# 2023 ELIGIBILITY REPORT



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# **Eligibility Committee Report**

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### 1. 2022-2023 Committee Members

Tom Huisman: Canada West; Chuck Mathies: OUA; Joey Sabo: RSEQ; Scott Gray: AUS; Tara Hahto: U SPORTS; Elysse Pilon: 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, 2022 until May 15, 2023, totalling in excess of approximately **390**:

Canada	West: 114
OUA:	175
RSEQ:	57
AUS:	46



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### **5.** Compassionate Appeals

The Eligibility Committee processed **90** Compassionate Appeals through either e-disposition or traditional conference call hearings. A breakdown of Compassionate Appeals between June 15, 2022 to May 15, 2023 is below, as well as a comparison to the previous two years.

Please note Compassionate Appeals that were partially supported or conditionally supported are recorded as being Supported for the purposes of this report.

2022-2023		2021-2022			2020-2021				
Sport	Appeals	Supported	Declined	Appeals	Supported	Declined	Appeals	Supported	Declined
MBB	10	7	3	9	6	3	2	1	1
WBB	9	7	2	1	1	0	3	3	0
MXC	3	3	0	0	-	-	0	-	-
WXC	0	-	-	1	0	1	0	-	-
WFH	1	1	0	0	-	-	0	-	-
MFB	23	17	6	12	12	0	3	2	1
MHK	9	6	3	7	6	1	1	1	0
WHK	3	3	0	2	2	0	0	-	-
WRG	5	3	2	3	3	0	0	-	-
MSC	8	1	7	6	6	0	1	1	0
WSC	8	6	2	1	1	0	1	1	0
MSW	0	-	-	1	1	0	1	0	1
WSW	2	1	1	2	2	0	0	-	-
MTF	2	2	0	0	-	-	0	-	-
WTF	3	3	0	0	-	-	0	-	-
MVB	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	-	-
WVB	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	-	-
MWR	0	-	-	1	0	1	0	-	-
WWR	1	1	0	0	-	-	0	-	-
Total #	90	63	27	48	42	6	12	9	3
Total %	100%	70%	30%	100%	87.5%	12.5%	100%	71%	29%



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### 6. Season-Ending Injuries

U SPORTS Eligibility and Compliance receives and processes Season-Ending Injury (SEI) request forms from members, in consultation with the Eligibility Committee as required. A breakdown of the Season-Ending Injury requests processed within the 2022-2023 Academic Year is below.

	2022-2023					
Sport	SEI Requests	Approved	Declined			
MBB	3	1	2			
WBB	2	1	1			
MXC	0	-	-			
WXC	0	-	-			
WFH	1	1	0			
MFB	4	3	1			
MHK	0	-	-			
WHK	1	0	1			
WRG	3	3	0			
MSC	2	2	0			
WSC	2	2	0			
MSW	0	-	-			
WSW	0	-	-			
MTF	0	-	-			
WTF	0	-	-			
MVB	2	1	1			
WVB	3	2	1			
MWR	0	-	-			
WWR	0	-	-			
Total #	23	16	7			