

# MAKING HEADLINES

### South Carolina Commits Recruiting Violations

Two assistant football coaches at South Carolina were found to have created impermissible relationships with high school coaches to create a recruiting advantage.

During an evaluation period, the two assistant coaches visited a high school to observe the team's workout. While this is permissible, a violation occurred when the high school coach ran position-specific drills with four prospects at the direction of the South Carolina assistant coach. One week later, the high school coach again handpicked three prospective student-athletes to perform drills exclusively for a different South Carolina assistant coach, also at that assistant coach's request.

The Committee on Infractions stated these tryouts "confer an unfair advantage in the recruiting process on institutions that engage in them to the detriment of institutions that comply" with NCAA rules.

The penalties include a \$5,000 fine, reduction in evaluation days, and a prohibition from South Carolina recruiting the involved prospects.

### University of Northern Colorado Basketball Coaches

Nine members of the Northern Colorado Men's Basketball staff were directly involved in violations that included completing classwork for prospects, paying for classes the prospects needed to be academically eligible, and arranging off-campus practice sessions with academically ineligible student-athletes. The Committee on Infractions levied penalties including a return of all money for its appearance in the 2011 NCAA Tournament, reduction in scholarships, vacation of wins from the time period involved, and a show-cause penalty for each staff member.



## COMPLIANCE

### MVP:

This month's Compliance MVP comes to us from the Football staff. We would like to thank Don Corzine for his support and help with the Compliance Office. Thank you Don!



## STUDENT-ATHLETE EMPLOYMENT

- All student-athletes must keep the Compliance Office updated on their employment status throughout the year; including the summer months.
- An employment form must be filled out and approved by the head coach and Compliance Office.
- Student-athletes can only be paid for actual work performed and must be paid by check or direct deposit.
- Student-athletes must be paid the going rate in the area for similar services.
- Student-athletes must not receive any benefits not generally available to all employees in a similar position.

## Compliance Tip of the Month:

Student-athletes **MUST** be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies leading to a degree in order to participate in organized practice sessions, unless the student-athlete is in the final semester of their degree program and the student is taking the courses needed to complete the degree requirements.

## CAMPS & CLINICS

An institution's sports camp or instructional clinic is any camp or clinic that is owned or operated by a member institution or an employee of the member institution's athletics department, either on or off its campus, and in which prospective student-athletes participate.

### Camp Reminders:

- A football camp or clinic may be conducted only during two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July.
- Basketball camps or clinics may be conducted only during the months of June, July, and August and must include an education session detailing NCAA initial-eligibility standards.
- Camps or clinics involving prospective student-athletes may not be held during a dead period. All camps or clinics must be open to any and all entrants (limited only by number, age, grade level, and/or gender).
- Prospective student-athlete should not be employed at University of Miami institutional camps, unless he/she has signed an NLI with the University of Miami.
- In men's basketball, no individuals associated with a recruited prospect shall be employed at institutional camps.

## COMPLIANCE NOTES

Should you or a member of your staff be aware of any compliance or institutional violations, as a reminder, you are obligated to inform Craig Anderson, Jennifer Strawley or Blake James of the violation.

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## Promotional Activities

Student-athletes are permitted to participate in promotional activities if the activities are in support of a charitable, educational, or nonprofit agency. To qualify, the following additional criteria must be met:

- The activity cannot involve promotion by a commercial agency other than through reproduction of the sponsoring company's officially registered regular trademark or logo on printed materials;
- A student-athlete's name or picture may not appear on a printed promotional item (e.g., poster, calendar) that includes a reproduction of a product with which a commercial entity is associated if the commercial entity's officially registered regular trademark or logo also appears;
- The student-athlete cannot miss class;
- All monies derived from the activity must go directly to the member institution or the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency;
- The student-athlete may accept actual and necessary expenses from the member institution, member conference or the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency related to participation in such activity;
- A student-athlete's name, picture or appearance is not utilized to promote the commercial ventures of any nonprofit agency.

Before participating in any promotional activities, any participating student-athletes and an authorized representative of the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency must complete the "Promotional Activity/Donation Request Form" and have it verified by the compliance office. All promotional activities need to be coordinated through the Student-Athlete Development and Marketing offices.

## JANUARY RECRUITING CALENDAR

### BASEBALL

- Quiet Period - January 1-3
- Dead Period - January 4-7
- Quiet Period - January 8-31

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

- Recruiting Period - January 1-31

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- Evaluation Period - January 1-31

### FOOTBALL

- Dead Period - January 1-11
- Contact Period - January 12-31

### CROSS COUNTRY/TRACK & FIELD

- Quiet Period - January 1-2
- Contact Period - January 3-31

### VOLLEYBALL

- Quiet Period - January 1-12
- Contact Period - January 13-31

### SOCCER

- Dead Period - January 1-5
- Contact Period - January 6-31

### ALL OTHER SPORTS

- Contact Period - January 1-31



### Covered Individual

A covered individual may include but is not limited to, an agent, a certified contract advisor, financial advisor, marketing representative, brand manager or anyone who is employed or associated with such persons.

### Gambling

The NCAA *strictly prohibits* student-athletes and institutional staff members from gambling or wagering anything of value on any sport that the NCAA sponsors. This includes providing information to an individual that intends to use the information for gambling purposes.

# ASK BEFORE U ACT

Compliance Questions? Contact a compliance staff member, e-mail us at [Athleticscompliance@miami.edu](mailto:Athleticscompliance@miami.edu), or call 305-284-2692. Please follow us on Twitter (@UCompliance) and "like" us on Facebook, ([www.facebook.com/UCompliance](http://www.facebook.com/UCompliance)).