



IN THE NEWS

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COMPLIANCE MVP

This month's MVP comes to us from Track & Field!

We would like to thank Josh Maser for his support and help with the Compliance Office.



Maryland was recently penalized by the Committee on Infractions for coaching limitations violations in men's basketball and providing impermissible recruiting materials in women's basketball. The coaching limitation violations occurred when the men's basketball director of operations provided:

- 1) technical basketball instruction (e.g., proper shooting form) to a student-athlete on approximately 10 occasions; and
- 2) tactical basketball instruction by reviewing upcoming opponents' scouting reports with student-athletes in the film room on 8 occasions.

Both types of instruction caused men's basketball to exceed coaching limitations. The women's basketball recruiting violations were discovered during the men's basketball investigation. These violations occurred when:

- 1) the women's basketball staff showed personalized recruiting booklets to 17 prospects during their unofficial visits; and
- 2) the women's basketball staff sent puzzles to approximately 150 prospects.

The puzzle violations were a result of the women's basketball staff's failure to follow the compliance office's advice. The compliance office told the women's basketball staff to print the puzzles on card stock or cardboard paper but they printed them on puzzle board instead. This slight difference was all it took to turn the permissible recruiting materials into a tangible, impermissible recruiting inducement.

Key Takeaways:

- 1) Recent cases have shown relatively few instances of actions that resulted in an increase from Level III to a Level II major infraction. In this case, a major infraction resulted, in part, from a noncoaching staff member providing coaching instruction to student-athletes on only 10 occasions.
- 2) The women's basketball staff's failure to consult with the compliance office regarding a slight deviation from their initial advice contributed to this Level II case.
- 3) The head men's basketball coach was able to rebut the presumption of responsibility for his staff member's violations by, among other things, showing that he strictly enforced noncoaching staff rules when he was present, and providing evidence during the investigation that he followed up on red flags.

Contact Period

Evaluation Period

Recruiting Period

THE RECRUITING PERIODS

Quiet Period

Dead Period

Recruiting Shutdown

For all sports, the calendar year is divided into different recruiting periods that allow for various recruiting activities. These include the following:

Contact & Recruiting Period

A contact period (recruiting period for men's basketball) is a period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members (countable coaches only!) to make in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts and evaluations.

Quiet Period

A quiet period is a period of time when it is permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts only **on the institution's campus**. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts or evaluations may be made during a quiet period.

Evaluation Period

An evaluation period is a period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members to be involved in off-campus activities designed to assess the academic qualifications and playing ability of prospective student-athletes. **Off-campus contact may not be made with prospects during an evaluation period.**

Dead Period

During a dead period it is not permissible to make any in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off of the institution's campus. However, it remains permissible to call or write recruits during this period.

Recruiting Shutdown

*Basketball ONLY

A recruiting shutdown (women's basketball only) is a period of time when **no form of recruiting is permitted**. This includes no calls, texts or emails to a PSA or members of their family. Social media actions of approval are not permitted during a recruiting shutdown.

NOTE: ONLY COUNTABLE COACHES MAY RECRUIT ON BEHALF OF UM ATHLETICS!































REPORTING VIOLATIONS

All known violations are required to be submitted to Craig Anderson or Blake James. If you are aware of a violation, recruiting or otherwise, please make sure that one of these two individuals are informed.




































SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media has grown to be an increasingly prevalent part of everyday life. Staying in compliance with the rules and regulations regarding social media is more important now than ever. Below are a few dos and don'ts to keep in mind:

Prior to PSA Signing a National Letter of Intent or Financial Aid Agreement

	Friend/Follow a PSA	“Like” or “Favorite” a PSA’s post or a post about a PSA	Share or Retweet a PSA’s post or a post about a PSA	Comment on a PSA’s post or on a post about a PSA	Tag or Mention a PSA in a post
					
					
					
					
					

AFTER PSA Signs a National Letter of Intent or Financial Aid Agreement

	Friend/Follow a PSA	Private Message a PSA	“Like” or “Favorite” a PSA’s post or a post about a PSA	Share or Retweet a PSA’s post or a post about a PSA	Comment on a PSA’s post or on a post about a PSA	Tag or Mention a PSA in a post
						
						
						
						
						



Fall Stipend
Distribution
Schedule

August 14, 2019

September 19, 2019

October 24, 2019

November 21, 2019

December 19, 2019

SPORTS WAGERING

NCAA rules prohibit student-athletes, coaches, athletic department staff and university administrators from wagering on sports sponsored by the NCAA (at any level) or providing information to others who are associated with sports wagering.

IF YOU RISK SOMETHING, IT'S A BET - If you put something at risk (such as cash, entry fee, dinner or other tangible items) on any amateur and/or professional sporting event with a chance to win something in return, you violate NCAA sports wagering rules.

NO SPORT WAGERS OF ANY KIND - Types of sport wagers that violate NCAA rules include, but are not limited to, fantasy leagues, March Madness brackets, Super Bowl squares, sports pools, online sports bets, sports betting apps, parlay and prop bets, live in-game betting and single game sports bets.

Click **HERE** to learn more!



TELEPHONE CALLS

The following are sport-specific regulations for when it's permissible to make phone calls to prospective student-athletes.

Baseball & Women's Basketball	May receive calls from PSA's at any time (other than recruiting shutdown and July Eval period restrictions apply to only women's basketball). Coaches may initiate calls beginning Sept 1st of PSA's junior year in high school (at discretion).
Men's Basketball	May receive calls from PSA's at any time. Coaches may initiate calls beginning June 15 at the conclusion of PSA's sophomore year (at discretion).
Football	May receive calls from PSA's at any time. Juniors: One (1) call between April 15 - May 31 Seniors: One (1) call per week after Sept 1st outside of a contact period & unlimited during contact periods.
All Other Sports	Coaches may not initiate or receive calls from PSA's until June 15 at the conclusion of the PSA's sophomore year in high school.

NOTE: Noncoaching staff members should check with compliance before texting or calling prospects.

RECRUITING CALENDARS

SEPTEMBER 2019



Baseball

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Women's Basketball

SEPTEMBER 2019

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Men's Basketball

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Football

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Track & Field/CC

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Volleyball

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All Other Sports

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CONTACT PERIOD

Permissible for countable coaches to make in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts and evaluations.

QUIET PERIOD

Permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts only on UM campus. No in-person, off-campus recruiting.

EVAL PERIOD

Permissible for countable coaches to evaluate PSA's at off-campus events but no in-person off-campus contact may occur.

RECRUITING PERIOD MBB ONLY

Countable coaches may make in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts and evaluations.

DEAD PERIOD

In-person recruiting contacts are not permissible (on or off-campus). Evaluations, official, and unofficial visits are not permitted.

RECRUITING SHUTDOWN

No form of recruiting is permitted. Social media actions of approval are not permissible.

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