



STROBE LIGHT POLICIES NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

[Please Note: The only time usage of strobe lights requests will be approved by the NCAA are when advanced requests are made at specific venues that are known to have issues with lighting.]

Strobe lights are administered and pooled at the discretion of the NCAA or the host media coordinator. In cases where strobe lights are approved, a maximum of three sets of strobe lights may be installed at an arena for media agencies requiring immediate news coverage. Strobe lights for a conventional arena must not exceed 2,400 watt-seconds for each power pack, and the flash duration should be less than 1/1,000-second. A typical approved installation consists of four power packs with tube heads on each pack.

All hanging or installed strobes must be as close to the playing surface as possible, depending on the physical structure of the arena, near the corners of the playing surface. All strobes must be installed and tested, if necessary, at the site 24 hours before the start of the event during which the strobes will be used. The committee representative or NCAA championships staff liaison will grant final approval relative to the installation of strobes. After approval of the strobes, photographers and technicians shall not make changes to the strobes' power output or locations.

If the physical structure of an arena prevents a media agency from meeting these specifications, the agency may petition the specific sport committee for an exception.

No other strobes, including hand-carried units, are permitted in the arena, and no strobe or any other photography equipment may be placed on or attached to a goal standard, without approval from the NCAA.

A fee may be assessed by the strobe coordinator to cover installation, power, venue fees and equipment costs on a shared basis among the users. A venue may request agencies installing strobes to provide a current insurance certificate as a condition of installation.