

# U COMPLIANCE

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COMPLIANCE NEWSLETTER

## MAKING HEADLINES

### UConn Men's Basketball Under Investigation

The NCAA announced it will conduct an investigation into possible recruiting violations with the men's basketball program at UConn. The investigation is separate from the FBI probe into men's college basketball. While details have not emerged, UConn released a statement saying it would cooperate fully with the NCAA's inquiry. The investigation will revolve around alleged impermissible contacts of recruits and potentially impermissible activities during official visits.

### NCAA Considering Change to Transfer Rules

At the National Convention in early January, leaders from member institutions discussed changing the current transfer procedures in the NCAA manual. The mission statement from the NCAA Transfer Working Group was to "come up with a solution that's the least restrictive model and that's feasible." While a change in the legislation would create new issues for member institutions across the country, a change is expected and could be implemented as soon as August 2018.

### Hurricanes Extend Super Bowl Appearance Record

When Philip Dorsett took the field in Super Bowl 52, it marked the 119th appearance by a Miami Hurricane in a Super Bowl. This extends Miami's record of former players to play in the Super Bowl; USC is second with 117 appearances. Additionally, Miami is tied with the University of Tennessee for the most individual players to play in a Super Bowl at 61. Notable alums Ted Hendricks, Vince Wilfork, and Jim Kelly are all tied for most appearances by a Miami Hurricane with 4 each. Ted Hendricks won all 4 of his appearances when he represented the Baltimore Colts, LA Raiders, and Oakland Raiders.



## COMPLIANCE MVP:

This month's Compliance MVP comes to us from the Baseball Team. We would like to thank Norberto Lopez for his support and help with the Compliance Office. Thank you Norberto!



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## NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT

By signing a [National Letter of Intent](#), a prospective student-athlete agrees to attend the designated college or university for one academic year. Pursuant to the terms of the National Letter of Intent program, participating institutions agree to provide athletics financial aid to the student-athlete, provided he/she is admitted to the institution and is eligible for financial aid under NCAA rules.

An important provision of the National Letter of Intent program is a recruiting prohibition applied after a prospective student-athlete signs a Letter of Intent. This prohibition requires participating institutions to cease recruitment of a prospective student-athlete once a National Letter of Intent is signed with another institution.

A prospective student-athlete must sign the NLI and athletics aid agreement within 7 days of issuance, or else the NLI is invalid.

## Compliance Tip of the Month:

No matter how confident you are that Team USA will win the most gold medals at the Winter Olympics, remember one thing: **DON'T BET ON IT!** Nothing of value can be wagered on any sporting event whether you are a staff member or student-athlete. Enjoy the games as a fan who's only interest is to enjoy watching the various events!

## AFTER SIGNING AN NLI

- There are [no restrictions on publicity](#) related to a prospective student athlete [after](#) he or she has signed a National Letter of Intent.
- Dead Periods do not apply to those PSAs who have signed NLIs.
- All contact and evaluation restrictions are lifted for NLI signees (13.1).



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## COMPLIANCE NOTES

Each institutional staff member is required to complete a compliance new hire orientation, attend a compliance annual staff review, and attend a department-specific compliance rules education session each semester.

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## Student-Hosts on Official Visits

- Only one student host may receive complimentary meals provided that they are accompanying the prospective student-athlete during an official visit.
- A student host is allotted a daily amount of money for entertainment purposes, which can only be used for the host and prospect. This student host entertainment money amounts to **\$40** per day with up to an additional **\$20** per day for added prospects.
- The following activities are strictly prohibited while on an official visit:
  - Underage consumption of alcohol;
  - Use of drugs or sex for recruiting players;
  - Any activities that violate criminal law;
  - Gambling or gaming activities; and
  - Attending any adult entertainment establishments.

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## Publicity of Prospective Student-Athletes

Prior to signing a National Letter of Intent, financial aid agreement, or for walk-ons, being “verified,” it is impermissible to publicize a prospective student-athlete. Until one of these actions has occurred, an institution may only confirm the recruitment of the prospective student-athlete. However, an institution and its staff members are permitted to “like” comments from or concerning prospective student-athletes on Facebook, “favorite” comments made by prospective student-athletes on Twitter or Instagram, “retweet” comments made by prospective student-athletes on twitter. They may not tag a prospective student-athlete in any form of social media posting, until that individual has signed with the University of Miami, or been “verified.”

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## FEBRUARY RECRUITING CALENDAR

### BASEBALL

- Quiet Period - February 1-28

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

- Recruiting Period - February 1-28

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- Evaluation Period - February 1-28

### FOOTBALL

- Contact Period - February 1-3
- Quiet Period - February 4
- Dead Period - February 5-8
- Initial Signing Day - February 7
- Quiet Period - February 9-28

### SOCCER

- Contact Period - February 1-5
- Dead Period - February 5-8
- Initial Signing Day - February 7
- Contact Period - February 9-28

### ALL OTHER SPORTS

- Contact Period - February 1-28



### 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)).