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Nov. 2009 FOOTBALL RECRUITING CALENDAR

ACTIVITIES DURING OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL VISITS

S	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fri	S
1	2	3	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					

1-28 ~ Quiet Period*
29-30 ~ Contact Period

*42 Possible Evaluation Days (Sept., Oct., and Nov.)

Educational Column

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NCAA Division I institutions should note that in accordance with NCAA Bylaws 13.6.7.9, 13.7.3 and 13.10.5, an institution may not arrange miscellaneous, personalized recruiting aids (e.g., personalized jerseys, personalized audio/video scoreboard presentations) nor may an institution permit a prospective student-athlete to engage in any game-day simulations during an official or unofficial visit. Further, prospective student-athletes may not participate in team activities that would make the public or media aware of the prospective student-athlete's visit to the institution.

Impermissible game-day simulations involving prospective student-athletes include running onto the field during pregame introductions, participating in pregame team walks to the competition facility, riding with the team on the bus to the competition facility and/or participating in pregame on-field traditions. For example, if an institution's team normally participates in a pregame walk to the stadium on game day, prospective student-athletes who are on campus for official or unofficial visits would not be permitted to use the same route to the stadium during the time period when the public can reasonably be expected to be assembled to witness the team's arrival at the stadium. Another example to illustrate the application of the legislation would be if an institution's team normally rides on a bus to the competition facility with a police escort or takes a route occupied by fans, the prospective student-athletes who are on campus for official or unofficial visits would not be permitted to ride with the team on the bus to the competition facility. Instead, under either of these circumstances, an institution should make arrangements for prospective student-athletes who are on campus for official or unofficial visits to arrive at the stadium using a different route than the team.

While game-day activities vary by institution and by sport, institutions are reminded to review institutional official- and unofficial-visit policies to ensure

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all activities surrounding official or unofficial visits are not personalized or conducted in a manner that appears to publicize the prospective student-athlete's visit.

[References: Bylaws 13.6.7.9 (activities), 13.7.3 (activities while on unofficial visits) and 13.10.5 (prospective student-athlete's visit)]

REVIEW OF BYLAW 13.6.7.2 COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS

Recently we have received questions about whether or not it is permissible for prospective student-athletes to stand on the sidelines at a football game during an official or unofficial visit. Please note that it is permissible during an official or unofficial visit for a prospect to be on the sidelines **DURING PRE-GAME**, even if the area is not open to the general public. However, once the game begins (and including halftime) the prospect **MUST REMAIN** in the general seating area per Bylaw 13.6.7.2, Complimentary Admissions.

Bylaw 13.6.7.2. Complimentary Admissions. During the official visit, a maximum of three complimentary admissions to a home athletics event at any facility within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus in which the institution's intercollegiate team practices or competes may be provided to a prospective student-athlete. Such complimentary admissions are for the exclusive use of the prospective student-athlete and those persons accompanying the prospective student-athlete on the visit and must be issued only through a pass list on an individual-game basis. Such admissions may provide seating only in the general seating area of the facility used for conducting the event. Providing seating during the conduct of the event (including intermission) for the prospective student-athlete or those persons accompanying the prospective student-athlete in the facility's press box, special seating box(es) or bench area is specifically prohibited.

CAA FOOTBALL UPDATES

- All-Conference nomination forms will be sent out to coaches on November 4 from Scott Meyer, CAA Director of Football Communications. These forms are due back to Scott on November 11 at smeyer@caasports.com.
- Congratulations! Richmond received one vote in the Associated Press Top- 25 Poll on Sunday, November 1. To read more about this story go to www.caasports.com under Football News.
- The NCAA Division I Football Championship selection show will air on November 22 at 3 p.m. on ESPN News.