

University of Miami ATHLETICS



GUIDE TO OUTSIDE TEAM FOREIGN TOURS INVOLVING STUDENT-ATHLETES

This guide is intended to serve as a summary of NCAA regulations applicable to Bylaw 17.29.2 - Outside Team Tours. The information is relative to any outside team foreign tour that a student-athlete participates. All University of Miami student-athletes are required to document their involvement with outside teams with the Compliance Office prior to participation.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES

Participation on an Outside Team Tour: It is permissible for a current student-athlete to participate on an outside team tour according to the following guidelines:

Bylaw 17.29.2 – Outside-Team Tours

An outside team that includes student-athletes from more than one member institution may participate in international competition in any sport on a foreign tour. However, any such outside team that includes more than the following number of student-athletes from the same member institution must be certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, 10/31/02, 1/16/10)*

Baseball	4	Gymnastics	2	Swimming and Diving	5
Basketball	2	Ice Hockey	4	Tennis	2
Cross Country	2	Lacrosse	5	Track and Field	7
Fencing	4	Rifle	2	Volleyball	2
Field Hockey	5	Skiing	4	Water Polo	4
Football	5	Soccer	5	Women's Rowing	4
Golf	2	Softball	4	Wrestling	5

Bylaw 17.29.2.1 – Institutional Foreign-Tour Limitations

A member institution shall be charged with its foreign-tour opportunity in a sport and its once-in-four-years limitation if the institution is represented by more than the number of student-athletes specified under Bylaw 17.32.2 on an outside team participating in a foreign tour in that sport.

Bylaw 12.1.2.1.4.3 - Expenses from Outside Team or Organization.

Expenses received from an outside amateur sports team or organization in excess of actual and necessary travel, room and board expenses, and apparel and equipment (for individual and team use only from teams or organizations not affiliated with member institutions, including local sports clubs as set forth in Bylaw 13.11.2.3) for competition and practice held in preparation for such competition. Practice must be conducted in a continuous time period preceding the competition except for practice sessions conducted by a national team, which occasionally may be interrupted for specific periods of time preceding the competition. *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92)*

Bylaw 16.11.1.1 - General Rule - Permissible.

Receipt of a benefit (including otherwise prohibited extra benefits per Bylaw 16.11.2) by student-athletes, their relatives or friends is not a violation of NCAA rules if it is demonstrated that the same benefit is generally available to the institution's students and their relatives or friends.

Bylaw 16.11.2.1 - General Rule – Nonpermissible.

The student-athlete shall not receive any extra benefit. The term "extra benefit" refers to any special arrangement by an institutional employee or representative of the institution's athletics interests to provide the student-athlete or his or her relatives or friends with a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation.

Reminders in Conjunction with an Outside Team Tour:

The following are reminders for activities in preparation to compete and fund raise in conjunction with a Outside Team Tour:

_____ Request for Outside Competition Form shall be approved by and maintained in the Athletic Compliance Office.

_____ A student-athlete may participate in fund-raising activities for the outside team. Any money raised **MAY NOT** be earmarked for the student-athlete and **MUST** be contributed directly to the outside team of which the student-athlete is a member or the organization that is sponsoring the team/tour.

_____ An institution **MAY NOT** donate funds to an outside team in an effort to defray the cost for the outside team or a student-athlete who will be participating on the outside team.

_____ Athletic department staff **MAY NOT** provide donor/booster lists to a student-athlete; however, the athletic department **MAY** assist a student-athlete with booster information, (i.e., name, address, telephone). It is recommended that the student-athlete be acquainted with such booster or donor.

_____ A representative of the institution's athletics interest (Booster) **MAY** make a general contribution to an outside team provided the funds are not earmarked for a particular student-athlete.

_____ Donations and contributions may be made by personal friends, family, relatives of the student-athlete as well as University of Miami athletics representatives whom the student-athlete is acquainted.

_____ **No cash donations** – checks or money orders only.

_____ Copies of checks must be maintained in the Compliance Office

_____ The donor(s) shall receive a letter and rules education information (regarding donations involving student-athletes) from the Compliance Office requesting acknowledgement from the donor of his/her understanding of and agreement to the NCAA rules and guidelines that govern outside team-foreign tour issues.

Amateurism/outside participation**Date Issued:** Jun 13, 1990**Type:** Ed. Column**Item Ref:** Column 24 #2

Interpretation: Amateurism/outside participation: Several questions have been asked recently in reference to participation in a fund-raising event related to such competition. In this regard, it is permissible for student-athletes who are members of outside teams to participate in fund-raising activities for the team, including activities that involve the use of athletics ability to obtain funds. Any money raised through fund-raising efforts should not be earmarked for a specific student-athlete and should be contributed directly to the outside team of which the student-athlete is a member. Also, it would not be permissible for a student-athlete to have a personal "sponsor" (i.e., other than an individual upon whom the athlete is naturally or legally dependent, or the nonprofessional organization sponsoring the competition) to provide expenses or any other form of compensation for the student-athlete's participation in any athletics competition. Finally, Bylaw 12.2.3.1 permits an individual to participate singly or as a member of an amateur team against professional athletes without jeopardizing the individual's eligibility for intercollegiate athletics in that sport. In many instances, student-athletes participating in individual sports (tennis, golf) participate (as amateurs) in professional tournaments. NCAA legislation precludes such individuals from receiving any payment (including actual and necessary expenses) conditioned on the individual's place finish or performance, or given on an incentive basis. It would be permissible for such individuals to compete as amateurs and receive expenses not in excess of the same reasonable amount of expenses given to all individuals participating as amateurs. The amount of such travel, room and board expenses should be a uniform allowance (e.g., \$100 per day) determined by the sponsors of the event prior to the individual's participation in the event and not conditioned on the individual's place finish in the event.

Institutional donations to outside teams that include student-athletes from that institution**Date Issued:** Aug 07, 1992**Type:** Official**Item Ref:** 9-a-(5)

Interpretation: The Council reviewed an interpretation related to Bylaws 16.8.1.3 and 16.12.2.1 that an institution (including institutional coaching staff members) may not make a donation to an outside organization to defray expenses for the organization's competitive tour if a student-athlete from that institution will be a participant on the tour, even if the donation is not made specifically for use by the student-athlete. [Conference No. 10, Minute No. 3.]

Donations to Athletes in Action team by institutions coach**Date Issued:** May 05, 1987**Type:** Staff Interpretation**Item Ref:** 1-a-(1)**Archive Info.:** Archived Before Sept 2000

Interpretation: Based upon the provisions of Constitution 3-1-(g)-(5) and 3-1-(h), the staff concluded that in a situation in which a student-athlete was selected for the Athletes in Action team, it would be impermissible for the student-athlete's collegiate basketball coach to donate funds to AIA for use to defray expenses for AIA's foreign tour in which the student-athlete will participate. However, it was agreed that it would be permissible for a representative of the institution's athletics interests to make a general contribution to AIA, provided there was no institutional involvement in making the contribution. No further action is necessary.

Receipt of expenses to participate in outside competition**Date Issued:** Jun 17, 1992**Type:** Ed. Column**Item Ref:** Column 24 #1

Receipt of expenses to participate in outside competition: Member institutions should note that in accordance with NCAA Bylaw 12.1.2-(e), student-athletes participating in organized competition may receive expenses from an outside amateur sports team or organization if expenses are not in excess of actual and necessary travel, room and board expenses, and apparel and equipment for competition and practice held in participation for the competition. In addition, per Bylaw 12.1.2-(j), student-athletes also may receive actual and necessary expenses from a nonprofessional organization that is sponsoring the competition. Please note that the provisions of Bylaw 12.1.2-(i) would preclude a student-athlete from receiving any type of expenses from the outside organization that are conditioned on the individual's place, finish or performance in the competition without jeopardizing the student-athlete's eligibility for intercollegiate competition in that sport

REQUEST FOR OUTSIDE COMPETITION

Request must be completed & approved prior to competing in outside competition. Please use a separate form for each student-athlete. Information describing the competition must be included with this request. Request WILL NOT be approved without information provided by a coach or student-athlete.

NAME: _____ **SPORT:** _____

In what kind of competition will you be competing? **One-time competition** (e.g. tournament, golf match, etc.) **League/Team**
-Fill out Parts 1, 3 and 4(a) **-Fill out Parts 2, 3 and 4(b)**

If you are a **Women's Soccer, Volleyball, or Men's or Women's Basketball** student-athlete and are competing with an outside team, you must complete the backside of this form as well.

PART 1: ONE-TIME COMPETITION

Name of competition: _____
 Date of competition: _____
 Location of competition: _____

Who will you be representing? Self University of Miami
 Club team: _____
 National/Olympic Team: _____
 Other (describe): _____

PART 2: LEAGUE/TEAM

Name of league (if applicable): _____
 Name of team (if applicable): _____
 Dates of involvement: _____
 Location of league/team: _____

Who will you be representing? Self University of Miami
 Club team: _____
 National/Olympic Team: _____
 Other (describe): _____

PART 3: EXPENSES

Who is responsible for paying the expenses (registration fees, transportation, meals, lodging) of this competition?

Self University of Miami Parents/Relatives
 Club team National/Olympic Team
 Team Sponsor (name): _____
 Other (describe): _____

PART 4: SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

(a) One-time competition: Attach information regarding event (brochure, print-out, etc.)
 (b) League/Team Attach the following:
 Schedule Roster Information regarding event (brochure, print-out, etc.)

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the above and attached information is correct and that my participation in outside competition does not violate NCAA Bylaws 14.7 pertaining to outside competition.

Student-athlete signature: _____ **Date:** _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input type="checkbox"/> Notification to S/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Notification to Head Coach/Designee	Initial: _____	Date: _____
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If you are a **Women's Soccer, Volleyball, or Men's or Women's Basketball** student-athlete and are competing with an outside team, please read the following guidelines pertaining to your outside competition and sign at the bottom of this form acknowledging that you are aware of the guidelines and will comply with them.

Prior to a student-athlete participating on a team in a league during the summer vacation period (after May 1 for Soccer and Volleyball), the league must be certified in accordance with the NCAA rules and regulations and the student-athlete must acknowledge:

1. Written permission must be obtained from the institution's athletic director or designee.
2. The team shall not make any payments directly or indirectly to you for play or expenses. Awards, equipment and apparel may be accepted provided the cost of these items is included in the entry fee. Additionally, the league or event may not market the athletic reputation or ability of a student-athlete.
3. Should an injury or withdrawal of a Division I player on a team roster occur, the institution is permitted to replace the player with another institutional player; only one replacement per team for the remainder of the season.
4. No admission shall be charged for any game, no fee for parking shall be paid to attend games, no revenue shall be realized from raffles, or similar activities, and no revenue shall be realized from over-the-air cable television or radio rights' fees for any games. **No all-star games allowed.**
5. Two-year or four-year college athletic department staff members shall not be allowed to participate or be employed.
6. Neither the league nor any member team shall have on its staff or as a participant any individual who has been found guilty or pleaded guilty for having been involved in sports bribery, point shaving or game fixing.
7. A certified event shall not be conducted in a venue where sports wagering on intercollegiate athletics is permitted or on property sponsored by an establishment that permits sport wagering on intercollegiate athletics or branded with signage for such an establishment.

Specific to Soccer and Volleyball

- Such participation occurs no earlier than May 1
- The number of student-athletes from any one institution does not exceed:
Soccer – 5
Volleyball – 2
- No class time is missed for practice activities or for competition

Specific to Men's and Women's Basketball

- As a Division I player, you must limit your competition to one team in one league. In addition, only two (2) student-athletes from our UM squad are allowed to participate on the same team. Prospective student-athletes may also participate on this team; a transfer student-athlete must obtain a transfer release from the previous institution and be accepted for admissions to UM.
- League play shall be within 100 air miles of the city limits of the student-athlete's official residence at the end of the previous academic year or the institution the student-athlete last attended as a regular student. If a league does not exist within 100 air miles of the student-athlete's residence, a student-athlete may participate in the summer league located closest to the student's official residence. No air or ground transportation expenses shall be provided.
- Competition shall occur during June 15th – August 31st (or the institution's first day of class). Post-season playoffs or tournaments are permitted provided that they involve intra-league competition and are completed by August 31st (or the institution's first day of class).

I certify my knowledge of the information provided and agree to abide by all guidelines and regulations. I agree to report to the UM Director of Athletics, any violations or improprieties that may occur during my participation in the summer league.

Student-Athlete Signature

Date

Compliance Approval

Date

League has been certified by the NCAA: **Yes** **No**