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BEGINNING-OF-THE YEAR TASKS

If a sport has not done so already, please submit the following as soon as possible (all forms below are available in Teamworks Compliance + Recruiting (TCR) unless otherwise noted):

- Staff declaration (please include everyone who will be on the team's staff for the 2024-25 academic year, including noncoaches (volunteer and paid) and managers, if applicable) Playing and practice season declaration
- 2024-25 competition schedules (may be emailed to Madison Cindric or attached to your playing and practice season declaration in TCR)
- Outside consultant request for any outside consultant(s) who will be working with your program during the 2024-25 academic year (even if you submitted a request for the 2023-24 academic year)

Also, all coaches and staff must complete a local sports club approval workflow if you will be running or working with a local sports club during the 2024-25 academic year (even if you submitted a workflow for the 2023-24 academic year).





FALL CLEARANCE

Student-athletes may not participate in CARAs during the fall semester until they are fully cleared by sports medicine and the Compliance Office. To receive clearance from the Compliance Office, student-athletes must:

- Complete all beginning-of-the-year forms in TCR (these have been assigned-please tell your student-athletes to complete these in a timely manner),
- Attend a compliance education session (please contact the Compliance Office to schedule a time for an in-person meeting with your student-athletes before your first fall activities), and
- Receive medical clearance from the sports medicine staff (note, student-athletes that were cleared for summer activities will require separate clearance for the fall semester).

Coaches and staff can view their student-athletes' up-to-date clearance status by using the "Fall Clearance" view on the TCR team roster page.

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FALL LIEU CHECK DATES

August 28 - September 25 - October 23 - November 20 - December 4

INITIAL ARRIVAL REMINDERS

Under the August 2022 student-athlete benefits package, a prospect becomes a student-athlete when the prospect:

- Signs an athletics scholarship or is admitted, paid enrollment deposit, and signed the walk-on admissions form;
 Completes all academic requirements at the previous institution (e.g., graduated from high school, last day of finals at 4-year institution); and
- Receives a benefit from SDA (e.g., gear, meal, initial arrival flight).

The incoming prospect will become a student-athlete on this date, so now,

- The incomer can arrive in the locale on or after the date they trigger student-athlete status.
- Coaches and staff can provide the incomer gear, equipment, and other benefits student-athletes may receive.
 Once cleared by sports medicine and the Compliance Office, the prospect can participate in permissible sports
- activities that other student-athletes can participate in.

However, student-athlete rules restrictions remain in place. For example,

- The incomer cannot stay cost-free anywhere.
- The incomer cannot participate in any workouts until fully cleared by the Compliance Office.

NIL UPDATES

Several new NCAA Student-Athlete NIL bylaws went into effect in May 2024 and August 1, 2024. Most importantly, this legislation:

- 1. Establishes a voluntary registration process with the NCAA for agents and other NIL professional service providers (e.g., financial advisors). Click <u>here</u> for more information.
- 2. Allows institutions to provide student-athletes with NIL assistance and services so long as the student-athletes disclose all NIL agreements over \$600 to the institutions no later than 30 days after entering or signing the agreements. Student-athletes who elect not to disclose this information may not receive these institutional services. Click <u>here</u> for the NCAA Education Column relating to the role of institutions.

As a reminder, the Compliance Office works closely with ASU's Altius GM Rachael Bacchus when NIL questions arise. The Compliance Office staff will help answer questions relating to whether a deal is permissible under NCAA legislation (e.g., no pay for play). Rachael can help answer questions relating to ASU's NIL policy and other general NIL questions including how coaches and staff can support student-athletes under the new legislation.

NCAA NIL ASSIST

The NCAA in partnership with Teamworks developed NCAA NIL Assist, a platform designed to connect studentathletes with potential service providers, facilitate disclosures of NIL activities, and provide insight into evolving trends with the NIL environment. The platform is available at <u>nilassist.ncaa.org</u>.

SPOT THE VIOLATION

A baseball prospect arrived on campus a few weeks before school began because he wanted to train with current studentathletes living on campus over the summer. The prospect graduated from high school, but is not on athletics aid, did not sign a written offer of admission, and did not pay an enrollment deposit. A current student-athlete agreed to let the prospect sleep on his apartment couch rent-free until the prospect was able to move into the dorms the week before the fall semester began. The baseball coach provided the student-athlete with team shirts, shorts, and shoes for workouts. The prospect attended mandatory practice sessions with the baseball team over the summer, and participated in occasional meals with current student-athletes that stayed on campus during summer break.



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METRICS REPORT

Five areas of program and coach compliance behavior are measured and included in the President and AD's annual compliance metrics report. Those areas are indicators of SDA's compliance culture (they are all very basic and necessary compliance activities) as well as the Compliance Office's effectiveness in communicating our messages. If you have any questions regarding metrics, see Steve. Here are the five coaches' metrics and information about each:

Monthly newsletter read rate – The newsletter is sent out at the beginning of each month to all coaches, and, for those who fail to read that newsletter, the middle of each month. Coaches have until the next month's newsletter is distributed to click and read.

<u>Mandatory attendance at monthly compliance meetings</u> – Meetings typically occur the third Tuesday of every month (August - June) at 11:15 am in Dutson Theater. Caroline sent out the meeting invites on August 5 for all education meetings that will take place during the 2024-25 academic year including the first meeting on August 20 at 11:15 am. These meetings are mandatory.

<u>Absences from mandatory meetings</u> – Absences are only excused if coaches are out of town for competition or recruiting and notify the Compliance Office and sport supervisor(s) before the meeting and get approval. Other absences will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis (e.g. family emergencies, NOT recruiting visits on-campus) so long as the coach notifies the Compliance Office before the meeting occurs. Coaches who have excusable absences must complete a makeup video session to be listed as excused in the report.

<u>**Timely CARA log submission**</u> – Logs must be submitted every week by Monday at 11:59 pm during the academic year (and during summer for mandatory workouts in basketball and football). Cross country, football, soccer, triathlon, and volleyball must begin recording hours on their first day of practice.

<u>**Timely recruiting statement submission**</u> – Recruiting statements must be submitted by the fifth business day of each month. The recruiting statement is sent via Teamworks Compliance + Recruiting on the first of every month and can be accessed through the link provided in your email.

<u>Violations</u> – The metrics report includes information regarding the types and number of violations for each sport. Coach involvement in violations is also included in the sport-specific section of the metrics report.

OFF-CAMPUS RECRUITING

As a reminder, coaches must be certified to recruit off campus on an annual basis. Coaches who were hired after July 1, 2024, and coaches who have not attended an annual rules education session in the last two weeks may not recruit off campus until they are recertified to do so. If you have not attended one of these sessions, please contact Steven Bari in the Compliance Office to schedule a meeting. Note, the Compliance Office will not approve a Concur recruiting travel request until a coach has been cleared to recruit off campus.

AND THE ANSWER IS

The prospect was provided with impermissible recruiting inducements. The prospect did not trigger student-athlete status because he did not sign an NLI or written offer of admission, and had not paid an enrollment deposit. Therefore, it was a violation to provide the prospect with gear and meals. It was also a violation to provide the prospect rent-free housing with a student-athlete (this would be a violation even if the prospect had triggered student-athlete status). Finally, baseball (and all other out-of-season sports) may not have mandatory practices or workouts over the summer.

RECRUITING CALENDARS

For information about permissible dates for various recruiting activities, check out our Recruiting 101 tip sheet, available <u>here</u>. And please see sport recruiting calendars listed below.

AUGUST 2024

CALENDAR KEY

EVALUATION PERIOD

CONTACT PERIOD (Recruiting Period in MBB)









MEN'S BASKETBALL



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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE



*Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, off-campus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

SOFTBALL



* Softball evaluations only at scholastic practices and competitions.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

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SWIMMING/ DIVING



*Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, off-campus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

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ALL OTHER SPORTS

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| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

Please note this table has dates that run until August 31. Many of the periods run past August 31. Visit the <u>NCAA Recruiting Calendars website</u> for full recruiting calendars and NCAA sport-specific recruiting guides.

ASK FIRST!