



The University of Cincinnati Bearcat Compliance Corner



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

December 2008

RECRUITING DATES

Baseball –

11/14 – 2/28/09 **Quiet Period** (with exceptions)

Men's Basketball –

10/6 – 3/31/09 **Evaluation Period** except:
12/24 – 12/26 **Dead Period**

Women's Basketball –

9/16/08 – 4/22/09 **Evaluation Period**
except: Shall not exceed 100 recruiting-person days.
Days not designated for Evaluation Period: **Quiet**
12/24 – 12/26 **Dead Period**

Football –

11/30 – 1/31/09 **Contact Period**
except: specified Quiet and Dead Periods in
December and January. Six in-person off-campus
contacts per PSA shall be permitted during this
time period with not more than one permitted in
any one calendar week (Sun. through Sat.)
12/21/2007 **Quiet Period**
12/22/2007 – 1/1/2009 **Dead Period**

Lacrosse –

11/26 – 1/1/09 **Quiet Period**

Volleyball –

8/1 – 12/7 **Contact Period**
12/8 – 12/16 **Quiet Period**
12/17 – 12/31 **Dead Period**

Track and Cross Country

8/10 – 12/14 **Contact Period**
12/15 – 1/2/09 **Quiet Period**
12/15 – 12/18 (12:01 am) **Dead Period**

All Other Sports –

12/1 – 12/31 **Contact & Evaluation Period**

NLI SIGNING DATES

Basketball (Regular Period)	April 15, 2009	May 20, 2009
Football (Midyear JC Transfer)	December 17, 2008	January 15, 2009
Football (Regular Period)	February 4, 2009	April 1, 2009
Field Hockey, Soccer, Track and Field/Cross Country, Men's Water Polo	February 4, 2009	August 1, 2009
All Other Sports (Regular Period)	April 8, 2009	August 1, 2009

DORMS/DINING HALLS – BREAK

The dorms will close at noon on December 13. Please be sure your athletes have left before then (unless there is prior approval) so they don't get charged for staying late. The dorms will re-open at 10am on January 4.

The last meal served in the dining halls is lunch on December 12. The dining hall will then re-open for breakfast on January 5.

PRACTICE DURING EXAMS

For those teams outside the playing season, all athletically related activities are prohibited from December 1 through the end of each SA's exams.



DATES THAT COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS TO PROSPECTS ARE NOT PERMISSIBLE

Baseball

January 2 – 6

April 6 – 9

Men's Basketball

December 24-26

April 2- 9 (noon)

April 13-16

May 21-30

July 16-21 (exceptions)

Women's Basketball

December 24-26

April 3- 9

April 13-16

July 16-21

Cross Country/ Track and Field

December 15- Dec 18

February 2-5

March 13-15

June 10 – 14

Football

December 22 – Jan 1

January 12 – 15

February 2-5

Lacrosse

April 6 – 9

May 22 – 24

Volleyball

December 17 -31

April 6 – 9

Soccer

February 2 - 5

All other sports

April 6 - 9

No complimentary tickets may be given to any prospects for a UC athletic event during Dead Periods in your sport.



AROUND THE COUNTRY

Division I Committee on Infractions Penalizes Indiana University

Indiana University received three years probation for recruiting violations under the former men's basketball coach, Kelvin Sampson. This case involves multiple violations of telephone recruiting rules, unethical conduct by two coaches, and a failure to monitor by Sampson and the university. The penalties, in addition to the probation, include: public reprimand and censure, a reduction of one men's basketball athletic scholarship, a two-day reduction on the number of July 2008 evaluations, a reduction in the recruiting opportunities available for a prospect during his junior and senior year of high school, a one coach reduction in the number of recruiters, a reduction in 07-08 official visits, a 20 day limit for off-campus recruiting by the head coach, and a reduction in the number of allowable phone calls from Sept. 17, 2007 – May 21, 2008. Additionally, Sampson was given a five- year show-cause order and Rob Senderoff, a former assistant, was given a three-year show-cause order. The coaches were found to have provided false or misleading information during the investigation, knowingly violated committee penalties already imposed on Sampson from previous incidents at Oklahoma, and they acted intentionally and with knowledge that they were committing violations.

DID YOU KNOW ?

An institutional staff member cannot bail a student-athlete out of jail, or help pay for any part of the bail, even if the student-athlete repays the value of the bail that was posted on their behalf. It is considered a loan of money and impermissible under Bylaw 16.11.2.3.

A local institution recently self-reported a secondary violation involving an assistant coach and a student-athlete in which the assistant coach posted bail for a SA. The SA immediately repaid the money upon cashing a check at a local check cashing store. Even though the SA immediately repaid the amount that the assistant coach posted as bail, it was considered an impermissible loan of money and the SA was withheld from 10% of his season.

VACATION PERIOD ISSUES

LODGING AND MEALS

NCAA Bylaw 16.5.2 Permissible

Identified housing and meal benefits incidental to a student's participation in intercollegiate athletics that may be financed by the institution are:

(e) **Vacation-Period Expenses.** The institution may provide the cost of room and board to student-athletes (during official institutional vacation periods) in the following circumstances. If an institution does not provide a meal to its student-athletes under such circumstances, a cash allowance may be provided, not to exceed the amount provided by the institution to institutional staff members on away from campus trips:

(1) Student-athletes who are required to remain on the institution's campus for organized practice sessions or competition during the institution's official vacation period. If the student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided by the institution, other than to permit the student-athlete to participate in team meals incidental to practice sessions; (2) Student-athletes who return to campus during the institution's official vacation period occurring during a regular academic term (not including vacation periods between terms) from institutional competition. Under such circumstances, room and board expenses may be provided beginning with the student-athlete's arrival on campus until the institution's regular dormitories and dining facilities reopen. If the student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided by the institution; or (3) Student-athletes who return to campus during the institution's official vacation period between regular academic terms (e.g., summer-vacation period) from institutional competition that occurs at the end of the institution's playing and practice season or a segment thereof. Under such circumstances, room and board expenses may be provided for no more than a 48-hour period, beginning with the student-athlete's return to campus. If the student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided by the institution.

In addition, an institution,, at it's discretion, also may provide an additional meal (as opposed to the cash equivalent) to SAs to meet nutritional needs as a benefit incidental to participation during each day of any vacation period, provided the SA is required to remain on-campus to be involved in practice or competition.

TRAVEL

NCAA Bylaw 16.8.1.2.2 Transportation for Competition Occurring between Terms

athletes to the campus from the nearest bus or train station or major airport in conjunction with practice and/or team travel relating to competition that occurs between the end of a final examination period of the fall

or winter quarter and the beginning of the following regular term.

NCAA Bylaw 16.8.1.4.1 General Rule

An institution may provide team transportation for a student-athlete to travel from campus to the site of a regular-season contest and back to campus. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

NCAA Bylaw 16.8.1.5.1 General Rule

The institution may provide team transportation for a student-athlete to travel from campus to the site of an NCAA championship, NGB championship in an emerging sport or a postseason bowl game and back to campus.

NCAA Bylaw 16.8.1.5.1.1 Exceptions

(a) Student-Athlete Does Not Use Team Transportation. The institution may provide (in lieu of team transportation) the greater of the transportation costs for the student-athlete to travel from:

- (1) Campus to the event site and back to campus;
- (2) Campus to the student-athlete's home and back to campus; or
- (3) The student-athlete's home to the event site and back home.

(b) Student-Athlete Uses "Leg" of Team Transportation. An institution that provides one "leg" of actual team transportation (i.e., campus to the event site or from the event site back to campus) must deduct the value of the actual transportation cost of that "leg" from the allowance provided the student-athlete in (a) above.

(c) Second Trip Home. If a student-athlete either uses team transportation to travel from campus to the event site and back to campus, or participates in an event that takes place in the institution's home community, and also has personally paid for a round-trip ticket home during that same vacation period, that student-athlete may be provided actual transportation expenses to travel between campus and home on a second occasion during that same period.

Multiple Regular-Season Competitions During Vacation Period

The membership services staff confirmed that the travel expense formula set forth in Bylaw 16.8.1.4.1.1 may be applied separately to each regular-season competition that occurs during the institution's vacation period. The staff noted that an institution that provides any leg(s) of actual team transportation (i.e., from campus to the event site or from the event site back to campus) must deduct the value of the actual transportation cost of that leg from any allowance provided to the student-athlete. For example, if an institution is competing in two contests during a vacation period, the student-athlete shall pay

only the additional cost associated with traveling from the first event site to the student-athlete's home and from home to the second event site.

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