

Adopted Legislative Proposals Subject to Rescission

Proposal Number	Title	Intent	Rationale	Effective Date	Source	Status
2017-25	RECRUITING -- EVALUATION DAYS -- WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL -- COACH'S EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES IN CAMPS OR CLINICS	In women's volleyball, to specify that a coach's employment activities in an institutional camp or clinic (including another NCAA four-year institution's camp or clinic) or a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic within a 50-mile radius of the institution do not count toward the evaluation days limitation.	This proposal is intended to address issues associated with the proliferation of noninstitutional, privately owned camps and clinics in volleyball and the increased pressure volleyball coaches face from individuals associated with prospective student-athletes to participate in such camps. Under current legislation, coaches who are employed at such noninstitutional camps are permitted to evaluate and have in-person interaction with participating prospective student-athletes mostly free from the restraints and limitations of the standard recruiting provisions as such activity is exempt from the tryout and contact rules. This proposal will curtail such activity by requiring that any employment activity in a noninstitutional camp or clinic outside a 50-mile radius of the coach's institution during any portion of a day be counted toward the institution's limit on evaluation days, while still continuing to exempt traditional employment in any institutional camp or clinic (including another NCAA four-year institution's camp or clinic) and/or any noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic within a 50-mile radius of the institution (e.g., local sports club camp or clinic).	08/01/2018	Southeastern Conference	Rescission Period
2017-26	RECRUITING -- TRYOUTS AND CAMPS AND CLINICS -- DEFINITION OF PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE -- SOFTBALL	In softball, for purposes of the tryout rule and the regulations related to camps and clinics, to specify that a prospective student-athlete is an individual who has started classes for the seventh grade.	Recently adopted legislation prohibits softball coaching and noncoaching staff members from being employed at other institutional camps or clinics or at noninstitutional, privately owned camps or clinics, except during permissible evaluation periods. That employment prohibition; however, only applies to camps or clinics in which prospective student-athletes (grades nine and above) participate. Extending the definition of a prospective student-athlete to include seventh graders and eighth graders for these purposes will further promote the goals of the recently adopted legislation in curtailing third-party and outside influences in the recruiting process, particularly in softball, where early recruiting has become commonplace. This proposal, therefore, further creates a healthier recruiting environment in softball and helps shift unwarranted recruiting activity away from camps and clinics, which are intended to serve solely as instructional and educational experiences.	Immediate	Southeastern Conference	Rescission Period
2017-32	RECRUITING -- TRANSPORTATION DURING AN OFFICIAL OR UNOFFICIAL VISIT -- TEAM VEHICLES	To specify that an institution transporting a prospective student-athlete (and those accompanying a prospective student-athlete) around campus during an official visit or providing permissible transportation during an unofficial visit may use institutional vehicles normally used to transport prospective students or the institution's athletics teams.	It has become common practice for athletics departments to purchase vehicles to transport teams to and from competition sites. An institution should be permitted to transport a prospective student-athlete (and those accompanying a prospective student-athlete) in an institutional vehicle that is used to transport teams to and from competition sites. Such vehicles are readily available and the prospective student-athlete will likely be transported in such vehicles as a student-athlete. Finally, adding this language to unofficial visit legislation clarifies application across visit	Immediate	Southeastern Conference	Rescission Period

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2017-34	RECRUITING -- ACTIVITIES DURING OFFICIAL OR UNOFFICIAL VISIT -- DECORATIONS IN COMMON AREAS	To specify that an institution may decorate common areas in athletics facilities for an official or unofficial visit, provided the decorations are not personalized and the common areas are not accessible or visible to the general public while they are decorated.	The current restrictions on decorations for official visits are excessive. An institution should be allowed flexibility in how it presents common areas to a prospective student-athlete during an official or unofficial visit. This proposal supports the Commitment to Responsible Recruiting Standards by allowing some flexibility in hosting prospective student-athletes while maintaining responsible recruiting standards. This proposal is of national significance and the added flexibility would outweigh any monitoring burdens.	08/01/2018	Mountain West Conference	Rescission Period
2017-37-FCS	RECRUITING -- SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- LOCATION RESTRICTION -- FOOTBALL -- FCS	In championship subdivision football, to specify that an institution's camp or clinic shall be conducted within the state where the institution is located.	Conducting or working at camps and clinics for media exposure and program "one-upmanship" is not a significant issue in championship subdivision football. Institutional camps and clinics allow an institution to interact with a large group of prospective student-athletes in single location in a cost effective manner. Allowing an institution to conduct camps and clinics outside the confines of the institution's campus will expose a more diverse population of prospective student-athletes to the institution's athletics and academic programs without the prospective student-athletes having to incur additional travel costs. Providing educational opportunities to prospective student-athletes from areas outside the institution's community will help to strengthen campus-wide diversity and promote inclusion. This proposal is easily enforceable and will result in a minimal increase in monitoring efforts.	Immediate	Southern Conference	Rescission Period
2017-38-FCS	RECRUITING -- EMPLOYMENT AT CAMP OR CLINIC -- INDIVIDUAL ASSOCIATED WITH A RECRUITED PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE -- ELIMINATE RESTRICTION -- FCS	In championship subdivision football, to eliminate the restriction on employing an individual associated with a recruited prospective student-athlete at an institution's camp or clinic.	The issue of institutions providing camp employment to an individual associated with a recruited prospective student-athlete as a means of ultimately securing the enrollment of the prospective student-athlete is not applicable to championship subdivision football. Employment at institutional camps often serves as a gateway into the collegiate coaching profession for high school coaches, many of whom are recent college graduates and former student-athletes. This proposal would allow institutions to support professional development opportunities for coaches of all backgrounds. Finally, the administrative burden of vetting candidates for such positions places an unnecessary burden on athletics departments.	Immediate	Southern Conference	Rescission Period
2017-40-FCS	RECRUITING -- SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- EMPLOYMENT AT CAMPS OR CLINICS -- NONCOACHING STAFF MEMBERS -- FCS	In championship subdivision football, to specify that a noncoaching athletics department staff member with responsibilities specific to football may be employed at his or her own institution's camps or clinics or another four-year, NCAA member institution's camps or clinics.	The employment of noncoaching athletics department staff members at camps for recruiting purposes is not a significant issue in championship subdivision football. In championship subdivision football in particular, such noncoaching positions often serve as a bridge for recent college graduates, many of whom are former student-athletes, seeking entrance into the coaching profession. Allowing noncoaching staff members to be employed at camps provides increased professional development opportunities for potential coaches of all backgrounds. As camp or clinic	Immediate	Southern Conference	Rescission Period

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			employment will be limited to the staff members' own institution or another four-year, NCAA member institution (the same standard applicable to the institution's coaching staff) it will be easily enforceable and will result a minimal increase in institutional monitoring efforts.			
2017-50-FBS	ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY -- REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE -- EXCEPTION -- FORMER STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN PRACTICE ON AN OCCASIONAL BASIS -- FBS	In bowl subdivision football, to specify that a former student-athlete at the certifying institution may not participate in organized practice sessions.	This proposal will encourage competitive equity in football by eliminating the exception for former student-athletes to participate in practice activities on an occasional basis. Under current legislation, an institution may gain a competitive or recruiting advantage by allowing a talented or high-profile former student-athlete to participate in practice activities. Further, there is an additional burden placed on the institution to educate and monitor former student-athletes and those accompanying them (e.g., agents) on their interactions with current student-athletes. Eliminating this exception for football will create a consistent standard and reduce questions regarding the application of occasional participation in practice activities.	08/01/2018	Atlantic Coast Conference	Rescission Period
2017-50-FCS	ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY -- REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE -- EXCEPTION -- FORMER STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN PRACTICE ON AN OCCASIONAL BASIS -- FCS	In championship subdivision football, to specify that a former student-athlete at the certifying institution may not participate in organized practice sessions.	This proposal will encourage competitive equity in football by eliminating the exception for former student-athletes to participate in practice activities on an occasional basis. Under current legislation, an institution may gain a competitive or recruiting advantage by allowing a talented or high-profile former student-athlete to participate in practice activities. Further, there is an additional burden placed on the institution to educate and monitor former student-athletes and those accompanying them (e.g., agents) on their interactions with current student-athletes. Eliminating this exception for football will create a consistent standard and reduce questions regarding the application of occasional participation in practice activities.	08/01/2018	Atlantic Coast Conference	Rescission Period
2017-56	FINANCIAL AID -- COUNTERS -- FINANCIAL AID TO STUDENT-ATHLETE WHOSE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD EXPIRES MIDYEAR	In sports in which performance from the nonchampionship and championship segments is considered for NCAA championship qualification or selection, to specify that a student-athlete who receives athletically related financial aid is not a counter, provided the student-athlete's five-year period of eligibility will expire before the NCAA championship in the applicable sport and the student-athlete does not compete in the involved sport during that academic year.	Currently, a student-athlete with remaining season(s) of eligibility whose five-year period of eligibility expires prior to the NCAA championship may participate in contests that help the institution qualify for the championship although the student-athlete will be ineligible to participate in the championship. Winter and spring championships should include student-athletes who were eligible to compete for their teams throughout the academic year in alignment with championship selection criteria. This proposal enhances student-athlete well-being for student-athletes whose five-year periods of eligibility will expire midyear by making financial aid available to those who might not otherwise be provided aid since they will not be eligible for the sport's championship.	08/01/2018	Atlantic Coast Conference	Rescission Period
2017-62	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS AND RECRUITING -- SUMMER ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES --	In basketball, to specify that an institution that does not offer summer school courses may designate eight weeks of the summer in which; (a) A prospective student-athlete may	Currently, a small number of Division I institutions do not offer summer school courses. As such institutions incoming prospective student-athletes and continuing student-athletes who do not satisfy the exception to summer school enrollment are unable to participate in summer athletic	Immediate	Patriot League	Rescission Period

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	INSTITUTIONS THAT DO NOT OFFER SUMMER SCHOOL -- BASKETBALL	participate in required summer athletic activities, provided he or she has signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission; and (b) A student-athlete may participate in required summer athletic activities, provided he or she has satisfied progress-toward-degree requirements to be eligible for competition in the ensuing fall term by the conclusion of the preceding spring term.	activities. Several legislative relief waivers have been granted to accommodate institutions impacted by the lack of summer school courses. This proposal will provide competitive equity to those impacted institutions and address potential safety concerns by ensuring an institution's coaches will be permitted to work with prospective student-athletes prior to their initial enrollment. Finally, the proposal will encourage continuing student-athletes to satisfy all fall progress-toward-degree requirements by the conclusion of the preceding spring term.			
2017-62-FCS	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS AND RECRUITING -- SUMMER ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES -- INSTITUTIONS THAT DO NOT OFFER SUMMER SCHOOL -- FCS	In championship subdivision football, to specify that an institution that does not offer summer school courses may designate eight weeks of the summer in which: (a) A prospective student-athlete may participate in required summer athletic activities, provided he or she has signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission; and (b) A student-athlete may participate in required summer athletic activities, provided he or she has satisfied progress-toward-degree requirements to be eligible for competition in the ensuing fall term by the conclusion of the preceding spring term.	Currently, a small number of Division I institutions do not offer summer school courses. As such institutions incoming prospective student-athletes and continuing student-athletes who do not satisfy the exception to summer school enrollment are unable to participate in summer athletic activities. Several legislative relief waivers have been granted to accommodate institutions impacted by the lack of summer school courses. This proposal will provide competitive equity to those impacted institutions and address potential safety concerns by ensuring an institution's coaches will be permitted to work with prospective student-athletes prior to their initial enrollment. Finally, the proposal will encourage continuing student-athletes to satisfy all fall progress-toward-degree requirements by the conclusion of the preceding spring term.	Immediate	Patriot League	Rescission Period
2017-65	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASON -- INDIVIDUAL SPORTS -- VACATION-PERIOD WORKOUT SESSIONS INITIATED BY STUDENT-ATHLETE	In individual sports, to specify that a coach may participate in an individual-workout session with a student-athlete from the coach's team during an institutional vacation period, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete.	Current legislation permits a coach in an individual sport to participate in individual-workout sessions with a student-athlete from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. This proposal extends the same opportunity to a student-athlete during any institutional vacation period. Many student-athletes may not be able to return home during a vacation period due to distance (e.g., international student-athletes), time or budget constraints. Such student-athletes may wish to use vacation periods for athletic improvement. Other student-athletes may simply wish to take advantage of additional opportunities to train with their coach. This proposal will allow a student-athlete in an individual sport the opportunity to request and receive additional instruction and guidance from a countable coach	Immediate	Big 12 Conference	Rescission Period

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			when there are fewer demands on the student-athlete's time.			
2017-66	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT TRAVEL -- BEACH VOLLEYBALL, CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, SOCCER, SOFTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL -- ISOLATED INSTITUTIONS EXCEPTION	In beach volleyball, cross country (for institutions without indoor or outdoor track and field), field hockey, soccer, softball and volleyball, to specify that if there are fewer Division I institutions that sponsor the sport located within 400 miles of the institution than the maximum number of permissible nonchampionship segment contests or dates of competition, the institution may use any form of transportation to travel to the number of nonchampionship segment competitions that represents the difference between the number of institutions and the maximum number of contests or dates of competition.	Institutions that are geographically isolated have been adversely affected by the current legislation related to team travel for competition during the nonchampionship segment. While the current legislation does often result in reduced costs by restricting competition to nearby opponents, costs for institutions that have few sponsoring institutions nearby are actually increased by long distance travel via ground transportation. The current legislation creates a competitive disadvantage for such institutions because they choose to schedule competition against nearby non-Division I opponents (e.g., Division II, Division III, club teams) due to the student-athlete well-being concerns related to long distance travel via ground transportation. The cost of using ground transportation for long distances is also often greater than for other modes of transportation. Conversely, institutions in more populated areas are able to schedule all of their contests during the nonchampionship segment with Division I institutions without the same financial and competitive implications.	Immediate	The Summit League	Rescission Period
2017-68	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- BASEBALL -- NUMBER OF CONTESTS -- MAXIMUM LIMITATIONS -- TWO CONTESTS DURING NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT	In baseball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the playing season to 56 contests (games and scrimmages) during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and two contests (games and scrimmages) during the nonchampionship segment.	This proposal seeks to allow similar competitive opportunities in baseball as are provided to other spring sports, such as softball, which has comparable time demands on student-athletes. Because existing legislation prohibits missed class time for nonchampionship competition, and weekly and daily hour limitations will not be adjusted, student-athletes' time is not negatively impacted by this proposal. This proposal would provide flexibility and equity for institutions in different regions to be able to gain competitive experience in the fall.	08/01/2018	Big South Conference	Rescission Period
2017-78-FCS	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- PRESEASON PRACTICE -- ELIMINATE LIMIT ON NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS -- FCS	In championship subdivision football, to eliminate the limit on the number of student-athletes who may engage in practice activities prior to the institution's first day of classes or prior to the fifth day before the day of the institution's first contest, whichever occurs earlier.	Institutions should have discretion over how many team members participate in preseason practice. Allowing all members of a team to participate in preseason practice would enhance the well-being and safety of student-athletes who currently join practice after most team members have had a month's worth of instruction and conditioning. In addition, the introduction of required summer activities and expansion of access to such activities means that student-athletes may have participated in team activities throughout the summer but are prohibited from practicing for a month. Participating in preseason practice will allow the additional student-athletes to feel more engaged with the team from the outset of the season. Eliminating the limit would also remove the administrative burden related to monitoring the number of preseason participants and the questions related to replacement of student-athletes within the limit.	Immediate	Atlantic Coast Conference	Rescission Period
2017-80-FCS	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- OUT-OF-SEASON ATHLETICALLY RELATED	In championship subdivision football, to specify that an institution may conduct one postseason practice session prior to the end of the institution's academic year for the purpose	The American Football Coaches Association and the National Football League recently agreed to allow each institution to designate a maximum of five student-athletes with eligibility remaining to receive "special eligibility" status to participate in an on-campus pro-day during the 2017	08/01/2018	Southeastern Conference	Rescission Period

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	ACTIVITIES -- PROFESSIONAL TRYOUT OR WORKOUT ACTIVITY -- FCS	of conducting a professional tryout or workout activity and that employees of a professional sports organization may participate in such a session without counting against the institution's coaching limits, provided: (a) The student-athlete does not miss class to participate in such activity; (b) The session shall be conducted on the institution's campus or in facilities primarily used by the institution for practice or competition; (c) The session shall not involve contact and student-athletes shall not wear protective equipment (e.g. helmet, shoulder pads, spider pads, padded undergarments); and (d) The amount of time that a student-athlete is involved in such countable athletically related activities is limited to a maximum of four hours.	spring term. While student-athletes with eligibility remaining are permitted to participate in such a pro-day as a professional team tryout, limitations on countable athletically related activities continue to apply. As a result, under current legislation, an institution is forced to decide to whether to (1) allow institutional coaching staff members to conduct the activity as one of its 15 spring practice sessions, in which case employees of a professional organization (e.g. scouts, coaches) may not be involved in conducting the activity, or (2) allow employees of a professional organization to conduct the activity, in which case institutional coaching staff members may not conduct or observe the activity. This proposal would provide an additional practice opportunity to allow coaching staff members and/or employees of a professional organization to engage in such activities with student-athletes with eligibility remaining.			
2017-84	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- WOMEN'S RUGBY -- END OF REGULAR PLAYING SEASON -- NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	In women's rugby, to specify that an institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) by the conclusion of the USA Rugby College 7s National Championship or the Collegiate Rugby 7s National Championship, whichever occurs later.	Traditionally, the collegiate rugby season has two separate components -- one devoted to 7-on-7 play and one devoted to 15-on-15 play. The component devoted to 7s typically takes place in the spring. Allowing member institutions that sponsor women's rugby at the Division I level to continue to practice and compete through the conclusion of the USA Rugby College 7s National Championship or the Collegiate Rugby 7s National Championship will allow them the option of participating in either event as a non-NCAA postseason championship. It will also allow teams the option of participating in and exempting the USA Rugby Championship regardless of when their academic years conclude. Currently, individuals who participate in NCAA women's rugby are often disadvantaged in comparison with those who participate at the club level, as the latter are able to participate in a greater number and variety of competitive events. Additionally, NCAA teams whose institutions conclude their final exam periods later in the year are able to participate in these events while those with earlier exam periods are forced to either forego participation in these events or request a waiver. This proposal seeks to partially correct these inequities by ensuring that student-athletes have the opportunity to take part in a major postseason event focused on 7-on-7 play. The USA Rugby College 7s National Championship is typically held in late May. The Collegiate Rugby Championship is typically held in early June. Therefore, the proposal does not significantly extend the time period during which practice and competition are permitted.	08/01/2018	Patriot League	Rescission Period
2017-87	PLAYING AND PRACTICE	In swimming and diving, to specify that a	The NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief has granted a waiver	08/01/	Big Ten	Rescission

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2017-92	SEASONS -- SWIMMING AND DIVING -- OUTSIDE COMPETITION EXCEPTION -- CONFERENCE ALL-STAR CONTEST AGAINST U.S. NATIONAL TEAM	student-athlete may compete during the academic year as a member of a conference all-star team in one contest against the USA Swimming National Team or the USA Diving National Team, provided the student-athlete is academically eligible for competition at the time of the competition.	for a conference swimming all-star team to participate in an event against the U.S. National Swimming Team. In granting the waiver, the committee acknowledged the unique opportunity such an event provided to the participants, but stated that future similar requests may be denied and asked the conference to propose legislation to address the issue. This proposal will decrease bureaucracy by permitting participation in such contests without requiring institutions or conferences to request a waiver.	2018	Conference	Period
	INFRACTIONS PROGRAM -- PENALTIES -- MITIGATING FACTORS -- NAAC REASONABLE STANDARDS	To add demonstrated adherence to National Association for Athletics Compliance Reasonable Standards as an example of a mitigating factor that may be weighed by a hearing panel in determining penalties in an infractions case.	The National Association for Athletic Compliance (NAAC) created "Reasonable Standards" to establish a model for all institutions to follow as it relates to monitoring and documenting compliance with specific NCAA rules and providing education on those rules. Input is sought from a variety of conferences, institutions, and administrators representing a complete cross-section of the industry, and the Reasonable Standards are intended to establish a norm to which institutions should adhere in establishing its compliance programs. The Reasonable Standards include guidelines for monitoring, education, and documentation and key insights from past major infractions cases. While it is not a "safe haven" for institutions, the Reasonable Standards provide guidance to compliance programs, which furthers the Commitment to Institutional Control and Compliance. The NAAC Reasonable Standards were reviewed in the process of development of the Division I Enforcement Charging Guidelines that were endorsed by the Division I Council. In those guidelines, the Reasonable Standards are noted as one example of how an institution may demonstrate adequate policies and procedures, education and training, and/or program monitoring and review such that a charge of lack of institutional control is not warranted. If an institution can use the standards in the investigative process, then the institution should also have the opportunity for its demonstrated adherence to the standards to be a mitigating factor in the penalty process. Adding this language to Bylaw 19.9.4 as an example of a possible mitigating factor is consistent with how the Reasonable Standards are noted in the charging guidelines and helps to bring clarity to the entire Division I membership.	Immediate	American Athletic Conference	Rescission Period
2017-112	RECRUITING -- UNOFFICIAL (UNPAID) VISITS -- FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT -- SEPTEMBER 1 OF JUNIOR YEAR -- SPORTS OTHER THAN BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL	In sports other than basketball and football, to specify that an unofficial visit with athletics department involvement (e.g., contact with athletics department staff, athletics-specific tour, complimentary admission) shall not occur with an individual (or his or her relatives or legal guardians) before September 1 at the beginning of his or her junior year in high school.	This proposal slows down the recruiting process and allows middle school students and freshmen in high school to focus on academics and athletics success. In addition, this proposal de-emphasizes the importance of unofficial visits, as it shortens the permissible window of time for these visits to occur. The proposal, in conjunction with the proposal to move the first permissible date for an official visit to the junior year, would result in a greater emphasis on the official visit as part of the recruiting process. The proposal reduces early recruiting opportunities, including the provision of complimentary admissions. The opportunity would remain for an	Immediate	NCAA Division I Council (Student-Athlete Experience Committee)	Rescission Period

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			institution to provide complimentary admissions to individuals prior to the junior year in situations unrelated to recruiting.			
2017-113	RECRUITING -- SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- RECRUITING CALENDAR EXCEPTIONS -- SPORTS OTHER THAN BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL -- RECRUITING CONVERSATIONS	In sports other than basketball and football, to specify that recruiting conversations during an institutional camp or clinic are not permitted between an institution's coach and a participating prospective student-athlete before September 1 at the beginning of the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school.	Restricting recruiting conversations at institutional camps and clinics with a prospective student-athlete prior to the junior year eliminates early recruiting opportunities and aligns with the first permissible date for an unofficial visit.	Immediate	NCAA Division I Council (Student-Athlete Experience Committee)	Rescission Period