



COMPLIANCE MONTHLY

OCTOBER 2010

Delaware * Georgia State* James Madison * Maine * Massachusetts * New Hampshire * Old Dominion * Rhode Island * Richmond * Towson * Villanova * William & Mary

OCT 2010 FOOTBALL RECRUITING CALENDAR

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ENHANCED PENALTIES FOR FOOTBALL RECRUITING VIOLATIONS

September 13, 2010 NCAA Enforcement Release- At the recommendation of the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA), the Division I and Division II Committees on Infractions have agreed to support the imposition of enhanced penalties by the enforcement staff, including game suspensions of coaches, for some specified secondary violations of NCAA football recruiting legislation. The AFCA identified numerous types of violations that should result in enhanced penalties, including, but not limited to: Communication violations (e.g., phone call and text message violations); impermissible contacts/ evaluations; impermissible recruiters; provision of benefits to individuals associated with prospects; exceeding coaching staff limitations; and use of impermissible recruiting aids and game-day simulations. As a result, penalties for football recruiting violations could now result in significant recruiting restrictions, as well as suspension of coaching-related activities for one or more contests, among other penalties. The enforcement staff already provides such enhanced penalties for some Division I men's basketball recruiting violations, as approved by the Division I Board of Directors last October.

Recruiting Calendar

Oct 1- Oct 31

Quiet Period

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

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NONCOACHING STAFF MEMBERS WITH FOOTBALL RESPONSIBILITIES

A noncoaching staff member with sport-specific responsibilities (e.g., director of operations, administrative assistant) may participate in organized activities involving only the coaching staff or may perform administrative duties (e.g., attend meetings involving coaching activities, analyze video of the institution's or an opponent's team, track statistics during practice or competition). However, such an individual is prohibited from participating in instructional activities with student-athletes and any on-court or on-field activities (e.g., assist with drills, throw batting practice), and is prohibited from participating with or observing student-athletes in the staff member's sport who are engaged in nonorganized voluntary athletically related activities (e.g., pick-up games). (Bylaw 11.7.1.1.1.1)

One Example: It is not permissible for a Noncoaching Staff Member with Football Responsibilities to signal in plays from the sidelines during practices or games, even though the plays were scripted without his input and he was simply acting as a facilitator by signaling in plays determined by an countable football coach.

FRIENDS ON FACEBOOK--COACHES AND PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES

Please note that when a coach asks a prospective student-athlete (PSA) to be a friend or accepts a friend invitation from a PSA on Facebook, since an e-mail is actually being sent by the coach to a specific PSA when the invitation occurs, then such an invite could <u>not</u> occur prior to the first permissible date for sending electronic correspondence. Electronically transmitted correspondence to a football PSA may not be sent prior to September 1 at the beginning of the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school.

[Reference: NCAA Division I Bylaw 13.4.1 (recruiting materials)]

CAA SOUAD SIZE REMINDER

For conference games, the visiting team can travel with **56** student-athletes. This number may be exceeded for **one** game per year, through written notification to Commissioner Tom Yeager in advance. The number of players for the home team is at the discretion of the institution.