



ELIGIBILITY REPORT 2021

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Eligibility Committee Report

2021

1. 2020-2021 Committee Members

Jayne Blank: Canada West; Chuck Mathies: OUA; Joey Sabo: RSEQ; Pat Nearing: AUS (departing); 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, 2020 until May 15, 2021, totalling in excess of 300:

Canada West: >50
OUA: 162
RSEQ: 85
AUS: 41



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5. Compassionate Appeals

The Eligibility Committee processed 59 Compassionate Appeals through either e-disposition or traditional conference call hearings. A breakdown of Compassionate Appeals between June 15, 2020 to May 15, 2021 is below, as well as a comparison to the previous two years.

2020-2021				2019-2020			2018-2019		
Sport	Appeals	Supported	Denied	Appeals	Supported	Denied	Appeals	Supported	Denied
MBB	2	1	1	7	3	4	2	2	0
WBB	3	3	0	8	6	2	6	5	1
MXC	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
WXC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WFH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MFB	3	2	1	11	8	3	11	7	4
MHK	1	1	0	2	1	1	9	6	3
WHK	0	0	0	2	1	1	3	3	0
WRG	0	0	0	5	5	0	2	2	0
MSC	1	1	0	8	5	3	8	5	3
WSC	1	1	0	5	4	1	5	5	0
MSW	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
WSW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MTF	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
WTF	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
MVB	0	0	0	3	2	1	1	1	0
WVB	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	1
MWR	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0
WWR	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Total#	12	9	3	59	42	17	50	38	12
Total%	100%	71%	29%	100%	71%	29%	100%	76%	24%
Total Calls	5			18			unknown		