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SEPT 2009 FOOTBALL RECRUITING CALENDAR

s	Мо	Tu	WE	Тн	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			

Recruiting Calendar

Sept. 1- Sept 30

Quiet Period

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

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Staff Interpretation-- July 17, 2009-- Publishing Results of a High School Athletics Event Held on Institution's Campus

The academic and membership affairs staff determined that it is permissible for a member institution to post the results of a high school athletics event held on a member institution's campus on its institutional Web site or use other media outlets normally used by the institution to publish such results. The staff noted an institution must post complete event results and may not highlight the results of, or provide any commentary on the performance of specific participants and/or teams.

References: NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.11.1.4 (competition in conjunction with a high school, preparatory school or two-year college), 13.11.1.4.1 (criteria), 13.11.3.4 (high school, preparatory school and two-year college contests), 13.11.3.5 (high school, preparatory school and two-year college practice and competition), 13.15.1.5 (high school contest in conjunction with college competition) and staff interpretations: (5/28/2009, Item Ref. b); (5/28/2009, Item Ref. a) and (7/17/2009, Item Ref. 3.]

FOOTBALL EVALUATIONS -- EVENTS ORGANIZED AND CONDUCTED BY SCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS GOVERNANCE BODIES

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NCAA Division I institutions should note that in football, NCAA Proposal No.2008-20-A amended NCAA Bylaw 13.1.8.9.4 to permit coaches to conduct live evaluations at events that are organized and conducted solely by the applicable state high school athletics association, state preparatory school association or state or national junior college athletics association.

Application Q & A for this new legislation:

Q: A two-year college state athletics association is organizing and conducting a two-year college all-star game. May coaches evaluate at the event?

A: Yes. Provided the event is conducted during a permissible evaluation period, coaches are permitted to evaluate at events, including all-star game practices or competitions conducted and organized solely by the applicable scholastic athletics governing body. In this case, the two-year college athletics association is considered the applicable scholastic athletics governing body.



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FOOTBALL EVALUATIONS - Q & A

Q: A state high school athletics association has contracted with a state high school coaches association to conduct an all -star game. The state high school coaches association is responsible for the selection of the game location and the hiring of staff to work the event. Are coaches permitted to evaluate at the all-star game?

A: No. In order for it to be permissible for coaches to evaluate at the event, it must be organized and conducted solely by the applicable scholastic athletics governing body which, in this case, is the state high school athletics association. It is important to note that a state high school coaches association is not considered a scholastic athletics governing body. Therefore, it is not permissible for coaches to evaluate at this all-star game because the state high school coaches association is responsible for the selection of the all-star game location and the hiring of staff to work the game.

Q: Practice for a two-year college all-star game is being conducted jointly by a two-year college athletics association and an apparel company. Employees of the apparel company are responsible for marketing and promoting the game, managing the registration desk and distributing apparel and equipment to prospective student-athletes at practice and at the game. Are coaches permitted to evaluate at the all-star practice and/or game?

A: No. Since employees of the apparel company are responsible for marketing and promoting the game, managing the registration desk and distributing apparel and equipment to prospective student-athletes, the two-year college athletics association is not solely responsible for all activities and, therefore, it is not permissible for coaches to evaluate the game or practice.

Q: A state high school athletics association is conducting a high school all-star game in a professional sports stadium. The state high school association paid a rental fee for use of the stadium. The rental agreement states that stadium employees will provide maintenance and serve as ushers during the all-star game. The state high school athletics association organized the event and will conduct all activities during the event. Are coaches permitted to evaluate at the all-star game?

A: Yes. In this case, the stadium's personnel are not considered to be responsible for the conduct and organization of the event because their involvement is limited to the terms of the rental agreement which included the use of the facility and staff necessary to operate and maintain the facility. Therefore, the state high school athletics association is solely responsible for the conduct and organization of the event and it is permissible for coaches to evaluate at this event.

[References: NCAA Bylaws 13.1.8.9.3 (evaluation days) and 13.1.8.9.4 (scholastic and nonscholastic activities)]