

NOVEMBER 2017

COMPLIANCE NEWSLETTER

MAKING HEADLINES

Autonomy Publication of Proposed Legislation

Proposed legislation changes for Autonomy members of the NCAA have been released. Over the next month, member institutions will discuss the proposed legislation changes internally. Each institution will then report to their conference, and the conference will decide how to vote as a whole before the NCAA in early 2018. Some proposed changes would take effect immediately, while others could begin in August of 2018 or later.

Louisville Student-Athlete Cleared by FBI

The FBI has informed the University of Louisville that freshman men's basketball student-athlete Brian Bowen has been cleared of "investigative impediments" and the University can consider his reinstatement. The University of Louisville is at the center of an FBI investigation regarding alleged bribery and fraud in college basketball. Despite the FBI clearing Bowen, the University will now conduct an internal investigation to determine whether to reinstate Bowen, including whether or not any NCAA Bylaws were in fact violated. There is no timetable for the University's investigation.

No NCAA Penalties for North Carolina

The NCAA found that despite North Carolina providing fraudulent classes, no NCAA rules were broken because the classes were available to all students. The Committee on Infractions stated that it was more likely than not that student-athletes received fraudulent credit and that certain courses were used to maintain and obtain eligibility. Ultimately, however, the controlling fact was that these classes were available to all students and that the member institutions govern themselves when it comes to academic progress. The University stated it has undergone major internal reforms to avoid this issue from reoccurring.



COMPLIANCE CHAMP:

This month's Compliance Champ comes to us from the Communications Department. We would like to thank Tim Brogdon for his support and help with the Compliance Office. Thank you Tim!



RECRUITING AND THE MEDIA

- A member institution shall not permit a media entity to be present during any recruiting contact made by a coaching staff member on or off campus.
- Before a prospective student-athlete signs an NLI, an institution may comment publicly only to the extent of confirming its recruitment of the prospective student-athlete and not on athletic ability or the potential to contribute to the team.

Compliance Tip of the Month:

An institution **CAN PROVIDE** complimentary admission to prospective student-athletes on official and unofficial visits. For official visits, an institution can provide up to 6 complimentary admissions for guests accompanying the prospect. For unofficial visits, an institution can provide up to 3 complimentary admissions. All complimentary admissions **MUST** be issued through a pass list on an individual-game basis. The guests **MUST ACCOMPANY THE PROSPECT** in order to receive their ticket. If you have any questions, contact Compliance!

VACATION PERIOD

REMINDERS

During a Vacation Period, Student-Athletes may receive room and board expenses in the following circumstances:

- Student-Athletes who are required to remain **on campus** for organized practice sessions or competition.
- If a student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided, except for a meal that is incidental to participation to required activities.

Student-Athletes who return to campus from institutional competition during the official vacation period during a regular academic term (e.g., Spring Break), room and board expenses may be provided when the student-athlete arrives on campus.

If an institution does not provide a meal to its student-athletes, a cash allowance may be provided not to exceed the amount provided by the institution to institutional staff members on away from campus trips.

COMPLIANCE NOTES

To prevent academic violations by collegiate athletic programs there must be institutional control. With multiple academic violations happening in major Division I programs across the country, it is important that head coaches hold themselves and their staffs accountable and make sure these types of incidents do not happen at the University of Miami.



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NLI Early Signing Period

November 8-15

For all sports other than football and soccer, the National Letter of Intent early signing period is approaching quickly. Compliance would like to remind all coaches and staff about certain policies regarding the NLI process:

- In person, off-campus delivery of a National Letter of Intent to a prospective student-athlete is prohibited. It is only permissible to send a NLI via express mail, regular mail, e-mail, or fax.
- National Letters of Intent can be sent to the prospective student-athlete prior to the early signing date but cannot be signed until 7a.m. on November 8th.
- A National Letter of Intent must be signed prior to the conclusion of the signing period, November 15th.
- The prospective student-athlete must sign two copies; returning one to the institution and keeping one for their own records. Parents must sign both copies.
- All prospective student-athletes under the age of 21 also require the signature of a parent or legal guardian.
- NLI's must be returned to the compliance office for final approval.



NOVEMBER RECRUITING CALENDAR

BASEBALL

- Contact Period - November 1-5
- Dead Period - November 6-9
- Quiet Period - November 10-30

MEN'S BASKETBALL

- Recruiting Period - November 1-5
- Dead Period - November 6-9
- Recruiting Period - November 10-30

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- Evaluation Period - November 1-5
- Dead Period - November 6-9
- Evaluation Period - November 10-30

FOOTBALL

- Evaluation Period - November 1-25
- Contact Period - November 26-30

WOMEN'S SOCCER

- Contact Period - November 1-30

CROSS COUNTRY/TRACK & FIELD

- Contact Period - November 1-5
- Dead Period - November 6-9
- Contact Period - November 10-17
- Dead Period - November 18
- Contact Period - November 19-30

ALL OTHER SPORTS

- Contact Period - November 1-6
- Dead Period - November 7-10
- Contact Period - November 11-30



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