



COMPLIANCE MONTHLY

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Feb 2009 Football

NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT (NLI)

FOOTBALL REGULAR SIGNING PERIOD

S	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Contact Period						
Quiet Period						
Dead Period						

Initial Date for Football Regular Signing Period: Wednesday, February 4, 2009.

Last Day of Signing Period: Wednesday, April 1, 2009.

Dead Period: February 2-5, 2009.

Quiet Periods: February 1 & February 6 through April 14, 2009.

FOOTBALL DEAD PERIOD RESTRICTIONS

Contacts, Evaluations & Recruiting Trips. No in-person, on- or off-campus contact with a prospective student-athlete may be made during the Dead Period, including evaluating a prospect or visiting a high school, prep school, or junior college, even if no contact is made with prospects.

Speaking Engagements. Coaches may not serve as a speaker at or attend a meeting or banquet at which prospects are in attendance during a Dead Period.

Telephone Calls. Institutional coaching staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to prospects during the period starting at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, February 2 until 7:00 a.m. on Friday, February 6 (i.e., 48 hours before and 48 hours after 7:00 a.m. on the initial signing date for the NLI).

Official Visits/Unofficial Visits/Complimentary Admissions. A prospect may not visit your campus on an official (paid) or unofficial (self-paid) visit. Complimentary admissions may not be provided to a prospect during a Dead Period.

Delivery of NLI. The NLI cannot be hand-delivered or picked up during this Dead Period or at any other time. It may be delivered and returned by express mail, courier service, regular mail, electronic mail or fax machine during the signing period.

RECRUITING CALENDAR

Feb 1: Quiet Period
Feb 2-5: Dead Period
Feb 6- 28: Quiet Period

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GENERAL REMINDERS

Written Correspondence. Coaches may write prospects during the Dead Period.

Eligibility Center Registration. In order to sign the NLI and GIA a high school or preparatory school prospect must be registered with the NCAA Eligibility Center and placed on the institution's IRL.

Admissions and Graduation Rate Data, Academic Progress Rate (APR) and Graduation Success Rate (GSR). Institutions are required to provide prospects and prospects' parents/legal guardians with information contained in its NCAA Academic Progress Rate, Graduation Success Rate, and Admissions and Graduation Rate Data no later than the day prior to a prospect's signed acceptance of the NLI or signed acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid. The reports may be provided in hard copy or electronic form (e.g., electronic mail, link to web site).

Notification of Initial-Eligibility Standards. Institutions are required to provide to high school prospects and their parents/legal guardians information regarding the initial-eligibility standards contained in Bylaw 14.3. The information must be provided at the earliest opportunity after the institution begins recruiting the prospect, but not later than the day prior to the prospect's signed acceptance of the NLI or written offer of admission and/or financial aid. An institution may provide the information in hard copy or electronic form (e.g., email, link to Web site).

Banned Drug List. The Banned Drug List and Information about Nutritional Supplements must be provided to prospects and parents no later than July 1 before the prospect's initial enrollment.



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CONTENT OF ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT STAFF MEMBERS' PERSONAL WEB SITES AND NONATHLETICS INSTITUTIONAL WEB SITES (I)

Date Published: March 14, 2007

Official Interpretation

The committee confirmed that it is permissible for a institution's Web site or an athletics department staff member's personal Web site (or personal page on any site) to include information related to the institution's athletics programs, subject to the restrictions applicable to an institution's athletics Web site. For example, in order to include any recruiting material, highlight videos or information related to prospects on an athletics department staff member's personal site, it must be permissible to include such material and information on the institution's athletics Web site. Further, it is not permissible for an institution's Web site or an athletics department staff member's personal Web site (or personal page on any site) to include a hyperlink to the Web site of a recruiting/scouting service or a non-institutional publication that reports primarily on the institution's athletics program. Finally, it is permissible for general informational video content related to an institution's athletics programs to appear on institutional Web sites (athletics and non-athletic) and personal Web sites of athletics department staff members, provided such content is generally accessible to the general public (e.g., not included in a separate recruiting section) and is not created for recruiting purposes.

COMMENTS BEFORE SIGNING A NLI

Bylaw: 13.10.2

Before the signing of a prospective student-athlete to a National Letter of Intent or an institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, a member institution may comment publicly only to the extent of confirming its recruitment of the prospective student-athlete. The institution may not comment generally about the prospective student-athlete's ability or the contribution that the prospective student-athlete might make to the institution's team; further, the institution is precluded from commenting in any manner as to the likelihood of the prospective student-athlete's signing with that institution. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a prospective student-athlete's eligibility and are considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1.

CAMP ADVERTISEMENTS

Date Published: January 15, 2009

Official Interpretation

The NCAA Legislative Council determined that an institution may advertise or promote an institutional camp or clinic in any ways, provided any camp or clinic advertisement or promotion (e.g., camp brochure, website, newspaper or magazine advertisement) stipulates that the camp or clinic is open to any and all entrants (limited only by number, age, grade level and/or gender). Some examples of descriptions that are now permissible for institutional camp/clinic advertisements and promotions (e.g., brochures, websites) include: Big State University Elite Basketball Camp, Big Tech University Elite Goalie Camp, Big State Women's Basketball Shooter's Camp. Please note that the advertisements must include language that the camp is open to any and all entrants, regardless of skill level (limited only by number, age, grade-level and/or gender).

CAA Reminder: Message From The NCAA AGA- With the Super Bowl on February 1, we wanted to take this time to remind all student-athletes and athletics administrators of the NCAA's policy on gambling. The NCAA membership has adopted specific rules prohibiting athletics department staff members and student-athletes from engaging in gambling activities as they relate to intercollegiate or professional sporting events. NCAA member colleges and universities have defined sports wagering as putting something at risk – such as an entry fee – with the opportunity to win something in return. Because of this, student-athletes, coaches and administrators may not participate in leagues or pools where there is both a required entry fee and an opportunity to win a prize. If you have any questions regarding this material, please do not hesitate to contact the agent, gambling, and amateurism activities staff.

NCAA Agent, Gambling, and Amateurism Activities Staff -317/917-6866