



The University of Cincinnati Bearcat Compliance Corner



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For coaches and athletic staff*

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RECRUITING DATES

Baseball –

7/1 – 7/31 **Contact Period**

Men's Basketball –

7/1 – 7/5 **Quiet Period**

7/6 - 7/15 **Evaluation Period**

7/16 – 7/21 **Dead Period**

7/22 – 7/31 **Evaluation Period**

Women's Basketball –

7/1 – 7/5 **Quiet Period**

7/6 - 7/15 **Evaluation Period**

7/16 – 7/21 **Dead Period**

7/22 – 7/31 **Evaluation Period**

Football –

7/1 – 7/31 **Quiet Period**

Lacrosse –

7/1 – 7/31 **Contact Period**

Volleyball –

7/1 – 7/31 **Contact Period**

All Other Sports –

7/1 – 7/31 **Contact Period**

DRUG TESTING CONSENT FORM

Coaches, if you have any incoming athletes that will not be 18 by the time they arrive on campus, please send a list to Caitlin Stoffer ASAP so she can send the drug testing consent form to them ahead of time for their parents to sign.

NLI SIGNING DATES

As you are planning for the upcoming school year, the National Letter of Intent signing dates for PSAs enrolling in the 2010 – 2011 school year are as follows:

Sport	Initial Signing Date	Final Signing Date
Basketball (Early Period)	November 11, 2009	November 18, 2009
Basketball (Regular Period)	April 14, 2010	May 19, 2010
Football (Midyear JC Transfer)	December 16, 2009	January 15, 2010
Football (Regular Period)	February 3, 2010	April 1, 2010
Soccer, Track and Field, Cross Country	February 3, 2010	August 1, 2010
All Other Sports (Early Period)	November 11, 2009	November 18, 2009
All Other Sports (Regular Period)	April 14, 2010	August 1, 2010

FINAL TRANSCRIPTS

Incoming freshmen need to send their final transcripts and test scores to the Eligibility Center ASAP. The Eligibility Center processes certifications based on when they receive the information and when the PSA is placed on UC's IRL. **International students will not be issued an I-20 until they are a final qualifier.** The International Student Services Office will not issue it until the student is eligible to receive financial aid. In order to be eligible they need to be a final qualifier.

CHECK-IN MEETINGS

Coaches, if you have not done so already, please email Maggie with your requested date for your team's compliance check-in meeting. This meeting must be done before your team participates in ANY athletically related activities.

AMATEURISM CERTIFICATION

All PSAs who have registered with the Eligibility Center must return to the Web site to finalize their answers to the amateurism questionnaire ASAP(a.k.a. Request Final Certification). PSAs need to log in with their personal identification number and check the box titled "Final Authorization" for amateurism certification. A link entitled "Prospective Student-Athletes: How to Request a Final Certification" containing helpful instructions regarding this process has been added to the Amateurism Certification Web page on www.ncaa.org. From the "Academics and Athletics" tab, choose "Eligibility and Recruiting," select "Amateurism" from the list of links, and then select "Amateurism Certification Information" under the Pre-Enrollment heading.

AROUND THE COUNTRY

South Carolina reports list of secondary NCAA violations

The University of South Carolina athletic department reported fourteen secondary violations, five from the men's basketball program. The basketball violations included a PSA being interviewed on an official visit, free tickets not being issued according to procedure, impermissible tickets given for the NIT tournament, a PSA given improper hotel accommodations during an official visit, and a current basketball player and PSA provided impermissible entertainment on an official visit. The football program was cited for three violations: an assistant coach sent a text message to a PSA, PSAs watched a display that simulated a game-day experience, and an ineligible player was provided transportation to an away game. The track program committed two Level I violations: coaches attended voluntary athletic related activities, and two PSAs came to the school on an official visit before getting the proper approval. The remaining infractions were: men's soccer players given an

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impermissible nutritional supplement, a men's swimmer competing before being certified as eligible, and an athlete practicing past the two-week period before being added to the team's official roster.

Oklahoma State faces major violation in its baseball program

A former baseball player accepted a used car as a gift while he was in a summer league, resulting in what could be a major violation that will affect the baseball program. The player received a 10 year-old car from the family he stayed with while playing in the summer league; the family had no prior connection to OSU athletics. The family collected about \$200 for the player's car from their church and bought the car, valued under \$5,000. The car was presented to the player as a gift from the church, however it was determined that the family paid the majority of the car's purchase price, making the acceptance of the gift a major violation. When the player learned he could not be reinstated to the team until he repaid the gift, he forfeited his final season of eligibility. OSU contends it was not a major violation because the family had no prior connection to the athletic department.

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