

September
Recruiting Calendars

Men's Basketball

Evaluation Period:
Oct. 6, 2009 - March 31, 2010

EXCEPT FOR

Dead Period:
Nov 9-12, 2009

Women's Basketball

Evaluation Period:
Oct. 7, 2009 - Feb 28, 2010

EXCEPT FOR

Dead Period:
Nov 9-12, 2009

Women's Softball

Contact Period:
August 1-November 25,2009

Baseball

Contact Period:
Sept. 11- Nov. 8, 2009

Dead Period:
Nov 9 -12, 2009

Women's Volleyball

Contact Period:
Aug 1, 2009 - Dec 6, 2009

Women's Lacrosse

Contact Period:
Sept 1, 2009 - Nov 24, 2009

Cross Country/Track and Field

Contact Period:
Aug 9, 2009- Dec 13, 2009

Other Sports

Evaluation/Contact Period until
November 9-12, 2009



COMPLIANCE CORNER



OCTOBER 2009

RECRUITING



Can Coaches use Facebook?

Yes, however, the **ONLY** permissible method of communication through Facebook (and other social networking websites) is via e-mail. All other forms are prohibited. For example:

- No chatting
- No posting messages on a message board
- No posting messages on a prospect's Facebook "wall"

Is it permissible for a coach to initiate or respond to a "friend request"?

Yes, it is permissible for a coach to respond to a prospect's "friend request", provided the prospect is a **junior or older**. It is the responsibility of the coach to investigate the grade of the prospect prior to responding to a "friend request" from a prospect.

Is it permissible for a coach to appear on a prospect's Facebook page as one of the prospect's "friends?"

Yes, coaches should be reminded however that you may not make any public comments about the prospective student-athlete's ability, or any other comments regarding as to whether or not that prospect may be signing with your team or attending your institution.

Is it permissible for a coach to contact a prospect using the "Message" feature on Facebook?

Yes, this feature is consider an email function.

Definitions

Recruiting Periods (Bylaw 13.02.4)

Contact Period. A contact period is a period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members to make in-person, off campus recruiting contact and evaluations.

Evaluation Period. An evaluation period is a period of time when it is permissible for authorized department staff members to be involved in off-campus activities designed to assess the academic qualifications and playing ability of prospective student-athletes.

NO in-person, off campus recruiting contacts shall be made with the prospective student-athlete during an evaluation period.

Quiet Period. A quiet period is a period of time when it is permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts ONLY on the institution's campus. No in-person, off campus recruiting contacts or evaluations may be made during the quiet period.

Dead Period. A dead period is a period of time when it is not permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off the institution's campus or to permit official or unofficial visits by prospective student-athletes to the institutions campus. The provision of complimentary admissions to a prospective student-athlete during a dead period is prohibited, except as provided by Bylaw 13.7.2.5. During the dead period, a coaching staff member may not serve as a speaker, attend a meeting or banquet at which a prospective student-athletes are in attendance and may not visit a prospective student-athletes institution. It remains permissible however, for an institutional staff member to write or telephone a prospective-student athlete.

AWARDS AND BENEFITS

Bylaw 16.11.1.5 Occasional Meals

A student-athlete or the entire team in a sport may receive an occasional meal in the locale of the institution on infrequent and special occasions from an institutional staff member. An institutional staff member may provide reasonable local transportation to student-athletes to attend such meals. A student-athlete may receive an occasional family home meal from a representative of athletics interests on infrequent and special occasions under the following conditions:

(a) The meal must be provided in an individual's home (as opposed to a restaurant) and may be catered; and

(b) A representative of the institution's athletics interest may provide reasonable local transportation to student-athletes to attend the meal function only if the meal function is at the home of that representative.

PLAYING SEASONS

Bylaw 17.1.6.2.2 Skill Instruction - Sports Other Than Baseball

Participation by student-athletes in individual skill-related instruction in sports other than baseball and football is permitted outside the institution's declared playing season, from the institution's first day of classes of the academic year or September 15, whichever occurs earlier, to one week prior to the beginning of the institution's final examination period at the conclusion of the academic year. More than four student-athletes from the team may be involved in skill-related instruction with their coaches from September 15 through April 15. Prior to September 15 and after April 15, no more than four student-athletes from the same team may be involved in skill-related instruction with their coaches at any one time in any facility. Skill-related instruction shall not be publicized and shall not be conducted in view of a general public audience.

Bylaw 17.6.2.3 Skill Instruction - Baseball

In baseball, participation by student-athletes in skill-related instruction is permitted outside the institution's declared playing season, from the institution's first day of classes of the academic year or September 15, whichever occurs earlier, to one week prior to the beginning of the final examination period at the conclusion of the academic year. More than four student-athletes may be involved in skill-related instruction with their coaches from September 15 to one week prior to the final examination period for the fall term and from January 15 through April 15. No more than four student-athletes may be involved in skill-related instruction with their coaches at any one time in any facility prior to September 15, from the opening day of classes of the institution's second academic term to January 15 (for those institutions that begin classes prior to January 15) and after April 15. Skill-related instruction shall not be publicized and shall not be conducted in view of a general public audience.

