



The University of Cincinnati Bearcat Compliance Corner



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

September 2007

RECRUITING DATES

Baseball –

9/1 – 9/13 **Quiet Period**

9/14 – 11/11 **Contact Period**

Men's Basketball –

8/1 – 9/8/07 **Quiet Period**

9/9/ – 10/5 **Contact Period**

All live evaluations during the academic year (except during the April contact period) shall be limited to regularly scheduled high school, preparatory school and two-year college contests/tournaments, practices and regular scholastic activities involving student-athletes enrolled only at that institution

Women's Basketball –

8/1 – 9/15/07 **Quiet Period**

9/16 – 4/22/08 **Evaluation Period**

Women's basketball staff members shall not exceed 100 recruiting-person days. A recruiting person day is defined as one coach engaged in an off-campus recruiting activity of a women's basketball prospect on one day; two coaches engaged in recruiting activities on the same day shall use two recruiting days.

***EXCEPT** Rest of days not included in 100 designated days **Quiet Period**

9/16 – 10/6 **Contact Period**

Football –

8/1 – 11/24/07 **Quiet Period**

***EXCEPT** - In bowl subdivision football, ix days during the months of September, October and through the last Saturday in November selected at the discretion of the institution (an authorized off-campus recruiter may visit a particular educational institution only once during this evaluation period).

W. Lacrosse –

9/1 – 11/20 **Contact Period**

***EXCEPT** 11/12 -11/15 **Dead Period**

Track and Field/Cross Country –

8/12 – 12/9/07 **Contact Period**

***EXCEPT** –

11/12 – 11/15 and 11/19 – 11/20 **Dead Period**

Volleyball –

8/1 – 12/2 **Contact Period**

*Each institution is limited to 80 evaluation days (August 1 through July 31, which does not include employment of coaches in instructional camps/clinics but do include involvement outside the contact/evaluation period with a local sports club.

***EXCEPT** – 11/12 – 11/15 **Dead Period**

All Other Sports –

9/1 – 9/30 **Contact/Evaluation Period**

CHECK-IN MEETINGS

Golf Sept. 7, 10:00

Tennis Sept. 7, 1:00

Swimming Sept. 6, 4:00 and Sept. 18, 10:00

Lacrosse Sept. 18, 11:00

Women's Track Sept. 18, 4:00

Men's Track Sept. 18, 5:30

TEXT MESSAGING

REMINDER: NO TEXT MESSAGING!

This includes no text messaging to parents of PSA's as well. It has also been determined that it is not permissible for institutional staff members to use a service or software that converts electronic mail (e.g., e-mail) sent by an institutional staff member into a text message when received by the prospect.

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 modification 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 AND SIGN OFF ON THE UPDATED SQUAD LIST.**

NLI SIGNING DATES

As you are planning for the upcoming school year, the signing dates for the 2008-09 National Letter of Intent signing period are as follows:

Sport	Initial Signing Date	Final Signing Date
Basketball (Early Period)	November 14, 2007	November 21, 2007
Basketball (Regular Period)	April 16, 2008	May 21, 2008
Football (Midyear JC Transfer)	December 19, 2007	January 15, 2008
Football (Regular Period)	February 6, 2008	April 1, 2008
Soccer	February 6, 2008	August 1, 2008
All Other Sports(Early Period)	November 14, 2007	November 21, 2007
All Other Sports (Regular Period)	April 9, 2008	August 1, 2008

PROCEDURE PRIOR TO OFFICIAL VISITS

1. Coach submits academic transcript with standardized test score along with Academic Evaluation Form and Core-Course GPA worksheet to compliance office. Be sure the PSA's social security number is on the evaluation so the compliance office can ensure he/she is registered with the eligibility center. Coach also submits a daily itinerary with all planned activities and meetings, contact information for the prospect, and the name of the student-host. Coach must check that student-host has been approved by compliance office.
 2. Compliance office registers evaluation on Official Visit Log and forwards to academic services for review.
 3. Academic services completes shaded portion of Academic Evaluation form and forwards it to compliance office.
 4. Director of Compliance completes compliance portion of academic evaluation, ensuring that prospect has taken a standardized test under national conditions (for high school prospects) and has registered with the Eligibility Center. Compliance office makes comments and enters on Eligibility Center institutional request list.
 5. Administrative Sport Oversight reviews forms and signs off for final approval of official visit.
- NOTE-All incoming transfer PSA's transcripts must go to Jacki PRIOR to their visit.**
6. A copy of academic evaluations will be sent to the sports coach. Until the coach receives this back, **do not assume the visit is approved.**

Remember, before a PSA can come on a visit, or sign a scholarship offer, he/she MUST be registered with the Eligibility Center (formerly the NCAA clearinghouse) and placed on our Institutional Request List (which the compliance or academic office does.)



OFFICIAL VISITS

With the new rule about PSA's registering with the Eligibility Center before making a visit, it is necessary that you are not waiting until the last minute to turn in academic evaluations. It will be hard to do a "rush" official visit if the PSA is not registered with the eligibility center. They do not have to have their transcripts and test scores submitted to the eligibility center, but must be registered.

FINAL TRANSCRIPTS

Transcripts from all previous colleges that incoming transfer students have attended must be submitted to Deborah Gray as soon as possible. Transfer students will not be certified as eligible for competition unless we have received ALL original transcripts. Transcripts can be sent directly from the original college to Deborah Gray. **Junior College transfers cannot receive financial aid until we have received proof of an AA and that they have met all other eligibility requirements.**

SQUAD LIST

Coaches, please be aware that you will be receiving your team squad list. Please look over the information and confirm your student-athletes, their athletic aid, seasons of eligibility used and player status. Return to Deborah Gray in the Compliance Office as soon as possible.

GAME ROSTERS

Coaches, please remember to turn in your game rosters 48 hours prior to your home game, or departure time on away contests. Compliance needs to approve the roster and send a copy back to you to make sure that everyone is eligible to participate.

INTERPS

PUBLICITY OF PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S ATTENDANCE AT A CAMP OR CLINIC HELD ON INSTITUTION'S CAMPUS

Pursuant to Bylaw 13.10.5, institutions shall not publicize, or arrange for publicity of, a prospective student-athlete's visit to the institution's campus. This prohibition includes publicizing, or arranging for publicity of, a prospective student-athlete's attendance at any camp or clinic held on the institution's campus. Therefore, it is not permissible for an institution to invite members of the media to attend a sports camp or clinic held on the institution's campus. It also is not permissible for an institution to provide members of the media special access (e.g., access to areas of the camp not accessible to the general public) to view or meet with the prospective student-athletes in attendance at a camp or clinic.

CONTENT RESTRICTIONS ON ENVELOPES USED TO SEND INSTITUTIONAL NOTE CARDS

The restrictions governing institutional note cards also apply to the envelopes used to send the note card(s). Therefore, an envelope used to send a note card may only contain the institution's name and logo (in addition to the postage, return address and addressee information) on the outside, must be blank on the inside when produced and may not exceed 8.5 by 11 inches.

ROOM STIPEND FOR STUDENT-ATHLETE RESIDING WITH PARENTS

When a student-athlete resides with his or her parents or legal guardians the institution may only award the room figure specifically established for a student-athlete residing with his or her parents or legal guardians as mandated by federal financial aid guidelines or institutional policy.



AROUND THE COUNTRY

NEBRASKA BASEBALL PLAYERS SUSPENDED FOR NCAA SECONDARY VIOLATION

Two members of the Nebraska University 2007 baseball team were suspended by the school for their part in exchanging school-issued bats for credit at a local sporting goods store. The two players will have to sit out 12 and 6 games respectively, and a third player was also given a penalty, but has transferred to a different school. One other NU player escaped suspension because the improper benefit he received was less than \$100. When the coaches and administrators were notified of the secondary violation, they reported it to the NCAA and recommended the players be suspended for part of the season. The NCAA responded, and agreed with the recommendation for suspension.

PURDUE PUT ON PROBATION AND LOSES SCHOLARSHIPS FOR VIOLATIONS

The Purdue women's basketball team will lose two scholarships and the school will be put on two years suspension after the NCAA ruled that a former assistant coach helped write a paper for a player and made over 100 improper recruiting phone calls. The then-head coach was not penalized, although she was told about the violations twice and did not immediately report them. The former assistant coach typed, corrected, and revised a research paper for a student during the 2005-2006 season, and also made 105 impermissible calls to two recruits. The phone calls were considered serious because they were not an isolated incident. The assistant coach and player were suspended indefinitely before the conference championship of the 05-06 season and neither returned to the school. The NCAA penalties will reduce Purdue's scholarships to only 13 for this season; however they have no restrictions on post season play.

TEXAS PLAYER SUSPENDED FOR BORROWING CAR FROM A FRIEND

A football player for Texas was suspended for 3 games for borrowing a car from a friend. The friend had no connections to the school but it was not released who the friend was. The player said it was an honest mistake. Coaches, remind your athletes to be careful who they are borrowing stuff from and who they are associating with. Friendships with certain people should not be escalated above what they were in the past so that it doesn't seem the student is getting an extra benefit because they are an athlete.

BEARCAT SPIRIT

Come show your Bearcat spirit at the following events:

9/2	WSO	Miami	1:00 p.m.
9/6	FB	Oregon State	7:30 p.m.
9/12	VB	Stanford	7:00 p.m.
9/13	MSO	Xavier	7:00 p.m.
9/21	WSO	Louisville	5:30 p.m.
9/21	MSO	Georgetown	8:00 p.m.
9/22	FB	Marshall	7:30 p.m.
9/28	VB	Marquette	7:30 p.m.

Go BEARCATS!!!

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September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			Remember to turn in game rosters to the compliance office 48 hours prior to your game/departure!		BASE, MBB, WBB - Quiet Period LAX, TR, VB- Contact Period	1 FB – Quiet Period except 6 designated days All Others- C/E Period
2	3	4	5	6 4:00 Swim check in	7 10:00 Golf check in 1:00 Tennis check in	8
9 MBB- Contact Period through 10/5	10	11	12	13	14 BASE- Contact Period	15 Dining hall opens
16 WBB- Contact Period through 10/6 for designated recruiting days	17	18 10:00 Swim check in 11:00 LAX check in 4:00 MTR check in 5:30 WTR check in	19 Classes start	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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