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RECRUITING CALENDAR CHANGES

ADOPTED IN JANUARY, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

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RECRUITING CALENDAR

Men's Basketball
Feb. 1-March 28 ~ Evaluation Period

Women's Basketball
Feb. 1-April 17 ~ Evaluation Period

Baseball
Feb. 1-Feb. 28 ~ Quiet Period

Softball
Feb. 1-April 8 ~ Contact/Evaluation Period

Women's Volleyball
Feb. 1-April 8 ~ Contact/Evaluation Period

Men's Lacrosse
Feb. 1-April 8 ~ Contact/Evaluation Period

Women's Lacrosse
Feb. 1-April 8 ~ Contact/Evaluation Period

Football I-AA
Feb. 1-Feb. 3 ~ Contact Period
Feb. 4 ~ Quiet Period; Feb. 5-8 ~ Dead Period; Feb. 9-April 14 ~ Quiet Period

The 2006-2007 legislative cycle made many changes to current legislation. The following four proposals amend the 2007 recruiting calendars effective immediately.

2006-31 RECRUITING – TELEPHONE CALLS TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES – EXCEPTION – FOOTBALL – ONE TELEPHONE CALL APRIL 15 THROUGH MAY 31

The intent of this proposal is to specify that an institution may make one telephone call, in the sport of football, to a prospective student-athlete or a prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians from April 15 through May 31 of the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school. It will amend **Bylaw 13.1.3.1.1**.

Rationale: This proposal does not increase the number of telephone calls permitted. However, it does modify the permissible time period during which coaching staff members may place telephone calls to junior prospective student-athletes to match the current spring evaluation period.

2006-52 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS – RECRUITING CALENDARS – MEN'S BASKETBALL – MARCH CONTACT PERIOD The intent of this proposal is to establish a contact period in men's basketball from **March 16 through 22**. The proposal will amend **Bylaw 30.11.1 (d)**.

Rationale: The elimination of the March contact period in men's basketball condensed the period of time during which off-campus con-

tacts between prospective student-athletes and collegiate coaches could occur prior to the start of the spring signing period of the National Letter of Intent. The current recruiting calendar provides college coaches with less than six days during which off-campus contact with a prospects can occur prior to the start of spring signing period. The increased external pressures the spring signing period brings to both college coaches and prospects are compounded due to the reduction of face-to-face off-campus recruiting opportunities. This proposal to reinstate the March contact period will provide prospects and their families with increased opportunities to meet with college coaches and should assist the prospect in selecting an institution/coach that best fit the needs of the prospect.

2006-53 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS – RECRUITING CALENDARS – MEN'S BASKETBALL – CHAMPIONSHIP DEAD PERIOD The intent of this proposal is to specify that the dead period surrounding the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship shall be from Thursday prior to the championship game until **noon on Thursday following the championship game**. It will amend **Bylaw 30.11.1(e)**.

Rationale: This proposal addresses the increase in pressure coaches feel during April recruiting activities prior to the National Letter of Intent signing period. As a result, many coaches have left the Final Four prior to the championship game or do not attend the related events. By extending the dead period until the Thursday after the conclusion of the championship game, coaches would be able to attend all of the associated activities and still have ade-

quate time in April to make last-minute recruiting contacts before the signing period begins.

2006-56 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS – RECRUITING CALENDARS – WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The intent of this proposal is to specify that **evaluations may occur in women's lacrosse at one event conducted during the weekend of the NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship**, provided it is conducted on a day in which no championship competition occurs and within a 100-mile radius of the site of the championship. This proposal will amend **Bylaw 30.11.8 (b)**.

Rationale: Traditionally, women's lacrosse coaches have recruited at events conducted during the Memorial Day weekend. Recently, the Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship has been conducted over the Memorial Day weekend. Consequently, the dead period surrounding the championship prevents college coaches from attending traditional events that are considered to be significant to the sport. Adjusting the recruiting calendar to permit coaches to attend one event within a 100-mile radius of the site of the championship supports both the championship and the sport's traditions. However, with this amendment coaches are still limited to choosing one event to attend.



QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Is it permissible for a picture of a Student-Athlete who has exhausted his/her eligibility to be used on the cover of a summer camp brochure?

Yes. It is permissible for a student-athlete whose eligibility is exhausted to be pictured on the cover of a camp brochure. The 2006 NCAA Rules Compliance Seminar camp & clinic power point presentation stated that "after a student-athlete exhausts eligibility, his or her picture could appear in other sections of the camp brochure." The

presentation referenced the Official Interp listed below.



Camp Brochure Containing Pictures of Student-Athletes

Date Issued: Apr 17, 2002

Type: Official

Interpretation:

A student-athlete with eligibility remaining who is employed in an institutional or privately owned camp may be identified by name and/or picture in the camp brochure only in a designated camp counselor section. Reference: NCAA Bylaw 12.5.1.7 (summer camps).]



APPLICATION OF PROPOSAL 2006-39 INSTITUTIONAL NOTE CARDS

With the recent adoption of Proposal 2006-39, effective August 1, 2007, institutions may need to plan on printing new institutional note cards. This proposal specifies that institutional note cards may not exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches when opened in full and may only contain the institution's name and logo or an athletics logo on the outside and may not include any preprinted informa-

tion on the inside.

In an official interpretation issued on December 12, 2006, the committee determined that institutional note cards that are to be sent to prospective student-athletes **must be blank on the inside** (i.e., one side of card that is 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches or smaller when opened in full) **when produced and that, when sent to**

prospects, only handwritten information (e.g., words, illustrations) **may be included.** [References: NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1.1 (printed recruiting materials) and Proposal No. 2006-39.]

"An institutional note card may only contain the institution's name and logo or an athletics logo on the outside..."

PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

The upcoming months are an important time in the recruiting process. Many sports will be experiencing contact and evaluation periods leading up to National Letter of Intent signing periods. As prospective student-athletes visit your campus, please keep in mind permissible and imper-

missible activities. Bylaw 13.11.2.2 addresses permissible recreational activities for prospects.

The legislation states that a prospective student-athlete visiting a member institution may participate in physical workouts or other recreational activities during a visit to an institution's

campus, provided such activities:

- (a) **Are not organized or observed by members of the athletics department coaching staff; and**
- (b) **Are not designed to test the athletics abilities of the prospective student-athlete.**



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“You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them.” — **Michael Jordan**



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