



# Solid Orange Newsletter

Compliance Newsletter - September

## TOPICS OF THE MONTH

### Welcome Back!

Clemson University welcomed a total of 3,290 students to campus with an average SAT of 1255 and HS GPA of 4.20.

Additionally, NCAA Manuals are in and as you may have noticed they are smaller and reorganized from previous years. Contact compliance services if you have not received a manual. Attached is a quick reference to the new legislation on recruiting materials (text messages) and phone calls as well as a "cheat sheet" guide for the 2014-15 NCAA Manual.

### ARMS

Student-athletes did a great job filling out the forms on ARMS. We still have a few student-athletes that need to finish their forms but overall the process was quicker and more efficient than the paper copies. Thank you for all of your help during this transition. Over the next several months, be on the lookout for additional forms added to ARMS.

As a reminder the following forms are currently available on ARMS: Scholarship Student-Athlete Change of Status, Walkon/Scout Team Change of Status, Occasional Meal, Declaration of Playing Season, Coaching Staff Designation, Countable Activity Log, and Phone Bill Log.

### Practice Logs (CARA) and Telephone Logs

All coaching staffs should begin submitting their CARA logs through ARMS starting with the first day of classes, August 20, 2014. Additionally, all calls made to PSAs should be logged into ARMS. Compliance will make monthly spot checks to verify that phone calls are being logged appropriately.

### Rules Education Sessions

Compliance Services will start up monthly Coaches Rules Education session this month. The date and time to be determine. Topics will include new legislation and ARMS refresher course.

### Tryouts and Adding New Walk-on Student-Athletes

Please notify compliance of any new walk-on student-athletes that have been added to the team by submitting a squad list change form via ARMS. New walk-ons will have 45 days to practice but may not compete until certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center and Clemson's Eligibility Certification Team.

### Official and Unofficial Visit Ticket Request

As a reminder, to ease the burden on the ticket staff during check in for football games, please have all information regarding the guests of PSAs making official or unofficial visits completed when you turn in the complimentary admission forms to compliance services. Additionally, please notate the year the graduation year of the PSA and indicate the number of pre-game field passes needed at the top of the form.

## 2014-15 Recruiting Calendar

### BASEBALL

Aug 1-31	Contact
Sep 1 -11	Quiet
Sep 12 – Nov 9	Contact
Nov 10-13	DEAD

### XC/ TRACK & FIELD

Aug 1-9	Quiet
Aug 10 – Dec 14	Contact
Except Nov 10-13,22	DEAD

### FOOTBALL

Aug 1 – Nov 30	Quiet
Except 42 Evaluation Days	

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Aug 1 – Sep 8	Quiet
Sep 9 – Nov 9	Recruit
Nov 10-13	DEAD

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Aug 1 – Sep 8	Quiet
Sep 9 – 29	Contact
Sept 30-Nov 9	Eval
Nov 10-13	DEAD

### VOLLEYBALL

Aug 1 – Dec 7	Contact
Except Nov 10-13	DEAD

### GOLF/ ROWING/ TENNIS/ DIVING

Nov. 10- 13	DEAD
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## News from the ACC Office

### 1) Names/pictures of Prospects in Recruiting Correspondence

The permissibility of sending general correspondence that includes the names/pictures of multiple prospective student-athletes. We have learned from another conference and confirmed with AMA that the inclusion of such pictures in permissible correspondence is considered confirmation of recruitment (as opposed to publicity of recruitment) and is not a violation. Essentially, it is treating the picture in context and recognizing that it is not being used to promote recruitment when placed in correspondence. Note that the communication must be direct/private between the institution and prospect and the institution cannot publicize the image in any way (e.g., the picture could not be tweeted out or shown publicly on Instagram) without having a violation of 13.10. In addition, the prohibition on comments about likelihood of signing, potential contribution to the team, etc. continue to be applicable.

### 2) Envelopes for Printed Recruiting Materials That can be Sent at any Time

The application of envelope deregulation, specifically to recruiting materials that can be sent at any time – camp information, questionnaires, nonathletics institutional publications and NCAA educational materials. Based on follow-up with the AMA staff, it has been confirmed that there are no restrictions on the content, design or size of envelopes used to send any recruiting material on/after the first permissible date (only the size restriction for general correspondence). For items sent prior to the first permissible date, there are no restrictions on the content, design or size of envelopes; however, the envelope cannot contain any recruiting content or be personalized to the prospect in any manner (aside from the mailing address).

### 3) Game Programs

From Chad Hawley at the Big Ten: “Put down your staple removers and paper cutters, the NCAA has granted an SLR waiver that allows institutions to provide bound game programs to PSAs who are visiting campus. Note that the specific relief requested related to game programs provided in conjunction with campus visits, so please continue to apply Bylaw 13.4.1 and any related interp or ed column with respect to providing game programs in any other context.”

## Educational Column Excerpt from Adopted Meal Proposal 13-31-B

**Question No. 8:** May an institution provide a cash allowance in lieu of a meal incidental to participation?

**Answer:** In general, it is not permissible for an institution to provide a cash allowance in lieu of a meal incidental to participation. If a student-athlete is participating in an institutional practice or competition, or is representing the institution in a noncompetitive event outside of the institution's locale, the institution may provide meals at its discretion from the time the student-athlete is required to report on call until the student-athlete returns to campus. However, it remains permissible for an institution to provide regular meals, or a cash allowance in lieu of meals, not to exceed the amount provided by the institution to institutional staff members on away-from-campus trips.

## Coaches Certification Exam

All coaching staff members should have completed the 2014-15 NCAA coaches recruiting certification exam. If you or any member of your staff (including director of ops, graduate assistants, etc.) have not taken and passed the exam please contact Compliance Services to set up a make-up date for the exam. If you did not take the exam in July you may not recruit off-campus until you have passed the exam. If you failed the exam in July you must wait 30 days from the initial test date before you may retake the exam.

## National Letter of Intent Signing Dates

Sport	Initial Signing Date	Final Signing Date
Football (Regular Period)	February 4, 2015	April 1, 2015
Soccer	February 4, 2015	August 1, 2015
All Other Sports Not Listed Above (Early Period)	November 12, 2014	November 19, 2014
All Other Sports Not Listed Above (Regular Period)	April 15, 2015	May 20, 2015 (BB) August 1, 2015