

1. Does your conference require institutions submitting membership applications to provide any additional documentation (ie. Institutional Self Study Guide)?

MASCAC	no
NCAC	no
NECC	yes; We require operating budgets and results of the past five years for each team
ODAC	yes; SELF STUDY OR ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION FROM THE D3 STUDY
NAC	no
MIAC	no
PAC	yes - membership application materials
SLIAC	yes
NAC	yes; a basic profile – academics, mission, enrollment, affiliations, sports offerings, etc.
NJAC	no
MAC	no
HCAC	yes
NEAC	yes
CAC	yes; the Capital Athletic Conf. asks for anything related to the institution (academic info, enrollment, cost to attend, athletic info, athletic staffing, ISS, etc.)
AMC	yes
CCIW	yes
USASOUTH	yes
OAC	no
Skyline	no
UAA	no
Ripon	no
Centennial	no
IOWA	no

2. Does your conference require new members to go through a period of provisional status? If so, for how long?

MASCAC	no	na
NCAC	no	na
NECC	no	na
ODAC	yes	3 years
NAC	no	na
MIAC	no	na
PAC	no	na
SLIAC	no	If they are in the NCAA provisional process, then they receive full Conference member benefits except post season Tournament participation.
NAC	It's on a case-by-case basis	Usually one year during which all of our institutions are encouraged to schedule the applicant in as many sports as possible. The following year they are placed in the conference schedules.
NJAC	no	na
MAC	no	na
HCAC	no	With Earlham the period has been one year; primarily to allow for scheduling
NEAC	yes	1 year
CAC	no	na
AMC	yes	2 years
CCIW	no	na
USASOUTH	yes	1 year
OAC	no	na
Skyline	no	We used to have a provisional period, but we removed it.
UAA	no	na
Ripon	no	na
Centennial	no	na
IOWA	no	na

3. Does your conference charge a membership application fee? If so, how was the amount determined?

MASCAC	no	na
NCAC	yes	na
NECC	yes	na
ODAC	yes	One year of dues
NAC	yes	\$600; If membership is granted, ½ of the application fee is refunded; if it is denied, ½ is refunded. If membership is offered but the invited member declines, the \$600 would be kept by the conference.
MIAC	no	na
PAC	no	na
SLIAC	yes	50 percent of the Conference's membership dues during the year of application
NAC	Yes; \$500	Checking w/ other conferences and seeing what was appropriate and reasonable.
NJAC	no	na
MAC	no	na
HCAC	yes	na
NEAC	no	na
CAC	no	na
AMC	yes	We say it is \$500 but we only charge it if there are expenses for site visits. Anyone who applies is going to be geographically close, so we have not done this for our last several members. The \$500 is intended to cover travel costs for committee members (mileage, hotel if needed, meals).
CCIW	no	Working on it now
USASOUTH	yes, one fourth the current annual dues	na
OAC	no, just pay dues	na
Skyline	no	na
UAA	no	na
Ripon	yes; \$2000	Determined somewhat randomly but through a bit of discussion. Wanted it large enough to legitimize the process but manageable enough to avoid hardship to the institution.
Centennial	no	na
IOWA	no	na

4. Does your conference have a policy in place for institutions that add/drop a sport? Is there a fee associated with this?

MASCAC	notification 18 mo	no
NCAC	no; need min # of sports for membership	no
NECC	no	na
ODAC	no	na
NAC	no	na
MIAC	yes	no
PAC	no	na
SLIAC	no	Do have a penalty if they fail to field a team in a given sport after indicating they would. See attached "Failing to Compete.pdf"
NAC	yes	no
NJAC	no	na
MAC	na	Supposed to be two year notice, but we have been flexible on this
HCAC	no	no
NEAC	no	na
CAC	no	no
AMC	18 mos. notice either way	na
CCIW	yes; Schools that drop a CCIW sport are required to notify the CCIW office a year in advance but there is no penalty fee. Certain "core sports" cannot be dropped by CCIW members without a waiver being granted by the CCIW presidents	no
USASOUTH	no	na
OAC	no	na
Skyline	no	no
UAA	Our bylaws specify those decisions are always the prerogative of the member institution, however, we have a provision that if the conference sponsors a sport and the institution sponsors a team, that team must compete in the conference -- unless our presidents grant a waiver. If a member adds a team, or if the conference adds a sport, the member(s) has a three-year window in which to begin participation in the conference in that sport.	na
Ripon	yes	yes; attached
Centennial	yes	no
IOWA	yes; An institution is REQUIRED to sponsor all 19 sports in the Iowa Conference. An institution may be excused from competing in a sport for one year by a two-thirds' vote of the Presidents Council	na

5. Does your conference have a policy in place for institutions that decide to leave the conference? Is there a fee associated with this?

MASCAC	yes; notification 18 mo	no
NCAC	yes; notification 18 mo	The withdrawing member shall pay dues and participate as a full Conference member in all sports for another complete academic year after the notice has been accepted by the Conference.
NECC	yes	2 years of dues
ODAC	yes	TWO YEARS NOTICE WITH NO PENALTY – FOR EACH YEAR EARLY – YOU PAY ONE YEAR’S DUES.
NAC	yes	The institution must notify the conference of the intent to leave by May 1st of the year prior to the one during which they will depart (i.e. May 1, 2010 for conference to leave following the 2010-2011 academic year). If an institution fails to provide the required notice, they will be assessed a penalty that is twice the yearly membership dues.
MIAC	yes	no
PAC	yes	no...schools must give one-year notice. No fees involved.
SLIAC	yes	See attached “Withdrawal Notice.pdf”
NAC	yes	Only if the proper advance notice is not given.
NJAC	yes	Our new members pay one year of dues in advance. The payment is held in reserve, and is applied to the institution's fifth year of membership. If they leave the conference earlier than five years, they forfeit that payment.
MAC	no	We have an endowed account – when they leave we don't give them their “share”
HCAC	yes	Technically, this is not an application fee but at the time of acceptance the applying institution pays a second year of dues which is held for a defined period (five years). Should they leave the conference prior to that defined period they would forfeit the additional payment.
NEAC	yes	Yes - two years of annual dues at current rate
CAC	yes	2 year notice to leave the conference or pay full dues for each year leaving early
AMC	yes	2 academic years' notice. Failure to do results in a withdrawal penalty of 2 years' dues.
CCIW	yes	Schools must notify the CCIW office one year prior to departure and they responsible for paying one full years dues upon departure
USASOUTH	yes	no fee, but must give a year's notice
OAC	yes	yes, we need two years notice, or two years dues if they leave within two years.
Skyline	yes	Institutions leaving the conference have to provide one full academic year’s notice. There is no fee for withdrawal.
UAA	yes	We require two-years notice to withdraw from the conference
Ripon	yes	no
Centennial	yes; Our "exit" policy states, "Disaffiliation from the IIAC requires a minimum of one-year notice of such intent." We have no fee	no

	associated with this policy.	
IOWA	yes	no