



# COMPLIANCE CORNER



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# FOCUS OF THE MONTH

## SPORTS WAGERING

**10.3 Sports Wagering Activities.** [#] The following individuals shall not knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition: (Adopted: 4/26/07 effective 8/1/07)

- (a) Staff members of an institution's athletics department;
- (b) Nonathletic department staff members who have responsibilities within or over the athletics department (e.g., chancellor or president, faculty athletics representative, individual to whom athletics reports);
- (c) Staff members of a conference office; and
- (d) Student-athletes.

**10.02.1 Sports Wagering.** [#] Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur or professional team or contest. Examples of sports wagering include, but are not limited to, the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; Internet sports wagering; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize. (Adopted: 4/26/07 effective 8/1/07)

**10.02.2 Wager.** [#] A wager is any agreement in which an individual or entity agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt, dinner) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value. (Adopted: 4/26/07 effective 8/1/07)

## HOW TO REPORT A VIOLATION

**Question:** Where can I report NCAA violations?

**Answer:** All actual and potential violations of NCAA rules should be reported to Compliance Office staff, Director of Athletics, Faculty Athletics Representative or the Anonymous Reporting Hotline as soon as you are made aware of the situation.

**Question:** What if I'm concerned my name will get out from reporting a violation?

**Answer:** The Compliance Office is a confidential place to discuss any questions and concerns. If you have a violation to report or a question to ask about a potential violation, your conversation will be held in confidence unless a threat of harm exists. If you aren't comfortable reporting in person, you can do so anonymously through: <https://www.uc.edu/about/hotline.html>

**Question:** What if I need to submit a Title IX violation?

**Answer:** Potential Title IX violations should be reported to the Title IX Office or athletics liaison, Maggie McKinley. The Title IX Coordinator is Andrea Goldblum. She can be reached by phone at 513-556-3349 or by email at [andrea.goldblum@uc.edu](mailto:andrea.goldblum@uc.edu) or [titleix@uc.edu](mailto:titleix@uc.edu).

## STUDENT-ATHLETE REMINDERS:

- CARA logs need to be approved on Jump Forward by Friday.
- If you are in season (20 hours), it is permissible to have unlimited CARA hours on institutional holidays; however if you are out of season it is not. i.e. Labor Day, Monday, September 3.

# CAN YOU SPOT THE VIOLATION ?

A group of coaches at a local institution decide to start a fantasy football league for the coming 2018/19 NFL season. They set up the league with a minimal \$1 buy-in, and the winner taking all upon conclusion of the season. At a golf outing the day after an abysmal draft, two coaches decide to make things interesting. They decide that the winner of the golf outing will get the other's best draft pick and the loser must cover lunch expenses for the other.



1. While the buy in for the fantasy football league is only \$1, the NCAA Bylaws strictly prohibit sports wagering; specifically mentioning any fantasy leagues with entry fees and an opportunity to win a prize.

## Sports Wagering Activities (Bylaw 10.3)

- The following individuals **shall not** knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with sports wagering activities at any athletic level:
  - \* Student-Athletes
  - \* Staff members of an institution's athletic department
  - \* Nonathletics department staff members who have responsibilities within or over the athletics department

## Sports Wagering (Bylaw 10.02.1)

- Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization at any athletic contest. This may include, but is not limited to:
  - \* Internet sports wagering
  - \* **Fantasy leagues with entry fees and opportunity to win a prize**
  - \* Auctions with bids placed on contests
  - \* Bookmaker or parlay cards

## Wager (Bylaw 10.02.2)

- A wager is any agreement in which an individual agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt dinner) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value.



2. At first glance, the friendly wager during the golf outing may seem like an obviously prohibited activity, but the NCAA bylaws do not prohibit any of the individuals covered under Bylaw 10.3 from participating in "friendly wagers" outside of institutional practice or intercollegiate competition due to the fact that these outings would not be considered professional or intercollegiate practice or competition. **However, the NCAA discourages individuals from engaging in this type of activity.** See: Educational Column—Ethical Conduct—Sports Wagering Activities (I) 1/6/07

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: Can an institution provide admissions to a contest for participants in a camp/clinic?**

**A: Yes!** It is permissible for an institution to provide admissions to an institution's contest that occurs during the camp/clinic (e.g., the evening after the camp/clinic has ended for the day) provided the cost of the admission to the contest is included in the camp fees, if there is a fee to attend the contest. The admission to the contest also needs to be included in camp/clinic advertising and promotional materials.

**Q: May a coach personally invite an individual camp/clinic participant to the institution's contest?**

**A: NO!** A coaching staff member may not invite individuals not of permissible age who are participating in the camp/clinic to the institution's contest that evening as that would be an impermissible recruiting conversation pursuant to Bylaw 13.12.1.4.1. and Proposal No. 2017-113.

## RECRUITING CALENDAR

### FOOTBALL

Evaluation/Quiet  
1st-30th

### MBB

Quiet:  
1st-8th  
Contact:  
9th-30th

### WBB

Quiet:  
1st-8th  
Contact:  
9th-29th  
Evaluation:  
30th

### MBA

Quiet:  
1st-13th  
Contact:  
14th-30th

### ALL OTHERS

Contact:  
1st-30th