

The

COMPLIANCE CORNER

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Announcement

We want to wish farewell to our former Assistant Director of Compliance Deborah Gray. Deborah has recently taken a new position at Clermont College. Best of luck! **Here are the temporary sport assignments until her position is filled:**

Maggie – MBB, WBB, FB, WSO

Caitlin – VB, Base, MSO, LAX, Swim, Track

Alan – Tennis, Golf

Compliance Reminder

Reminder for calls that occur during a period in which limitations apply

- Every time a phone number for a prospect (or parent) is dialed, it must be logged
- Document whether a conversation took place or if only a voicemail that did not contain recruiting information was left
- Document dropped calls or things that occurred out of the ordinary (e.g. pocket dials)
- Do not return missed calls from numbers you do not recognize, it could be a PSA
- Once you have your countable call(s) for the week, it is not permissible to dial the PSA's (or parent's) number until the next permissible time
- It is never permissible to dial a PSA's number prior to the permissible time period to receive calls (excluding camp logistical issues)
- Communicate with your fellow coaching staff members, academic services and other coaches in the department that may be recruiting the same PSA

Recruiting Dates

Baseball

1/1 – 1/5 Quiet Period

1/6 – 1/9 Dead Period

1/10 – 1/31 Quiet Period

Men's Basketball

1/1 – 1/31 Evaluation Period

Women's Basketball

1/1 – 1/31 Evaluation Period

Football

1/1 – 1/3 Dead Period

1/4 – 1/8 Contact Period

1/9 Quiet Period

1/10 – 1/13 Dead Period

1/14 – 1/29 Contact Period

1/30 Quiet Period

1/31 Dead Period

Women's Lacrosse

1/1 Quiet Period

1/2 - 1/31 Contact Period

Track and Field/Cross Country

1/1 - 1/2 Quiet Period

1/3 - 1/30 Contact Period

Volleyball

1/1 - 1/14 Quiet Period

1/15 - 1/31 Contact Period

All Other Sports

1/1 – 1/31 Contact/Evaluation Period

TICKETS AND DEAD PERIODS

Reminder: You cannot provide PSAs, their family or friends with complimentary tickets during sports' dead period. To the right are the dead period dates:

BASE: Nov. 8-11, Jan. 6-9, April 11-14

MBB: Nov. 8-11, Dec. 24-26, Mar. 31- Apr. 7, Apr. 11-14, May 19-27, July 16-21

WBB: Nov. 8-11, Dec. 24-26, Apr. 1-7, Apr. 11-14, July 16-21

FB: Dec. 20-31, Jan. 1-3, Jan. 10-13, Jan. 31- Feb. 3

LAX: Nov. 8-11, Apr. 11-14, May 27-29

XC/TRK: Nov. 22, Dec. 13-16, Jan. 31-Feb. 3, Mar. 11-12, June 9-11

VB: Nov. 8-11, Dec. 15-31, Apr. 11-14

MSO/WSO: Jan. 31- Feb. 3

All Others: Nov. 8-11, Apr. 11-14

NLI SIGNING DATES

Sport	Initial Signing Date	Final Signing Date
Basketball and all other sports not listed (Early Period)	Nov. 10, 2010	Nov. 17, 2010
Football (Midyear JC Transfer)	Dec. 15, 2010	Jan. 15, 2011
Football (Regular Period)	Feb. 2, 2011	April 1, 2011
Field Hockey, Soccer, Track and Field, Cross Country, Men's Water Polo	Feb. 2, 2011	Aug. 1, 2011
Basketball (Regular Period)	April 13, 2011	May 18, 2011
All Other Sports Not Listed (Regular Period)	April 13, 2011	Aug. 1, 2011

Follow us on Facebook!

The compliance office now has a facebook page, all athletic departments members should follow the page here:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cincinnati-OH/Cincinnati-Athletics-Compliance/257385781960?ref=ts>

Coaches, please provide this link and information to your student-athletes.

REMINDER: You cannot be "friends" with a PSA on Facebook until the 1st permissible date that they can send general correspondence, which in sports other than MBB at UC is Sept. 1st on their junior year.



Secondary NCAA violations could carry suspensions for coaches

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College football coaches now run the risk of being suspended by the NCAA for one or more games if they commit a secondary recruiting violation, such as exceeding phone-call limits or sending a text message to a recruit.

The move is part of an effort to implement enhanced penalties for recruiting violations. It was proposed by the American Football Coaches Association and approved in mid-September by the NCAA Division I and II Committees on Infractions. The membership was informed but no public announcement made. The penalties apply to both Division I subdivisions and Division II.

A package of enhanced penalties for basketball, including a similar suspension element, was passed in October.

Grant Teaff, executive director of the AFCA, said his group is making an effort to police its own when it comes to recruiting annually one of the most competitive and contentious periods among schools and fans.

"This is our request: Anything that has to do with recruiting, if there's a proven violation, we want the ability for the NCAA to say this will cost you a week or a maximum of two weeks," Teaff said. "We as an association asked for that, and they granted that."

"We think that's a major step forward."

Punishment could depend on the circumstances, and suspension is not automatic, said Stacey Osburn, an NCAA spokeswoman. She said NCAA staff would examine each situation.

Osburn also said that to her knowledge this penalty has not yet been applied.

Secondary violations, which schools often self-report, normally bring lesser penalties such as reprimands. They include:

- Commenting on a recruit before he has signed a letter-of-intent, something Lane Kiffin did while at Tennessee on his Twitter page (the school said another employee actually typed the message); Kiffin also commented on an unsigned recruit while on a radio show.
- Posting comments on other public social media, which Virginia coach Mike London did last spring on a recruit's public Facebook page. It was deemed a secondary violation.
- Having a game-simulation for a recruit, for example, having recruits run into a stadium with their name on the scoreboard and music playing and a PA announcer making them feel as if they were on the team already. The University of Washington had a similar infraction in 2009 that included renting a fog machine.
- Phone calls to a recruit that exceed the NCAA limit.
- Text messaging a recruit, which is not allowed at all.
- Talking with a recruit during a non-contact period.

Major violations, such as paying money to a recruit, are handled by a tougher set of rules and often result in the school removing the offending coach.

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Bearcat Spirit!

Look out for your fellow Bearcats in their big events of the month:

Swimming/Diving vs. Miami OH. January 14th, 5:00 PM.

WBB- vs. Rutgers, January 15th @ 2:00 PM

MBB vs. January 29th, 8:00 PM.