conditions [**Administration, Spring 1995**]:
 - a. Each such contest will count as one of the 12 permitted fall practice dates and as one of the 22 permitted in-term contest dates and as one of the 56 permitted contests.
 - b. The competition may not involve overnight travel, and no individual student-athlete may miss class to compete.
3. NCAA tournament qualifiers in softball may schedule one game every four days with a local opponent, when not in exam time, between selection and NCAA play. These contests count toward the NCAA contest limit.
4. It is strongly recommended that all institutions that participate in Ivy softball round-robins purchase and employ tarpaulins that cover the infield during inclement weather. [**Administration, Spring 1989**]
5. Procedures for inclement weather [**Administration, Spring 1987**]

When inclement weather requires a team to leave an away site or to modify an itinerary, without completing or playing a scheduled League contest, the procedures are as follows:

- a. For weekends not involving travel partners, if only one site is playable on the first day, but the doubleheader is not completed, teams remain at same sites the following day before moving on to next site. **[Administration, 5/95]**
 - b. On the travel-partner weekend of the season (Brown v. Yale; Columbia v. Penn; Cornell v. Princeton; Dartmouth v. Harvard) — where teams are playing at one site the first day and then at another site the second day — the inclement weather procedure is as follows. If the first day is rained out, the second day gets played as originally scheduled. The third day then becomes the make-up day for the rain out. The exception is when a travel-partner series has an off day in between the first doubleheader and the second doubleheader. In this case if the first day is rained out, the teams will stay and try to make up the rain out on what was the off day. **[Administration, Spring 2004]**
 - c. Decisions under this section shall be made by schedule-makers (or their alternates), rather than by coaches, as follows. The visiting coach must speak with his/her schedule-maker and the two schedule-makers then must discuss the situation, keeping in mind that the home team is responsible for deciding whether conditions are or are not playable. The visiting schedule-maker then should advise the visiting coach of the decision reached.
 - d. This procedure may be waived only with the agreement of all four institutions involved.
 - e. During intra-division weekend play, if, due to inclement weather only one scheduled game has been completed after the first two days of play then teams may schedule three 7 inning games on Day 3 to start at 10:30 a.m. This must be mutually agreed upon by both participating teams, otherwise only a double header may be played that day. **[Administration; spring 1996]**
6. Rescheduling **[Administration, Spring 1992 and fall 1994]**
 - a. If the home team field is determined not to be playable, the home team is obligated to secure an alternative field within 130 miles of its own field. If an alternative field within 130 miles is not available, the contest must be rescheduled within two weeks pursuant to this section. Whether at home or at an alternative site, the home team will make every possible effort to have the game played on the scheduled date.
 - b. All postponed or halted Ivy games must be made up during the regular season within two weeks of the originally scheduled date, but in any event before the championship and any divisional playoff dates. All such games will take preference over any non-League game, and Ivy teams must be willing to “bump” non-League games in the interest of finishing the Ivy schedule.[#]
 - c. These rules shall apply unless the Executive Director determines that there is no practical possibility of observing them. If for any reason an agreement for rescheduling within these time frames cannot be reached within two days after the

originally scheduled date, the home team’s schedule-maker will contact the Ivy Office, which will arrange as mutually an agreeable makeup schedule as is possible.[#]

7. A game which cannot be completed for weather or other reasons shall be deemed to be a halted game and shall be resumed from the point at which play is stopped, unless enough innings have been played that it is an official and decided game.
8. The first two weekends of the Ivy schedule shall be contested on Friday and Saturday [**Council, Spring 2009**]
9. Start times for Ivy doubleheaders is 12:30 p.m. [**Administration, Spring 2007**]
10. The Ivy Softball League is split into two four-team divisions: One division comprised of Columbia, Cornell, Penn, & Princeton; a second division comprised of Brown, Dartmouth, Harvard and Yale. The League has a 20-game schedule which gives each school four games against the teams within its division, and two against the teams in the other division. The Ivy Champion is determined by a three game playoff between the two division winners. [**Council, 2005**]
11. Varsity softball schedules should include no more than four (4) non-Division I opponents per season. If an institution is not able to meet this scheduling requirement, the institution may ask for a waiver from the Ivy Office. The request must be accompanied by compelling evidence that the institution set out to meet the requirement but was unable to do so because of circumstances beyond its control. [**Administration, Spring 2001**]
12. For Divisional ties see VII-A-6

N. Squash

1. NCAA women’s squash regulations are found at B.17.21.
2. Eye guards are mandatory for squash participants.
3. In women’s squash, nine place matches are permitted in Ivy contests.
4. Ivy scrimmage
 - a. The permissible “no-count” pre-season scrimmage opportunity will be a “tournament” with participation by all Ivy teams. All expenses are to be paid by the team’s Friends groups, and not from University Funds. [**Policy, Spring 1987**].
 - b. The regular Ivy squad size for away contests (10) shall apply. [**Administration, Spring 1993**]

[#] These policies are currently under review and may be altered after the fall 2011 Committee on Administration meeting.

- c. For the 1993-1994 season only, the scrimmage may be a “tournament” with participation by all Ivy teams and other collegiate squash programs. **[Administration, Spring 1993]**
 - d. The Ivy Squash scrimmage may not exceed 2 days, may include a maximum of 2 overnights, and team members may not miss class in order to travel or participate. **[Administration, Spring 1996]**
 - e. The Ivy Men’s Squash scrimmage will be held at Yale.
5. Participation in team USSRA competition and the Betty Constable Invitational shall each count as one date of competition. **[Administration, Spring 1991]**
 6. Note Part VI-F regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
 7. The term of the Ivy men’s squash coach chair will be two years. The rotation of the chair will be determined alphabetically by institution, with any new institution to be placed alphabetically into the rotation. Effective May 2001, the rotation is Dartmouth, Harvard, Penn, Princeton, Yale, Brown, Columbia, Cornell.
 8. For Ivy squash matches, the order of match play will be: for 2 years the men play first, then for 2 years the women play first, except if the schedulers agree otherwise. The rotation is as follows: 2010-2011, 2011-2012 men early, 2012-2013, 2013-2014 women early. **[Administration, Spring 2001]**
 9. The Ivy League Men’s squash teams will use the Dunlop XX softball as the official ball for intercollegiate play beginning with the 1994-1995 season. All intercollegiate matches, including tournament play, will be played on standard American courts, unless both coaches mutually agree to play their match on wide courts. No member school will ever be excluded from any Ivy League squash activity or event due to the size of their courts. The American scoring system to 15 with a tie breaker at 14-all will be used. This provision is to be re-evaluated at the end of the 1997-1998 season. **[Administration, Spring 1994]**
- o. Swimming**
1. NCAA swimming regulations are found at B.17.22.
 2. Note Part VI-F regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
 3. When men’s and women’s meets are scheduled on the same day at a particular pool, a minimum of 3-1/2 hours should be provided between start times.
 4. Within the permissible 12 dates, teams are permitted to count one (1) multi-day event as one date. Teams are permitted to enter more than one multi-day event, but all dates of competition must be included with the 12 date limit.
 5. The travel party for the Ivy Swimming Championships is 18. Divers count as one-third. **[Administration, Spring 1997]**

6. Men's Swimming

So long as the League requires that all schools participate in a full Ivy League round-robin schedule, the Ivy Championships and rankings will be determined from the finish of the Ivy Championship meet. The University of Pennsylvania Trophy will continue to be awarded to the Ivy school with the best dual meet record. **[Administration, Spring 1996]**

7. Women's Swimming **[Administration, Spring 1997]**

So long as the League requires that all schools participate in a full Ivy League round-robin schedule:

- a. The winner of the Ivy Championship Meet will be declared the Ivy League Champion.
- b. An Ivy League trophy will be awarded yearly to the Ivy team with the best Ivy Dual meet record. The team winning the trophy will be declared the Ivy Dual Meet Champion.
- c. The date of the Ivy Women's Conference Championship Meet will be the weekend that is three full weeks before the Women's NCAA Championships. This would make the Ivy Women's Conference Swimming and Diving Championship usually fall on the last full weekend of February.

P. **Tennis**

1. NCAA tennis regulations are found at B.17.23.
2. Ivy calendar restrictions are as follows:
 - a. Each institution shall determine a 144-day traditional season for team or individual practice or competition, as prescribed by NCAA B.17.24.1, within the following calendar restrictions:
 - (1) From September 7 through last football weekend. **[Administration, Spring 1993]**
 - (2) From January 15 through NCAA championship.
 - b. Each institution shall submit its calendar to the Ivy Office prior to the schedulers' meeting in May.
 - c. No team or individual may **practice** or **compete** between the last football weekend and January 15.
3. Men's and women's tennis will be scheduled at opposite sites but not necessarily on the same dates.

- a. The Ivy League season consists of three weekends scheduled as follows; First weekend Sat/Sun for Men; Fri/Sat for Womens; Second weekend Sat/Sun; Third weekend Fri/Sun.
4. It is mandatory to play doubles matches before singles matches in women's Ivy contests.
5. Officiating
 - a. Number of officials

At all Ivy team matches the host institution is required to provide two (2) certified umpire. All umpires must be USTA approved. It is the decision of the host institution whether or not to provide more than two umpires.
 - b. USTA Requirement

USTA requires that a collegiate tennis match have two officials unless the two teams agree in advance to have fewer. Ivy institutions have agreed not to require two officials, but to allow two officials at the discretion of the host institution. Therefore, in order to qualify for an exception of the two official requirement, Ivy institutions will agree in writing via the contest contract that two officials are not required. **[Administration, Spring 1995].**
 - c. Umpire Duties
 - (1) Before match—Arrive at least one-half hour before match begins; prepare courts; nets; singles sticks; balls; receive official line-ups from coaches; participate in on-court introductions of coaches and players; present the pre-match speech to players about playing rules and conduct.
 - (2) During match—Keep play continuous; assigning courts and matches as available; overseeing time between changeovers and points; preparing courts for singles play; settle any on-court disputes; enforce ITCA and USTA rules for play, injury, conduct and coaching; distribute match balls and receive scores throughout the match.
 - (3) Post-match—Report final scores to both coaches; administer a match played under protest according to ITCA and USTA regulations. **[Administration, Spring, 1990]**
6. Men's and Women's Tennis Weather Provisions **[Administration, Spring 1996]**
 - a. The home team will have a nautical wind gauge and thermometer. The umpires will use these instruments to come to a conclusion regarding the weather conditions before the match begins.

- b. If the temperature has dropped below 45 degrees Fahrenheit following the doubles matches, the remainder of the match will be moved indoors even if the wind conditions still remain at 20 mph or less.
 - c. Only two rain delays are permitted before a match will be moved indoors regardless of the length of delay, unless both coaches agree otherwise.
7. Note VI-F regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
8. Men's and Women's Tennis Tie-Breaker [**Administration, Spring 2008**]

The tie-breaking procedure for determining the conference automatic bid to the NCAA men's and women's tennis championships is as follows:

- a. If two teams are tied, the winner of the head to head League match will receive the automatic bid
 - b. If three or more teams are tied, head to head record in League matches
 - c. If the tie persists among all three teams, then head to head record in all matches that year against tied opponents in the spring season. If a tie persists among only two teams, then the winner of the head to head league match will receive the automatic bid.
 - d. Then, record against descending teams in the standings in Ivy matches until the tie is broken (example: if three teams are tied, compare their records against the team in fourth place in the standings, then fifth, and so on to the 8th-place team until the tie is broken).
 - e. Then, record against descending teams in the Ivy standings in all matches (similar to step 3) until the tie is broken.
 - f. Comparison of ITA team ranking.
 - g. If a tie persists, the tie will be broken by a telephone coin-toss by the Executive Director.
9. A lineup protest or appeal in a match between two Ivy teams shall not be considered unless all parts of ITA Rule K-8 are observed, as follows:

"If a coach feels that the opponent's lineup as presented is unfair, he/she must notify the designated referee and opposing coach of the protest prior to the match. Any coach who wishes to submit a match protest (after the completion of the match) must first inform the opposing coach in writing (by fax or email), with a copy at the same time to the Ivy office. This is necessary even when the opposing and designated referee were informed of the protest at the time of the match. This written protest must be made within 48 hours of the start of the match."

Q. Track

1. NCAA track regulations are found at B.17.24.
2. Participation in decathlon events is permissible from the start of practice of indoor track and field through the end of the competitive outdoor track and field season. Current competition count policies apply.
3. Note Part VI-F regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
4. The following is the recommended rotation for sites of the Ivy League Heptagonal Track Championships. **[Administration, revised Spring 2004]**

| <i>Indoor</i> | <i>Outdoor</i> |
|---------------|---|
| Cornell | Brown (not included until track facility upgrade) |
| Harvard | Penn |
| Dartmouth | Princeton |
| NYC Armory | Yale |

The following is the schedule of hosts:

| <i>Year</i> | <i>Indoor</i> | <i>Outdoor</i> | <i>Weekend of Outdoor*</i> |
|-------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| 2012 | Cornell | Penn | 5/5-6/12 |
| 2013 | Harvard | Princeton | 5/4-5/13 |
| 2014 | Dartmouth | Yale | 5/3-4/14 |

*The date of the outdoor championship shall be three weeks prior to the NCAA regional championship.

5. See the Ivy Championship Handbook for event management, budget, and competitive regulations for the indoor and outdoor Heptagonal track meets.

R. Volleyball

1. NCAA regulations for volleyball are found at B.17.25.
2. All matches in league play (in-season and championship) shall be the best three out of five game matches.
3. In order to meet the requirements for NCAA conference qualification, beginning with the 1986 fall season all Ivy League teams shall play an in-season single round-robin schedule. Beginning with the 2001 fall season all Ivy League teams shall play an in-season double round-robin schedule and there will be no championship tournament. **[Administration, Spring 2000]**
4. When Ivy contests are played on Fridays and Saturdays, host institutions are encouraged to schedule matches for 7 pm on Friday and 4 pm on Saturday. **[Administration, Spring 1993]**

5. Host institutions are required to keep statistics for both teams. It is recommended that statistics crews are supervised by the athletics communication staff administrator. This applies to conference and non-conference matches. [**Administration, Spring 1993**]
6. Ivy institutions are prohibited from providing any type of scouting reports about league members to non-league teams. [**Administration; spring 1993**]
7. The regular season Ivy Champion (NCAA automatic qualifier) may schedule one contest (counts against NCAA limit but not Ivy limit) with a local opponent when not in exam time, between the end of the Ivy season and NCAA play. [**Council; Spring 2011**]
8. In the event of a tie for the Ivy Championship, play-offs will be held as follows to determine the recipient of the League's NCAA bid:
 - a. For a two-team tie, a one match playoff will be held within a week of the final Ivy weekend. A Friday, Saturday, or Sunday is preferred. The match will be played at the home site of the top-seeded team. Any Ivy League arena is strongly preferred. The date and site will be determined by the Ivy League Office after consultation with the participating institutions. The top-seeded team will be determined by the following formula:
 - (1) Results of head to head competition between the tied teams;
 - (2) If a tie persists, comparing each team's game record in the head to head competition against the opponent will break the tie;
 - (3) If a tie persists, it will be broken by comparing each team's record against the team occupying the next position in the standings.
 - (4) If a tie persists, it will be broken by game record of each team against the team occupying the next position in the standings.
 - (5) If a tie persists throughout the standings, comparing the points scored against in the head to head competition between the teams will break it.
 - (6) If a tie persists, comparing point scored against versus the team occupying the next position in the standings will break it.
 - (7) If a tie persists throughout the standings, it will be broken by drawing cards for the seeds. The Executive Director will supervise this procedure.
 - b. For a three-team tie, there will be a single elimination, neutral site playoff with the first game bye determined by the above seeding formula; an Ivy site is preferred. The first playoff match will be played Friday with the home team determined by the same formula, and the second game will be played Saturday with the first round bye team being the home team. If possible, both games will be played at the same site.

- c. For four-team tie, a single elimination, neutral site playoff will be held with pairings (1v4 and 2v3) determined by the above seeding formula. The first matches will be held on Friday; the determining match will be held on Saturday. An Ivy site is again preferred; if possible, all matches will be played at the same site and the first pair of matches will be a double header.
- d. Ties of more than four teams will be broken as follows, with sites and schedules to be determined:
 - (1) Five-way tie; draw five; high/low play first and next high/low play second; last card plays first winner; winners play.
 - (2) Six-way tie; draw six; high/low byes to third and fourth matches; next high/low play first match and others play second; first winner plays original high and second winner plays original low; winners play.
 - (3) Seven-way tie; draw seven; high/low play first match, next high/low play second, others play third; middle card lays first winner and second/third winners play; winners play.
 - (4) Eight-way tie; draw eight; high/low play first, next high/low play second, etc.; first and fourth winners and second and third winners play; winners play.

s. **Water Polo**

1. NCAA water polo regulations are found at B.17.26.

t. **Wrestling**

1. NCAA wrestling regulations are found at B.17.27.
2. Weigh-in procedure – Ivy teams will follow NCAA regulations (see Rule 3 – Weight Certification, Classification, and Weighing In, NCAA Wrestling Rules and Interpretations).
3. Bouts in multiple meets will be scheduled in accordance with NCAA rules.
 - a. Teams not wanting to participate in multiple meets have the right to refuse and require that Ivy match be of regulation length (i.e., 3-2-2).
4. Officials
 - a. The same official should officiate an entire league match in multiple meets, rather than a rotating set of officials for each bout.
 - b. In Ivy varsity meets, the official should be an EIWA official with a rating of at least (3) the previous season.

5. Cornell receives first priority on scheduling dates and must have a three-home, three-away Ivy schedule whenever possible, and Cornell meets should be scheduled in the afternoon instead of evening.
6. Note VI-F regarding out-of-season participation for individual sports.
7. Once annually after November 1st but prior to Thanksgiving, an institution may send individuals to an "open" event in circumstances which would count on an individual basis and in numbers sufficient to trigger a team count; that contest then counts against the total number of permissible team term dates. **[Administration, Spring 1997]**
8. Each permissible date must take place at one site. **[Administration, Spring 1989]**
 - a. Split-squad participation at two different sites on the same day thus counts as two dates.
 - b. One team may participate in two meets on one date at two different sites if the travel party is the same and remains together. This counts as one date.
9. Within the permissible thirteen dates (12 dates plus one open event), wrestling teams are permitted on not more than three occasions to count any combination of the following as (1) date of competition: two-day elimination tournament(s) or dual meets held on two (2) consecutive days. Teams are permitted to enter more than three (3) two-day events, but **each** day of any such events must be counted as one of the permissible thirteen dates. **[Council, Spring 2009]**

[Note: NCAA limits are 16 dates, with up to two (2) two-day elimination tournaments or dual meets held on consecutive days, counting as one each]

PART VIII ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION: COACHES**A. Communication Guidelines [Ivy Office; 1989]**

The following guidelines and procedures have been established to facilitate communication between Ivy Group coaches' organizations and the Committee on Administration.

1. National Associations

- a. The members of the Committee on Administration are the official representatives of their institutions to the offices of the national athletic associations. Communication with these associations by Ivy coaches groups should be coordinated through the Committee on Administration or its designees unless otherwise directed.

2. Liaisons [Administration, Spring 1990]

- a. Sports liaisons are assigned by the Chair of the Committee on Administration. The Chair or chairs designee shall solicit requests from the membership at the annual spring meeting for assignment to vacant liaison posts. (For current list, see Part II-H-8.)
- b. Sport liaisons are to serve a three (3) year term, and with the Ivy Office's approval may serve an additional two years.
- c. Athletic Directors are to hold liaison positions in at least three (3) men's programs and three (3) women's programs.
- d. The liaison's role is to communicate to the coaches the thinking of the Committee on Administration and to communicate the coaches' views to the Committee.
- e. The Ivy office will compile and circulate to each athletic director the complete list of the chairs and liaisons of all committees annually.

3. Coach Chairs and Meetings [Administration, Spring 1995]

- a. The chair of each coaches group must rotate once every two years among those institutions that compete in that sport on a varsity level; The method of choosing a chair and time of year of the transfer occurs are left to the discretion of the coaches group. (Note Part VII for sport-specific chair selection methods and time of transfer).
- b. A quorum ordinarily is all 8 schools (or the number of schools sponsoring that sport) or one fewer if a school fails to be represented at a call or meeting for which reasonable advance notice was given. A majority is a majority of schools present and voting, i.e., 5 of 8 or 4 of 7. Abstentions are countable votes and have the effect of negative votes (i.e., with 8 votes present and 4 affirmative votes, either a negative vote or an abstention denies a majority. So, a 4-3 vote with 7 total votes present passes, a 4-3-1 vote with 8 voting fails.

- c. A meeting or conference call of each coaches group must be held every year. The agenda for an Ivy coaches meetings shall be circulated prior to the meeting to the Committee on Administration, the liaison, and the Ivy Office.
 - d. Coaches meetings must be planned to facilitate the liaison's attending. A tentative meeting schedule will be circulated by the Ivy Office each fall.
 - e. Following the meeting, minutes noting members present, meeting place, date and actions shall be circulated to the Committee on Administration, the liaison and the Ivy Office.
 - f. Coach chairs are responsible for planning and circulating the date for each meeting to the Ivy coaches, the Ivy Office, and the liaison 30 days in advance.
 - g. When a meeting of an Ivy coaches' association takes place on an Ivy campus, the host Director shall be invited to attend some portion of that meeting.
 - h. "Official" meetings should be scheduled in the northeast region at a time convenient to the committee.
 - i. When coaches request an "official" meeting at their national convention, the following criteria must be met:
 - (1) all coaches must be in attendance; and,
 - (2) the sport liaison must be made aware of the meeting in advance.
 - j. Coach chairs shall receive from the Ivy office all Legislation submitted to the Committee on Administration which is relevant to their sport.
 - k. The Ivy Office will pay for expenses associated with coach group conference calls, and in-person meetings.
 - l. The Ivy Office will pay up to \$200 annually for administrative liaison travel associated with the coach group meetings.
 - m. Each liaison shall review each year the costs and effectiveness of officials' assignments, including particularly shared travel expenses, and shall make any necessary recommendations to the Administration Committee for action at the spring meeting.
4. Proposals
- a. Proposals from Ivy coaches associations to the Committee on Administration should be submitted through the liaison. All proposals must be submitted by the deadline established annually by the Ivy Office.
 - b. Ivy legislative proposals from a coaches group will be accepted only when the Committee on Administration's liaison or his/her designee attends the coaches meeting(s) at which the proposals are formulated (including conference calls).
[Administration, Spring 1992]
 - c. Each proposal should include the record of the vote of the Ivy coaches.

- d. Proposals involving the administration of established Ivy Group policy are reviewed only by the Committee on Administration.
- e. Proposals involving a change in Ivy Group policy are reviewed by the Committee on Administration, which then submits any recommendation to the Ivy Policy Committee. The Policy Committee may act finally on the recommendation or may submit it to the Council of Presidents for final decision.
- f. All proposals must be submitted by the annual deadline established by the Ivy Office.
- g. Subsequent action on coaches proposals will be communicated to the chair through the liaison, the chair of the Committee on Administration, or the Ivy Office.

B. Limitation on Numbers of Coaches

1. Generally

NCAA rules on limitations on the numbers and duties of coaches for men's and women's teams are adopted as Ivy limitations. (NCAA coach limitations are found at B.11.7). **[Administration, spring 1993]**

2. Ivy and NCAA Limits

In some cases Ivy limits are more restrictive than NCAA limits, indicated with a # sign below. The following are the limits in effect:

| <i>Sport</i> | <i>#Head or Asst. Coaches</i> | <i>Part Time Coaches</i> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Baseball | 2 | 1 |
| Basketball# | 2 | 1 |
| Crew, Heavyweight only# | 2* | 1 |
| Crew, Heavy and Lightweight# | 4* | 1 |
| Fencing | 1 | 1 |
| Field Hockey | 2 | 1 |
| Football# | 7** | 3 |
| Golf | 1 | 1 |
| Gymnastics | 2 | 1 |
| Ice Hockey | 2 | 1 |
| Lacrosse | 2 | 1 |
| Skiing | 1 | 1 |
| Soccer | 2 | 1 |
| Softball | 2 | 1 |

* **[Administration, Spring 1994]**

** **[Council, Spring 2002]**

| <i>Sport</i> | <i>#Head or Asst. Coaches</i> | <i>Part Time Coaches</i> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Squash# | 1 | 1 |
| Swimming and Diving | 2 | 1 |
| Tennis | 1 | 1 |
| Track and Field/Cross Country | 2 | 1 |
| Volleyball | 2 | 1 |
| Water Polo | 1 | 1 |
| Wrestling | 2 | 1 |

3. Specific sports

a. Basketball

- (1) NCAA coach limitations are found at B.11.7.4.
- (2) The Ivy limit is two full-time coaches and one part-time coach.
- (3) As per NCAA Bylaw 11.01.3, part-time salary shall not exceed \$12,000 (per year, for basketball related duties; to be adjusted on occasion to reflect inflation). (Salary limit suspended 6/13/95.)
- (4) The fourth position allowed by the NCAA for a restricted earnings coach may be filled with a volunteer coach who receives no salary or benefits from the athletic department. As permitted for an NCAA assistant coach, this person may be paid when employed at their own institution's summer camp.
- (5) The fourth coach may recruit off-campus in accordance with NCAA rules. **[Administration, Spring 2005]**

b. Football

- (1) The Ivy Limit is 7 full-time coaches and 3 part-time coaches **[Council, Spring 2002, effective Fall 2003]**
- (2) Part-time coaching employment is limited to a total cost of \$18,000 in salaries **[Administration, Spring and Fall, 1989]**. (Salary limit suspended 6/13/95.)
- (3) Applicable NCAA football coach restrictions are found at B.11.7.3.
 - (a) Note NCAA B.11.7.3.1.6 prohibits sprint football coaches from recruiting in the sport of football.

c. **Crew**

- (1) Limits include coaches for freshman/ novice teams. Subtract one full time position for any program which does not sponsor a freshman/ novice team. Waivers are available from the Ivy Office to permit the institution to retain a coach if for one season it does not have enough student-athletes to constitute a full freshman/ novice team. **[Administration, Spring 2008]**
- (2) An institution is granted coaches for a lightweight team if the team consists of at least one “eight” or two “fours” that compete in at least four spring events.
- (3) A restricted earnings coach may not receive a salary in excess of \$12,000 per year for crew team related duties, as defined by NCAA rules. (Salary limit suspended 6/13/95.)
- (4) One volunteer coach is allowed per team. A volunteer coach may not receive any pay or benefits, or be involved in recruiting off campus, as defined by NCAA rules.

c. **Endorsement of Commercial Products**

1. Coaches may enter into contractual or endorsement relationships with commercial organizations only in conformity with institutional policy and athletic department approval.
2. It is permissible for a coach or trainer to endorse personally a product if he or she had a part in the invention of that product.
3. Per NCAA Bylaw 11.2.2 if coaches are paid to endorse a commercial product such income must be declared athletically related income.

d. **Clinics, Camps, and All-Star Games**

1. NCAA regulations for coach employment at clinics and camps are found at B.13.12.
2. Ivy Group coaches are permitted to participate in post-season all-star contests, provided:
 - a. The contests in question are amateur as defined by Ivy, ECAC and NCAA rules;
 - b. The Athletic Director of a given institution approves the participation and participation is at no expense to the Ivy institution.
 - c. Participation is further limited to one contest per academic year by each coach.

E. Scouting of Opponents

1. B.11.6 prohibits paying expenses for in-person scouting in all sports except lacrosse.
2. All Ivy scouting rules apply to all coaches, including head, assistant coaches, and full-time, part-time and volunteer coaches.
3. Ivy rules prohibit live scouting of freshman or junior varsity competition.
4. Coaches are permitted to exchange game films for scouting purposes and are encouraged to limit the exchange of Ivy game films to Ivy members.
5. Scouting is prohibited by NCAA rules in football, basketball and women's volleyball. Coaches may not scout, even at their own expense.

PART IX ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION: FINANCES AND RELATED MATTERS

A. Finances

1. Television (over-the-air, cable, satellite), radio, streaming, and other broadcast activities. **[Ivy Office, Spring 2007]**
 - a. League-wide packages: Any net rights fees or advertising or other revenue, after expenses, that is not otherwise allocated by the Council will be distributed to the institutional athletic departments in equal shares, regardless of any institution's number of appearances within the package.
 - b. Institutional arrangements: Any fee or revenue arrangements will be controlled by the institution that is party to the arrangement.
 - c. Historical Note: Until the early 1970's television coverage was rare, and was likely to be local in nature except for participation in the NCAA regional football game of the week. Ivy rules thus distinguished between "local" arrangements, for which the proceeds went only to the school in question, and "national and regional live television", which provided for minimum distributions to the participating school(s) and the Ivy Fund, and then for shares to all league schools [plus additional double-shares to the participant(s)].

These distinctions became obsolete first with the end of the NCAA TV monopoly in 1984 and the parallel growth of conference basketball packages, and then with the growth of cable, satellite and digital television, and subsequently of website streaming: the distinction that matters currently is whether the arrangement is league-wide or institutional, rather than with the type of outlet or distribution.

2. Officiating
 - a. Officials' travel expenses are to be pooled and pro-rated to the Ivy institutions at the end of each season for Ivy League contests in the following sports: baseball, men's and women's basketball, field hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, volleyball, and wrestling. **[Administration, Spring 1992]**
 - b. Stipends for Coordinators of Officiating are paid by the Ivy Office, and pooled and pro-rated to the Ivy institutions at the end of each season, for Ivy League baseball, field hockey, football, women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, softball and volleyball. **[Ivy Office, Spring 2007]**
3. Championship Finances are addressed in Section VI-B-8.

B. Complimentary Tickets [Administration, Spring 1995]**1. Ivy Procedures**

NCAA Bylaw 16.2 delineates the rules and regulations regarding complimentary admissions and ticket benefits. Ivy procedures are as follows:

- a. The host institution shall annually provide each visiting institution with specific institutional guidelines and procedures for each sport that charges admission (e.g. timelines, location of complimentary ticket distribution etc.)
- b. It is recommended that each institution use a form similar to the Ivy League complimentary admissions form. It is required that all completed complimentary admissions forms include the signature of the designated individual (e.g. coach, ticket manager, traveling administrator) who is certifying that the complimentary admissions list is in compliance with NCAA/Ivy rules and regulations.
- c. The visiting institution shall present complete and final complimentary admissions materials to the host institution upon arrival. Thereafter, the person who has signed the form certifying compliance or his or her designee travelling with the team is the only individual authorized to make changes to the form.
- d. The host institution shall return the visiting institution's completed complimentary admissions materials to the ticket administrator of the visiting school.

2. Institutional Allotments**a. Football**

- (1) Complimentary football tickets shall number 350 for the visiting institution unless the contracting parties agree on another figure prior to the game.
- (2) The maximum number of home complimentary tickets for all of an institution's staff members shall be determined by that institution.
- (3) The number of complimentary tickets for athletes and athletics department staff shall be regulated by NCAA rules and/or institutional guidelines.
- (4) The host institution shall provide general admission seats (upon availability) to traveling Ivy teams that are competing at the host institution within a 24 hour period of the football contest. Admission will be provided via a gate list and shall not be counted in the institutional ticket allotment. The traveling team must request complimentary admission a minimum of 24 hours in advance of the football contest.

b. Other paid sports

- (1) Complimentary tickets shall number 50 for the visiting institution unless the contracting parties agree on another figure prior to the game.

- (2) Complimentary tickets for the visiting institution shall be grouped together in the same area of the venue, and located as close as practical to the visiting team bench. Any part of the section corresponding to the complimentary tickets assigned to a visiting institution for a particular contest that is not used by the institution shall be left empty.
- (3) The maximum number of home complimentary tickets for all of an institution's staff members shall be determined by that institution.
- (4) The number of complimentary tickets for athletes and athletics department staff shall be regulated by NCAA rules and/or institutional guidelines.
- (5) The host institution shall provide general admission seats (upon availability) to traveling Ivy teams that are competing at the host institution within a 24 hour period of the contest. Admission will be provided via a gate list and shall not be counted in the institutional ticket allotment. The traveling team must request complimentary admission a minimum of 24 hours in advance of the contest.

c. Bands, cheerleaders and mascot

- (1) The number of complimentary admissions for bands, cheerleaders and mascots in Ivy football contests is unlimited. The squads shall be admitted by uniform. These admissions are not part of the athletics department complimentary admissions allotment.
- (2) For all other paid sports: unless mutually agreed upon by the participating institutions, the number of complimentary admissions for visiting band members is 25; for cheerleaders 12, one for the mascot.
 - a) The host institution shall determine the maximum number of visiting band members above 25 allowed to participate at one time. When the number exceeds 25, additional tickets must be purchased unless agreed upon by both institutions.
- (3) The visiting school must notify the host school about band, cheerleader and mascot admissions requests a minimum of one week prior to the contest.

c. **Ivy Fund [Superseded]**

The Ivy Fund was created in the 1980's when distributions from NCAA championships were made directly to the athletic departments of the participating institutions: a portion of any such distribution to an Ivy institution was allocated to the Ivy Fund, which was administered by the Administration Committee and the Executive Director to pay for common meeting expenses of the Committee at the spring meeting and for a dinner at the NCAA Convention. When the NCAA changed the distribution of championship receipts in the mid 1990's, with the substantially increased "basketball" funds being distributed to

the conferences rather than the participating institutions, all such receipts in the Ivy Group became subject to the Council's control. The Executive Director then began to include an Ivy Fund/common meeting expense item in the annual Ivy Office budget approved by the Council; see Sect. II-D-2-d. Beginning with the 2008-09 budget request, this expense will be included in the regular Ivy Office budget and this Fund (and the corresponding Princeton University account) will not be administered separately.

D. Television and Other League-Wide Broadcast Packages [Council, March 1998]

1. Programming

- a. Overall Leaguewide programming should emphasize the distinguishing characteristics of Ivy League athletics and institutions: in particular, wide participation in a variety of sports, equal opportunity for women and equal emphasis upon women's athletics, and the comprehensive excellence of each of the eight Ivy League institutions.
- b. For example, a basketball schedule should include both women's and men's contests, and a football schedule should include clear coverage of women's athletics, through telecasts of a women's sport (live or delay) or through features. Half-time and other feature placements should emphasize institutions' educational, research and community contributions, as well as the wide opportunities available for undergraduate study and life.

2. Exposure

- a. Exposure should involve outlets and times that have the basis for securing a good audience and for portraying Ivy League athletics as an activity worth watching in its own right, not simply as another collegiate athletic broadcast. The League will retain talent and creative approval.
- b. Game telecasts should be live whenever possible, unless the opportunity is so unusual as to make a delayed broadcast valuable (e.g., broadcasting a sport that has few if any other television opportunities anywhere). Highlights, features and similar material that are not shown live should be aired at times likely attract a good audience. Every effort should be made for programming to be available to alumni who do not live in the broadcast or telecast area, as through satellite distribution.

3. Appearances

- a. Appearances should be distributed equitably among all Ivy schools. While schools will not necessarily have the same number of appearances in a particular package every year. Variations between schools should be minimized, and should be equalized over time. The League will have final approval over all appearances and over all schedules.

- b. In practice, distribution of appearances is reviewed in terms of (i) total appearances over time across all League packages, and (ii) the availability of games on possible League broadcast dates after institutions have assigned games to institutional packages. **[Ivy Office, Spring 2007]**

4. Financial arrangements

- a. Financial arrangements should involve a fair opportunity for the League to share in any revenue possibilities, and at the least should involve no net cost for the League and its member institutions. Any net revenues will be payable directly to the League for distribution as the Council determines.
- b. The League will retain general sponsor approval, and will not accept sponsorship associated with tobacco, beer or other alcoholic beverages, or gaming, or **[Ivy Office, Spring 2007]** with firearms or sexually related themes.

5. Logistics

Logistics should place a minimal burden upon institutions and athletes. Specifically, changes in game dates or times will be entertained only in limited situations and with the approval of the any institutions in question. For example, football kickoff times might be changed to no earlier than noon, with no changes made later than the preceding June 1 unless specifically approved by each institution, or the location of “traveling-partner basketball games might be reversed so as to facilitate televising from a particular location on a particular date.

6. Administration **[Ivy Office, Spring 2007]**

- a. Leaguewide packages will be negotiated and administered by the Ivy Office, subject to advice and agreement from the Committee on Administration, and will be submitted for approval to the Council or the Council Chair as appropriate.
- b. No broadcast arrangements or package may use the Ivy League® name or logo without specific approval from the Ivy Office.
- c. Wherever possible, package agreements should provide that the Council retains copyright ownership or co-ownership or other substantial post-broadcast distribution and use. c. For example, every effort should be made to preserve all live and archival streaming rights and opportunities and all institutional uses that do not compete with the producer’s regular commercial expectations (e.g., development and alumni office use, athletic department highlight films). **[Ivy Office, Spring 2007]**
- d. In accordance with NCAA rules, the Ivy League shall not allow the use of student-athlete images, likenesses, or names in any manner contrary to NCAA rules by any licensee, sponsor, advertising entity, broadcast company or any other commercial organization with which an agreement is made. Names, images and

likeness shall only be used on accordance with NCAA rules and consistent with all institutional policies.

PART X ADMISSIONS AND FINANCIAL AID [as edited in summer 1994]**A. General Principles¹**

1. Ivy Schools admit men and women, whether or not they are athletes, on the basis of their potential as students.
2. Only the Office of Admissions has authority to admit a student. Applicants should rely only on the formal communications from these offices described below and in the individual institutions' admissions bulletins. Through its Office of Admissions, each institution has discretion to use probabilistic communications, as provided in Section X-B-3 below, as it believes will best assist it in achieving its institutional objectives and the Group's objectives with regard to admission and matriculation of applicants who are recruited as potential varsity athletes.
3. The official award of aid may only be made at or subsequent to the time of admission. Only the Office of Financial Aid has the authority to award financial aid on behalf of the institution and applicants should rely only on formal communications from these Offices. No suggestion that financial aid may be available that comes from anyone else associated with the institution is binding on the institution. No applicant should consider or accept an offer of financial help from an alumnus or other representative of athletics interest, and any such offer should be reported immediately to the Office of Financial Aid. **[Council; Spring 2001].**
4. Ivy Group institutions follow the common policy that any financial aid to student-athletes shall be awarded solely on the basis of demonstrated economic need with no differentiation in amount, kind, composition or continuation based or dependent upon athletic status, ability or continued participation, provided that each institution shall apply its own standard of economic need. Applicants intending to participate in athletics are considered with all other applicants at the institution.
5. Individual Ivy institutions and the Ivy Group subscribe to the regulations of regional and national associations of which they are all members, including the NCAA and the

¹ The Council's 1979 Statement of Principles, as amended in 1999, provides as follows:

6. Student athletes should be generally representative of their class and admitted on the basis of academic promise and personal qualities as well as athletic abilities.
7. Student athletes must be admitted and notified of admissions status only by the admissions office, and must be awarded financial aid and notified of financial aid awards only by the office of financial aid.
8. Financial aid must be awarded on a basis of need, packaged in such a way that does not make the amount of grant or self-help contingent on athletic promise or performance, and awarded and renewed without regard to participation or performance in intercollegiate athletics.

ECAC (and, as previously applicable, the AIAW). Those groups regulate the awarding of financial aid to athletes and govern the recruitment of athletes; Ivy regulations generally are more restrictive than these regulations.

6. The Ivy Group does not participate in the voluntary national “letter-of-intent” program. A student’s Ivy eligibility is unaffected by contact with “letter” institutions or by acceptance of a “letter” at any of those institutions.
7. Pursuant to Section 1544 of the Higher Education Amendments of 1992 and Section 568 of the Improving America’s Schools Act of 1994, each Ivy Group institution will award students financial aid not awarded under the Higher Education Act of 1965 only on the basis of demonstrated financial need.

B. Common Admissions Procedures

1. Application dates

Applications normally should be received by mid-January. Applications must be received by mid-November to qualify for mid-December notification.

2. Notification dates and common reply date

- a. An early April or late March date is selected annually as the common notification date for mailing official letters of admission². The common reply date is May 1.
- b. Early Decision Plan (prior commitment to enroll) [Brown, Columbia, Cornell, Dartmouth, Pennsylvania]: Admission and Financial Aid are offered in mid-December; once admitted under EDP. Applicants are expected to matriculate unless notified in writing of a release by the institution and all other applications must be withdrawn.
- c. Single Choice Early Action Plan (no commitment to matriculate) [Harvard, Princeton, Yale]: Admission notice is sent mid-December. It is expected that students will limit the number of applications that they submit under the Single Choice Early Action and Early Decision Plans to one.
- d. Institutions will not accept an application for admission from a prospective freshman student-athlete after the common notification date, and will not accept an application for admission from a prospective transfer student-athlete after June 1.

3. Early evaluation and applicant contact prior to common notification date

- a. As determined by each institution, admissions offices may advise applicants before the common notification date, in writing, of the probability of admission; e.g. likely, possible, unlikely. Such notifications may be made to recruited student-athletes only from October 1 through March 15.

² Letters are mailed beginning February 15 for the Cornell Schools of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Hotel Management, and Industrial and Labor Relations, and beginning in February for the School of Nursing at Penn.

- b. Admissions offices may gather and review whatever materials they deem appropriate during the recruiting process, but an admissions office may not provide information to an athletic department about a student's possible admissibility until after July 1 following the student's junior year; admissions offices will continue to limit the number of instances in the summer between July 1 and September 1 when they do provide such information. Admissions offices should continue to take care that the information they provide to athletic departments does not suggest that positive admissions decisions have been made, however preliminarily, or that such decisions may be made. (Institutions may continue to provide estimated financial aid information before July 1 to students who are or may be recruited athletes in whatever ways such information is provided for all students, since such estimates often are essential for families in deciding whether to consider Ivy schools.) **[Council, Spring 2006]**
- c. Institutions may issue official "probabilistic" communications only in writing, from the office of admission. Such letters will have the effect of letters of admission, to be confirmed on the common notification date, subject to revocation only on the same terms as letters of admission. (Such communications given by coaches, whether orally or in writing, do not constitute binding institutional commitments.) An applicant who receives one or more such written communications and who has made a decision to matriculate at one institution is encouraged (but not required) to notify all other institutions, and to withdraw all other applications, as promptly as possible.
- d. In deciding whether or when the admissions office may offer a written probabilistic communication, an institution (through a coach) may inquire about the level of commitment to or interest in the institution of an applicant who is a recruited student-athlete, but an applicant may not be required to withdraw or not make other applications, or to refrain from visiting another institution, as a condition for receiving written likely communication or for a coach's support in the admissions process, or an estimate of financial aid eligibility. In addition coaches may not request that candidates not share estimates of financial aid eligibility with other schools.
- e. Coaches must not communicate or imply to recruits, families, or counselors that favorable admissions outcomes have been decided by an admissions office or will be decided by an admissions office at any point in the future. Coaches must state clearly to recruits, families, and counselors that admissions decisions will be communicated only by official written notification from admissions offices on or after October 1 (i.e., by "likely letters" or by admissions office notification in Early Action, Early Decision or "regular" processes), and that no other indication of a positive admissions result is or should be considered reliable. This requirement applies whether or not an admissions office has reviewed any part of the student's file and/or whether the athletic department has any reason to believe a favorable admissions decision may be forthcoming. **[Council, Spring 2006]**
- f. An institution ordinarily may send a "likely" probabilistic communication letter to a candidate (whether or not the applicant is a recruited athlete) only if the

applicant has submitted all of the materials which the institution requires in order to make an admissions decision. Infrequently and for compelling reasons, an institution may send such a “likely” communication that does not have “all” of those materials, as provided below, but only if: (i) the other materials in the applicant’s file at that time provide the institution with a clear basis for making a binding positive admissions decision about the applicant, consistent with the institution’s general standards for making such decisions; and (ii) the material in question is submitted before a final letter of admission is issued. In these circumstances, a “likely” communication may be based on a file that includes an official application, an official transcript, the SAT or ACT examination, one essay, and at least one recommendation from the student’s school (either teacher recommendation or administrator recommendation). **[Council, Spring 2005]**

- g. The Admissions Committee intends that all likely letters will be issued under rigorous standards, and that the “infrequent and compelling reasons” caveat will not be used to relax those standards. The Committee believes that it is preferable to rely on each other’s common understanding of our intentions, and common commitment to those intentions, than to try to use more specific definitions. The Committee notes specifically that institutional testing requirements (other than for SAT) vary greatly among the institutions and sometimes among admitting units within an institution. The text is intended to hold each institution to a high standard as to testing that must be presented before a likely letter is issued, as measured against that institution’s own SAT/ACT testing requirements. The Committee will do an annual evaluation of the use of likely letters for recruited athletes, including how many likely letters each institution issues to athletes, both in total and without “all” required materials. **[Council, Spring 2005]**
- h. Each admissions office and athletic department will re-emphasize these rules to coaches in joint briefings at the beginning of each recruiting cycle, using materials provided by the Ivy Office. These briefings ordinarily should take place through in-person meetings with coaches before June 1. It is especially important to emphasize these rules to coaches who are new to the Ivy League and/or who have not previously recruited in the Ivy League. Institutions will post on institutional websites the Memorandum to “Interested Students” which is at §X-B-3-i, which also will be posted on the Ivy League website. As instructed by the Ivy Office, each institution will confirm annually how and when it has had the required briefings for coaches, and will report annually about its review of recruits’ credentials for its athletic departments after July 1 and before September 1. **[Council, Spring 2006]**
- i. **“Interested Students” Memorandum for Posting on Ivy League and Institutional Websites**

TO: Students Interested in Ivy League Intercollegiate Athletics

FROM: Ivy League Deans and Directors of Admission and Directors of Athletics

We welcome your interest in seeking an education at an Ivy League institution and participating in our athletic programs. The Ivy League is committed to

seeking individuals who are remarkable both as students and as athletes. This statement is intended to explain the most important aspects of the Ivy admission process to students who seek intercollegiate athletic competition.

The principles that govern admission of Ivy students who are athletes are the same as for all other Ivy applicants. Each Ivy institution:

- * admits all candidates including athletes on the basis of their achievements and potential as students and on their other personal accomplishments;
- * provides financial aid to all students only on the basis of need, as determined by each institution; and,
- * provides that no student be required to engage in athletic competition as a condition of receiving financial aid.

Recruitment of students who want to compete in Ivy intercollegiate athletics may involve substantial contact with coaches as well as admission officers. Ivy coaches are both expert in their respective sports and interested in and sensitive to the academic and social issues that concern college students. They are encouraged to be knowledgeable about institutional admissions and financial aid standards, and to be able to discuss those standards with prospective students.

- * At each Ivy institution, however, only the Admissions Office has the authority to admit an applicant and only the Financial Aid Office has the authority to determine financial aid precisely and to notify students officially of their actual or estimated awards.
- * Admissions Offices at each Ivy school may offer some athletic and other candidates a “likely” letter, which has the effect of a formal letter of admission provided the candidate continues to have a satisfactory secondary school experience. Coaches may initiate the requests for these letters, but only the office of admission can issue a “likely” letter.
- * Admissions decisions will be communicated only by official written notification from Admissions Offices, by notification in Early Action, Early Decision or “regular” processes, or by “likely letters” after October 1, which are confirmed by one of those notifications. No other indication of a possible positive admissions result is or should be considered reliable.
- * A coach may both inquire about a candidate’s level of commitment to an Ivy institution, or interest in attending that Ivy institution, and encourage that interest. However, a candidate may not be required to withdraw, or not make, other applications, or to refrain from visiting another institution, as a condition for receiving a “likely” letter or for a coach’s support in the admissions process.

For applicants who are being recruited as athletes, choosing a college may be even more complicated than it is for non-athletes. We suggest that you consider carefully each of the following recommendations.

1. Start learning about institutions in which you may be interested as early as you can. The Ivy League web site, which is at www.ivyleaguesports.com, is linked to the general admission, financial aid and athletic web sites at each Ivy League institution.
2. Become familiar with the institutions' suggested secondary school curricula and testing requirements. Take the SAT or ACT tests at times that will fit with the application process. Some Ivy institutions either prefer or require SAT tests as well, and you should be familiar with those requirements.
3. Visit one or more institutions as early in the process as possible.
4. Become familiar with institutions' application deadlines for early and regular admission and be prepared to file a full admission application in a timely manner.
5. Apply to be certified as an "initial qualifier" through the NCAA Eligibility Center. Information about the Clearinghouse and other NCAA rules for prospective student-athletes is available from your secondary school counselor, from the NCAA at its website or on the Ivy League web site, www.ivyleaguesports.com.
6. Above all, begin as early as you can to think about what kind of academic, athletic and personal experience you would like to have in college and what kind of college or university will best provide it. The admissions process requires institutions to make decisions about you, but even more, it gives you both the chance and the responsibility to make decisions about yourself.

In conclusion, we hope this information is helpful and we urge you to call or write if you have further questions or if any problems or issues arise. Best wishes for a rewarding and productive senior year.

/s/ Each Dean/Director of Admissions and Director of Athletics
Executive Director of the Council

4. Forced commitment

Ivy schools may respond at any time beginning October 1 should a non-Ivy school offer admission to a recruited athlete with a reply date prior to our common Ivy notification date. A response may be made based on written evidence of the offer (e.g., a copy of an official offer of a grant-in-aid, with a reply date, or a letter from a guidance counselor), or on confirmation of an offer to the admissions office by a secondary school counselor.

5. Fee waivers

Each school will determine its policy on waiving application fees in conjunction with its Financial Aid Officer. Application fees for student-athletes may be waived only on the basis of financial need. No final decision on an application should be announced until fee waiver is resolved.

6. Contact Moratorium Around Common Date:
 - a. It should be clearly understood that the notification of admission and the awarding of financial aid is made only by the respective Admission and Financial Aid Office. No coach, alumnus or alumna, faculty member or other interested party may properly notify any candidate of his or her admission or financial aid, even if privy to advance notice about the decision.
 - b. No coach, alumnus or alumna, faculty member or other institutional representative may contact any applicant (including non-athletes) during the period 48 hours prior to 5:00 pm (Eastern time) of the common notification date until 8:00 am (Eastern time) on the day following the common notification date. The moratorium applies to all applicants, except those who were accepted as “early decision” or transfer applicants. Correspondence may be mailed to applicants with regular delivery during the moratorium. Electronic mail may not be sent. Institutional representatives may respond to telephone calls and open communications with prospects in chatrooms and facebook starting at 5:00 pm (Eastern) on the day the decisions are released.
 - c. Visits, both “official” and “unofficial,” may not be arranged by athletic staff or alumni admissions volunteers during the moratorium. A candidate who contacts an institution prior to an “unofficial” visit planned during the moratorium should be informed of the moratorium and encouraged to visit at another time.
 - d. Despite the best institutional efforts, some candidates may continue to come to campuses on their own during the moratorium period. In such cases [as per B.13.02.5.1(d)] institutional personnel and enrolled student athletes should “exhibit normal civility excluding any attempts to recruit the prospect”.
 - e. Coaches are permitted to evaluate high school contests, all-star games, and AAU events during the moratorium for purposes of evaluation only, consistent with applicable NCAA “contact” and “evaluation” restrictions.
7. Contact by Ivy League Coaches after notification of formal commitment to another Ivy League Institution:
 1. Institutional representatives may contact and discuss enrollment with a prospective student until he or she is accepted under the Early Decision Plan of another institution, or for Early Action/Regular Decision applicants until the common reply date. Upon learning that an applicant has been accepted under the Early Decision Plan, or has declined enrollment at their institution, coaches may not initiate further contact nor make any attempt to alter the decision.
 2. Under rare circumstances Early Decision candidates will be released from their commitment to attend, and coaches at other Ivy schools may have contact with these candidates only with written permission from the Dean of Admissions, who will grant permission only after confirming with the Dean of the original institution that the candidate has been released.

Institutional representatives may contact and discuss enrollment with a prospective student until the common reply date. Upon learning that an applicant has declined enrollment, no further contact may be initiated nor may any attempt be made to alter decision.

c. **Financial Aid Policies and Procedures for Student-Athletes**

[Consistent with the Final Judgment in *U.S. v. Brown University, et al.*] [**Revised, Spring 2001, Spring 2010, Council**]

1. Purpose and Policy

- (a) Member institutions agree that the primary purpose of a college financial aid program for all student-athletes is to provide financial assistance to student-athletes who without such aid would be unable to attend that institution.
- (b) Ivy Group institutions follow the common policy that any financial aid to student-athletes shall be awarded solely on the basis of demonstrated economic need with no differentiation in amount, kind, composition or continuation based or dependent upon athletic status, ability or continued participation, provided that each institution shall apply its own standard of economic need. Applicants intending to participate in athletics are considered with all other applicants at the institution.

2. Institutional Financial Aid Programs [**Revised Spring 2010, Council**]

- (a) These rules apply to all institutional financial assistance.
- (b) All financial aid must be need-based.
- (c) It is permissible for institutions to offer need-based aid programs that provide enhanced financial aid awards to select students, including student-athletes.¹
- (d) Enhanced need-based financial aid from a program that is broadly available to all students based on factors that are unrelated to athletics ability or participation may be awarded to athletes on the same basis as other students, as long as all of the following requirements are satisfied:
 1. Eligibility, selection and participation for or in any such program may not be based or conditioned, in any way or to any degree, upon **present** or **future** athletic activity.
 2. Past athletics participation or accomplishment may be considered only on the same terms as participation or accomplishment in any other extracurricular

¹ Historically, programs that provide preferred financial aid packages to students based on circumstances other than need (e.g. residents from particular states or towns) have been deemed permissible, however few such programs exist currently at Ivy institutions and development of new programs of this sort is not anticipated or endorsed.

- activity; athletics status must not be given preference over the other factors considered for the enhanced program.
3. Athletics participation or accomplishment may not be the sole or primary criterion in eligibility, selection or participation, for any particular student-athlete.
 4. There must be open competition for any enhanced financial aid program; the athletics department and coaches should neither have nor appear to have any special role or participation in the selection process. If any athletics department personnel are permitted to nominate or advocate for students then all relevant campus constituencies must be able to nominate or advocate for students.
 5. There must not be fixed numbers (quotas) or awards designated specifically for athletes.
 6. Athletes' participation in the program (as a group or from any individual sport) may not, across any representative period of time, represent a higher percentage than athletes' representation in the institutional undergraduate student body population as a whole.
3. **Financial Aid Estimates and Communications with Prospective Student-Athletes [Revised Fall 2009, Council]**
- (a) Institutions may provide estimated financial aid information to students who are or may be recruited athletes in whatever ways such information is provided for all students, since such estimates often are essential for families in deciding whether to consider Ivy schools. **[Council, Spring 2006]**
 - (b) Financial aid estimates may be provided only by the financial aid office, and must be communicated in writing to the student-athlete applicant or prospective applicant. Such estimates must include a realistic yearly budget, the composition of the award itself and other explanatory material on the individual institution's financial aid policies.
 - (c) A prospective student-athlete may not be required to make a matriculation commitment as a condition for receiving a financial aid estimate. It is left to institutional discretion as to how many financial aid estimates it will provide to prospective students. In situations where those are limited based on a formal institutional policy, decisions on which prospects receive estimates must not be intended to interfere with any prospect's opportunity to share the information with another institution.
 - (d) Institutional personnel may not restrict prospective student-athletes' ability to compare financial aid offers from other institutions. Specifically institutional personnel shall not: (i) counsel prospective athletes to rely on web estimators, rather than to seek institutional financial aid estimates, or (ii) request that

prospective athletes not share financial aid estimates or other award information that they receive, so that other institutions will not have official estimates to which they can “respond”.

- (e) With regard to “enhanced” financial aid programs of the type described in Section X-C-2 above, coaches may only give descriptions of eligibility criteria and the general nature of awards; they may in no way suggest that any particular prospective student-athlete will receive such an award, that receipt of such an award will be based on the student’s athletic ability or participation, or that anyone other than the office for whom decisions are made for all students (e.g. admissions, financial aid) will make the decision as to who receives such an award.

4. Oversight by Financial Aid Office

- a. At each institution, a financial aid officer will meet annually with all members of the Athletics Department to discuss financial aid procedures, policies and problems, and to make clear the terms and spirit of the Ivy Group Agreement.
- b. Each Office of Financial Aid is responsible for instructing institutional coaches, both verbally and in writing, about how they may discuss institutional financial aid programs with prospective student-athletes, whether generally or with regard to possible individual awards, consistent with the limits set out in Section X-A-3 above, which indicates that only the Office of financial Aid has the authority to award financial aid on behalf of the institution and applicants should rely only on formal communications from these Offices.
- c. Each institution is responsible for monitoring the selection and participation of athletes for or in any institutional financial aid program and for providing such reports on these matters as the Committee on Financial Aid or the Executive Director may call for.
- d. Institutions must submit to the Ivy League Office, in advance of implementation, any new financial aid programs or modifications to current programs that consider athletics participation or accomplishment, for a determination as to whether the program is in compliance with Ivy League rules.

5. Institutional Control

- a. Any award or offer of financial assistance to a student-athlete applicant that may be used only at a particular institution (including but not limited to scholarships funded or awarded through recognized institutional alumni clubs), must be administered by the institution’s Financial Aid Office in accordance with Section X-A-3 above, meaning that the final decision as to amount and recipient must rest with the Director of Financial Aid. If such an award or offer is not administered by the institution’s Financial Aid office, it is subject to NCAA regulation regarding financial aid from outside sources.

- b. It is an institutional decision whether any such award or offer may be used to affect the composition of any individual's financial aid "packaging".

6. Outside Scholarships

- a. NCAA rules limit the types of financial aid not administered by the institution that may be received by student-athletes. So that compliance with these terms may be confirmed, every student-athlete must report to the institution the details of any outside financial aid, on a form issued by the Ivy Office.
- b. It is an institutional decision whether a financial aid award from a source outside the institution may be used to affect the composition of any individual's financial aid "packaging".
- c. A student-athlete may receive outside aid from a source that has a "controlling alumni interest" only under specified conditions. A "controlling alumni interest" means that the awarding individual, organization or donor is, or is effectively controlled by, one or more "representatives of an institution's athletics interests", as defined by NCAA rules (this definition does not apply to scholarships funded or awarded through recognized institutional alumni clubs; see Section X-C-4-a above). In such a case, each of the following conditions must be met:
 - (1) Past athletic participation or accomplishment as such may not be the sole or major criterion in eligibility, selection or participation for or in any such aid program; past athletic activity may be a criterion when it is considered on the same terms as participation or accomplishment in any other extra-curricular activity. Eligibility, selection and participation for or in any such program may not be based or conditioned, in any way or to any degree, upon present or future athletic activity.
 - (2) The student must be permitted to use the award at any Ivy school.
 - (3) The award source must be publicized in a way that makes it generally accessible to the public.
 - (4) The award must be confirmed to comply with NCAA rules.

D. Athletic Recruiting Rules

1. Ivy Group procedures

The Deans of Admission administer or set all policies in regard to recruitment. When such policies concern the intercollegiate athletic program, such decisions will be made in concert with the Policy Committee and the Committee on Administration. Should disagreements arise concerning the application of any such policy, the matter will be referred to the Executive Director and then to the Policy Committee.

2. Coaches' recruiting activities
 - a. The general Ivy principle is that application materials should only go to those prospective students who have expressed an interest in receiving them.
 - b. Coaches may obtain the names of prospects by correspondence or contact with high school coaches.
 - c. Scouting services may be subscribed to, but without institutional endorsement and only from alumni or "friends" funds. Institutions shall take reasonable steps to avoid being portrayed as endorsing a particular service.
 - d. All NCAA recruiting regulations apply to all Ivy institutions' varsity sports, whether or not governed by NCAA rules and whether or not an Ivy championship is determined in that sport, except that NCAA "dead periods" apply only to sports governed by NCAA rules.
3. Campus visits by prospective students
 - a. The institution cannot pay for the transportation of a student to a campus or lodging for the student's parent(s), except from a fund to which alumni/ae and friends may contribute at the institution [and for which the institution is "exclusively and entirely responsible," see NCAA B. 13.15.1.], except when funds must be used from other sources in order to fulfill institutional responsibilities for gender equity. "Pooling" by two or more alumni/ae in regard to hosting an individual's campus visit may be done only through such funds. **[Administration, Spring 1995]**
 - b. Each prospective student shall be limited to one such visit to any institution.
 - c. No excessive entertainment of prospective students is allowed either on or off campus, as governed more specifically by NCAA rules.
 - d. Students who are recruited athletes may visit Ivy campuses when invited as members of other student groups, either at the invitation of the institution or as guests of any organized alumni group, without these visits counting as "paid visits."
 - e. To assure compliance with NCAA "visit" requirements, as well as with NCAA and Ivy obligations to document that compliance, the following forms or records must be used and must be provided to the Ivy Office as indicated:
 - (1) In accordance with NCAA and Ivy regulations, visits shall be documented for each prospective student athlete who makes either an official or unofficial visit, including but not limited to: name, year of high school graduation, high school attended, home address, sport, visit dates and times of arrival and departure, student host if applicable, any lodging, meal, entertainment, and/or tickets provided by institution. At the end of the pros-

pect’s visit, the form must be signed by a designated athletics officer; that signature verifies that the visit described therein complies with all relevant Ivy and NCAA rules.

(2) **Ivy rules** require that transportation costs for “official visits” be funded from non-institutional sources and that each institution report on the number of official visits annually to the Executive Director [**Administration, October 1988**]. **Reports should be made annually by July 15, using Form X-B, (provided annually),** and must include the certifications indicated as to sources of funds, single official visits for all prospects, compliance with the football and basketball official visit limits, and “visit” rules generally.

4. Specific Issues

- a. All Ivy personnel, including alumni/ae volunteers, should promote their own institution and under no conditions criticize or downgrade other Ivy institutions.
- b. There can be no organized tryouts in the presence of Ivy coaches. In accordance with NCAA regulations, visiting prospective student-athletes may use the athletic facilities of an institution as long as it is not with the intent of demonstrating the prospect’s ability to a coach or team member. [see B.13.12.2,13.12.3]
- c. Ivy schools may not initiate any contact with enrolled students at other institutions [see NCAA B.13.1.1.3 for NCAA requirements as to permission from the other institution after the student has initiated contact].

5. Violations

The Deans of Admissions address violations of these rules. Any suspected violation of Ivy recruiting practices should be reported to the Dean of Admissions and the Director of Athletics so that it can be discussed with the institution in question.

- a. Ivy institutions have agreed to cooperate fully in such matters.
- b. It is important that all questions of possible violations be reported, to avoid the spread of unfounded rumors and to preserve the spirit of mutual trust and cooperation which is the basis of the Ivy Group.
- c. Should discussion between institutions at this level not resolve the matter, it will be referred to the Ivy Office.
- d. Suspected violations of NCAA recruiting regulations should be brought to the attention of the Ivy Office.

E. **Joint Statement for Candidates on Common Ivy League Admission Procedure [intended for all applicants and included on all Ivy admission forms]**

The Ivy League is an association of eight institutions of higher education, established in 1954 primarily for the purpose of fostering amateurism in athletics. Relations between

the member institutions have grown over the years, and representatives of these institutions now meet regularly at a variety of levels to discuss topics which range from the purely academic to the purely athletic and from fundamental educational philosophy to procedures in admissions.

Each member institution has its own identity and character and protects its right to pursue its own educational objectives. Thus, although the Ivy League institutions are similar in many respects, each member institution will continue to make its own independent admission decisions according to its own particular admissions policy. In recent years, however, it has become clear that the transition between secondary school and institutions of higher education has become increasingly complex and that greater efforts should be made to simplify the process through more uniform admissions procedures. It is our hope that by outlining carefully the procedures under which we are operating and by clearly specifying the obligations of both the applicant and the institution, we can help students pursue their college interests free of unnecessary confusion and pressure.

1. General Procedures

All contacts with students by representatives of Ivy institutions are intended to provide assistance and information and should be free of any activity that applies undue pressure on the candidate. *No information referring to the admission or financial-aid status of an applicant to any Ivy institution may be considered official unless it is received directly from that institution's admission or financial aid office.*

Ivy institutions mail admission decision letters twice annually, in mid-December and late March/early April. Those who wish a decision in December must apply by November 1. A student may not file more than one early application within the Ivy League.

2. December Notification

Under December Notification, an applicant may be notified that he or she has been granted or denied admission or that a final decision has been deferred until the late March/early April notification date. Two plans are offered according to individual institutional policy:

- a. The College Board-approved Early Decision Plan, which is offered by Brown, Columbia, Cornell, Dartmouth, and the University of Pennsylvania, requires a prior commitment to matriculate. Financial aid awards for those qualifying for financial assistance will normally be announced in full detail at the same time as the admission decisions. An applicant receiving admission and an adequate financial award under the Early Decision Plan will be required to accept that offer of admission and withdraw all applications to other colleges or universities. All Ivy institutions will honor any required commitment to matriculate that has been made to another college under this plan. Coaches from other Ivy League institutions are prohibited from having any recruiting contact with prospects who have been accepted under this plan.
- b. A Single Choice Early Action Plan is offered by Harvard, Princeton, and Yale. This plan does not require a commitment to matriculate, and students may apply to other colleges under those colleges' regular admission programs (spring notification of final admission decision) but not to another institution's Early Action or Early Decision program. Students admitted under Early Action will be

sent a financial aid offer when they receive their acceptance decision if they have completed all of the required financial aid forms.

Students are urged to consult the admission literature available at each Ivy institution for details concerning its particular December Notification Plan.

3. Early Evaluation Procedure

- a. As determined by each institution, admissions offices may choose to advise applicants of the probability of admission (e.g., likely, possible, unlikely). Institutions may issue likely letters only in writing, from the office of admission. Likely letters will have the effect of letters of admission, to be confirmed on the common notification date, subject to revocation only on the same terms as letters of admission.
- b. Within each institution's overall admissions process, from October 1 through March 15 an admissions office may issue probabilistic communications, in writing, to applicants who are recruited student-athletes. (Such communications given by coaches, whether orally or in writing, do not constitute binding institutional commitments.) An applicant who receives one or more such written communications and who has made a decision to matriculate at one institution is encouraged (but not required) to notify all other institutions, and to withdraw all other applications, as promptly as possible.
- c. A coach may both inquire about a candidate's level of commitment to an Ivy institution, or interest in attending that Ivy institution, and encourage that interest. However, a candidate may not be required to make a matriculation commitment, to withdraw other applications, or to refrain from visiting another institution, as a condition for receiving a "likely" letter, or an estimate of financial aid eligibility, or a coach's support in the admissions process. In addition, coaches may not request that candidates not share estimates of financial aid eligibility with other schools.
- d. An institution ordinarily may send a "likely" probabilistic communication letter to a candidate (whether or not the applicant is a recruited athlete) only if the applicant has submitted all of the materials which the institution requires in order to make an admissions decision. Infrequently and for compelling reasons, an institution may send such a "likely" communication that does not have "all" of those materials, as provided below, but only if: (i) the other materials in the applicant's file at that time provide the institution with a clear basis for making a binding positive admissions decision about the applicant, consistent with the institution's general standards for making such decisions; and (ii) the material in question is submitted before a final letter of admission is issued. In these circumstances, a "likely" communication may be based on a file that includes an official application, an official transcript, the SAT or ACT examination, one essay, and at least one recommendation from the student's school (either teacher recommendation or administrator recommendation).
- e. An Ivy school may respond at any time beginning October 1 should a non-Ivy school offer admission to a recruited student-athlete with a reply date prior to the common Ivy notification date.

4. Common Notification Date

On a common date, usually in late March or early April, applicants to the Ivy institutions will be notified of admission decisions and financial aid awards, unless they have been notified earlier under Early Decision Plan or Early Action Plan procedures. (Letters are mailed beginning in February for the Schools of Hotel Administration, and Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell, and beginning in February for the School of Nursing at Penn.)

5. Financial Aid

All the Ivy institutions follow the common policy that any financial aid for student-athletes will be awarded and renewed on the sole basis of economic need with no differentiation in amount or in kind (e.g. packaging) based on athletic ability or participation, provided that each school shall apply its own standard of economic need. The official award of aid may only be made at or subsequent to the time of admission.

Only the Office of Financial Aid has the authority to award financial aid on behalf of the institution, and applicants should rely only on formal communications from these offices. No suggestion that financial aid may be available that comes from anyone else associated with the institution is binding on the institution. No applicant should consider or accept an offer of financial help from an alumnus, and any such offer should be reported immediately to the Office of Financial Aid.

6. Common Reply Date

Except for those applicants admitted under the College Board-approved Early Decision Plan, which requires a prior commitment to matriculate, no candidate admitted to any of the Ivy institutions will be required to announce his or her decision to accept or decline an offer of admission until the Common Reply Date of May 1. All such candidates may delay their commitment to attend until May 1 without prejudice. By that date all admitted candidates must affirm in writing their single choice.

The preceding paragraph does not preclude students from remaining on active waiting lists and withdrawing promptly from their original college choice upon receiving subsequent waiting list acceptance to another institution. However, the Ivy institutions reserve their right to rescind acceptance decisions from candidates who make commitments to and who hold confirmed places at more than one institution concurrently. Students who choose to remain on an active waiting list after May 1 will receive a final response no later than July 1.

7. Participating Institutions

Brown University
Columbia College
Cornell University
Dartmouth College

Harvard University
University of Pennsylvania
Princeton University
Yale University

F. NCAA Recruiting Elements [Ivy Office, 1989]

1. NCAA rules prohibit representatives of athletics interest from contacting or evaluating prospective student-athletes. See NCAA Bylaw 13.
2. Institutional representatives and Ivy activities
 - a. The major provision applicable to Ivy Group activity permits involvement of “representatives” in “[o]ff-campus recruiting contacts made by an institution’s regular admissions program representative and directed at all prospective students, including nonathletes”; B.13.1.2.2(a).
 - b. This text offers sufficient opportunity for the activities in which Ivy schools might wish to engage, provided they are undertaken in a structure through which alumni are “regular admissions program representatives.” All Ivy schools have such structures in the “alumni schools” committees that conduct interviews nationally. Applicants who are “prospects” may be interviewed through these groups, and alumni who are “representatives” may interview them.
 - c. The essential elements of this approach are that:
 - (1) Non-athletic department personnel contact of prospective student-athletes should occur only through regularly-constituted alumni interview groups.
 - (2) All persons who engage in such contact should belong to those groups.
 - (3) Athletes should not be treated differently from any other applicants in the assignment of interviewers or in any other way.
 - (4) Organizing memoranda and membership records should provide that members of “friends” groups who engage in recruiting do so as regular members of the alumni interview groups.
 - d. Any “contact” that is not undertaken as part of the official admissions program must not be for recruiting purposes, as provided in NCAA 13.1.2.2.
3. To assure compliance with NCAA visit requirements, as well as with NCAA and Ivy obligations to document that compliance, a detailed form recording expenses provided must be completed for each prospect who visits campus.
4. **Ivy rules require that transportation costs for official visits be funded from non-institutional sources and that each institution report on the number of official visits annually to the Executive Director.**

APPENDIX A

I. Text of the 1954 Presidents Agreement

(Originally released February 11, 1954)

Ivy Group Agreement

In November, 1945, the undersigned institutions entered into an agreement regarding football, with the purpose of maintaining the values of the game in the service of higher education. In order to extend to all competitive athletics in which they mutually participate the benefits derived from this agreement, these institutions here affirm and revise their agreement as follows:

- I. The subscribing institutions constitute themselves, for the purposes covered by this agreement, members of a group to be known as "The Ivy Group."
- II. The Group reaffirm the principle that in each institution the academic authorities should control athletics.
- III.
 - A. The Group affirm their conviction that under proper conditions intercollegiate competition in organized athletics offers desirable development and recreation for players and a healthy focus of collegiate loyalty. These conditions require that the players shall be truly representative of the student body and not composed of a group of specially recruited athletes. They further require that undue strain upon players and coaches be eliminated and that they be permitted to enjoy the game as participants in a form of recreational competition rather than as professional performers in public spectacles. In the total life of the campus, emphasis upon intercollegiate competition must be kept in harmony with the essential educational purposes of the institution.
 - B. The Group conclude that these conditions and requirements can best be fulfilled by denying to the fullest possible extent external pressures for competitive extremes.
 - C. To this end, the Group will foster intra-group athletic competition in all sports. No member institution, however, shall necessarily field a team in every sport.
 - D. The Group approve a round-robin schedule in football and the principle of round-robin schedules in as many sports as practicable.
- IV. The Group establish the following policies to govern intercollegiate athletic activities of its members. Interpretations may be made by the appropriate committees.
 - A. **Eligibility Rules**
 1. No student shall be eligible for a varsity team unless he has previously filed with the appropriate authorities of his institution a written statement in which he agrees to abide by the policies and spirit of the Ivy Group agreement.

2. No student shall be eligible for a varsity team until he has completed satisfactorily an academic year's work at the institution he is to represent.
3. No student shall be eligible for a varsity team in more than three different academic years. A year in which a student is ineligible for scholastic or disciplinary reasons shall nevertheless be counted as one of the three academic years.
4. Only undergraduate students shall be eligible for a varsity team.
5. No student shall be eligible unless he is in good scholastic standing as determined by the standards set by the faculty of his institution and unless he is enrolled in an academic program leading to a recognized degree and is making normal academic progress, both quantitatively and qualitatively, toward the degree.
6. The members of the Group reaffirm their prohibition of athletic scholarships. Athletes shall be admitted as students and awarded financial aid only on the basis of the same academic standards and economic need as are applied to all other students.
7. No student shall be eligible who has received financial support from any source except (i) from personal or family resources; (ii) in return for services (other than of an athletic character) rendered through employment at normal wages; (iii) from financial aid awarded by or with the specific approval of the regular academic authority of the institution in which the player is a student; (iv) from Government grants to war service veterans or regularly enrolled members of ROTC units.
8. No student entering after September 1, 1953 shall be eligible whose secondary school education was subsidized or whose post-college education is promised by an institution or group of individuals not closely related to the family as a consideration for his attending the particular institution.

B. Administrative Regulations

1. Scheduling
 - a. In order that schedule commitments may not be made too far in advance, it is agreed that:
 - (1) Football schedules shall not be made more than two years in advance of the current calendar year;
 - (2) Schedules in all other sports shall not be made prior to December of the college year preceding that in which the schedules will be played.

- b. Games involving extended class absences from the institution shall not be scheduled.
2. Length of Season
 - a. Football practice for all institutions in the Group shall start not earlier than a date to be agreed upon each year by the Administrative Committee, which may not be earlier than September 1 in any year. The Administrative Committee shall establish a formula for the start of practice in other sports and shall establish limitations governing out-of-season practice wherever desirable.
 - b. The Administrative Committee shall establish a maximum number of games and practice games or scrimmages against outside teams in football and basketball and in other sports wherever desirable.
 - c. No football practice shall take place at any time except during the fall season and prior thereto as provided above in (a).
 - d. The members of the Group shall not engage in post season games or any other contests designed to settle sectional or other championships. (NOTE: National Collegiate Athletic Association, Eastern College Athletic Conference, A.A.U. competitions and international competitions such as the games, meets and matches with Oxford and Cambridge Universities shall not be considered as post-season games or contests within the meaning of the above rule.)
 3. All-Star Games and Coaching Clinics
 - a. No player attending the institutions composing the Ivy Group who has played on the team of his institution shall participate in post-season or pre-season games, such as All-Star games, [*] and no coach shall undertake to coach teams entered in such contests.
 - b. The coaches and players of institutions in the Group shall not participate in clinics for secondary school coaches or players, nor shall these institutions or their players or coaches participate in the holding of high school All-Star [*] football games.

[*] NOTE: In April 1955, the Policy Committee approved the recommendation of the Ivy Group Administration Committee to insert "in any sport" at this point in 3a. and to delete the word football in 3b.

4. Endorsement of Commercial Products by Athletic Staff Members

In conformity with customary practices of other academic officers, coaches shall not endorse commercial products.

- v. The Group establish the following three inter-institutional committees for the purpose of carrying out the cooperative purposes of this agreement.

A. Committee on Administration

Each institution shall name a representative to the Committee on Administration who shall be the responsible administrative officer dealing with the intercollegiate athletics at the institution. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to handle the various operational aspects of matters dealt with in this agreement other than those affecting the eligibility of players and the establishment of basic policies. In particular, it shall be the responsibility of this committee to keep the conditions under which intercollegiate sports are conducted under close and constant review and appraisal and to promote inter-institutional cooperation designed to effectuate the spirit and intent of this agreement.

The Committee on Administration shall have a chairman and a vice-chairman who shall also serve as secretary of the Committee. The chairmanship of the Committee shall be held in annual rotation by the representatives of the member institutions in the order indicated in paragraph V sub-paragraph 4. The chairman shall set the date and place of the regular meetings and of any special meetings requested by the representatives of any three institutions.

Each institution agrees to furnish the Committee on Administration such information affecting the organization, support, and conduct of intercollegiate sports, other than with respect to player eligibility and basic policies, as the Committee may deem necessary to the effective discharge of its purpose.

It is expected that the Committee on Administration will keep all matters coming within the purview of this agreement, other than eligibility and basic policies, under review and will from time to time make recommendations to the Presidents' Policy Committee with respect to such matters and any other such matters of general concern as the proper place and treatment of scouting, athletic publicity, operating budget and ticket practices, and the control of "extra-curricular" activity of coaches, such as broadcasting, telecasting, or writing of publication on the subject of athletics. The members of the group agree to abide by any decisions within the purview of the Committee on Administration which are approved by a majority of the eight institutions on the committee.

B. Committee on Eligibility

Each institution shall name a representative to the Committee on Eligibility who shall be a fulltime member of the academic faculty of the institution. It shall be the responsibility of the Committee on Eligibility to administer rules of eligibility established by agreement of the participating institutions. The committee's administration of these rules shall be with due regard to the circumstances in individual cases and at all times in a manner calculated to promote the amateur spirit. Exceptions to the eligibility policies established by the group may be allowed in individual cases in which the

circumstances are unusual and the Committee on Eligibility is of the opinion that the exception will be in accord with the spirit and objectives of this agreement.

The Committee on Eligibility shall have a chairman and a vice-chairman who shall also serve as secretary of the Committee. The chairmanship of the Committee shall be held in annual rotation by the faculty representatives of the member institutions in the order indicated in paragraph V, sub paragraph D. The chairman shall set the date and place of the regular meetings and of any special meeting requested by the representatives of any three institutions.

Each institution agrees to provide complete information to the Eligibility Committee concerning all candidates for freshman and varsity football teams and in other sports on request. It is expected that the information required by the Committee will largely relate to admission records, course grades, academic standing, prior academic connections, if any, and financial aid. The Committee shall be free at all times to request from member institutions whatever information it deems necessary to the successful discharge of its duties, and it is the spirit and intent of this agreement that any questions or rumors concerning the status of any player in connection with matters covered by this agreement shall be made the subject of full and frank discussion in the Committee on Eligibility in order that the utmost mutual confidence and respect may be maintained on these matters between members of the Group.

It is expected that the Committee on Eligibility will keep all matters coming within the purview of this agreement, including particularly eligibility questions, under constant review and shall from time to time make recommendations to the Presidents' Policy Committee with respect to any changes in policies deemed to be advisable. It shall prepare detailed rules necessary for the effective administration of the policies of eligibility agreed to by the Group. These detailed rules shall be invariably reported to all member institutions promptly and formally. Decision of the Eligibility Committee, including rulings on the eligibility of individual players, shall be settled by a majority of the eight institutions on the Committee, and such decisions shall be enforced by the proper institutional authorities.

c. Presidents' Policy Committee

The Presidents' Policy Committee shall consist of the eight Presidents of the subscribing institutions. This Committee shall have full and final responsibility for the determination of all agreed policies of the Group and with respect to the organization and operation of the Committees on Administration and Eligibility.

The Presidents' Policy Committee may from time to time request the Committees on Administration and Eligibility to study and report on specific policy problems, and may from time to time invite either or both Committees to meet with the Presidents' Policy Committee.

The Presidents' Policy Committee shall have a chairman and a vice-chairman who shall also serve as secretary of the Committee. The chairmanship of the Committee

shall be held in annual rotation by the Presidents of the member institutions proceeding in the alphabetical order of the institutions. The vice-chairman shall be the member of the Committee next in line for the chairmanship. The Committee shall meet at least once a year at a time and place to be arranged by the Chairman. Special meetings may be called at any time upon the initiative of the Chairman or by the request of three members of the Committee.

The Presidents' Policy Committee shall take decisions on all matters within its responsibility by the affirmative vote of six members of the Group. The Committee may, upon the request of the chairman, consider and act upon a matter by mail or telegraphic vote, provided that the vote is unanimous.

- D. The terms of office of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman (who shall also serve as Secretary) of each of the three committees shall begin January first. The officers shall serve on each post for one year, the sequence to be keyed to the alphabetical rotation of the Presidents' Policy Committee in accordance with the following table:

| | <i>Presidents Policy Committee</i> | <i>Committee on Eligibility</i> | <i>Committee on Administration</i> |
|------|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1954 | Columbia | Princeton | Dartmouth |
| 1955 | Cornell | Yale | Harvard |
| 1956 | Dartmouth | Brown | Pennsylvania |
| 1957 | Harvard | Columbia | Princeton |
| 1958 | Pennsylvania | Cornell | Yale |
| 1959 | Princeton | Dartmouth | Brown |
| 1960 | Yale | Harvard | Columbia |
| 1961 | Brown | Pennsylvania | Cornell |

(Years listed at left indicate Chairmen. Vice-Chairmen [also serving as Secretaries] to be representatives of institutions next in alphabetical order of institutions.)

- VI. It is the spirit of this agreement that it shall be carried out through wise and flexible administration and in a setting of mutual respect and confidence among the members of the Group as institutions having a common dedication to the purposes and principles of higher education.

This agreement shall become effective upon the prior approval thereof by all the governing boards of the subscribing institutions as attested to by the signatures of the Presidents. A subscribing member may withdraw from the Group upon giving written notice of such intention two years in advance. Amendments of the agreement pertaining to membership shall be made only with the approval of all the institutions acting through their respective governing boards.

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