



The CFP Selection Committee will continue to rank





The 12 participating teams will be the five highest-ranked conference champions, plus the next seven highest-ranked teams.

RANKING TO SEEDING

- The four highest-ranked conference champions will be seeded 1-4 and will receive a first-round bye.
- The remaining teams, including the fifth conference champion, will be seeded 5-12 based on their final ranking.
- Non-conference champions and independents,
- like Notre Dame, ranked in the top four will be seeded beginning at No. 5. Because of this, the seeding,
- 1 through 12, could look different than the final rankings.





The bracket will follow the rankings with no modifications made to avoid rematches or games between schools from the same conference.



PLAYOFF FIRST ROUND

The eight teams seeded No. 5-12 will play in the first round with the higher seeds hosting the lower seeds on campus.









PLAYOFF QUARTERFINALS

The four highest-ranked conference champions will be assigned to Playoff Quarterfinals hosted by bowls. This will be done in consideration of historic bowl relationships and seeding.



PLAYOFF SEMIFINALS

The No. 1 seed

will receive preferential bowl placement for the Playoff Semifinals.