



# CAA COMPLIANCE MONTHLY

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# LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND ACTIONS

The NCAA Division I Legislative Council Meeting is April 12, 2010. At this time the Council will vote on 34 proposals that were sent out to the membership for Comment in January 2010.

The **Division I Board of Directors** Meeting is April 29, 2010. At this meeting the Board will vote on the proposals forwarded to them by the Legislative Council. In addition, the Board will review the following two proposals that received more than 30 Override Votes during the recent Override Period. If the Board's action on these proposals is not changed on April 29, then the matter will be set for a vote at the 2011 NCAA Convention in San Antonio, Texas. Please note that the proposals' effective dates remain applicable at this time. The CAA will inform each institution's Compliance Coordinator of the Board of Directors' action as soon as results are available.

Proposal 2009-22 AMATEURISM AND ELIGIBILITY -- INVOLVE-MENT WITH PROFESSIONAL TEAMS -- EXCEPTION -- PRIOR TO INITIAL FULL-TIME COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT -- DELAYED EN-ROLLMENT -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION -- SPORTS OTHER THAN MEN'S ICE HOCKEY AND SKIING

Effective Date: For all provisions other than section E, as it relates to tennis: August 1, 2010; applicable to student-athletes who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2010. For section E as it applies to tennis: August 1, 2011, applicable to student-athletes who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2011.

**2009-51-B** RECRUITING -- CAMPS AND CLINICS -- INSTITUTION'S SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- LOCATION RESTRICTION -- SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL

Effective Date: Immediate; a contract signed before September 17, 2008, for men's basketball camps may be honored; a con-

tract signed before September 16, 2009, for women's basketball camps may be honored; a contract signed before October 20, 2009, for all other sports may be honored.

With the adoption of **Proposal No. 2009-56**, additional criteria was established in order for an institution to subscribe to a recruiting or scouting service involving prospective student-athletes. In an effort to assist institutions with monitoring Bylaw 13.14.3, a Recruiting Services Processing form has been created and is posted on our CAA website, <a href="www.caasports.com">www.caasports.com</a>, on the Compliance Corner under the Miscellaneous forms.

Proposal 2009-56 RECRUITING -- USE OF RECRUITING FUNDS -- RECRUITING OR SCOUTING SERVICES -- CRITERIA FOR SUBSCRIPTION

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: Currently, recruiting or scouting services are only required to meet minimal requirements in order for institutions to subscribe to them. For example, a published recruiting or scouting service only needs to be regularly published and available at the same fee rate for all subscribers. There has been a proliferation of recruiting services, particularly in the sport of men's basketball, that do not provide information consistent with the original intent of the legislation. Many of the operators of the recruiting or scouting services are tied directly to teams or events involving highly skilled prospective student-athletes and concerns have been expressed that the service is being used as leverage in the recruiting process. In some instances, the service merely provides demographic information that is available from other sources or in other instances, no

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information that would assist in the evaluation of talent. The perception is that unless an institution subscribes particular services, it will be disadvantaged in attempts to recruit prospective student-athletes linked with the recruiting-service operators. This proposal acknowledges the overall value of recruiting services and protects the integrity of the recruiting process by reinforcing the intent of the original legislation.

# MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL DEAD PERIOD REMINDER

The dead period surrounding the National Championship game for Men's Basketball begins on, Thursday, April 1, 2010 and continues through Thursday, April 8, 2010 at 12 noon.

Also, this is a reminder that the **dead period** surrounding the National Championship for Women's Basketball begins on, Friday, April 2, 2010 and continues through Thursday, April 8,

# 2010 at 11:59 pm.

During a dead period, an athletics department staff member **CANNOT** have in person, on or off campus contact with a prospective student-athlete in the above mentioned sports. Doing so will result in the prospective student-athlete being ineligible to attend your institution.

### **RECRUITING CALENDAR**

#### Cross Country / Track & Field

Apr 1 - Apr 30 ~ Contact Period

#### Men's Basketball

Apr 1 - Apr 8 Noon ~ Dead Period

Apr 8 noon - Apr 11 ~ Contact Period

Apr 12 - Apr 15 ~ Dead Period

Apr 16 - Apr 21 ~ Contact Period

Apr 22 - Apr 30 ~ Quiet Period

#### Women's Basketball

Apr 1 ~ Contact Period

Apr 2 - Apr 8 ~ Dead Period

Apr 9 - Apr 11~ Quiet Period

Apr 12 - Apr 15 ~ Dead Period

\*Apr 16 - Apr 20 ~ Evaluation
Period

\* Evaluations permitted at nonscholastic Women's Basketball

events

Apr 21 - Apr 30~ Quiet Period

#### Baseball

Apr 1 - Apr 11~ Contact Period Apr 12 - Apr 15 ~ Dead Period Apr 16 - Apr 30 ~ Contact Period

# STAFF INTERPRETATION--WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL REGULATIONS APPLY TO WOMEN'S SAND VOLLEYBALL--MARCH 31, 2010

The academic and membership affairs staff confirmed that NCAA legislation (e.g., recruiting; playing and practice seasons) and interpretations applicable to women's volleyball also apply to an institution that sponsors women's sand volleyball until specific legislation is adopted and effective for women's sand volleyball.

# Softball

Apr 1 - Apr 11 ~ Contact Period Apr 12 - Apr 15 ~ Dead Period Apr 16 - Apr 30 ~ Contact Period

# Women's Volleyball

Apr 1 - Apr 11 ~ Contact Period Apr 12 - Apr 15 ~ Dead Period Apr 16 - Apr 30 ~ Contact Period

# THIS MONTH'S CAA EVENTS

**April 16 - 18** CAA Men's and Women's Golf Championships - The Homestead

**April 15 - 18** CAA Men's and Women's Tennis Championships at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

**April 25** CAA Women's Rowing Championship hosted by George Mason University, Fairfax, VA.

**Apr 30 - May 1** CAA Men's and Women's Outdoor Track & Field Championships - George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

#### Men's Lacrosse

Apr 1 - Apr 11~ Contact Period Apr 12 - Apr 15 ~ Dead Period Apr 16 - Apr 30 ~ Contact Period

#### Women's Lacrosse

Apr 1 - Apr 11~ Contact Period Apr 12 - Apr 15 ~ Dead Period Apr 16 - Apr 30 ~ Contact Period

## Football, Championship Subdivision

Apr 1 - Apr 14 ~ Quiet Period Apr 15 - Apr 30 ~ Evaluation Period