

2019



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Eligibility Committee Report

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1. Current Sport Committee members

Sandy Slavin: Chair; Jayne Blank: Canada West; Chuck Mathies: OUA; Joey Sabo: RSEQ; Pat Nearing: AUS; Tara Hahto: U SPORTS

2. Mandate

The Committee's role is to assist management in fulfilling its responsibilities related to the participation of student-athletes in activities.

The Committee is an advisor to management, the Board and the Members on all eligibility matters. The Committee also hears and decides appeals of eligibility matters relating to compassionate grounds. The Committee may establish sub-committees or task forces to deal with specific issues in relation to the mandate of the Committee.

3. Responsibilities

The Committee has the following duties and responsibilities:

- a) Assist management in the administration, interpretation, education and monitoring for compliance of U SPORTS' Student Athlete Eligibility Policies and Procedures
- b) Delegate to management and staff the authority to respond to eligibility inquiries with interpretations
- c) Recommend changes to U SPORTS' Eligibility Policies and Procedures for consideration by management, the Membership and ultimate review and approval by the Board
- d) Consider and decide appeals of eligibility status that are made on compassionate grounds
- e) Such additional duties as may from time to time be delegated to the Committee by management

4. Interpretations

Each Eligibility Review Officer (ERO) reviewed the interpretations issued during the time period of June 1, 2018 until May 15, 2019, totalling roughly 295:

Canada West: 84
OUA: 100
RSEQ: 75
AUS: 36



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5. Exemptions

The National Office, with consultation from the Eligibility Committee as required, supported 41 Repatriations within the time frame of June 15, 2018 to May 15, 2019. Below are the breakdowns of approved repatriations by sport and conference.

Conference	Approved
AUS	1
RSÉQ	2
OUA	23
CW	15
Total	41

Sport	Approved
MBB	4
MFB	6
MHK	6
MSC	6
MTF	1
MSW	1
WBB	4
WXC	1
WHK	4
WSC	5
WSW	1
WVB	2
Total	41

In addition, the national office, with consultation from the Eligibility Committee as required, approved 21 “early start” applications pursuant to U SPORTS Policy 40.10.4.1.7, for the 2018-2019 season. Those 21 supported applications encompassed 50 individual games. Below are breakdowns by sport and conference.

Sport	Approved
MBB	11
MSC	4
WBB	2
WSC	4

Conference	Approved
CW	8
OUA	10
RSEQ	3
AUS	0



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6. Season Ending Injuries

The National Office, with consultation from the Eligibility Committee as required, supported 25 Season Ending Injury applications between June 15, 2019 to May 15, 2019. Below is a historical breakdown of available data.

Sport	18-19	17-18	16-17	15-16	14-15	13-14	12-13	11-12	10-11	09-10	08-09	07-08	06-07	05-06
MBB	3	-	2	-	-	3	2	6	1	2	2	0	2	1
WBB	2	-	4	-	-	3	3	3	4	3	5	0	3	1
MFB	2	-	2	-	-	5	0	5	4	4	4	2	4	8
MHK	4	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
WHK	1	-	0	-	-	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
MSC	5	-	3	-	-	2	2	1	1	4	1	0	0	0
WSC	3	-	5	-	-	4	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	2
MVB	1	-	2	-	-	1	2	4	2	0	1	0	0	0
WVB	2	-	4	-	-	2	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
RUG	1	-	2	-	-	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
MTF	1	-	1	-	-	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
WTF	0	-	1	-	-	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WXC	0	-	0	-	-	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
MXC	0	-	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WWR	0	-	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MWR	0	-	0	-	-	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	25	-	27	-	-	24	19	31	16	16	14	4	10	12



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7. Compassionate Appeals

The Eligibility Committee processed 53 Compassionate Appeals through either e-disposition or traditional conference call hearings. A breakdown of Compassionate Appeals between June 15, 2018 to May 15, 2019 is below, as well as a comparison to the previous two years.

Sport	2018-2019			2017-2018			2016-2017		
	Appeals	Supported	Denied	Appeals	Supported	Denied	Appeals	Supported	Denied
MBB	2	2	0	5	3	2	4	1	3
WBB	8	7	1	5	5	0	5	5	0
MXC	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
WXC	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
WFH	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
MFB	11	7	4	11	8	3	11	9	2
MHK	9	6	3	5	4	1	2	2	0
WHK	3	3	0	4	2	2	1	1	0
WRG	2	2	0	3	3	0	3	2	1
MSC	8	5	3	2	1	1	9	7	2
WSC	6	6	0	5	1	4	5	2	3
MSW	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	0
WSW	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
MTF	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	1	0
WTF	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
MVB	1	1	0	2	0	2	4	4	0
WVB	1	0	1	2	1	1	2	2	0
MWR	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
WWR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total#	53	41	12	54	37	17	51	39	12
Total%	100%	77%	23%	100%	69%	31%	100%	76%	24%
Calls	23			18			--		