

**THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA
DECLARATION OF PLAYING SEASON
FOOTBALL**

ACADEMIC YEAR: _____

I understand that my sport's declared playing and practice season is limited in length, and our team's competition schedule must adhere to NCAA limits. **The declared playing and practice season shall be on file in the Athletics Department prior to its beginning. Countable hours must be recorded on a daily basis for each student-athlete.** See below for sport-specific bylaws related to your playing and practice season. See applicable sport-specific rules in Bylaw 17.

FALL Championship SEGMENT: (Refer to NCAA rules under Bylaw 17, Football, for rules governing Playing and Practice Seasons for the Fall Championship Segment.)

Championship Segment – Dates*: _____ _____
 Beginning Date(first date of practice) **Ending Date** (last competition)

Championship Segment – First Date of Competition: _____

Definition of a Week: Begins on _____ and ends on _____. (e.g. Mon – Sun)
(Note: Once you determine the 7-day period that shall constitute a week, that designation may not change for the remainder of the segment.)

**Preseason practice shall begin with a five-day acclimatization period for both first-time participants (e.g., freshmen and transfers) and continuing student-athletes. All student-athletes, including walk-ons who arrive to preseason practice after the first day of practice, are required to undergo a five-day acclimatization period.*

SPRING Non-championship SEGMENT: (Refer to NCAA rules under Bylaw 17, Football, for rules governing Playing and Practice Seasons for the Fall Championship Segment.)

Non-Championship Segment – Dates*: _____ _____
 Beginning Date **Ending Date**

***Spring practice must be held within a period of 34 consecutive calendar days and must follow Bylaw 17, Football, Spring Practice regulations.**

Signature: Head Coach

Date

Signature: Compliance

Date