

University of South Carolina

Gamecock Compliance

Dear Gamecock Fans:

You are the most loyal fans, spectators, and supporters in the country. As you are aware, the NCAA mandates that the control and conduct of the South Carolina athletics program is the responsibility of the University of South Carolina. This responsibility extends to members of South Carolina booster organizations and alumni clubs, in addition to fans. Please be aware that NCAA rules prohibit you from making in-person recruiting contacts (on- or off-campus), or written and telephone communications with a recruit, the recruit's relatives or legal guardians. If you know of a talented recruit, please inform the appropriate head coach. Any violations of this rule may impact South Carolina's ability to recruit the prospect.

Likewise, the NCAA places restrictions on extra benefits and special arrangements that student-athletes or their family members may receive. NCAA rules prohibit you from providing transportation, entertainment, meals or anything else of material value to enrolled student-athletes or their family members unless the same benefit is available to all South Carolina students or the general public. Any extra benefit given to a student-athlete, no matter how big or small is a violation of NCAA rules and may adversely impact their eligibility for competition and result in the University's athletics programs being penalized by the NCAA.

University of South Carolina's athletics programs value your continued support. If you have questions, please do not hesitate in contacting the Office of Compliance Services at 803.777.1519 or athletics programs value your continued support. If you have questions, please do not hesitate in contacting the Office of Compliance Services at 803.777.1519 or athletics programs value your continued support. If you have questions, please do not hesitate in contacting the Office of Compliance Services at 803.777.1519 or athletics programs value your continued support. If you have questions, please do not hesitate in contacting the Office of Compliance Services at 803.777.1519 or athletics programs value your continued support.

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The Top 10 Things Fans & Friends of South Carolina Athletics Should Know:

- 1. The NCAA holds the University of South Carolina accountable for the actions of its fans and friends.
- You may not be involved in recruiting prospective student-athletes on behalf of South Carolina.
 A prospective student-athlete is a student who has started classes for the ninth grade or above.
- 3. You may send newspaper clippings and other information about talented prospects to the South Carolina coaching staff.
- 4. You may not become involved in arranging for a prospect, a South Carolina student-athlete or their family to receive money or financial assistance of any kind.
- 5. You may not provide transportation to a prospect, student-athlete or their friends and family.
- 6. You may not spend funds to entertain prospects, student-athletes or their friends and family.
- 7. You may not use a photo or name of a student-athlete for commercial purposes or sell student -athlete memorabilia.
- 8. You may continue established relationships with friends and neighbors whose children are prospects or current student-athletes, provided the relationship pre-dates high school and is not based on their status an athlete.
- Breaking NCAA rules can render prospects and student-athletes ineligible for competition at the University of South Carolina.
- 10. Always ask before you act!





