

COMPLIANCE CORNER



OCTOBER 2010

October

Recruiting Calendars

Men's Basketball

Contact Period:
Oct 1-5, 2010

Evaluation Period:
Oct 6, 2010 - Mar 30, 2010

Women's Basketball

Contact Period:
Oct 1-6, 2010

Evaluation Period:
Oct 1-3, 2010 (EVALUATIONS
PERMITTED AT NON SCHOLASTIC
EVENTS)

Oct 7-30, 2010

Women's Softball

Contact Period:
Aug 1 - Nov 24, 2010

EXCEPT FOR

Dead Period:
Nov 8 - 11, 2010

Baseball

Contact Period:
Sept 10 - Nov 7, 2010

Dead Period:
Nov 8-11, 2010

Women's Volleyball

Contact Period:
Aug 1- Nov 5, 2010

EXCEPT FOR

Dead Period:
Nov 8 - 11, 2010

Women's Lacrosse

Contact Period:
Sept 1- Nov 23, 2010

EXCEPT FOR

Dead Period: Nov 8 - 11, 2010



RECRUITING

NCAA Educational Column

Contact Restrictions at Practice or Competition Site (I/II)

Generally, pursuant to NCAA Division I Bylaw 13.1.1.1, it is permissible for institutional coaching staff members to contact prospective student-athletes on or after July 1 following the completion of the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school.

However, in accordance with Divisions I and II Bylaw 13.1.7.2, recruiting contact may not be made with a prospective student-athlete prior to any athletics competition in which the prospective student-athlete is a participant during the day or days of competition. Contact with prospective student-athletes by institutional coaching staff members shall be governed by the following provisions:

- a. Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete at any site prior to the contest on the day or days of competition;
- b. Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete from the time the prospective student-athlete reports on call (at the direction of the prospective student-athlete coach or comparable authority) and becomes involved in competition-related activity (i.e., travel to the competition) to the end of the competition even if such competition-related activities are initiated prior to the day or days of competition;
- c. Contact shall not be made after the competition until the prospective student-athlete is released by the appropriate authority and departs the dressing and meeting facility; and
- d. In Division I, contact shall not be made with a prospective student-athlete involved in competition on consecutive days until after his or her final event is completed and he or she is released by the appropriate authority and leaves the dressing and meeting facility. Contact shall not be made with a prospective student-athlete involved in competition that is not conducted on consecutive days until after his or her final contest is completed on a day before a break in the days of the individual's participation and he or she is released by the appropriate authority and leaves the dressing and meeting facility;



George Mason University
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Cross Country/Track and Field

Contact Period:
Aug15– Dec 12, 2010

Other Sports

Contact Period:
Oct. 1-31, 2010

Definitions

Recruiting Periods
(Bylaw 13.02.4)

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.



RECRUITING (CONT'D)

Division I institutions should note that the following provisions continue to apply to all campus visits:

1. NCAA Bylaws 13.6.6 and 13.6.7.7 require that lodging and meals provided to a prospective student-athlete during an official visit are comparable to those received by enrolled student-athletes during the regular academic year. Lodging must be standard and may not include any upgrades or special amenities not generally available to guests (e.g., Jacuzzis, suites);
2. Bylaws 13.6.7.9 and 13.7.3 state that during official or unofficial visits, a prospective student-athlete is not permitted to engage in any game-day simulations. Further, an institution may not arrange miscellaneous, personalized recruiting aides including, but not limited to, personalized jerseys and personalized audio/video scoreboard presentations. This provision also prohibits the use of decorative items and special additions to any location the prospective student-athlete will visit (e.g., locker room, hotel room, coach's office, arena) regardless of whether or not the items include the prospective student-athlete's name or picture. The areas a prospective student-athlete may visit should be maintained as they would normally appear;
3. Bylaw 13.10.5 states that a prospective student-athlete may not participate in team activities that would make the public or media aware of the prospective student-athlete's visit to the institution, including but not limited to, wearing game jerseys while observing practice or competition activities, running out of the tunnel with the team, celebratory walks to/around the stadium/arena, and on-field pregame celebrations. A prospective student-athlete may, however, be present in the locker room prior to or subsequent to competition and may stand on the sidelines during pregame activities prior to being seated in regular seating areas during competition;
4. Bylaw 13.6.1 states that an institution is required to have written policies regarding official visits that apply to student-athletes, student hosts, coaches and other athletics administrators that are approved by the institution's chancellor/president and kept on file at the institution and conference office. Further, the institution is required to have its written policies evaluated by an outside entity once every four years; and
5. Bylaw 13.6.7.5 states that a student host must be either a current student-athlete or a student designated to provide campus tours or visits to prospective students in general. In this regard, individuals are considered hosts if they are involved in traditional hosting duties such as tasks that require specific interaction with the prospect (e.g., entertaining, escorting, etc.). Individuals who are involved solely in administrative functions (e.g., stuffing envelopes, collecting unofficial visit money, handling complimentary admissions etc.) would not be considered student hosts.

ELIGIBILITY

NCAA Staff Interpretation

Institutional Limits on the Number of Transferable Courses (I)

Date Published: September 29, 2010

The academic and membership affairs staff confirmed that, in situations other than those related to the use of physical education activity courses for a men's basketball two-year college transfer, if a member institution places a limit on the number of courses [e.g., overall limit or limit from a specific area (e.g., physical education activity courses)] that may be transferred to the institution, then the institution may not use courses in excess of that limit when evaluating the transferable credit-hour requirements for 2-4 and 4-2-4 college transfers. However, when calculating the transferable grade-point average requirement, the certifying institution must include grades earned in all courses normally transferable to the institution, even if the institution limits the number of credits accepted from the two-year institution.