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### March Madness Gambling Reminder

With the NCAA Basketball Tournament (i.e. “March Madness”) right around the corner, this is your friendly reminder that NCAA rules prohibit any member of our athletic department staff and student-athletes to participate in any gambling activities in both men’s and women’s basketball.

**Sports wagering** includes placing, accepting, or soliciting a wager of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur, or professional team or contest.

Examples of sports wagering include, but are not limited to, the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; Internet sports wagering; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize.

#### **Bylaw 10.02.1**

A **wager** is any agreement in which an individual or entity agrees to give up an item of value. **Bylaw 10.02.2**

Any wager, no matter the value is a violation (i.e. \$1, \$5, \$10, wearing a t-shirt of an opposing team). Please contact the compliance office with any questions concerning this issue.



### Sports Wagering Activities

The following individuals shall not knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition:

- (a) **Staff members** of an institution’s athletics department;
- (b) Non-athletics department staff members who have responsibilities within or over the athletics department.
- (c) Staff members of a conference office; and
- (d) Student-athletes.



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## Vacation Period Expenses Reminder

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 MVP

This month's compliance MVP comes to us from Academic Services. We would like to thank Chaunte for her involvement with and support of the compliance staff.



Chaunte O'Neil



## Spring Break Practice Hours Reminder

A student-athlete may not participate in any countable athletically related activities outside the playing season during any institutional vacation period and/or summer.

Coaches who are not countable coaches and who perform strength and conditioning duties on a department-wide basis may conduct and design specific workout programs for student-athletes provided that the workouts are voluntary and by request of the student-athlete. The participation in these activities may not be reported back to the coaching staff however, and the student-athlete may not be subjected to penalty if he or she elects not to participate in the activity.

For sports that are in their declared regular season during spring break however, daily and weekly hour limitations do not apply to countable athletically related activities.

Out of Season sports during Spring Break: Football, Swimming and Diving



## COMPLIANCE NOTES

All known violations are required to be submitted to Craig Anderson, Jenn Strawley, or Blake James. If you are aware of a violation, recruiting or otherwise, please make sure that one of these three individuals is informed. Feel free to contact the compliance office with any questions you may have.



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## In the News:

### South East Missouri State Recruiting Violations

A former Southeast Missouri State University assistant women's basketball coach committed recruiting violations, according to a decision issued by a Division I Committee on Infractions Panel. The agreed-upon violations in this case centered on impermissible recruiting contacts and inducements involving two recruits, who were twin sisters, and their family. When recruiting the two sisters, the former assistant coach had multiple impermissible off-campus, in person contacts with the prospects and their family. He had meetings with the recruits and their family during evaluation and quiet periods. The former assistant coach also provided the recruits and their family with nearly \$200 in school apparel and accessories at no cost. Further, the former assistant coach provided one of the recruits impermissible transportation and a meal.

#### Penalties include:

- Public reprimand and censure for the university
- One year of probation for the university from Feb. 12, 2016, through Feb. 11, 2017.
- A two-year show-cause order for the former assistant coach from Feb. 12, 2016, through Feb. 11, 2018. If he seeks employment at an NCAA member school, he must be restricted from all recruiting activity.
- A reduction in the number of days the women's basketball coaches were allowed to recruit from 112 days to 74 in 2014-15. (self-imposed by the university.)
- A reduction in the number of days the women's basketball coaches can recruit from 112 days to 91 in 2015-16.
- A limit of eight official visits during 2015-16.
- A \$5,000 fine.



## MARCH RECRUITING CALENDAR

### BASEBALL

- Contact Period - March 1-31

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

- Recruiting Period - March 1-30
- Dead Period - March 31

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- Contact Period - March 1-31

### FOOTBALL

- Quiet Period - March 1-31

### TRACK AND FIELD

- Contact Period - March 1-10
- Dead Period - March 11-12
- Contact Period - March 13-31

### ALL OTHER SPORTS

- Contact Period - March 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.



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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)).