

**Colonial Athletic Association** 

# **Compliance Monthly**

The CAA Compliance Staff is dedicated to providing its member institutions with comprehensive Rules **Compliance Services** and Support. We hope that you find the CAA monthly newsletters to be useful and we welcome your feedback and ideas for new content.

#### **NCAA Staff Interpretation**

#### "Friend" or "Follow" Requests on a Social Networking Site

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The academic and membership affairs staff determined that an institutional staff member is permitted to initiate or accept a "friend" or "follow" request to a prospective student-athlete (or his or her parents or legal guardians) through a social networking site at any time, including prior to the first permissible date to send electronic correspondence, even if the social networking website sends an automatically-generated electronic notification (e.g., email, text message, push notification), provided the staff member does not modify the automatically-generated electronic notification and no additional communication is included.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.4.1 (recruiting materials), 13.4.1.2 (electronic transmissions), 13.4.1.2.1 (exception -- basketball), 13.4.1.2.2 (exception -- electronic transmissions after commitment), 13.10.2.1 (comments before commitment), and an official interpretation (3/14/07, Item No. 2)]

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#### NCAA Official Interpretation

## <u>Subscription to Recruiting or Scouting Services that Provide Information Beyond Standardized Information</u> <u>Provided to All Subscribers</u>

Date Published: December 5, 2013

Item Ref: 2

The committee confirmed that an institution is not permitted to subscribe to a recruiting or scouting service that provides information in any form (e.g., oral reports, electronic messages, etc.) about prospective student-athletes beyond the standardized, consistent information that is provided to all subscribers of the service.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.14.3 (recruiting or scouting services), 14.13.1 (basketball and football), 13.14.3.1.1 (video-only services), 13.14.3.2 (sports other than basketball and football) and 13.14.3.3 (subscription limited to approved services – basketball and football); and official interpretation (9/20/13, Item No. 1), which has been archived]

#### **NCAA Official Interpretation**

#### **Contact Restrictions Prior to Camps or Clinics**

Date Published: December 5, 2013

Item Ref: 1

Interpretation:

The committee confirmed that for purposes of contact restrictions on the day or days of a prospective student-athlete's competition, a noninstitutional, private camp or clinic is considered an athletics competition or athletics event and an institutional camp or clinic is not considered an athletics competition or event. Therefore, in sports other than basketball, a coaching staff member may make recruiting contacts during a permissible contact period with a prospective student-athlete participating in a noninstitutional, private camp or clinic only after the completion of activities on the final day of the camp or clinic. Conversely, official or unofficial visits may occur on an institution's campus on the day of an institutional camp or clinic before the camp or clinic begins.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.1.6.2 (practice or competition site) and 13.1.6.2.1 (additional restrictions- basketball); official interpretation (4/19/13, Item No. 1); and staff interpretation (03/25/13, Item No. a), which have been archived]

#### **NCAA Staff Interpretation**

#### Institution Providing Expenses for a High School to Send Transcripts to the NCAA Eligibility Center

Date Published: December 20, 2013

The academic and membership affairs staff determined that it is permissible for an institution to provide expenses (e.g., Federal Express charges) for a high school to send a prospective student-athlete's academic transcript to the NCAA Eligibility Center, provided the prospective student-athlete 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.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaw 13.15.2.1 (ACT and SAT scores) and a staff interpretation (08/24/94, Item No. a), which has been archived]

Date Published: December 5, 2013

#### **NCAA Staff Interpretation**

#### **Student-Athletes Selling Items Received for Participation in Intercollegiate Athletics**

Item Ref: a

#### Interpretation:

The academic and membership affairs staff confirmed that a student-athlete may not sell, or exchange for another item of value, any item received for athletics participation.

[References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 12.5.2.1 (advertisements and promotions after becoming a student-athlete); 12.1.2 (amateur status); 16.1.4 (types of awards, awarding agencies, maximum value and numbers of awards); and 16.11.2.1 (general rule)]

#### Congrats to our Fall CAA Scholar-Athlete Award Winners

- Wesley Gallagher, Men's Cross Country, Northeastern
- Emily Stites, Women's Cross Country, William & Mary
  - Taylor Hodge, Field Hockey, William & Mary
    - Chris Griebsch, Men's Soccer, Hofstra
    - Allegra Gray, Women's Soccer, Delaware
      - Christi Laite, Volleyball, UNCW

Please support our CAA
Spring Community
Service Initiative, our
Food Drive. Please
contact your local CAA
Athletics Department for
more information.





### **January Recruiting Calendars**

Note: This is a color coded visual of the recruiting calendars, please consider this when printing.

Contact Period



Quiet Period



**Evaluation Period** 



Dead Period

Cross	Country/	Track	and	Field
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Jan. 1-2 Quiet Period, Jan. 3-31 Contact Period

#### Men's Basketball

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January 1-31 Recruiting Period

#### Women's Basketball

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January 1-31 Evaluation Period

#### Women's Volleyball

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Jan. 1-17 Quiet Period, 18-31 Contact Period

#### Softball

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Jan. 1- Quiet Period, Jan. 2-31 Contact Period \*50 Evaluation Days (Aug.1-July 31) which does not include employment of coaches in instructional camps/ clinics or observation of prospects in HS Softball Competition

#### Baseball

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Jan. 1 and Jan. 6 (12:02 am) - Jan. 31 Quiet Period Jan. 2 (12:01 am) to Jan. 6 (12:01 am)

Dead Period

#### Men's Lacrosse

Jan. 1-5 Dead Period, Jan. 6-20 Contact Period/ NO Evaluations, Jan. 21-31 Quiet Period

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Jan. 1-Quiet Period, Jan. 2-31 Contact Period