



# The University of Cincinnati Bearcat Compliance Corner



**The Official Newsletter of the UC Compliance Office  
For coaches and athletic staff**

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## RECRUITING DATES

### **Men's Basketball-**

11/21 - 3/15 **40 Evaluation Days** (Those days during 11/21 through 3/15 not designated above for evaluation purposes are considered a **Quiet Period**)

### **Women's Basketball-**

11/15 - 2/28 **40 Evaluation Days** (Those days during 10/8 through 2/28 not designated above for evaluation purposes are considered a **Quiet Period**)

### **Football-**

12/23 – 1/2 **Dead Period**  
1/3 – 1/5 **Quiet Period**  
1/6 – 1/9 **Dead Period**  
1/10 – 1/11 **Quiet Period**  
1/12 – 2/1 **Contact Period**

**Additional restrictions below for FB two-year college prospects and their educational institutions:**

12/15 **Quiet Period**  
12/16 – 12/19 **Dead Period**  
12/20 **Quiet Period**

### **Volleyball-**

1/1 – 2/14 **Quiet Period**

### **All Other Sports-**

**Contact/Evaluation Period**



## NLI SIGNING DATES

A reminder that the signing period for men's and women's soccer and football begins next month on February 5<sup>th</sup> therefore NLI submittal forms should be turned in at the end of this month.

## ACADEMIC INELIGIBILITY

If you have student-athletes who are not in good academic standing this quarter, they may be eligible for practice activities but they may not engage in intercollegiate competition for the entire Winter Quarter. In addition, they may not participate in competition related activities such as team travel, pre- or post-game meals, or dressing in the team uniform for competition.

## ROSTER CHANGES

As we all know, student-athletes come and go for various reasons. There are academic casualties, transfers, cuts, quits and other reasons for students leaving the team.

It is absolutely essential that coaches notify the compliance office promptly whenever a student – athlete joins or leaves a team. It is important that we make the proper modifications to the squad and eligibility lists.

If a student-athlete is being removed from scholarship, you must complete the green GIA form and attach an explanation as to the reason the SA will no longer be receiving aid. No SA will be removed from aid unless this is done.

Also, if any student-athlete wants to join your squad, they must be certified as eligible by the compliance office before they participate in any practice activity.

**YOU MUST LET US KNOW OF ROSTER ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS.**

## NEW INITIAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

### INFORMATION ABOUT NCAA INITIAL ELIGIBILITY IMPORTANT INFORMATION! PLEASE READ!

The NCAA Division I initial-eligibility rules have changed.

For students entering any college or university during the 2003-04 or 2004-05 academic years, their NCAA initial eligibility will be evaluated under the new rule as described on this sheet. If an incoming student-athlete is ineligible under the new rule, the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse will automatically re-evaluate his/her academic record under the former rule to obtain the best possible result. **It is not possible to mix-and-match rules.** For example, a prospect cannot use the 13 core-course standard of the former rule and the sliding scale from the new rule.

For students entering any college or university on or after August 1, 2005, his/her NCAA initial eligibility will be evaluated using the new rule only.

#### THE NEW RULE:

- **INCREASES** the number of core courses from 13 to **14**. This additional core course may be in any area: English, mathematics, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language, nondoctrinal religion/ philosophy, or computer science. The breakdown of core course requirements is listed below.
- **CHANGES** the Division I initial-eligibility index, or sliding scale. ***See the next page for the Core GPA / test score sliding-scale index.***

\* **P L E A S E N O T E:** Computer science is being **eliminated** as an acceptable core-course area for students first entering any college or university on or after August 1, 2005. Students entering college on or after August 1, 2005, may not use any computer science courses in meeting the core course requirements

#### FORMER RULE

##### 13 Core Courses:

4 years of English.  
2 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher) .  
2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school ) .  
1 year of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.  
2 years of social science.  
2 years of additional courses (from any area above or foreign language, nondoctrinal religion/ philosophy, computer science\*).

#### NEW RULE

##### 14 Core Courses:

4 years of English.  
2 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher) .  
2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab if offered by high school ) .  
1 year of additional English, mathematics or natural/physical science.  
2 years of social science.  
**3** years of additional courses (from any area above or foreign language, nondoctrinal religion/ philosophy, computer science\*).

## CORE GRADE-POINT AVERAGE/TEST- SCORE SLIDING SCALE—DIVISION I

### FORMER CORE GPA / Test Score Index

(to be used with 13 core courses)

Core GPA	SAT	ACT
2.500 & above	820	68
2.475	830	69
2.450	840 - 850	70
2.425	860	70
2.400	860	71
2.375	870	72
2.350	880	73
2.325	890	74
2.300	900	75
2.275	910	76
2.250	920	77
2.225	930	78
2.200	940	79
2.175	950	80
2.150	960	80
2.125	960	81
2.100	970	82
2.075	980	83
2.050	990	84
2.025	1000	85
2.000	1010	86

### OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Effective date of new rule:

- Students first entering a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2003, may meet the initial-eligibility requirements under either rule.
- Students first entering a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2005, must meet the new 14 core course rule.

For more information regarding the new rule, please go to **WWW.NCAA.org**. Click on "Custom Home Pages" and pull the menu down to "Prospect / Parent" page.



## NEW CORE GPA / Test Score Index (to be used with 14 core courses)

Core GPA	SAT	ACT
3.550 & above	400	37
3.525	410	38
3.500	420	39
3.475	430	40
3.450	440	41
3.425	450	41
3.400	460	42
3.375	470	42
3.350	480	43
3.325	490	44
3.300	500	44
3.275	510	45
3.250	520	46
3.225	530	46
3.200	540	47
3.175	550	47
3.150	560	48
3.125	570	49
3.100	580	49
3.075	590	50
3.050	600	50
3.025	610	51
3.000	620	52
2.975	630	52
2.950	640	53
2.925	650	53
2.900	660	54
2.875	670	55
2.850	680	56
2.825	690	56
2.800	700	57
2.775	710	58
2.750	720	59
2.725	730	59
2.700	730	60
2.675	740 - 750	61
2.650	760	62
2.625	770	63
2.600	780	64
2.575	790	65
2.550	800	66
2.525	810	67
2.500	820	68
2.475	830	69
2.450	840 - 850	70
2.425	860	70
2.400	860	71
2.375	870	72
2.350	880	73
2.325	890	74
2.300	900	75
2.275	910	76
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## AROUND THE COUNTRY

Secondary NCAA recruiting violations were discovered at another Conference USA school due to an open records request. The head women's basketball coach of that university has been suspended for one game by the athletic director for the violation which occurred in August. Between October 2001 and February 2002, NCAA coaches were allowed to evaluate players in person a total of 40 days. An investigation found that the coach's assistants exceeded that number by 12 days. The two assistants who made most of the extra visits are no longer with the team but the AD suspended the head coach to send the message that even minor violations are taken seriously. Due to self-imposed penalties, this winter the number of evaluation days will be reduced from 40 to 16 and no in-person evaluations will be allowed in the county where most of the extra recruiting occurred. This is a reminder that all violations will be taken seriously and that institutions including UC, are not limited to imposing the "typical" sanctions outlined by the NCAA. Institutions have the authority to impose more sanctions than those outlined by the NCAA in order to send out a strong message.



## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Q.** Is it permissible for a prospect to attend a basketball game during the dead period?

**A.** No, a prospect is not permitted to take an official or unofficial visit to the campus during a dead period.

**Q.** Is it permissible for a coach to observe a prospect participating in an on-campus event during a quiet period?

**A.** No. The definition of an evaluation includes observation at any site. Coaches are not permitted to observe an event outside the contact and evaluation period, regardless of where the event is held.

**Q.** Does an institution have to get permission to speak to a potential JUCO or international transfer?

**A.** No, per 13.1.1.3, the permission to speak applies to students attending another NCAA or NAIA institution.

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