# HURRICANES ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE November 2018 Newsletter



#### Kelly Bryant Takes Advantage of New Football Participation and Transfer Rules

Taking full advantage of the new NCAA rule that allows football players to participate in four games or less without using a season of competition and the new notification of transfer process, former Clemson QB Kelly Bryant is weighing his options. After losing his starting position to true freshman Trevor Lawrence, Bryant notified Clemson of his intention to sit out the remainder of the season and transfer.

New transfer legislation has done away with the permission-to-contact process, in favor of a notification to transfer system that allows student-athletes to place themselves in a national transfer database. Once in the database, any school is free to contact the student-athlete without contact restrictions from the current institution. However, once a student-athlete submits a completed notification of transfer form, the institution may rescind their athletic scholarship for the next semester, even if the student-athlete subsequently requests their name be removed from the transfer portal.

#### **Durkin Fired One Day After Being Reinstated**

Former Maryland head football coach DJ Durkin has been on paid administrative leave since Aug. 11, due to the passing of a student athlete during a summer practice. After reviewing multiple investigations into the incident, the Maryland Board of Regents reinstated Durkin as head coach on Oct. 30. On Oct. 31, University of Maryland President Wallace D. Loh reversed the Board's reinstatement, and terminated Durkin's employment effective immediately.



# COMPLIANCE MVP:

This month's Compliance *MVP* comes to us from Ticket Sales. We would like to thank Mackie Feierstein for his support and help with the Compliance Office. Thank you

Mackie!







# **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.

# VACATION PERIOD

# **REMINDERS**

16.2.5.6, 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), may be provided room and board expenses until dorms and dining halls reopen.

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.

# **CHANGE IN ELIGIBILITY STATUS**

If a student's eligibility changes at the end of a term they shall become eligible or ineligible for competition after certification, which must occur before the start of classes for the spring semester.

- <u>Becoming Eligible</u>– Continuing student-athletes who become eligible at the end of the fall term may compete the day after the final exam period concludes.
- <u>Becoming Ineligible</u>– Continuing student-athletes who become ineligible at the end of the fall term remain eligible for regular-season competition until the first day of the following term. However, a student ineligible due to the six-hour rule is immediately ineligible for postseason competition that occurs between terms.



#### **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 Initial Signing Date**

# November 14, 2018

For all sports other than football, the National Letter of Intent early signing period is approaching quickly. For basketball the signing period runs from Nov. 14, 2018 to Nov. 21, 2018. For all other sports (except football) the signing period runs from Nov. 14, 2018 to Aug. 1, 2019. 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 14th.
- A National Letter of Intent must be signed prior to the conclusion of the signing period.
- 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.

# Compliance Tip of the Month:

Student-athletes must pass six semester credit hours in the preceding academic term to be eligible for postseason competition that occurs between terms. If you have any questions or need assistance, we are here to help!



# **NOVEMBER RECRUITING CALENDAR**

### **Men's Basketball**

- Recruiting Period Nov. 1 Nov. 11
- Dead Period Nov. 12 Nov. 15
- Recruiting Period Nov. 16 Nov. 30

## Women's Basketball

- Evaluation Period Nov. 1 Nov. 11
- Dead Period Nov. 12 Nov. 15
- Evaluation Period Nov. 16 Nov. 30

## **Track & Field**

- Contact Period Nov. 1 Nov. 11
- Dead Period Nov. 12 Nov. 15
- Contact Period Nov. 16
- Dead Period: Nov 17
- Contact Period Nov. 18 Nov. 30

### Football

- Evaluation/Quiet Period Nov. 1 Nov. 24
- Contact Period Nov. 25 Nov. 30

### **Baseball**

- Contact Period Nov. 1 Nov. 11
- Dead Period Nov. 12 Nov. 15
- Quiet Period Nov. 16 Nov. 30

## Volleyball

- Contact Period Nov. 1 Nov. 11
- Dead Period Nov. 12 Nov. 15
- Contact Period Nov . 16 Nov. 30

### **All Other Sports**

- Contact/Evaluation Period Nov. 1 Nov. 11
- Dead Period Nov. 12 Nov. 15
- Contact/Evaluation Period Nov. 16 Nov. 30





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