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2018 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S ICE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTIONS

INDIANAPOLIS---The NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey Committee has selected the 16 teams that will be participating in the 2018 NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey Championship.

The championship playoff format involves four predetermined regional sites with four teams assigned to each site. The regional winners advance to the Men's Frozen Four. The entire championship uses a single-elimination format.

Automatic qualification privileges are granted to the postseason champions of the six conferences. The remainder of the field is selected at large.

St. Cloud State University was the No. 1 overall seed. The other No. 1 seeds, in order, include the University of Notre Dame, Cornell University and The Ohio State University.

The dates, sites, times and pairings of this year's championship are as follows:

West Regional, March 23-24

Denny Sanford PREMIER Center, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Friday, March 23, 4 p.m. Eastern time, ESPNU/WatchESPN
No. 1 St. Cloud State (25-8-6) vs. No. 4 Air Force (22-14-5)

Friday, March 23, 7:30 p.m. Eastern time, ESPN3/WatchESPN
No. 2 Minnesota State Mankato (29-9-1) vs. No. 3 Minnesota Duluth (21-16-3)

Saturday, March 24, 9 p.m. Eastern time, ESPN2/WatchESPN
West Regional Championship

Midwest Regional, March 24-25
PPL Center, Allentown, Pennsylvania

Saturday, March 24, 3:30 p.m. Eastern time, ESPNU/WatchESPN
No. 1 Ohio State (24-9-5) vs. No. 4 Princeton (19-12-4)

Saturday, March 24, 7 p.m. Eastern time, ESPN3/WatchESPN
No. 2 Denver (22-9-8) vs. No. 3 Penn State (18-14-5)

Sunday, March 25, 6:30 p.m. Eastern time, ESPNU/WatchESPN
Midwest Regional Championship

Northeast Regional, March 24-25
DCU Center, Worcester, Massachusetts

Saturday, March 24, 1 p.m. Eastern time, ESPNNews/WatchESPN
No. 1 Cornell (25-5-2) vs. No. 4 Boston U. (21-13-4)

Saturday, March 24, 4:30 p.m. Eastern time, ESPNNews/WatchESPN
No. 2 Michigan (20-14-3) vs. No. 3 Northeastern (23-9-5)

Sunday, March 25, 4 p.m. Eastern time, ESPN2/WatchESPN
Northeast Regional Championship

East Regional, March 23-24
Webster Bank Arena, Bridgeport, Connecticut

Friday, March 23, 3 p.m. Eastern time, ESPN2/WatchESPN
No. 1 Notre Dame (25-9-2) vs. No. 4 Michigan Tech (22-16-5)

Friday, March 23, 6:30 p.m. Eastern time, ESPNU/WatchESPN
No. 2 Providence (23-11-4) vs. No. 3 Clarkson (23-10-6)

Saturday, March 24, 6 p.m. Eastern time, ESPNU/WatchESPN
East Regional Championship

Men's Frozen Four, April 5 and 7
Xcel Energy Center, Saint Paul, Minnesota

Thursday, April 5, 6 and 9:30 p.m. Eastern time, ESPN2/WatchESPN (order of games TBD)
West Regional Champion vs. Midwest Regional Champion
Northeast Regional Champion vs. East Regional Champion

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Saturday, April 7, 7:30 p.m. Eastern time, ESPN2/WatchESPN
National Championship

The following conferences and teams received automatic qualification:

Atlantic Hockey Association – Air Force

Big Ten Conference – Notre Dame

ECAC Hockey – Princeton

Hockey East Association – Boston U.

National Collegiate Hockey Conference – Denver

Western Collegiate Hockey Association – Michigan Tech

To purchase tickets for all the regional sites and the Frozen Four in addition to all information about the championship, log on to www.NCAA.com/FrozenFour.

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