

THE COMPLIANCE CORNER

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August 2014

RECRUITING CALENDARS

BASEBALL

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

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XC/TRACK & FIELD

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VOLLEYBALL

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24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

ALL OTHER SPORTS

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New Legislation

The following changes to the Division I Manual are effective beginning August 1.

- Institutions must submit student-athlete catastrophic injury data to the NCAA on an annual basis.
- Each team must designate a team physician to oversee medical services for athletic injuries and illnesses.
- At least one institutional staff member with current first aid, CPR, and AED certification must be present during any countable athletically related activities.
- The definition of a countable coach has been refined.
- In sports other than basketball, cross country/track and field, football, and swimming and diving, unlimited telephone calls and any electronic correspondence (e.g., texts) are permissible beginning September 1 of the junior year.
- Recruiting materials are restricted to general correspondence with no restrictions on the design or content, except for size restrictions. Questionnaires, camp / clinic information, nonathletics institutional publications, and NCAA educational material still permissible at any time.
- Institutions may provide the maximum meal plan available as part of an athletic financial aid package.
- An institution may provide meals and snacks incidental to participation in intercollegiate athletics to student-athletes.

COMPLIANCE CHECK-IN MEETINGS

- ♦ Women's Soccer (with Lindsay), August 5.
- ♦ Volleyball (with Lindsay), August 8.
- ♦ Football (with Brian), August 10.
- ♦ Men's Soccer (with Ben), August 12.
- ♦ Cross Country (with Ben), August 18.
- ♦ All Other Sports (with Brandon), August 24.



NEW LEGISLATION EDUCATIONAL COLUMN

Proposal No. 2013-27 Recruiting -- Recruiting Materials and Electronic Correspondence (I)

This document contains questions and answers to assist the NCAA membership in its understanding of Proposal No. **2013-27** (recruiting materials and electronic correspondence).

Question No. 1: *Is it permissible for business cards, game programs and pre-enrollment information to be provided to prospective student-athletes as general correspondence or attachments to general correspondence?*

Answer: Yes, provided they do not exceed the size restriction. Game programs would need to be provided unbound and each page would need to meet the size restriction.

Question No. 2: *Does this proposal alter the legislation regarding video or audio material that may be provided to prospective student-athletes?*

Answer: No.

Question No. 3: *Is it permissible for an institution to provide a prospective student-athlete with a digital-media storage device (e.g., CD, flash drive) that contains electronic versions of printed recruiting materials?*

Answer: No. Bylaw 13.2.1 prohibits institutions from providing any tangible items to prospective student-athletes that are not printed recruiting materials. Electronic versions of printed material and digital media (e.g., video and audio material) may be provided to prospective student-athletes via electronic correspondence.

Question No. 4: *Is it permissible for an institution to provide a prospective student-athlete with printed material that produce sounds when opened (e.g., greeting cards that play a fight song or recorded message)?*

Answer: No. Such items are not considered printed materials. Permissible digital media (e.g., video and audio material) may be provided to prospective student-athletes via electronic correspondence.

Question No. 5: *May an institution provide a prospective student-athlete with posters, magnets, bound media guides and other similar items (e.g., Fathead wall graphic)?*

Answer: No. The proposal specifically limits the permissible printed material that may be provided to prospective student-athletes. In addition, Bylaw 13.2.1 prohibits institutions from providing any tangible items to prospective student-athletes that are not printed recruiting materials, such as magnets and wall graphics. An unbound media guide may be provided as general correspondence or an attachment to general correspondence provided each unbound page meets the size restriction.

Question No. 6: *May an institution provide general correspondence in a clear envelope?*

Answer: Yes. The size restriction is the only restriction regarding envelopes.



NEW LEGISLATION EDUCATIONAL COLUMN

Proposal No. 2013-24 Athletics Personnel -- Countable Coach (I)

This document contains questions and answers to assist the NCAA membership in its understanding of Proposal No. 2013-24 (countable coach).

Question No. 1: *What is "technical or tactical instruction"?*

Answer: Technical instruction is direction or teaching that relates to any sports-related technique. Tactical instruction occurs when an individual provides direction or teaches a student-athlete regarding a strategy, maneuver, play, scheme or the like.

Question No. 2: *What are "tactical decisions"?*

Answer: A tactical decision is a conclusion, determination or judgment related to a strategy, maneuver, play, scheme or the like.

Proposal No. 2013-28 Financial Aid -- Elements of Financial Aid -- Room and Board -- Maximum Meal Plan (I)

This document contains questions and answer(s) to assist the NCAA membership in its understanding of Proposal No. 2013-28 (room and board -- maximum meal plan).

Question No. 1: *May a student-athlete's meal plan provide for unlimited meals and any benefits that extend beyond the provision of meals (e.g., additional campus dollars that may or may not be restricted to dining facilities only, a limited number of "guest" access passes that allow a student to dine accompanied on occasion).*

Answer: Yes, provided the meal plan is available to all students.

Proposal No. 2013-16 NCAA Membership -- Active Membership -- Conditions and Obligations of Membership -- Designation of Team Physician (I)

This document contains questions and answers to assist the NCAA membership in its understanding of Proposal No. 2013-16 (designation of team physician).

Question No. 1: *Is the team physician designated within the NCAA Online Directory?*

Answer: No.

Question No. 2: *What is the definition of a "team physician"?*

Answer: Six national medical societies have published the following definition: "The team physician must have an unrestricted medical license and be a medical doctor (MD) or doctor of osteopathic medicine (DO) who is responsible for treating and coordinating the medical care of athletic team members. The principal responsibility of the team physician is to provide for the well-being of individual athletes - enabling each to realize his/her full potential. The team physician should possess special proficiency in the care of musculoskeletal injuries and medical conditions encountered in sports. The team physician also must actively integrate medical expertise with other healthcare providers, including medical specialists, athletic trainers and allied health professionals. The team physician must ultimately assume responsibility within the team structure for making medical decisions that affect the student-athlete's safe participation."

Question No. 3: *Is the individual who has been appointed as the team physician required to have any formal certifications and training?*

Answer: No. However, this individual must be a licensed physician and must meet state requirements.

Question No. 4: *Does this individual need to be an employee of the institution?*

Answer: No.

Question No. 5: *Does the legislation mandate the duties of the team physician?*

Answer: No. The duties of the team physician shall be determined by the institution.

Question No. 6: *Does the legislation require each team to have its own physician?*

Answer: No, a physician may serve one or more teams. A team physician should commit the necessary time and effort to provide healthcare to the team or teams to which he or she is designated. In addition, the team physician should develop and maintain a current, appropriate knowledge base of the sport or sports for which he or she is accepting responsibility.

Question No. 7: *May an institution designate more than one team physician for a particular team?*

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 8: *May the team physician be a physician with the campus health center or university medical school?*

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 9: *May an institution use a medical practice consisting of multiple physicians to satisfy the requirement?*

Answer: Yes.

Question No. 10: *How does an institution designate a team physician? Is there a form?*

Answer: Institutions are not required to report the designation to the NCAA. There is not a specific form that should be used to designate the team physician.



COMPLIANCE STAFF DESIGNATIONS

Ben Butler

Men's Soccer	JumpForward
Tennis	Eligibility Certification
Track & Field / XC (M & W)	

Brian DeCarlo

Baseball	Admission
Football	Camps & Clinics
Men's Golf	Donation Requests

Lindsay Jaffe

Lacrosse	Financial Aid
Women's Soccer	Housing
Swimming & Diving (M & W)	
Volleyball	

Brandon Wright

Basketball (M & W)	Rules Education
Women's Golf	

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Please provide this information to your student-athletes!

QUESTION: May an athletics department staff member post a tweet commenting on a particular facility used by prospective student-athletes (e.g. "Great ballgame at Township High School. One of the best high school baseball fields in the country!")?

ANSWER: No. While it is permissible for an institutional staff member to publicly post generic information on a social networking website including locations visited (e.g., visit to a high school or town, attending a contest), comments made about a specific prospective student-athlete, coach, high school or athletics facility that is primarily used by prospective student-athletes are not permissible.

Make sure you know how to submit these items in JumpForward for the 2014-15 year. If you are unsure please contact one of the Compliance Staff members to assist.



- ✓ Declaration of Staff
- ✓ Team Schedule
- ✓ Playing & Practice Season
- ✓ Official and Unofficial Visits
- ✓ Occasional Meals
- ✓ Roster Additions & Roster Deletions

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BEARCAT SPIRIT!

The **FOOTBALL** team has been selected as the top team in the American Athletic Conference's preseason media poll. The team garnered 17 of 31 first-place votes to beat out #2 Central Florida and the remaining institutions. The Bearcats open the season on Friday night, September 12, against Toledo downtown at Paul Brown Stadium!