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Quick Hits: Extra Benefits



The University of Miami has permanently suspended football players, Al-Quadin Muhammad and Jermaine Grace, for violating NCAA rules. Muhammad, a redshirt junior defensive end and Grace, a senior linebacker, are being investigated for receiving heavily discounted luxury rental cars in exchange for a future stake in their careers. Linebacker Juwon Young had already been dismissed from the team in relation to the incident. The University of Miami will continue to provide financial aid for the two and since no staff members or boosters were involved, the team will not be subject to sanctions.

The NCAA has added what many are calling a “new twist” in the Ole Miss recruiting scandal case. The Association has begun interviewing student-athletes at other SEC schools to hear about their recruiting experience with Ole Miss and any other possible violations committed. The NCAA does not have subpoena power, so enforcement officials are getting student-athletes to offer their accounts by granting them immunity. The reason is to filter through the accounts to see if any other violations have occurred. Included in the 13 allegations against Ole Miss are impermissible extra benefits in the form of complimentary vehicle use, impermissible loans, and free lodging given to players by a representative of the institution’s athletics interests.

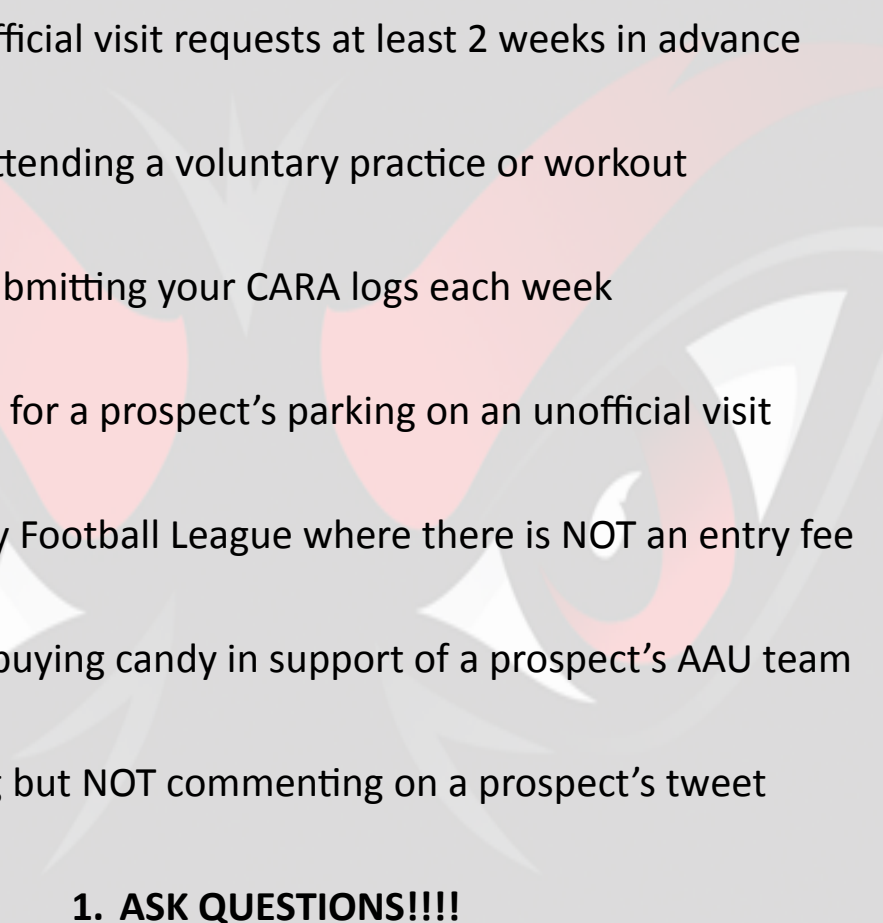
The issue in both of these cases is the violation involving extra benefits.

Per Bylaw **16.02.3: Extra Benefit. [A]** An extra benefit is any special arrangement by an institutional employee or representative of the institution's athletics interests to provide a student-athlete or the student-athlete family member or friend a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation. Receipt of a benefit by student-athletes or their family members or friends is not a violation of NCAA legislation if it is demonstrated that the same benefit is generally available to the institution's students or their family members or friends or to a particular segment of the student body (e.g., international students, minority students) determined on a basis unrelated to athletics ability. *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/19/13 effective 8/1/13)*

In the University of Miami case, players were given discounts on luxury vehicles due to the fact that they are football student-athletes. In the pieces of the Ole Miss case listed above, the players were given free vehicles because they’re student-athletes and a representative of the institution’s athletics interests provided them with free lodging.

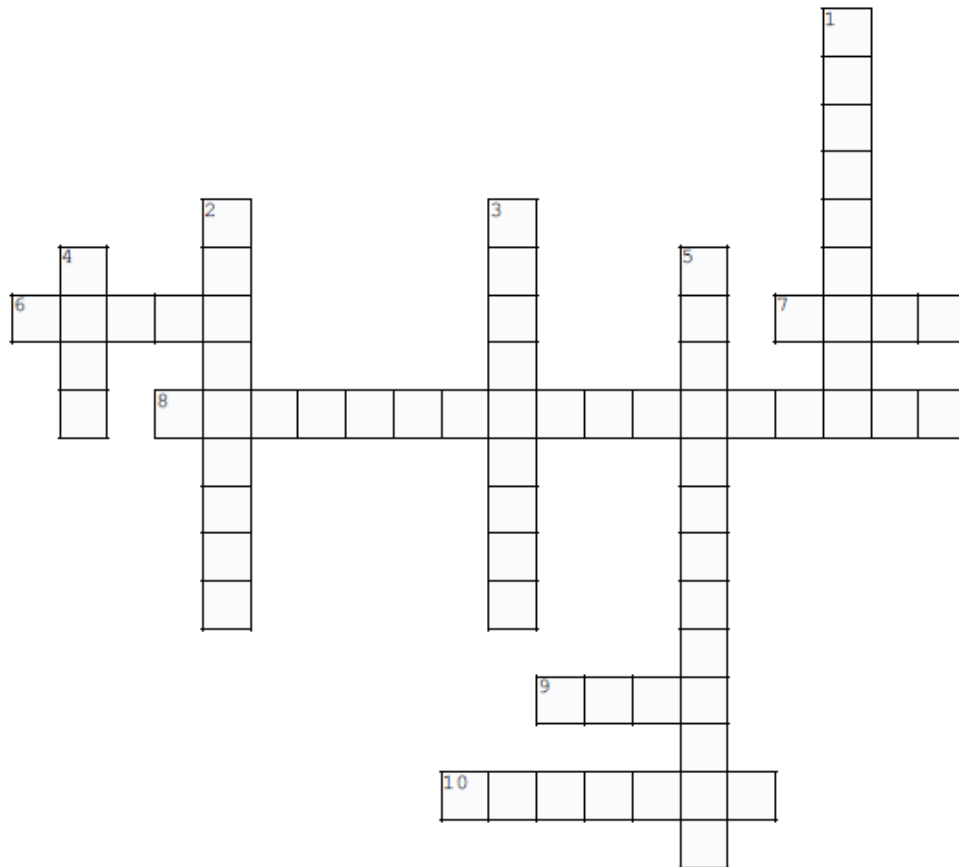


Top 10 ways to be the Most Compliant

10. Contacting a prospect in person any time other than during a dead period
 9. Submitting a travel authorization form (TA) PRIOR to recruiting
 8. Submitting official visit requests at least 2 weeks in advance
 7. NOT attending a voluntary practice or workout
 6. Submitting your CARA logs each week
 5. NOT paying for a prospect's parking on an unofficial visit
 4. Joining a Fantasy Football League where there is NOT an entry fee
 3. Saying "NO" to buying candy in support of a prospect's AAU team
 2. Retweeting but NOT commenting on a prospect's tweet
 - 1. ASK QUESTIONS!!!!**
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Compliance Crossword Puzzle

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- 6.** A member institution may provide a SA financial aid that covers the actual cost of course related _____. (Bylaw 15.2.3)
- 7.** _____ or clinic information may be provided at any time to recruits. (Bylaw 13.4.1.4)
- 8.** Evaluations conducted at the NBA Draft Combine are not included in the 130 _____ day. (Bylaw 13.1.7.5.4)
- 9.** Only one student _____ per PSA may be provided a free meal if restaurant facilities are used. (Bylaw 13.6.7.5.1)
- 10.** Awards presented by an institution or conference must be _____ for all team members receiving the award (Bylaw 16.1.2)

Down

- 1.** A SA who _____ from the institution may not receive financial aid for the remainder of the term (Bylaw 15.3.1.2)
- 2.** An institution is not permitted to extend the playing season to make up _____ or canceled games. (Bylaw 17.1.8)
- 3.** A transfer from a two-year college must present a minimum GPA of 2.5 to be a _____ (Bylaw 14.5.4.1)
- 4.** A SA may not engage in more than _____ seasons of intercollegiate competition in one sport. (Bylaw 12.8)
- 5.** A SA may not receive payment or any item of value from any source for his/her _____ admissions. (Bylaw 16.2.2.1)

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can a parking voucher be given to a potential student-athlete on an unofficial visit?

A: NO, it is not permissible for an institution to give a potential student-athlete a parking voucher during an unofficial visit. An athletic department cannot pay for any expenses on an unofficial visit.

Q: Does a Student-Athlete need to sign a host agreement form every time they host or only when a coach gives out host money?

A: A Student-Athlete must sign a host agreement every time they host to ensure that they are following the NCAA rules on hosting regardless if the coach gives out host money.

Q: Can a current Student-Athlete promote a commercial product or a service in a video?

A: NO! Student-Athlete's cannot promote commercial products or services in a video.

Q: Does a Potential Student-Athlete need to have an official test score to come on an official visit?

A: NO! A Potential Student-Athlete no longer needs an official test score to come on an official visit. Though, they still must provide the institution with an academic transcript, register with the NCAA Eligibility Center, and be placed on the institution's IRL with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

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Remember to **ASK BEFORE YOU ACT!**