



CAA COMPLIANCE MONTHLY

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RECRUITING
CALENDAR**Men's Basketball**

May 1-July 5 ~ Quiet Period
*Exception: NBA Predraft Camp ~ Evaluation Period

Women's Basketball

May 1-July 5 ~ Quiet Period

Baseball

May 1- Aug. 31 ~ Contact/
Evaluation

Softball

May 1-July 31 ~ Contact/Evaluation
*Exception: May 29-June 7 ~ Dead Period

Women's Volleyball

May 1 -July 31 ~ Contact/
Evaluation
*Exception: May 1-25 ~ Quiet Period

Men's Lacrosse

May 1-May 24 ~ Contact/Evaluation
May 25-29 (noon) ~ Dead Period
May 29 (12:01pm) - July 31 ~ Contact/Evaluation

Women's Lacrosse

May 1-May 24 ~ Contact/Evaluation
May 25-27 ~ Dead Period
May 28 - July 31 ~ Contact/
Evaluation

Football I-AA

May 1-May 31 ~ Evaluation Period
*Exception: Those days in May not designated for evaluation opportunities ~ Quiet Period

ADOPTED LEGISLATION CURRENTLY IN
OVERRIDE PERIOD

2006-40, Recruiting- Electronic Transmissions, intent is to specify that electronically transmitted correspondence that may be sent to a prospective student-athlete is limited to electronic mail and facsimiles. It will **amend Bylaws 13.02.14 and 13.4.1.2**. The unlimited use of certain forms of electronic communication, instant and text messaging, to contact prospects has become problematic. Coaches feel the need to contact prospects constantly and in turn prospects are distracted at all hours of the day and night. In addition parents bear the significant cost involved with receiving text messages and the parents are further removed from the recruiting process.

2006-46, Recruiting -Official Visit Requirements and Written Offers, intent is to specify that an institution shall not provide an official visit to a high school or preparatory school prospective student-athlete until he or she registers with the NCAA Initial-Eligibility

Clearinghouse and is placed on the institutional request list; further, to specify that an institution shall not provide a high school or preparatory school prospective student-athlete a written offer of athletically related financial aid until he or she has registered with the Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse and the institution places the prospective student-athletes on the institutional request list (IRL) with the Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse. This **amends Bylaws 13.6 and 13.9**. The rationale behind this proposal is that prospects are best served by early notification of their academic status for purposes of NCAA eligibility. There has been a growing trend of late Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse registration. This leads to an inability to properly advise student-athletes regarding academic deficiencies. Encouraging early registration by prospects and early institutional request list submission by institutions enhances the integrity of the initial-eligibility certification process and fosters sound academic

behaviors.

2006-64 Eligibility- Seasons of Competition-Hardship Waiver- Maximum Number of Contest, intent is to increase the maximum permissible number of contests or dates of competition in which a student-athlete may participate in a season and remain eligible for a hardship waiver to three scheduled or completed contests or dates of competition or 30 percent of the institution's scheduled or completed contest or dates of competition. It will **amend Bylaw 14.2.4 (c)**. The current hardship-waiver legislation, 2 contests or dates of competition or 20 percent whichever is greater, overly penalizes a student-athlete who becomes injured or ill. In the interest of student-athlete well-being by increasing the maximum amount of competition student-athletes have a much better opportunity to compete for a significant part of the season. Source: LSDBi - Proposals

CAA SPRING CHAMPIONSHIPS
CONTINUE THIS MONTH

Sport action continues this month with three CAA sports entering their championship series. Men's Lacrosse kicks off on the second followed by Women's Lacrosse on the fourth. Softball gears up on the tenth and Baseball on the twenty-third. You don't want to miss it!

Stay up to date on all the action by visiting **www.caasports.com**. For information on locations, directions, admission prices and game times, visit the CAA Championships page.



QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Is it permissible for an institutions' sports medicine staff to e-mail incoming student-athletes who have signed an NLI or who have been officially accepted for enrollment, for the purpose of obtaining medical documentation and physicals to have them cleared medically prior to preseason ?

Answer: Yes. It is permissible for an institutions' sports medicine staff to communicate necessary medical information needed for participation in preseason activities prior to arrival.



APPLICATION OF PROPOSAL 2006-79, PLAYING & PRACTICE SEASONS/RECRUITING - MANDATORY MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

With the recent adoption of Proposal 2006-79 as amended, effective May 1, 2007, institutions need to be aware that prospective student-athletes and student-athletes must undergo a medical examination administered or supervised by a physician prior to initial participation in any practice, competition or out of season conditioning and to require an updated medical history each year. In the

applicable sports, to require prospective student-athletes to undergo a medical examination administered or supervised by a physician prior to participation in any voluntary individual workouts pursuant to the safety exception. In football and basketball, to require prospective student-athletes to undergo a medical examination administered or supervised by a physician prior to voluntary summer conditioning activities.

This adopted proposal **effects Bylaws 13.11.3.8.3, 13.11.3.9.1, 13.11.3.10.1, 17.1.5, 17.11.2 and 17.11.6**. The purpose is to insure that before student-athletes and prospective student-athletes accept the rigors of organized sport, their health is evaluated by qualified medical personnel. In addition, it brings consistency to when athletes receive physicals.

PROPOSAL 2006-39 - INSTITUTIONAL NOTE CARDS

Reminder: Effective August 1, 2007, 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 information 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.]



2007 CAA COMPLIANCE SEMINAR

The CAA will hold its 14th annual CAA Rules Compliance Seminar on June 20-21, 2007. Start making plans to join us in Richmond, VA at the Crowne Plaza Hotel Richmond West. We look forward to this exciting time of idea sharing and discussion. Mark your calendars and reserve your room today!

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 Men's Lacrosse Championship	3 Tennis Coaches Conference Call @ 1 pm	4 Women's Lacrosse Championship	5 Men's Lacrosse Championship	
6 Women's Lacrosse Championship	7	8	9	10 Softball Championship	11 Softball Championship	12 Softball Championship
13	14	15	16 NLI Signing Period Ends for Basketball	17	18 	19
20	21	22	23 Baseball Championship	24 Baseball Championship	25 Baseball Championship	26 Baseball Championship
27	28 Memorial Day - CAA Office Closed	29	30	31 Track & Field Coaches Conference Call @ 1 pm		

"Besides pride, loyalty, discipline, heart, and mind, confidence is the key to all the locks." -Joe Paterno



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