



COMPLIANCE

TIGER TIDBITS

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Topics of the Month

SPEAKING AT BANQUETS OR MEETINGS IN WHICH PROSPECTS ARE PRESENT:

At a Prospect's School (Bylaw 13.1.8.1)

Sports other than Football & Basketball:

A countable coach may speak at a meeting/banquet at a prospects school outside of (or during) a contact period WITHOUT using one of the programs permissible contacts or evaluations so long as:

1. The meeting/banquet is initiated & conducted by the prospect's educational institution
2. The coach does **NOT** make a recruiting presentation during speaking engagement
3. The coach does **NOT** have direct contact with any prospects (or their parents/legal guardians) in attendance
4. The coach does **NOT** engage in any evaluation activities
5. The banquet or meeting does **NOT** take place during a dead period.

Basketball:

During a Recruiting (MBB)/Contact(WBB) Period:

IF a coach speaks at banquet/meeting on a prospect's campus he/she has used the programs once-per-week visit to that prospects campus and used an "evaluation" for all prospects at that school.

NOTE: A coach doesn't use a "contact" so long as there is no direct contact with prospects and the coach doesn't make a recruiting presentation

Outside a Recruiting (MBB)/ Contact (WBB) Period:

Same rules as the Sports other than Football & Basketball section above.

Football:

During a Contact Period:

IF a coach speaks at banquet/meeting on a prospect's campus he uses one of the programs six (6) contact opportunities and the once-per-week visit with that particular HS, JUCO or Prep school

Outside a Contact Period:

Same rules as the Sports other than Football & Basketball section above.

Banquet/Meeting at Location Other than Prospect's School:

All coaches may speak at banquet/meeting in which prospects are in attendance without counting it as a contact or evaluations so long as it satisfies the requirements noted in above:

1. Initiated by prospects school
2. No recruiting presentation
3. No direct contact with prospects
4. No evaluations
5. Not during dead period

Recruiting Calendar

BASEBALL

Jan 1	DEAD
Jan 2-5	DEAD
Jan 6-31	Quiet

XC/ TRACK & FIELD

Jan 1-2	Quiet
Jan 3-31	Contact

FOOTBALL

Jan 1-14	DEAD
Jan 15-31	Contact

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Jan 1 –Mar 31	Recruit
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Jan 1-Feb 28	Quiet
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VOLLEYBALL

Jan 1-7	Contact
Jan 8-16	Quiet
Jan 17-31	DEAD

GOLF/ ROWING/ TENNIS/ DIVING

January	Contact
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Head Coach Responsibility-Compliance Discussion Topics

1. **2-4 & 4-2-4 Transfer Regulations:** Be familiar with the requirements necessary in terms of specific courses completed (math, English & science) and GPA requirements. (Bylaws 14.5.4 & 14.5.6)
2. **Increase or Reduction of Athletics Aid During Academic Year:** Be familiar with the requirements and timing of canceling, reducing or increasing aid during an academic year. (Bylaw 15.3.4)
3. **Recruiting Contact Restrictions at Practice/Competition Site:** Know when a PSA or his/her parents may be official spoken to and what restriction there are (Bylaw 13.1.6.2)
4. **Skill Instruction:** know what time of year you can have more than four (4) student-athletes in attendance and how much time you have (Bylaw 17.1.7.2.2)

DON'T BET ON IT!

Please remember with Bowl season wrapping up and college basketball just getting started staff members are not allowed to bet on the playoffs/bracket in any form.



NCAA Interpretations of Interest

Written Offer of Aid Before Signing Date for a Prospect Enrolled in a Nontraditional Academic Calendar (12.19.2014):

If a prospect attends an educational institution that uses a nontraditional academic calendar (e.g., Southern Hemisphere), an institution may indicate in writing on or after the opening day of classes of his/her senior year in high school that an athletic aid will be offered by the institution.

Prospective Student-Athlete Participating in Competition During an Official Visit (12.19.2014):

A prospect may participate in competition that is not conducted by the institution during his/her official visit. Further:

- An institution may provide travel expenses to and from campus for the official visit, provided the competition occurs within the 48-hour period of the official visit and the institution does not pay additional expenses associated with the competition (e.g., transportation to or from the competition, meals during the competition, registration fee).
- In sports other than basketball, contact may not be made with the prospect prior to any athletics competition in which he/she is a participant during the day or days of competition.
- In basketball, in-person contact may not be made with a prospect or his/her relatives or legal guardians during the day of competition (e.g., before and after the competition).

Relatives, Friends and Legal Guardians Accompanying Prospects on Official Visit (12.19.2014)

Relatives, friends or legal guardians of a prospect may accompany him/her when transportation is provided by the institution (e.g., car service) to and from campus for an official visit, provided the institution does not pay the costs resulting from the additional occupants. The additional occupants may not be prospects being recruited by the institution.

Activities Involving a Graduate Assistant Coach, Undergraduate Assistant Coach or Manager During a Prospects Official Visit (12.12.2014):

A graduate assistant coach, undergraduate student assistant coach or student manager may receive a meal with a prospect during an official visit, within a 30-mile radius of the institution's campus. Further, these individuals may provide ground transportation to a prospect and his/her parents, relatives or legal guardians between the campus and any bus or train station or airport during an official visit. Finally, they may also provide ground transportation from the nearest bus or train station or major airport to campus on the student athlete's initial arrival at the institution to attend classes for a regular term or to participate in preseason practice, or for initial enrollment in the institution's summer term for a prospect who has been awarded athletically related financial aid for his/her initial summer term.

Use of Sports Psychologist (12.12.2014):

a sports psychologist may attend practice sessions without being included in the institution's coaching limitations in a particular sport, provided the individual does not provide any technical or tactical instruction related to the sport or make or assist in making tactical decisions related to the sport during on-court or on-field practice or competition.

A sports psychologist may evaluate a student-athlete during a practice session only for the purposes of assisting the student-athlete in off-court or off-field noncoaching activities (e.g., mental imagery) directly related to the sport; however, if a student-athlete is required to meet with the sports psychologist, such a meeting is considered a countable athletically related activity.

Further, an institution may require a student-athlete to meet with a sports psychologist as a permissible out-of-season conditioning activity, provided the time engaged in the sessions are included in the maximum limit of eight hours per week for countable athletically related activities outside the playing season. In bowl subdivision football, the sports psychologist does not have to count as one of the five strength and conditioning coaches permitted to work with the football program in any capacity.

Spring off-campus stipend release dates for student-athletes on athletics scholarship:

1. January 7, 2015
2. January 30, 2015
3. February 27, 2015
4. March 27, 2015
5. April 24, 2015

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