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2009-10 Division I Legislative Calendar

The legislative calendar, as set forth in NCAA Constitution 5 is summarized here for convenience of reference.

July 15: Deadline for submission of proposals by Division I conferences and cabinets.

August 15: Deadline for online posting of Division I Publication of Proposed Legislation.

Posting of POPL through September 30, 2009: Cabinet and Committee Review. Applicable proposals forwarded to the appropriate governance entity for discussion and comment.

July 15 through October 27, 2009: Sponsor Modification/Alternative Proposal Period. From July 15 through October 27 at 5 p.m., the cabinets or any conference may suggest that the sponsor modify the proposal or may sponsor an alternative proposal, provided the suggested modification or alternative proposal is germane to the original proposal. Modifications suggested during this period may increase or decrease the scope of the proposal. Entities suggesting modifications are to contact the proposal's sponsor to determine if the sponsor agrees with the proposed change.

October 19-20, 2009: The NCAA Division I Legislative Council Meeting.

November 15, 2009: Deadline for online posting of NCAA Division I Official Notice to the NCAA Web site. The Official Notice lists all pending legislative proposals (including alternative proposals) whether sponsored by conferences, cabinets, the Legislative Council or the Board of Directors.

January 13-16, 2010: NCAA Convention.

January 14, 2010: Legislative Council initial consideration of legislation.

January 16, 2010: NCAA Division I Board of Directors meeting.

January 17 through March 17, 2010: 60-Day Comment/Amendment/Override Period. Cabinets and conferences shall have 60 days to offer amendments to any legislation forwarded for membership comment by the Legislative Council or request an override of any legislation adopted by the Legislative Council or Board of Directors or defeated by the Board of Directors at their January 2009 meetings. During this period, legislative amendments that do not increase the modification specified in the original proposal are permitted. Any amendments submitted during this time period will be posted for membership review on LSDBi. Pursuant to NCAA Division I Constitution 5.3.2.4.1, during this time period, member institutions also may submit comments on the pending legislation.

April 19-20, 2010: Legislative Council second consideration of legislation.

April 29, 2010: Board of Directors meeting.

April 30-June 28, 2010: 60-Day Override Period.

PROPOSALS SUBMITTED FOR THE 2009-10 LEGISLATIVE CYCLE

[Note: In the following proposals, those letters and words that appear in ~~*italics and strikethrough*~~ are to be deleted and those letters and words that appear in **bold** face and are underlined are to be added. Some proposals may be considered in October 2009 as emergency or noncontroversial. All other proposals are for consideration in January and April 2010.]

Ethical Conduct

No. 2009-9 ETHICAL CONDUCT — UNETHICAL CONDUCT — KNOWINGLY INFLUENCING OTHERS TO FURNISH FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

Intent: To specify that knowingly influencing others to furnish the NCAA or an individual's institution false or misleading information concerning an individual's involvement in or knowledge of matters relevant to a possible violation of an NCAA regulation constitutes unethical conduct.

Bylaws: Amend 10.1, as follows:

10.1 UNETHICAL CONDUCT. Unethical conduct by a prospective or enrolled student-athlete or a current or former institutional staff member (e.g., coach, professor, tutor, teaching assistant, student manager, student trainer) may include, but is not limited to, the following:

[10.1-(a) through 10.1-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Knowingly furnishing **or knowingly influencing others to furnish** the NCAA or the individual's institution false or misleading information concerning ~~the~~ **an** individual's involvement in or knowledge of matters relevant to a possible violation of an NCAA regulation;

[Remainder of 10.1 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Board of Directors (Committee on Infractions)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Ethical Conduct

Rationale: This proposal is intended to codify current practice, as it relates to ethical-conduct violation charges under Bylaw 10.1-(d). This revision would be consistent with case precedent as evidenced in decisions by the Committee on Infractions. Under Bylaw 10.1-(d), if an individual (to whom the bylaw applies) provides false or misleading information concerning violations of NCAA legislation, such conduct may serve as the basis for an ethical-conduct violation. Under a strict reading or interpretation of 10.1-(d), the individual is seemingly only responsible for personally providing false or misleading information concerning his or her own involvement in or knowledge of matters pertinent to a violation of NCAA legislation. In practice, however, providing false information concerning one's involvement in or knowledge of violations, inducing another person to provide false or misleading information about their involvement in or knowledge of violations, or falsifying documentation (e.g., compliance monitoring forms) to conceal violations are areas of conduct that have fallen under the purview of Bylaw 10.1-(d). Although Bylaw 10.1 is not intended to be an exclusive list of the type of conduct constituting unethical conduct, the proposed changes more accurately incorporate current practice as it relates to charging violations of Bylaw 10.1-(d).

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 25, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Personnel

No. 2009-10 PERSONNEL — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — GRADUATE-ASSISTANT COACH — EMPLOYMENT WITHIN SEVEN YEARS OF GRADUATION OR EXHAUSTING ELIGIBILITY — BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL

Intent: In bowl subdivision football, to specify that a graduate-assistant coach is any coach who has received a baccalaureate degree or has exhausted athletics eligibility (whichever occurs later) within the previous seven years and qualifies for appointment as a graduate assistant under the policies of the institution.

Bylaws: Amend 11.01.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS only]

11.01.3 Coach, Graduate Assistant — Bowl Subdivision Football and Women's Rowing. In bowl subdivision football ~~and women's rowing~~, **a graduate-assistant coach is any coach who has received a baccalaureate degree or has exhausted athletics eligibility (whichever occurs later) within the previous seven years and qualifies for appointment as a graduate assistant under the policies of the institution. In women's rowing,** a graduate-assistant coach is any coach who has received a baccalaureate degree and qualifies for appointment as a graduate assistant under the policies of the institution. The individual is not required to be enrolled in a specific graduate degree program unless required by institutional policy. The following provisions shall apply:

[Remainder of 11.01.3 unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010; for new appointments of graduate assistant coaches on or after August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: There has been a proliferation of graduate-assistant coach positions in football being filled by individuals with significant coaching experience. Originally, the graduate-assistant position was designed to allow recent graduates to be involved in coaching activities while continuing their primary pursuit: postgraduate educational opportunities. This proposal is intended to establish a criterion that serves to better define the graduate-assistant position as being filled by an individual that is primarily in the position for the "graduate student" portion of the title and not necessarily the "assistant coach" portion. Seven years is a relatively short time period following the individual's completion of a baccalaureate degree program or completion of the individual's athletics eligibility. Such a time period provides former student-athletes, who may have had limited professional athletics careers, the opportunity to return to the institution to attend graduate school and to be involved in coaching activities as a graduate-assistant coach.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee noted that this legislation may unnecessarily limit the ability for new coaches to enter the profession and inhibit coaches of diverse racial backgrounds from entering the profession, particularly when former professional football players seek to become college coaches.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet plans to closely examine issues regarding graduate assistant coaches to better assess the implications of the current legislation and suggested legislative changes. It would be premature to adopt legislation prior to that examination. The cabinet also noted the proposal may preclude high school football coaches and former professional football players from having access to entry-level coaching positions at institutions.

History:

Jun 22, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-11 PERSONNEL — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — GRADUATE-ASSISTANT COACH — BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL AND WOMEN'S ROWING — LESS THAN 50 PERCENT OF FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT DURING FINAL TERM

Intent: In bowl subdivision football and women's rowing, to specify that a graduate-assistant coach may be enrolled in less than 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular graduate program of studies during his or her final semester or quarter of the degree program, provided he or she is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements.

Bylaws: Amend 11.01.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and Division I, divided vote]

11.01.3 Coach, Graduate Assistant — Bowl Subdivision Football and Women's Rowing. In bowl subdivision football and women's rowing, a graduate-assistant coach is any coach who has received a baccalaureate degree and qualifies for appointment as a graduate assistant under the policies of the institution. The individual is not required to be enrolled in a specific graduate degree program unless required by institutional policy. The following provisions shall apply:

(a) The individual shall be enrolled in at least 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular graduate program of studies, **except that during his or her final semester or quarter of the degree program, he or she may be enrolled in less than 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular program, provided he or she is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements. If the individual fails to complete all degree requirements during the**

term in which he or she is enrolled in less than 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular program, the result shall be an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. ~~However, an~~ **An** institution may appoint a midyear replacement graduate-assistant coach who is enrolled in less than 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular graduate program of studies (or is not yet enrolled), provided the graduate assistant coach has been accepted for enrollment in a graduate program beginning with the next regular academic term;

[Remainder of 11.01.3 unchanged.]

Source: Big 12 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This proposal would establish a standard that would be similar to the current legislation for a student-athlete in his or her final semester/quarter. Graduate-assistant coaches who only need to complete courses that amount to less than 50 percent of the institution's minimum regular graduate program of studies to graduate should be held to the same standards as a student-athlete who is eligible to compete in his or her final year of eligibility and who requires less than a full-time course load to graduate. Graduate-assistant coaches who meet all other requirements to serve in such capacity, should not be penalized for their academic success and they should not be held to a higher standard than a student-athlete in this regard.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee noted that the proposal is appropriately consistent with legislation regarding student-athletes in the final term of their degree programs.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Women's Rowing Committee: The cabinet supports the proposal.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 08, 2009 Women's Rowing Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-12-A PERSONNEL — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT-ASSISTANT COACH

Intent: To permit a student-athlete to serve as an undergraduate student-assistant coach at the institution at which the student-athlete most recently participated in intercollegiate athletics, provided the student-athlete is currently enrolled at the institution as a full-time undergraduate student and he or she renounces any remaining eligibility in the sport; further, to specify that the limit of undergraduate student-assistant coaches in each sport shall be the same as the limit of countable coaches permitted in the sport.

A. Bylaws: Amend 11.01.4, as follows:

11.01.4 Coach, **Undergraduate** Student Assistant. ~~A~~ **An undergraduate** student-assistant coach is any coach who is a student-athlete who has exhausted his or her eligibility in the sport or has become injured to the point that he or she is unable to practice or compete ever again, and who meets the following additional criteria:

(a) Is enrolled at the institution at which he or she **most recently** participated in intercollegiate athletics;

(b) Is participating as a student coach within the five-year eligibility period (see Bylaw 14.2);

*(eb) Is **enrolled as** a full-time undergraduate ~~or graduate~~ student **in his or her first baccalaureate degree program** (see *Bylaws Bylaw 14.1.8.2 and 14.1.8.2.1.4*), except that during his or her final semester or quarter of a **the baccalaureate** degree program, he or she may be enrolled in less than a full-time program of studies, provided he or she is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements;*

[11.01.4-(d) through 11.01.4-(e) relettered as 11.01.4-(c) through 11.01.4-(d), unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 11.7.4.2.2, as follows:

11.7.4.2.2 Student-Assistant Coach. ~~The limits on the number of coaches in this section do not apply to~~ **An institution may employ** student-assistant coaches (see Bylaw 11.01.4). **The limit on the number of student-assistant coaches in each sport shall be the same as the limit on the number of coaches in the sport per Bylaw 11.7.4.**

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This proposal will expand opportunities for student-athletes to gain coaching experience while enrolled as full-time undergraduate students. Any concern that institutions would gain a competitive advantage is addressed with the condition that student-assistant coaches would renounce any remaining eligibility. Further, permitting former student-athletes to serve as student-assistant coaches outside of their five-year eligibility period may encourage student-athletes who departed their institutions prior to graduating to return and finish their baccalaureate degrees and allow institutions to earn additional NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate points. Finally, the limits on the number of student-assistant coaches is appropriate to provide additional coaching

opportunities while being mindful of any competitive equity concerns that may arise if no limit were set with the expansion of individuals who are now eligible for the positions.

Estimated Budget Impact: Dependent on number of student-assistant coaches used by an institution.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet sponsored an alternative proposal that maintains the current provisions of Bylaw 11.01.4, except that it would eliminate the provision that limits an individual to serving as a student assistant coach within his or her five-year eligibility period. The cabinet expressed concerns related to the concept of student-athletes renouncing their eligibility, noting that this practice could be used to "run off" underperforming student-athletes. The cabinet's alternative is intended to maintain the majority of the current rule but allow individuals to return to school after a period of time away. Thus, a student assistant coach may be a graduate student and could serve in such capacity outside of his or her five-year period of eligibility. The cabinet noted that such student-coaches remain eligible to receive earned institutional financial aid beyond the five-year period of eligibility and beyond six-years after initial enrollment. Finally, the cabinet noted that this alternative may still encourage student-athletes who depart their institutions prior to graduating to return and finish their baccalaureate degrees, allowing institutions to earn additional Academic Progress Rate points.

Baseball Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee agrees that this proposal would be instrumental in getting student-athletes who depart for professional baseball after their junior years to return to the institution to earn their baccalaureate degree.

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee expressed concern that the ability for student-athletes to renounce their remaining eligibility may lead to "run-offs" of student-athletes not meeting athletic expectations to allow for the recruitment of more student-athletes.

Men's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee:

- * Expressed strong concerns regarding the ethical dilemmas that may confront some coaches who may feel pressure to encourage a student-athlete to renounce eligibility for recruiting purposes.

- * Expressed concerns regarding ethical dilemmas facing student-athletes who may feel pressure to "take one for the team" or risk nonrenewal of financial aid.

- * Noted the potential additional costs absorbed by the athletics department associated with funding up to 17 scholarships (13 counters and four undergraduate coaches who were former players).

- * Noted potential negative NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate ramifications if student-athletes electing to renounce eligibility are performing well in the classroom.

* Expressed concerns that some student-athletes may have a change in mind about their playing career and transfer to another institution in another division.

* Indicated that it would support the proposal if it were modified by the sponsor to eliminate the option for current student-athletes to renounce eligibility. The committee supports allowing former student-athletes who have exhausted their five-year period of eligibility to return to the institution and serve as student-assistant coaches while pursuing a degree.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee took no position on the proposal. The committee supports the concept of expanding opportunities for a student-athlete to gain coaching experience while enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student; however, the committee is concerned with the requirement that a student-athlete must renounce his or her eligibility. The committee noted that a student-athlete may be pressured to renounce eligibility or risk nonrenewal of financial aid. The committee also noted that the sponsors should consider adding language relating to the types of athletic activities in which an undergraduate student-assistant coach may be involved, similar to what is noted in Proposal No. 2009-14.

History:

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

Aug 18, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, No Formal Position

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 03, 2009 Baseball Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Modified the Proposal Modified to eliminate the provision that would permit a student-athlete to renounce any remaining eligibility in the applicable sport and qualify to serve as an undergraduate assistant coach.

Sep 22, 2009 Proposal renumbered as Proposal No. 2009-12-A. An alternative is Proposal No. 2009-12-B.

No. 2009-12-B PERSONNEL — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — STUDENT-ASSISTANT COACH — FIVE-YEAR ELIGIBILITY PERIOD

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that a student-athlete, who has exhausted his or her eligibility in the sport or has become injured to the point that he or she is unable to practice or compete ever again, may only participate as a student-assistant coach within his or her five-year eligibility period.

Bylaws: Amend 11.01.4, as follows:

11.01.4 Coach, Student Assistant. A student-assistant coach is any coach who is a student-athlete who has exhausted his or her eligibility in the sport or has become injured to the point

that he or she is unable to practice or compete ever again, and who meets the following additional criteria:

- (a) Is enrolled at the institution at which he or she participated in intercollegiate athletics;
 - ~~(b) Is participating as a student coach within the five-year eligibility period (see Bylaw 14.2);~~
- [11.01.4-(c) through 11.01.4-(e) relettered as 11.01.4-(b) through 11.01.4-(d), unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits and Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This alternative proposal is intended to maintain the majority of the current rule but allow individuals to return to school after a period of time away. Thus, a student assistant coach may be a graduate student and could serve in such capacity outside of his or her five-year eligibility clock. Further, such student-coaches remain eligible to receive institutional financial aid beyond the five-year eligibility clock based on Bylaw 15.01.5 which specifies that such students may receive earned athletics aid. Finally, this modification may still encourage student-athletes who depart their institution prior to graduating to return and finish their baccalaureate degrees, allowing institutions to earn additional NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate points.

Estimated Budget Impact: Dependent on number of student-assistant coaches used by an institution.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Sep 22, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Sponsored Sponsored as an alternative to Proposal No. 2009-12-A.

No. 2009-13 PERSONNEL AND RECRUITING — RECRUITING COORDINATION FUNCTIONS — PERMISSIBLE CALLERS — EXCEPTION — VOLUNTEER COACH — TRACK AND FIELD

Intent: In track and field, to permit a volunteer coach to make telephone calls to and receive telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete, provided the coach has successfully completed the coaches' certification exam.

A. Bylaws: Amend 11.01.5, as follows:

11.01.5 Coach, Volunteer. In sports other than football and basketball, a volunteer coach is any coach who does not receive compensation or remuneration from the institution's athletics department or any organization funded in whole or in part by the athletics department or that is

involved primarily in the promotion of the institution's athletics program (e.g., booster club, athletics foundation association). The following provisions shall apply:

(a) The individual is prohibited from contacting and evaluating prospective student-athletes off campus or from scouting opponents off campus and may not perform recruiting coordination functions (see Bylaw 11.7.1.2). **In track and field, a volunteer coach may make telephone calls to and receive telephone calls from prospective student-athletes, provided the coach has successfully completed the coaches' certification examination per Bylaw 11.5.1.1.**

[11.01.5-(b) and 11.01.5-(c) unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 11.7.1.2, as follows:

11.7.1.2 Recruiting Coordination Functions. The following recruiting coordination functions (except related routine clerical tasks) must be performed by the head coach or one or more of the assistant coaches who count toward the numerical limitations in Bylaw 11.7.4:

[11.7.1.2-(a) and 11.7.1.2-(b) unchanged.]

[11.7.1.2.1 unchanged.]

11.7.1.2.2 Exception — Volunteer Coach — Track and Field. In track and field, a volunteer coach may perform the function set forth in Bylaw 11.7.1.2-(b) if the coach has successfully completed the coaches' certification examination per Bylaw 11.5.1.1. [See Bylaw 11.01.5-(a).]

[11.7.1.2.2 renumbered as 11.7.1.2.3, unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3.4, as follows:

13.1.3.4 Permissible Callers.

13.1.3.4.1 Institutional Coaching Staff Members — General Rule. All telephone calls made to and received from a prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's parents or legal guardians or coaches) must be made and received by the head coach or one or more of the assistant coaches who count toward the numerical limitations in Bylaw 11.7.1.2). In bowl subdivision football and women's rowing, such telephone calls also may be made and received by a graduate-assistant coach, provided the coach has successfully completed the coaches' certification examination per Bylaw 11.5.1.1. **In track and field, such telephone calls may be made and received by a volunteer coach, provided the coach has successfully completed the coaches' certification examination per Bylaw 11.5.1.1.**

[Remainder of 13.1.3.4 unchanged.]

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: On average, there are approximately 100 student-athletes in a combined men's and women's track and field program. Expanding the role of the volunteer coach to make or to receive

telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete and/or his or her family would alleviate some of the burden on countable coaches and would permit the coaches to focus more attention on the needs of current student-athletes. Further, the volunteer track and field coach often specializes in an event for which there is no full-time coach (e.g., pole vault). This proposal would permit the volunteer coach to become more involved in recruiting the prospective student-athletes with whom he or she will work if they choose to attend the institution. However, the volunteer coach would still be prohibited from recruiting prospective student-athletes off campus.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet noted the expansion of volunteer coach responsibilities is contrary to the intent of the volunteer coach position. The cabinet believes a clear distinction should be maintained between the role and responsibilities of volunteer coaches and countable coaches. The cabinet also noted volunteer coaches are currently permitted to meet with prospective student-athletes during official and unofficial visits and may communicate with contactable prospective student-athletes via electronic mail, which provides sufficient opportunity to interact with prospective student-athletes in a limited manner.

History:

Jul 09, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-14-A PERSONNEL — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — MANAGER — FORFEITURE OF ELIGIBILITY IN BASEBALL

Intent: To establish criteria by which an individual may serve as a manager, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 11.01, as follows:

11.01 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

[11.01.1 through 11.01.5 unchanged.]

11.01.6 Manager. A manager is an individual who performs traditional managerial duties (e.g., equipment, laundry, hydration) and meets the following additional criteria:

(a) The individual shall be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student (see Bylaws 14.1.8.2 and 14.1.8.2.1.4), except that during his or her final semester or quarter of a degree program, he or she may be enrolled in less than a full-time program of studies, provided he or she is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements;

(b) The individual may participate in limited on-court or on-field activities during practice (e.g., assist with drills, throw batting practice) or competition (e.g., assist with warm-up

activities) involving student-athletes on a regular basis;

(c) The individual shall not provide instruction to student-athletes;

(d) The individual shall not participate in countable athletically related activities (e.g., practice player) except as permitted in Bylaw 11.01.6-(b) and;

(e) In baseball, the individual shall forfeit any remaining eligibility in the sport at the institution at which the individual serves as a manager.

[11.01.6 renumbered as 11.01.7, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This proposal was developed as a result of feedback received from the membership and constituent groups. The position of manager is intended to support the coaching staff and team in a limited manner rather than provide a development opportunity for others with prior professional experience (e.g., college coach, high school coach). Therefore, it is appropriate that such individuals be full-time students. Under this proposal, there is no limit on the number of managers for a team. This proposal would codify the principle that the nature of a manager's duties is limited rather than the frequency in which the duties are performed. Managers are permitted to participate in limited duties (e.g., throw bounce passes, retrieve balls, throw batting practice) during practice or competition involving student-athletes on a regular basis. Additionally, a baseball manager would forfeit any remaining eligibility in baseball as soon as he serves as a manager. This condition is designed to address the potential abuse for tryouts because of the roster limit in baseball and the concern of stockpiling student-athletes. Finally, the creation of a separate definition for this position will be helpful in outlining and distinguishing their duties from other positions in the legislation.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Baseball Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee supports the concept but suggests that the sponsor modify the proposal to limit managers to student-athletes who have exhausted eligibility within the last five years.

Football Issues Committee: The committee took no formal position.

Men's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal and believes that it establishes reasonable conditions consistent with the intent of a legitimate manager position.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee agrees with the sponsor's rationale and noted that this legislation would clarify the role of a manager consistent with the intent of the position and alleviate concerns related to managers engaging in coaching activities.

History:

Jun 08, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

Aug 18, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, No Formal Position

Sep 03, 2009 Baseball Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 03, 2009 Baseball Committee, Recommends Modification

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Modified the Proposal Modified to specify that, in baseball, the individual shall forfeit any remaining eligibility in the sport at the institution at which the individual serves as a manager.

No. 2009-14-B PERSONNEL — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — MANAGER

Intent: To establish criteria by which an individual may serve as a manager, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 11.01, as follows:

11.01 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

[11.01.1 through 11.01.5 unchanged.]

11.01.6 Manager. A manager is an individual who performs traditional managerial duties (e.g., equipment, laundry, hydration) and meets the following additional criteria:

(a) The individual shall be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student (see Bylaws 14.1.8.2 and 14.1.8.2.1.4), except that during his or her final semester or quarter of a degree program, he or she may be enrolled in less than a full-time program of studies, provided he or she is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements;

(b) The individual may participate in limited on-court or on-field activities during practice (e.g., assist with drills, throw batting practice) or competition (e.g., assist with warm-up activities) involving student-athletes on a regular basis;

(c) The individual shall not provide instruction to student-athletes; and

(d) The individual shall not participate in countable athletically related activities (e.g., practice player) except as permitted in Bylaw 11.01.6-(b).

[11.01.6 renumbered as 11.01.7, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This alternative proposal would eliminate the provision that an individual that serves as manager would forfeit any remaining eligibility in baseball at that institution. With this alternative proposal, the membership is able to consider a proposal that applies consistently for all sports, in addition to the original proposal.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Sep 22, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored Sponsored as an alternative to Proposal No. 2009-14-A.

No. 2009-15 PERSONNEL — LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER AND DUTIES OF COACHES — NONCOACHING ACTIVITIES — NONCOACHING ATHLETICS STAFF MEMBER WITH SPORT-SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Intent: To permit noncoaching staff with sport-specific responsibilities to participate in organized activities involving only the coaching staff or 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).

Bylaws: Amend 11.7.1.1.1, as follows:

11.7.1.1.1 Countable Coach. An athletics department staff member must count against coaching limits as soon as the individual participates (in any manner) in the coaching of the intercollegiate team in practice, games or organized activities directly related to that sport, including any organized staff activity directly related to the sport.

11.7.1.1.1.1 Noncoaching Activities. Institutional staff members involved in noncoaching activities (e.g., administrative assistants, academic counselors) do not count in the institution's coaching limitations, provided such individuals are not identified as coaches, do not engage in any on- or off-field coaching activities (e.g., attending meetings involving coaching activities, analyzing video involving the institution's or an opponent's team), and are not involved in any off-campus recruitment of prospective student-athletes or scouting of opponents. ~~A noncoaching staff member with sport-specific responsibilities may not participate with or observe student-athletes in the staff member's sport who are engaged in nonorganized voluntary athletically related activities (e.g., pick-up games).~~

11.7.1.1.1.1.1 Exception — Noncoaching Staff Member with Sport-Specific 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 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).

[Remainder of 11.7.1.1.1 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This proposal was developed as a result of feedback received from the membership and constituent groups. The feedback indicated some confusion regarding the application of the legislation governing noncoaching activities, such as attendance at coaches meetings and analyzing video of the institution's team or that of an opponent. Participation in these activities does not result in such a significant advantage that noncoaching staff members with sport-specific responsibilities should be precluded from participation in them. This proposal establishes a limited exception to the general rule related to noncoaching activities, while retaining the restrictions that staff members who are not coaches may not be identified as coaches, may not participate in instructional activities with student-athletes and may not engage in off-campus recruiting activities. It is permissible for noncoaching staff members with sport-specific responsibilities to attend practice and competition, to be in the team bench or sideline area and perform administrative duties (e.g., track statistics, run clock, take notes for coaching staff).

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Baseball Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee welcomes the additional clarification of permissible duties for such staff members.

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee expressed concern with the ability of such a staff member to analyze video of the institution's team and that of its opponents, noting that this position should be more administrative and less coaching oriented. Allowing such duties may lead to institutions hiring additional staff members and for the specific purpose of video analysis.

Men's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The proposal presents potential professional growth opportunities in the coaching profession without significant competitive equity concerns. Further, opportunities associated with the position may encourage institutions to employ individuals who truly desire to pursue a legitimate coaching career as opposed to creating positions for individuals associated with prospective student-athletes as a recruiting incentive.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. The committee notes that the parameters of the proposal would provide for professional growth opportunities without significant competitive equity concerns.

History:

- Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored
- Aug 18, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval
- Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval
- Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat
- Sep 03, 2009 Baseball Committee, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-16 PERSONNEL — LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER AND DUTIES OF COACHES — CONTACT AND EVALUATION OF PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES — FALL EVALUATION PERIOD — EXCEPTION — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to permit ten coaches to recruit off campus at any one time during the fall evaluation period during any week (Sunday through Saturday) in which no regular season competition is scheduled.

A. Bylaws: Amend 11.7.2.2, as follows:

[Federated provisions, FBS only]

11.7.2.2 Contact and Evaluation of Prospective Student-Athletes. Only those coaches who are counted by the institution within the numerical limitations on head and assistant coaches may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus. In addition, there is a limit of seven coaches (including the head coach) who may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus at any one time (see Bylaw 11.7.4).

11.7.2.2.1 Exception — Fall Evaluation Period. There is a limit of 10 coaches (including the head coach) who may evaluate prospective student-athletes at any one time during the fall evaluation period during any week (Sunday through Saturday) in which no regular season competition is scheduled.

[11.7.2.2.1 through 11.7.2.2.2 renumbered as 11.7.2.2.2 through 11.7.2.2.3, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 11.7.3.2, as follows:

[Federated provision, FCS only]

11.7.3.2 Off-Campus Contact and Evaluation of Prospective Student-Athletes. Only those coaches who are counted by the institution within the numerical limitations on head or assistant coaches may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus. In addition, there is a limit of seven coaches (including the head coach) who may contact and evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus at any one time (see Bylaw 11.7.4).

11.7.3.2.1 Exception — Fall Evaluation Period. There is a limit of 10 coaches (including the head coach) who may evaluate prospective student-athletes at any one time during the fall evaluation period during any week (Sunday through Saturday) in which no regular season competition is scheduled.

[11.7.3.2.1 renumbered as 11.7.3.2.2, unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 11.7.4, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

11.7.4 Limitations on Number of Coaches and Off-Campus Recruiters. There shall be a limit on the number of coaches who may be employed by an institution and who may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus at any one time in each sport as follows:

Sport	Limit on Number of Coaches	Limit on Off-Campus Recruiters
Football, Bowl Subdivision (See Bylaw 11.7.2)	12	7 <u>10 (during any open week during fall evaluation period)</u>
Football, Championship Subdivision (See Bylaw 11.7.3)	11	7 <u>10 (during any open week during fall evaluation period)</u>

[All other sports unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: The recent change to calculate fall evaluation opportunities in football based on evaluation days provides an opportunity for additional flexibility in the use of evaluation opportunities. During a week (defined as Sunday through Saturday) in which a football program does not have a game scheduled, all coaching staff members are able to travel for evaluation purposes due to lesser demands related to practice and game preparation. Use of this open week to complete evaluations of prospective student-athletes is an efficient use of time and reduces the requirement for late night travel to a game site after an evaluation during the day prior to an institution's game. Finally, there will be no increase in the total travel costs related to evaluations conducted during the fall since the evaluation-day limit will remain at 42.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee supports the flexibility this proposal provides during weeks in which an institution does not have a game scheduled.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jun 22, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-17 PERSONNEL — CERTIFICATION TO RECRUIT OFF CAMPUS — CERTIFICATION ADMINISTRATION — FACULTY ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVE

Intent: To specify that an institution's faculty athletics representative shall administer the annual coaches' certification test; further, to specify that if the faculty athletics representative is unable to administer the test, he or she shall appoint an institutional staff member outside the athletics department to administer the test.

A. Constitution: Amend 6.1.3, as follows:

6.1.3 Faculty Athletics Representative. A member institution shall designate an individual to serve as faculty athletics representative. An individual so designated after January 12, 1989, shall be a member of the institution's faculty or an administrator who holds faculty rank and shall not hold an administrative or coaching position in the athletics department. **The faculty athletics representative shall administer the annual coaches' certification test (see Bylaw 11.5.1.1).** ~~Duties~~ **Additional duties** of the faculty athletics representative shall be determined by the member institution.

B. Bylaws: Amend 11.5, as follows:

11.5 CERTIFICATION TO RECRUIT OFF CAMPUS

11.5.1 Annual Certification Requirement. Only those coaches who have been certified may contact or evaluate any prospective student-athletes off campus. Certification must occur on an annual basis.

11.5.1.1 Certification Administration. Such certification procedures shall be established and administered for its member institutions by the member conferences of the Association or, in the case of an independent institution, by the NCAA national office or the conference office that administers the National Letter of Intent for that institution. Such certification procedures shall include a requirement that the coaches shall have passed a standardized national test developed by the NCAA national office covering NCAA recruiting legislation, including Bylaw 13 and other bylaws [e.g., Bylaws 15.3 (institutional financial aid award) and 14.3 (freshman academic requirements)] that relate to the recruitment of prospective student-athletes as a condition for being permitted to engage in off-campus recruiting. **An institution's faculty**

athletics representative shall administer the test. If the faculty athletics representative is unable to administer the test, he or she shall appoint an institutional staff member outside the athletics department to administer the test. Member conferences shall establish ~~the~~ **any additional** procedures for administering and correcting the test within each conference.

Source: Atlantic Sun Conference

Effective Date: May 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This proposal is necessary in order to bring consistency among Division I conferences and member institutions with regard to the procedures for administering the coaches' recruiting certification test. Currently, some conferences require their member institutions' faculty athletics representatives to oversee and administer the test, while other conferences have no requirements for who must administer the test. As a result, there is much variation among conferences. The NCAA Presidential Task Force on the Future of Division I Intercollegiate Athletics report emphasized the institutional oversight role of faculty athletics representatives on their campuses. Therefore, it follows that the administrative oversight of the coaches' recruiting certification test should be one of the faculty athletics representatives' duties and responsibilities.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The committee opposes the proposal. The cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to specify that an institution's faculty athletics representative or a designee of the faculty athletics representative outside the institution's athletics department shall administer the annual coaches' certification test. The cabinet would support the proposal if modified. Further, in the event the sponsor does not support the suggested modification, the cabinet shall sponsor an alternative proposal. The cabinet noted that there does not appear to be a compelling reason or benefit to eliminate institutional flexibility in the administration of the certification test. Permitting another individual to administer the exam only when the faculty athletics representative is "unable" to do so may create unnecessary delays in the process. Further, the cabinet noted that the faculty athletics representative should not be required to administer the test if the institution has an established, appropriate procedure that designates an individual outside the athletics department to administer the test.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes this proposal. The cabinet believes that the current requirements appropriately vest the responsibility with member conferences to establish procedures for administration of the test and such a broad regulation is not necessary and would reduce the flexibility currently afforded to conferences and institutions.

History:

Jul 01, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Modification

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-18 PERSONNEL AND RECRUITING — RECRUITING COORDINATION FUNCTIONS — EXCEPTION — NONCOACHING STAFF MEMBERS AND NONCOUNTABLE COACHES — TELEPHONE CALLS IN CONJUNCTION WITH OFFICIAL VISIT

Intent: To permit a noncoaching staff member or a noncountable coach to initiate telephone calls to and receive telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete or those individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation and during his or her official visit; further; to specify that institutional staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to the prospective student-athlete or those individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation and during his or her official visit.

A. Bylaws: Amend 11.7.1.2, as follows:

11.7.1.2 Recruiting Coordination Functions. The following recruiting coordination functions (except related routine clerical tasks) must be performed by the head coach or one or more of the assistant coaches who count toward the numerical limitations in Bylaw 11.7.4:

- (a) Activities involving athletics evaluations and/or selection of prospective student-athletes; and
- (b) Making telephone calls to or receiving telephone calls from prospective student-athletes (or prospective student-athletes' parents, legal guardians or coaches).

[11.7.1.2.1 through 11.7.1.2.2 unchanged.]

11.7.1.2.3 Exception — Noncoaching Staff Members and Noncountable Coaches — Telephone Calls in Conjunction with Official Visit. A noncoaching staff member or a coach who does not count toward the numerical limitations on head and assistant coaches in Bylaw 11.7.4 may initiate telephone calls to and receive telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete or those individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation and during his or her official visit.

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3.3.1, as follows:

13.1.3 Telephone Calls.

13.1.3.1 Time Period for Telephone Calls — General Rule. Telephone calls to an individual (or his or her relatives or legal guardians) may not be made before July 1 following the completion of his or her junior year in high school (subject to the exceptions below); thereafter, staff members shall not make such telephone calls more than once a week.

[13.1.3.1.1 through 13.1.3.1.7 unchanged.]

[13.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3 Exceptions.

13.1.3.3.1 Official Visit Exception. Institutional coaching staff members (see Bylaw 13.1.3.4.1) may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete during the five days immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's official visit (per Bylaw 13.6) to that institution. If more than one call per week occurs under this exception and a scheduled official visit is cancelled due to circumstances beyond the control of the prospective student-athlete or the institution (e.g., trip is canceled by the prospective student-athlete, inclement weather conditions), such calls shall not be considered institutional violations and shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. However, the institution shall submit a report to the conference office noting the cancellation of the official visit and the reasons for such cancellation.

13.1.3.3.1.1 Telephone Calls in Conjunction with Official Visit. Athletics department staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete or those individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation and during his or her official visit. (See Bylaw 11.7.1.2.3.)

13.1.3.4 Permissible Callers.

13.1.3.4.1 Institutional Coaching Staff Members — General Rule. All telephone calls made to and received from a prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's parents, legal guardians or coaches) must be made and received by the head coach or one or more of the assistant coaches who count toward the numerical limitations in Bylaw 11.7.4 (see Bylaw 11.7.1.2). In bowl subdivision football and women's rowing, such telephone calls also may be made and received by a graduate assistant coach, provided the coach has successfully completed the coaches' certification examination per Bylaw 11.5.1.1.

13.1.3.4.1.1 Exceptions — Prior to National Letter of Intent Signing or Other Written Commitment. Prior to a prospective student-athlete signing a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, the following institutional staff members may make telephone calls to or receive telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's parents or legal guardians) as specified:

[13.1.3.4.1.1-(a) through 13.1.3.4.1.1-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Noncoaching Staff Members and Noncountable Coaches — Telephone Calls in Conjunction with Official Visit. A noncoaching staff member or a coach who does not count toward the numerical limitations on head and assistant coaches in Bylaw 11.7.4 may initiate telephone calls to and receive telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete or those individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation and during his or her official visit.

[Remainder of 13.1.3 unchanged.]

Source: Big 12 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This proposal allows an athletics department staff member to more easily locate a prospective student-athlete at the airport and allows the prospective student-athlete to call the institutional staff member he or she is meeting at the airport in the case of an emergency or in the case of any travel alterations. In many situations, the prospective student-athlete will be traveling alone for the visit and will not be familiar with the airport, resulting in confusion concerning meeting locations or delay in arrival. Allowing telephone communication with the specific staff member will prevent any unnecessary concern by the prospective student-athlete during travel to the institution's campus. Providing additional flexibility to permit any athletics department staff member to make or receive telephone calls during this specified time period will permit institutions to be more responsive to the needs of prospective student-athletes while on official visits or while in transit for the visit.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 30, 2009 Sponsor modified the proposal to permit a noncoaching staff member or a noncountable coach to initiate telephone calls to and receive telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete or those individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation and during the official visit; further, to specify that institutional staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to the prospective student-athlete or those individuals accompanying the prospective student-athlete during the prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation and during the official visit. Previously, the proposal would have only applied during a prospective student-athlete's official visit transportation.

No. 2009-19 PERSONNEL — LIMITATIONS ON NUMBER OF COACHES AND OFF-CAMPUS RECRUITERS — WOMEN'S SAND VOLLEYBALL

Intent: To specify that an institution that sponsors only women's sand volleyball shall have a limit of two coaches who may be employed and a limit of two coaches who may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off-campus at any one time; further, to specify that an institution that sponsors women's sand volleyball and women's volleyball shall have a limit of four coaches who may be employed and a limit of two coaches who may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off-campus at any one time.

Bylaws: Amend 11.7.4, as follows:

11.7.4 Limitations on Number of Coaches and Off-Campus Recruiters. There shall be a limit on the number of coaches who may be employed by an institution and who may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off-campus at any one time in each sport as follows:

Sport	Limit on Number of Coaches	Limit on Off-Campus Recruiters
Sand Volleyball, Women's (Without Women's Volleyball)	2	2
Sand Volleyball, Women's (With Women's Volleyball)	4	2
Volleyball, Women's (Without Women's Sand Volleyball)	3	2
Volleyball, Women's (With Women's Sand Volleyball)	4	2

[All other sports unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: This proposal reflects an increase of one to the current women's volleyball countable coach maximum limitations if an institution sponsors both women's volleyball and women's sand volleyball. Due to an overlap in the women's volleyball championship segment and women's sand volleyball nonchampionship segment, and vice versa, this increase is necessary to allow coaches to have an appropriate work/life balance and to provide an opportunity for women's sand volleyball student-athletes who do not participate in women's volleyball to work with their coaches during the fall nonchampionship segment. Further, a maximum limit of two coaches for institutions sponsoring only women's sand volleyball is appropriate to coach and manage the anticipated squad size of 10 to 14 student-athletes. Finally, these concepts include the input and examination of this issue by the American Volleyball Coaches Association in developing and recommending this proposal.

Estimated Budget Impact: Costs associated with hiring additional countable coaches and costs related to off-campus recruiting if an institution does not sponsor women's volleyball, but will sponsor women's sand volleyball.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

No. 2009-20 PERSONNEL — LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER OF OFF-CAMPUS RECRUITERS
— ON-CAMPUS EVENTS — WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Intent: In women's basketball, to specify that a coaching staff member who attends an athletics event on the institution's campus that involves women's basketball prospective student-athletes is considered an off-campus recruiter.

Bylaws: Amend 11.7.4, as follows:

11.7.4 Limitations on Number of Coaches and Off-Campus Recruiters. There shall be a limit on the number of coaches who may be employed by an institution and who may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off-campus at any one time in each sport as follows:

[Sports and numbers unchanged.]

[11.7.4.1 through 11.7.4.4 unchanged.]

11.7.4.5 On-Campus Events — Women's Basketball. In women's basketball, a coaching staff member who attends an athletics event on the institution's campus that involves women's basketball prospective student-athletes is considered an off-campus recruiter.

Source: Atlantic Coast Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Personnel

Rationale: Current legislation limits women's basketball to three off-campus recruiters at any one time. However, if an institution is hosting a women's basketball event on its campus during a permissible recruiting period, that institution's fourth women's basketball coach may attend the on-campus event without counting against the off-campus limit. As a result, those institutions in metropolitan areas that may host basketball events regularly or those institutions with the facilities capable of hosting such events are afforded a significant recruiting advantage. While institutions should continue to be permitted to host basketball events on campus, the limitation of three recruiters during a recruiting period should apply, regardless of where the event occurs.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. The cabinet also noted the Women's Basketball Issues Committee supports the proposal. Although the cabinet discussed whether this proposal should be expanded to other sports, the cabinet agreed that the membership should consider the current proposal prior to considering expansion to other sports.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal and notes that this legislation would further level the playing field by eliminating recruiting advantages for those institutions that host on-campus events in which prospects participate.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Amateurism

No. 2009-22 AMATEURISM AND ELIGIBILITY — INVOLVEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL TEAMS — EXCEPTION — PRIOR TO INITIAL FULL-TIME COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT — DELAYED ENROLLMENT — SEASONS OF COMPETITION — SPORTS OTHER THAN MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

Intent: In sports other than men's ice hockey, to specify that prior to initial full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual may enter into an agreement to compete on a professional team and compete on a professional team, provided the agreement does not allow for receipt of more than actual and necessary expenses to participate on the team; further, in sports other than men's ice hockey tennis, swimming and diving and women's volleyball, to specify that a student-athlete who does not initially enroll full-time in a collegiate institution within one year (six months for tennis) or the next opportunity to enroll following the high school graduation date of the prospective student-athlete's class and participates in organized events after the specified time period shall be charged with a season of intercollegiate competition for each year of participation and shall fulfill an academic year in residence (one year for each year of competition in tennis) on matriculation at the certifying institution before being eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition.

A. **Bylaws:** Amend 12.1.2, as follows:

12.1.2 Amateur Status. An individual loses amateur status and thus shall not be eligible for intercollegiate competition in a particular sport if the individual:

[12.1.2-(a) through 12.1.2-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Signs a contract or commitment of any kind to play professional athletics, regardless of its legal enforceability or any consideration received, **except as permitted in Bylaw 12.2.5.1**;

[12.1.2-(d) unchanged.]

(e) Competes on any professional athletics team per Bylaw 12.02.4, even if no pay or remuneration for expenses was received, **except as permitted in Bylaw 12.2.3.2.1**;

[Remainder of 12.1.2 unchanged.]

B. **Bylaws:** Amend 12.2.3.2, as follows:

12.2.3.2 Competition with Professionals. An individual shall not be eligible for intercollegiate athletics in a sport if the individual ever competed on a professional team (per Bylaw 12.02.4) in that sport. However, an individual may compete on a tennis, golf, two-person sand volleyball or two-person synchronized diving team with persons who are competing for cash or a comparable prize, provided the individual does not receive payment of any kind for such participation.

12.2.3.2.1 Exception — Competition Prior to Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment — Sports Other Than Men's Ice Hockey. In sports other than men's ice hockey, prior to initial full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual may compete on a professional team (per Bylaw 12.02.4), provided he or she does not receive more than actual and necessary expenses to participate on the team.

[12.2.3.2.1 through 12.2.3.2.4 renumbered as 12.2.3.2.2 through 12.2.3.2.5, unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 12.2.5, as follows:

12.2.5 Contracts and Compensation. An individual shall be ineligible for participation in an intercollegiate sport if he or she has entered into any kind of agreement to compete in professional athletics, either orally or in writing, regardless of the legal enforceability of that agreement.

12.2.5.1 Exception — Prior to Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment — Sports Other Than Men's Ice Hockey. In sports other than men's ice hockey, prior to initial full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual may enter into an agreement to compete on a professional team (per Bylaw 12.02.4), provided the agreement does not allow for receipt of more than actual and necessary expenses to participate on the team.

[12.2.5.1 renumbered as 12.2.5.2, unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 14.02, as follows:

14.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

[14.02.1 through 14.02.8 unchanged.]

14.02.9 Organized Competition. Athletics competition shall be considered organized if any one of the following conditions exists:

(a) Competition is scheduled and publicized in advance;

(b) Official score is kept;

(c) Individual or team standings are maintained;

(d) Official timer or game officials are used;

(e) Admission is charged;

(f) Teams are regularly formed or team rosters are predetermined;

(g) Team uniforms are used;

(h) A team is privately or commercially sponsored; or

(i) The competition is either directly or indirectly sponsored, promoted or administered by an individual, an organization or any other agency.

[14.02.9 through 14.02.13 renumbered as 14.02.10 through 14.02.14, unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.3, as follows:

14.2.3 Criteria for Determining Season of Competition.

[14.2.3.1 unchanged.]

14.2.3.2 Delayed Enrollment — **Seasons of Competition.**

14.2.3.2.1 Sports Other Than Men's Ice Hockey and Tennis, ~~Swimming and Diving and Women's Volleyball.~~ A In sports other than men's ice hockey and tennis, a student-athlete who does not enroll in a collegiate institution as a full-time student in a regular academic term during a one-year time period after this or her high school graduation date or the graduation date of his or her class (as determined by the first year of high school enrollment or the international equivalent as specified in the NCAA Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility and based on the prescribed educational path in the student-athlete's country), whichever occurs earlier, shall be subject to the following:

(a) The student-athlete shall be charged with a season of intercollegiate eligibility for each calendar year after the one-year time period (the next opportunity to enroll after one calendar year has elapsed) and prior to full-time collegiate enrollment during which the student-athlete has participated in organized ~~events~~ **competition** per Bylaw ~~14.2.3.5.3~~ **14.02.9**.

(b) After the one-year time period, if the student-athlete has engaged in ~~events~~ **competition** per Bylaw ~~14.2.3.5.3~~ **14.02.9**, on matriculation at the certifying institution, the student-athlete must fulfill an academic year in residence before being eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition.

14.2.3.2.2 Tennis. In tennis, a student-athlete who does not enroll in a collegiate institution as a full-time student in a regular academic term within six months (or the first opportunity to enroll after six months have elapsed) after his or her high school graduation date or the graduation date of his or her class (as determined by the first year of high school enrollment or the international equivalent as specified in the NCAA Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility and based on the prescribed educational path in the student-athlete's country), whichever occurs earlier, shall be subject to the following:

(a) The student-athlete shall be charged with a season of intercollegiate eligibility for each calendar year after the six-month period has elapsed (or the next opportunity to enroll) and prior to full-time collegiate enrollment during which the student-athlete has participated in organized competition per Bylaw 14.02.9.

(b) After the six-month period, if the student-athlete has engaged in organized competition per Bylaw 14.02.9, on matriculation at the certifying institution, the student-athlete must fulfill an academic year in residence for each calendar year after the six-month period has elapsed (or the next opportunity to enroll) and prior to full-time collegiate enrollment during which the student-athlete has participated in such competition before being eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition.

14.2.3.2.2.1 Matriculation After 20th Birthday — Tennis. In tennis, a student who is eligible under Bylaw 14.2.3.2.2, but who participates in organized tennis events after his or her 20th birthday and before full-time enrollment at the certifying institution shall be subject to the following:

(a) The student will be charged with one season of intercollegiate tennis competition for each calendar year after his or her 20th birthday and prior to full-time enrollment at the certifying institution during which the student-athlete has participated in organized tennis *events* **competition** per Bylaw ~~14.2.3.5.3~~ **14.02.9**. [Note: This includes participation in intercollegiate tennis while enrolled full time in another two-year or four-year institution; however, this provision replaces the season of competition counted in Bylaw 14.2 (only one season is used in any one year).]

(b) Upon matriculation at the certifying institution, the student-athlete must fulfill an academic year in residence before being eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate tennis, unless the student transfers to the certifying institution with a minimum of 24 semester hours (or equivalent) of transferable degree credit. (Note: All other NCAA transfer and academic eligibility requirements apply.)

14.2.3.2.23 Exception — Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games Participation. Participation in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games is exempt from application of *Bylaws* **Bylaw** 14.2.3.2 and ~~14.2.3.2.1~~.

[14.2.3.3 through 14.2.3.4 unchanged.]

14.2.3.5 Participation After 21st Birthday — **Men's Ice Hockey**. In ~~sports other than tennis, swimming and diving and women's volleyball~~ **men's ice hockey**, any participation as an individual or a team representative in organized sports competition by a student during each 12 month period after the student's 21st birthday and prior to initial full-time enrollment in a collegiate institution shall count as one year of varsity competition in that sport. Participation in organized competition during time spent in the U.S. armed services shall be expected. ~~(Note: In swimming and diving, and women's volleyball, Bylaw 14.2.3.5 applies to a student athlete who is not subject to Bylaw 14.2.3.2. If a student athlete triggers both Bylaws 14.2.3.2 and 14.2.3.5, only Bylaw 14.2.3.2 applies.)~~

~~14.2.3.5.1 Track and Field and Cross-Country. A prospective student-athlete who participates in outside competition after the student's 21st birthday and prior to initial full-time enrollment in a collegiate institution during a cross-country, indoor track and field or outdoor track and field sports season (as opposed to general road racing events) would be charged with at least one season of competition in the sport in which the student participated.~~

~~14.2.3.5.2 Road Racing. A prospective student-athlete who participates in road racing activities after the student's 21st birthday and prior to initial full-time enrollment in a collegiate institution shall be charged with at least one season of competition in each of the sports of cross-country, indoor track and field and outdoor track and field.~~

~~14.2.3.5.3 Organized Competition. Athletics competition shall be considered organized if any one of the following conditions exists:~~

~~(a) Competition is scheduled and publicized in advance;~~

~~(b) Official score is kept;~~

~~(c) Individual or team standings are maintained;~~

~~(d) Official timer or game officials are used;~~

~~(e) Admission is charged;~~

~~(f) Teams are regularly formed or team rosters are predetermined;~~

~~(g) Team uniforms are used;~~

~~(h) A team is privately or commercially sponsored; or~~

~~(i) The competition is either directly or indirectly sponsored, promoted or administered by an individual, an organization or any other agency.~~

[14.2.3.6 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Amateurism Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010; applicable to student-athletes who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Amateurism

Rationale: Prior to initial collegiate enrollment, it is more equitable to determine eligibility based on the circumstances as they relate to the individual prospective student-athlete, as opposed to his or her teammates. This revision would alleviate the situation in which a prospective student-athlete's eligibility is jeopardized due to a teammate receiving remuneration above actual and necessary expenses, even though the prospective student-athlete may be unaware of this arrangement and does not receive more than actual and necessary expenses for participation on the team. Under this approach, an institution would no longer be required to determine whether a team is considered professional. Instead, the focus would be on the individual's specific circumstances and eligibility would be assessed using the threshold of receipt of more than actual and necessary expenses. The competitive equity issues related to participation in organized competition would be addressed by applying the delayed enrollment seasons of competition legislation, which currently apply only to tennis, swimming and diving, and women's volleyball, to all sports other than men's ice hockey. For tennis, the decrease in the length of time during which prospective student-athletes may compete in organized tennis will place emphasis on the importance of academics and level the playing field by ensuring relatively similar competitive opportunities prior to college.

After reviewing feedback from the men's ice hockey community, the Amateurism Cabinet agreed that the legislative changes included in the proposal would be detrimental to men's ice hockey prospective student-athletes, to Division I institutions that sponsor men's ice hockey and to the performance of United States national teams. If the proposal were adopted with men's ice hockey included, many more prospective student-athletes would likely elect to participate in Major Junior A hockey prior to initial collegiate enrollment. They would likely jeopardize their eligibility status by being influenced to accept more than actual and necessary expenses, to sign with an agent, or to sign a professional contract. Further, participation in Major Junior A hockey would likely be detrimental to prospective student-athletes' academic success given the demands of participation in that league. In addition, it is very common for men's ice hockey prospective student-athletes to compete in junior hockey for more than one year after high school graduation and before initial

collegiate enrollment. Positive Academic Progress Rates (APR) in the sport may be attributed to the maturity level of incoming student-athletes and the fact that those who elect not to participate in Major Junior A hockey have a clear commitment to earning a college degree.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential cost savings in amateurism certification process.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 22, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Jun 23, 2009 Amateurism Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 25, 2009 Amateurism Cabinet, Modified the Proposal Modified to exclude men's ice hockey from its application.

No. 2009-23 AMATEURISM AND AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES — EXCEPTIONS TO AMATEURISM RULE — BENEFITS, GIFTS AND SERVICES — INSURANCE AGAINST DISABLING-INJURY OR ILLNESS

Intent: To specify that an institution's president or chancellor may designate an institutional staff member (or staff members) to assist a student-athlete with arrangements for securing a loan against future earnings potential for the purpose of purchasing insurance against a disabling injury or illness and to assist with arrangements for securing such insurance.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.2.4.3, as follows:

12.1.2.4.3 Exception for Insurance against Disabling Injury or Illness. An individual may borrow against his or her future earnings potential from an established, accredited commercial lending institution exclusively for the purpose of purchasing insurance (with no cash surrender value) against a disabling injury or illness that would prevent the individual from pursuing a chosen career, provided a third party (including a ~~member institution's athletics department staff members, its professional sports counseling panel or representatives of its~~ **representative of an institution's** athletics interests) is not involved in arrangements for securing the loan. **However, an institution's president or chancellor (or his or her designated representative from outside the department of athletics) may designate an institutional staff member (or staff members) (e.g., professional sports counseling panel) to assist a student-athlete with arrangements for securing the loan and insurance.** ~~The student-athlete shall report all such transactions and shall file copies of any loan documents associated with disability insurance with the institution, regardless of the source of the collateral for the loan. The student-athlete also shall file copies of the insurance policy with the institution, regardless of whether a loan is secured to purchase the insurance policy.~~ **The institution shall retain copies of all documents related to loan transactions and insurance policies, regardless of whether the institution is involved in the arrangements.**

B. Bylaws: Amend 12.3.4, as follows:

12.3.4 Professional Sports Counseling Panel. It is permissible for an authorized institutional professional sports counseling panel to:

[12.3.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) ~~Provide direction on~~ **Assist a student-athlete with arrangements for** securing a loan for the purpose of purchasing insurance against a disabling injury or illness and with arrangements for purchasing such insurance;

[12.3.4-(c) through 12.3.4-(g) unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 16.11.1.4, as follows:

16.11.1.4 Disabling-Injury Insurance. A student-athlete may borrow against his or her future earnings potential from an established, accredited commercial lending institution, exclusively for the purpose of purchasing insurance (with no cash surrender value) against a disabling injury that would prevent the individual from pursuing his or her chosen career, provided a third party (including a ~~member institution's athletics department staff members or representatives of its~~ **representative of an institution's** athletics interests) is not involved in arrangements for securing the loan. **However, an institution's president or chancellor (or his or her designated representative from outside the athletics department) may designate an institutional staff member (or staff members) (e.g., professional sports counseling panel) to assist a student-athlete with arrangements for securing the loan and insurance.** ~~The student athlete shall report any such transactions to the member institution and shall file copies of any loan documents associated with disability insurance and insurance policy with the member institution, regardless of the source of the collateral for the loan. The student athlete also shall file copies of the insurance policy with the member institution, regardless of whether a loan is secured to purchase the insurance policy.~~ **The institution shall retain copies of all documents related to loan transactions and insurance policies, regardless of whether the institution is involved in the arrangements.**

Source: NCAA Division I Amateurism Cabinet

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Amateurism

Rationale: There is a growing trend within the community of agents and financial advisors to arrange disabling-injury insurance policies and loans for student-athletes for recruiting purposes. Allowing institutional staff members, including the institution's professional sports counseling panel, to assist student-athletes with these arrangements would eliminate improper third-party involvement and would alleviate the pressures on student-athletes to seek out this assistance from such third parties. It would continue to be impermissible for a representative of athletics interests to provide such assistance.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Amateurism Cabinet, Sponsored

No. 2009-24 AMATEURISM — INVOLVEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL TEAMS — TRYOUTS — MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

Intent: In men's ice hockey, to specify that a prospective or enrolled student-athlete may accept actual and necessary expenses from the National Hockey League (NHL) to attend the NHL scouting combine, regardless of the duration of the combine.

Bylaws: Amend 12.2.1, as follows:

12.2.1 Tryouts.

12.2.1.1 Tryout Before Enrollment. A student-athlete remains eligible in a sport even though, prior to enrollment in a collegiate institution, the student-athlete may have tried out with a professional athletics team in a sport or received not more than one expense-paid visit from each professional team (or combine including that team), provided such a visit did not exceed 48 hours and any payment or compensation in connection with the visit was not in excess of actual and necessary expenses. The 48-hour tryout period begins at the time the individual arrives at the tryout location. At the completion of the 48-hour period, the individual must depart the location of the tryout immediately in order to receive return transportation expenses. A tryout may extend beyond 48 hours if the individual self-finances additional expenses, including return transportation. A self-financed tryout may be for any length of time.

[12.2.1.1.1 unchanged.]

12.2.1.1.2 Exception for National Hockey League Scouting Combine - Men's Ice Hockey. In men's ice hockey, prior to full-time enrollment in a collegiate institution, a prospective student-athlete may accept actual and necessary expenses from the National Hockey League (NHL) to attend the NHL scouting combine, regardless of the duration of the combine.

12.2.1.2 Tryout After Enrollment. After initial full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual who has eligibility remaining may try out with a professional athletics team (or participate in a combine including that team) at any time, provided the individual does not miss class. The individual may receive actual and necessary expenses in conjunction with one 48-hour tryout per professional team (or a combine including that team). The 48-hour tryout period shall begin at the time the individual arrives at the tryout location. At the completion of the 48-hour period, the individual must depart the location of the tryout immediately in order to receive return transportation expenses. A tryout may extend beyond 48 hours if the individual self-finances additional expenses, including return transportation. A self-financed tryout may be for any length of time, provided the individual does not miss class.

[12.2.1.2.1 unchanged.]

12.2.1.2.2 Exception for National Hockey League Scouting Combine — Men's Ice Hockey. In men's ice hockey, a student-athlete may accept actual and necessary travel,

and room and board expenses from the National Hockey League (NHL) to attend the NHL scouting combine, regardless of the duration of the combine.

[Remainder of 12.2.1 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Amateurism Cabinet

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Amateurism

Rationale: This proposal provides the same benefit to men's ice hockey prospective and enrolled student-athletes that currently is provided in basketball. Currently, men's ice hockey prospective and enrolled student-athletes must limit their tryout activities to a 48-hour period to avoid jeopardizing their eligibility if they receive any expenses for the tryout from a professional sports organization. As a result, individuals taking part in the combine (which does not include any on-ice activities) have attempted to conduct as many interviews as possible during the 48-hour time period, during which medical screenings and a physical fitness evaluation also take place. This compression of activities can be detrimental to the performance of the participants during an activity that can have significant consequences on their future career.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Expanded opportunity to participate in the NHL scouting combine.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Amateurism Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 25, 2009 Amateurism Cabinet, Modified the Proposal Modified to specify that a prospective student-athlete or student-athlete may accept actual and necessary expenses only from the National Hockey League (NHL) to attend the NHL scouting combine, regardless of the duration of the combine. The proposal previously would have specified that such expenses could also be received from a professional sports organization that is a member of the NHL.

No. 2009-25 AMATEURISM — PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES — INSTITUTIONAL, CHARITABLE, EDUCATION OR NONPROFIT PROMOTIONS — RELEASE STATEMENT — DE MINIMIS VIOLATION

Intent: To specify that a violation of the promotional activities legislation in which the only condition of the legislation not satisfied is the requirement that the student-athlete and an authorized representative of the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency sign a release statement shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility, provided the release statement would have been signed if such a request had been made.

Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1.1, as follows:

12.5.1.1 Institutional, Charitable, Education or Nonprofit Promotions. A member institution or recognized entity thereof (e.g., fraternity, sorority or student government organization), a member conference or a noninstitutional charitable, educational or nonprofit agency may use a student-athlete's name, picture or appearance to support its charitable or educational activities or to support activities considered incidental to the student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics, provided the following conditions are met:

[12.5.1.1-(a) through 12.5.1.1-(i) unchanged.]

[12.5.1.1.1 through 12.5.1.1.5 unchanged.]

12.5.1.1.6 Effect of Violations. ~~If an institution, without the student-athlete's knowledge or consent, uses or permits the use of the student-athlete's name or picture in a manner contrary to Bylaw 12.5.1.1, the violation~~ **The following violations of Bylaw 12.5.1.1** shall be considered ~~an~~ institutional violations; however, the ~~student-athlete's~~ **student-athletes'** eligibility shall not be affected.:

(a) An institution, without the student-athlete's knowledge or consent, uses or permits the use of the student-athlete's name or picture in a manner contrary to Bylaw 12.5.1.1;

~~In addition, a~~ **(b) A** violation of ~~Bylaw 12.5.1.1 related to any permissible promotional activity~~ in which the only condition of the legislation not satisfied is the requirement to obtain written approval from the director of athletics (or his or her designee who may not be a coaching staff member) ~~shall be considered an institutional violation; however, the student-athlete's eligibility shall not be affected,~~ provided the approval would have been granted if requested; **and**

(c) A violation in which the only condition of the legislation not satisfied is the requirement that the student-athlete and an authorized representative of the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency sign a release statement, provided the release statement would have been signed if such a request had been made.

[Remainder of 12.5.1.1 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Legislative Council (Administrative Committee) (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Amateurism

Rationale: This change removes any effect on student-athlete eligibility in cases in which the student-athlete or the authorized representative of the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency fails to sign a release statement ensuring that the student-athlete's name, image or appearance is used in a manner consistent with the requirements of the promotional activities legislation. This change expands the current de minimis provisions related to NCAA Bylaw 12.5.1.1 for situations in which a promotional activity would have been permissible had the paperwork been processed. Such violations will continue to be considered institutional violations for which the institution is required to submit a self-report.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Amateurism Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. Further, the cabinet recommends that the proposal be considered as noncontroversial legislation.

History:

Jun 11, 2009 Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 17, 2009 Legislative Council Administrative Committee, Sponsored

Sep 25, 2009 Amateurism Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 25, 2009 Amateurism Cabinet, Recommends Approval as Noncontroversial Legislation

Recruiting

No. 2009-26 RECRUITING — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — DEAD PERIOD — EXCEPTION — UNOFFICIAL VISIT AFTER NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT SIGNING OR OTHER WRITTEN COMMITMENT

Intent: To specify that a prospective student-athlete who has signed a National Letter of Intent (NLI) is permitted to make an unofficial visit during a dead period to the institution with which he or she has signed the NLI; further, to specify that for an institution not using the NLI in a particular sport, or for a prospective student-athlete who is not eligible to sign the NLI (e.g., four-year college transfer), a prospective student-athlete is permitted to make an unofficial visit during a dead period, provided he or she has signed the institution's written offer of admission or financial aid, or the institution has received a financial deposit from the prospective student-athlete in response to an offer of admission.

Bylaws: Amend 13.02.4.4, as follows:

13.02.4.4 Dead Period. A dead period is a period of time when it is not permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off the institution's campus or to permit official or unofficial visits by prospective student-athletes to the institution's campus. The provision of complimentary admissions to a prospective student-athlete during a dead period is prohibited, except as provided in Bylaw 13.7.2.5 for a prospective student-athlete who visits and institution as part of a group. During a dead period, a coaching staff member may not serve as a speaker at or attend a meeting or banquet at which prospective student-athletes are in attendance, except as provided in Bylaw 13.1.9.1, and may not visit a prospective student-athlete's educational institution. It remains permissible, however, for an institutional staff member to write or telephone a prospective student-athlete during a dead period.

[13.02.4.4.1 unchanged.]

13.02.4.4.2 Exception — Unofficial Visit During Dead Period After National Letter of Intent Signing or Other Written Commitment. A prospective student-athlete who has signed a National Letter of Intent (NLI) is permitted to make an unofficial visit during a dead

period to the institution with which he or she has signed the NLI. For an institution not using the NLI in a particular sport, or for a prospective student-athlete who is not eligible to sign the NLI (e.g., four-year college transfer), a prospective student-athlete is permitted to make an unofficial visit during a dead period, provided he or she has signed the institution's written offer of admission or financial aid, or the institution has received a financial deposit from the prospective student-athlete in response to an offer of admission.

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Each year, situations arise in which a prospective student-athlete visits a campus at his or her expense during a dead period and has contact with an institutional coach, resulting in a violation. If the prospective student-athlete already has signed a National Letter of Intent (NLI), the inadvertent contact results in a "paper work" violation. For institutions that do not subscribe to the NLI or for prospective student-athletes who are not eligible to sign an NLI, if the prospective student-athlete has signed a financial aid agreement, or written offer of admission or has provided a financial deposit to the institution, the contact would also be considered a "paper work" violation. Creating this exception does not compromise the original intent of the dead period rule and it provides reasonable flexibility. Further, minimal impact on recruiting is expected since official visits are still prohibited during a dead period and the recruiting process would have effectively ended for those prospects who might take advantage of this exception to the current rule.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jul 09, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-27 RECRUITING — DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS — EVALUATION DAYS — SPRING EVALUATION PERIOD — 168 DAYS — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to specify that the spring evaluation period shall consist of 168 (216 for U.S. service academies) evaluation days (excluding Memorial Day and Sundays) from April 15 through May 31, selected at the discretion of the institution and designated in writing in the office of the director of athletics.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.6.2, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

13.02.6.2 Evaluation Days — Football, Softball and Women's Volleyball. An evaluation day is defined as one coach engaged in the evaluation of any prospective student-athlete on one day (12:01 a.m. to midnight). Two coaches making evaluations on the same day shall use two evaluation days. The combined total of such days for all staff members shall not exceed ~~42 in football (54 for U.S. service academies)~~ **210 in football (270 for U.S. service academies) [42 during the fall evaluation period (54 for U.S. service academies) and 168 during the spring evaluation period (216 for U.S. service academies)]**, 50 in softball and 80 in women's volleyball.

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.8.9.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

13.1.8.9.3 Evaluation Days. In football, each institution is limited to 42 (54 for U.S. service academies) evaluation days (see Bylaw 13.02.6.2) during the fall evaluation period **and 168 (216 for U.S. service academies) evaluation days during the spring evaluation period.**

C. Administrative: Amend 30.10.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

30.10.3 Football. The following recruiting periods shall apply to football:

[30.10.3-(a) through 30.10.3-(e) unchanged.]

(f) ~~Four weeks~~ **One hundred sixty-eight evaluation days (216 for U.S. service academies) (see Bylaw 13.02.6.2)** (excluding Memorial Day and Sundays) during April Period 15 through May 31 selected at the discretion of the member institution and designated in writing in the office of the director of athletics [as provided in (1) below]:

[Remainder of 30.10.3 unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: During the fall evaluation period, football coaches now have the flexibility to schedule evaluation opportunities on a day-to-day basis. This recruiting-day approach permits efficient use of time and travel resources by only requiring use of recruiting opportunities during days when

such a need exists, rather than forcing seven coaches to be on the road simultaneously due to a limit on the number of recruiting weeks. By using the existing four-week approach, which includes seven coaches engaged in off-campus evaluations on six days each week, it is appropriate to establish a 168 recruiting day limit during the spring evaluation period. This flexible approach results in more efficient use of travel and time, as coaches are able to schedule specific opportunities to observe prospective student-athletes. Further, this approach has worked well in the fall. The same concept should be adopted for the spring evaluation period.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee noted that the proposal allows for increased flexibility in using recruiting opportunities without increasing the total amount of off-campus recruiting in the spring evaluation period.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-28 RECRUITING — CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS — TELEPHONE CALLS — OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL VISITS — OFFERS OF FINANCIAL AID — TRYOUTS — WOMEN'S SOCCER

Intent: In women's soccer, to revise or establish restrictions related to contacts, telephone calls official and unofficial visits, offers of financial aid and involvement in nonscholastic-based soccer programs, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.1.1, as follows:

13.1.1.1 Time Period for Off-Campus Contacts — General Rule. Off-campus recruiting contacts shall not be made with an individual (or his or her relatives or legal guardians) before July 1 following the completion of his or her junior year in high school (July 7 after the junior year in high school in women's ice hockey, ~~and~~ July 15 after the junior year in high school in women's gymnastics **and August 1 after the junior year in high school in women's soccer**). U.S. service academy exceptions to this provision are set forth in Bylaw 13.16.1.

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3, as follows:

13.1.3 Telephone Calls.

13.1.3.1 Time Period for Telephone Calls — General Rule. Telephone calls to an individual (or his or her relatives or legal guardians) may not be made before July 1 following the completion

of his or her junior year in high school (subject to the exceptions below); thereafter, staff members shall not make such telephone calls more than once per week.

[13.1.3.1.1 through 13.1.3.1.5 unchanged.]

13.1.3.1.6 Exception — Women's Soccer. In women's soccer, telephone calls may not be made to or received from an individual (or his or her relatives or legal guardians or coaches) before August 1 following the completion of his or her junior year in high school.

[13.1.3.1.6 through 13.1.3.1.7 renumbered as 13.1.3.1.7 through 13.1.3.1.8, unchanged.]

[Remainder of 13.1.3 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 13.6.2.2, as follows:

13.6.2.2 Number of Official Visits — Prospective Student-Athlete Limitation. A prospective student-athlete may take a maximum of five expense-paid visits, with no more than one permitted to any single institution. This restriction applies regardless of the number of sports in which the prospective student-athlete is involved and only for expense-paid visits to Divisions I or II institutions.

13.6.2.2.1 First Opportunity to Visit. **A In sports other than women's soccer, a prospective student-athlete may not be provided an expense-paid visit earlier than the opening day of classes of the prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school. In women's soccer, a prospective student-athlete may not be provided an expense-paid visit earlier than August 1 after the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school.** Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

[13.6.2.2.2 unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 13.7, as follows:

13.7 UNOFFICIAL (NONPAID) VISIT

13.7.1 Number Permitted. A prospective student-athlete may visit a member institution's campus at his or her own expense an unlimited number of times. A prospective student-athlete may make unofficial visits before his or her senior year in high school.

[13.7.1.1 through 13.7.1.2 unchanged.]

13.1.7.3 Exception — Women's Soccer. In women's soccer, an institution's athletics department staff members shall not have contact (including on-campus contact) with a prospective student-athlete before August 1 following the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school.

E. Bylaws: Amend 13.9.2, as follows:

13.9.2 Letter of Intent Restriction. A member institution may not participate in an institutional or conference athletics letter of intent program or issue an institutional or conference financial aid agreement that involves a signing date that precedes the initial regular (as opposed to early) signing date for the National Letter of Intent program in the same sport. However, an institution

may permit a prospective student-athlete to sign an institutional or conference letter of intent during the National Letter of Intent early signing period in the applicable sport.

[13.9.2.1 unchanged.]

13.9.2.2 Offer of Aid Before Signing Date — **Sports Other than Women's Soccer.** ~~A#~~ **In sports other than women's soccer, an institution may indicate in writing to a prospective student-athlete that an athletically related grant-in-aid will be offered by the institution; however, the institution may not permit the prospective student-athlete to sign a form indicating his or her acceptance of such an award before the initial signing date in that sport in the National Letter of Intent program.**

13.9.2.3 Verbal or Written Offer of Aid — Women's Soccer. In women's soccer, an institution shall not offer, (or indicate that it will or may offer) orally or in writing, athletically related financial aid, directly or indirectly, to a prospective student-athlete before August 1 following the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school. On or after August 1 following the prospective student-athlete's junior year in high school, an institution may indicate in writing to a prospective student-athlete that an athletically related grant-in-aid will be offered by the institution; however, the institution may not permit the prospective student-athlete to sign a form indicating his or her acceptance of such an award before the initial signing date in that sport in the National Letter of Intent program.

F. **Bylaws:** Amend 13.11, as follows:

13.11 TRYOUTS

13.11.1 Prohibited Activities. A member institution, on its campus or elsewhere, shall not conduct (or have conducted on its behalf) any physical activity (e.g., practice session or test/tryout) at which one or more prospective student-athlete (as defined in Bylaws 13.11.1.1 and 13.11.1.2) reveal, demonstrate or display their athletics abilities in any sport except as provided in Bylaws 13.11.2 and 13.11.3.

[13.11.1.1 through 13.11.1.5.1 unchanged.]

13.11.1.6 Nonscholastic-Based Soccer - Women's Soccer. In women's soccer, a member of an institution's athletics department staff may not participate as a coach or as an administrator in an Olympic Development Program with any team or program that includes prospective student-athletes. A member of an institution's coaching staff or an institutional staff member with women's soccer-specific duties (e.g., director of operations, manager, administrative personnel), shall not own or operate a soccer club or team that includes prospective student-athletes or serve as a coach or other staff member of such a club or team.

[13.11.1.6 through 13.11.1.7 renumbered as 13.11.1.8 through 13.11.1.9, unchanged.]

13.11.2 Permissible Activities.

[13.11.2.1 through 13.11.2.2 unchanged.]

13.11.2.3 Local Sports Clubs. In sports other than basketball **and women's soccer**, an institution's coach may be involved in any capacity (e.g., as a participant, administrator or in

instructional or coaching activities) in the same sport for a local sports club or organization located in the institution's home community, provided all prospective student-athletes participating in said activities are legal residents of the area (within a 50-mile radius of the institution). In all sports, an institution's coach may be involved in any capacity (e.g., as a participant, administrator or in instructional or coaching activities) in a sport other than the coach's sport for a local sports club or organization located in the institution's home community, provided all prospective student-athletes participating in said activities are legal residents of the area (within a 50-mile radius of the institution). Further, in club teams involving multiple teams or multiple sports, the 50-mile radius is applicable only to the team with which the institution's coach is involved; however, it is not permissible for the coach to assign a prospective student-athlete who lives outside the 50-mile area to another coach of the club. A coach also may be involved in activities with individuals who are not of a prospective student-athlete age, regardless of where such individuals reside. (In women's volleyball, see Bylaw 13.1.8.12 for regulations relating to a coach's involvement with a local sports club and the permissible number of evaluation days.)

[Remainder of 13.11 unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: The recruiting culture in women's soccer has changed drastically in recent years due to the increased emphasis on early recruiting. As a result, prospective student-athletes are receiving offers of athletically related financial aid very early in their high school enrollment. An effort to focus recruiting activity during a more appropriate time requires wholesale changes to rules governing communication between college coaches and prospective student-athletes, but simply limiting direct communication is not sufficient. A prospective student-athlete's family members, high school coaches and club coaches are also conduits for early recruitment messages. By restricting communication, both on and off campus, limiting coaches' involvement with teams that include prospective student-athletes and establishing a timeline that permits recruiting to begin just prior to a prospective student-athlete's final year of high school, recruiting activities will be conducted during a time when college coaches, prospective student-athletes and their family members are properly prepared to make informed decisions regarding their attendance at a particular collegiate institution.

Estimated Budget Impact: Anticipated reduction in recruiting costs associated with removal of opportunities for early recruiting.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Prospective student-athletes will not be subject to recruiting activity until after their junior year in high school.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet took no formal position. The cabinet applauded the leadership displayed by the Southeastern Conference on this issue and supports the concept. However, the cabinet encourages the Legislative Council to table the

proposal until the Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet completes its review of early recruitment for potential solutions applicable to all sports.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recognizes the intent of the sponsor to address early recruitment concerns in women's soccer. However, the cabinet has begun an examination of the current recruiting model in all sports and believes it would be premature to adopt sport-specific legislation at this time. Further, the cabinet expressed concern with the potential consequences of prohibiting coaches from participating in the Olympic Development Program without input or comment from US Youth Soccer or other similar organizations with which the Olympic Development Program is affiliated.

Women's Soccer Committee: The committee supports the proposal.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 08, 2009 Women's Soccer Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, No Formal Position

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-29 RECRUITING AND ELIGIBILITY — FOUR-YEAR PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES — PERMISSION TO CONTACT AND TRANSFER RELEASE — RESPONSE TO REQUEST AND HEARING OPPORTUNITY

Intent: To specify that an institution shall grant or deny a request to permit another institution to contact a student-athlete about transferring or a request for release as a condition of the one-time transfer exception within seven calendar days of receipt of the request; further, to specify that if the request is denied, the institution shall conduct a hearing within 14 calendar days of receipt of the student-athlete's written request and that the student-athlete shall be provided the opportunity to appear in-person or via telephone and actively participate in the hearing.

A. **Bylaws:** Amend 13.1.1.3, as follows:

13.1.1.3 Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes. An athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's athletics interests shall not make contact with the student-athlete of another NCAA or NAIA four-year collegiate institution, directly or indirectly, without first obtaining the written permission of the first institution's athletics director (or an athletics administrator designated by the athletics director) to do so, regardless of who makes the initial contact. **An NCAA Division I institution shall grant or deny a request to permit another institution to contact a student-athlete about transferring within seven calendar days of receipt of the request.** If permission is not granted, the second institution shall not encourage the transfer and the institution shall not provide athletically related financial assistance to the student-athlete until the student-athlete has attended the second institution for one academic year. If permission is granted to contact the student-athlete, all applicable NCAA recruiting rules apply.

13.1.1.3.1 Hearing Opportunity. If the institution decides to deny a student-athlete's request to permit any other institution to contact the student-athlete about transferring, ~~or if the institution delays a response to the request~~ or indicates that permission will be granted at a later date, the institution shall inform the student-athlete in writing that he or she, upon **written** request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., the office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). ~~The institution shall have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request.~~ **The student-athlete shall be provided the opportunity to appear in-person or via telephone and actively participate in the hearing. The institution shall conduct the hearing within 14 calendar days of receipt the student-athlete's written request.**

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5.2.10, as follows:

14.5.5.2.10 One-Time Transfer Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution from another four-year collegiate institution, and all of the following conditions are met (for graduate students, see Bylaw 14.1.9.1):

[14.5.5.2.10-(a) through 14.5.5.2.10-(c) unchanged.]

(d) If the student is transferring from an NCAA or NAIA member institution, the student's previous institution shall certify in writing that it has no objection to the student's being granted an exception to the transfer-residence requirement. **The student's previous institution shall grant or deny a request for a release within seven calendar days of receipt of the request.** If the student's previous institution denies his or her request for the release, the institution shall inform the student-athlete in writing that he or she, upon **written** request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., the office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). ~~The institution shall have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request.~~ **The student-athlete shall be provided the opportunity to appear in-person or via telephone and actively participate in the hearing. The institution shall conduct the hearing within 14 calendar days of receipt of the student-athlete's written request.**

[14.5.5.2.10.1 unchanged.]

Source: Big South Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: The legislation governing the appeals processes for transfer releases or permission to contact requests is designed to allow the student-athlete the opportunity to appeal to an institutional body outside the athletics department if he or she feels that the request was handled unfairly. However, at times, there are instances in which institutions may not place the best interests of the student-athlete at the forefront of the process. Specifically, institutions may purposefully delay their appeal processes (as much as possible within their established procedures) in cases of requests for transfer releases or permission to contact for an extended

period of time. In these circumstances, the opportunity to enroll at another institution is reduced as time passes due to admissions and enrollment deadlines. In addition, the possibility of receiving a scholarship offer from another institution is reduced proportionately with the delay in the hearing processes. Establishing consistent standards related to notifying student-athletes of their opportunity for an appeal opportunity, as well as establishing standards related to how institutions conduct the appeal will reduce opportunities for abuse of the process and promote student-athlete well-being.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Minimal.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet. The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet supports the intent and several elements of the proposal, but believes modifications should be made to the deadlines outlined for these activities. Specifically, the cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to specify that an institution shall grant or deny a request to permit another institution to contact a student-athlete about transferring or a request for release as a condition of the one-time transfer exception within seven business days of receipt of the request; further, to specify that if the request is denied, the institution shall conduct a hearing and provide written notification of the decision to the student-athlete within 15 business days of receipt of the student-athlete's written request. The cabinet would support the proposal if modified. Further, in the event the sponsor does not support the suggested modification, the cabinet shall sponsor an alternative proposal. The cabinet strongly supports the concepts of establishing defined timelines for response to requests for permission to contact or to use the one-time transfer exception and for promptly conducted hearings when such requests are denied. The cabinet believes that such decisions should be made as quickly as possible in the interest of student-athlete well-being. However, the cabinet expressed concern that the number of days specified in the proposal may be unrealistic and may result in a number of unintentional violations, particularly when requests are made at the end of an academic term and institutions may be closed for a period of time or institutional staff members may be on vacation.

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet. The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to specify that an institution shall grant or deny a request to permit another institution to contact a student-athlete about transferring or a request for release as a condition of the one-time transfer exception within seven business days of receipt of the request; further, to specify that if the request is denied, the institution shall conduct a hearing and provide the student-athlete with a written response within 15 business days of receipt of the student-athlete's written request for a hearing. However, the cabinet expressed concern about regulating the method of interaction that must occur during the hearing. In the area of financial aid hearings, the cabinet has decided that the process by which interaction occurs during hearings should be left to institutional discretion and would recommend that same autonomy for transfer hearings.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet. The cabinet opposes the proposal. However, the cabinet supports the modification recommended by the Academics Cabinet and Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet that would specify that an institution must grant or deny a request to permit another institution to contact a student-athlete about transferring or

request a release as a condition of the one-time transfer exception within seven business days of the receipt of the request; and would also specify that if the request is denied, the institution must conduct a hearing and provide the student-athlete with a written response within 15 business days of receipt of the student-athlete's written request. In addition, the cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to include a provision to specify that if an institution fails to respond within the appropriate timeframe (i.e., seven or 15 business days), the request for permission to contact or use of the one-time transfer exception would be considered automatically granted. The cabinet noted that without a specific and immediate consequence of a failure to respond, an institutional violation alone may not deter an institution from committing a violation or address the student-athlete well-being concerns as intended. If the sponsor chooses not to modify the proposal, the cabinet will sponsor an alternative proposal.

History:

Jun 03, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-30 RECRUITING — PERMISSIBLE RECRUITERS — NONCOACHING STAFF MEMBERS WITH SPORT-SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES — BASKETBALL

Intent: In basketball, to specify that a noncoaching staff member with sport-specific responsibilities shall not attend an off-campus athletics event involving prospective student-athletes (e.g., high-school contest, sports camp) unless the staff member is an immediate family member or legal guardian of one of the participants in the activity; further, to establish conditions by which a staff member who is an immediate family member or legal guardian of a participant may attend such an event, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.2.3, as follows:

13.1.2.3 General Restrictions — Staff Members and Governing Board. The following are additional restrictions that apply to an institution's staff members and governing board. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

[13.1.2.3-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Noncoaching Staff Members with Sport-Specific Responsibilities — Basketball. In basketball, a noncoaching staff member with sport-specific responsibilities shall not attend an off-campus basketball athletics event involving prospective student-athletes (e.g., high-school contest, sports camp) unless the staff member is an immediate family member or legal guardian of a participant in the activity. A staff member who is an immediate family member or legal guardian of a participant may attend such an event, subject to the following conditions:

(i) Attendance shall not be for evaluation purposes (the staff member shall not provide information related to the performance of a prospective student-athlete back to the institution's coaching staff); and

(ii) The staff member shall not have direct contact with a prospective student-athletes or a prospective student-athlete's parent (or legal guardian) or coach (other than the immediate family member, if applicable) participating in the activity.

[13.1.2.3-(b) relettered as 13.1.2.3-(c), unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Men's Basketball Issues Committee)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Currently, an official interpretation (October 11, 2000, Item No. 1) permits noncoaching athletics department staff members with sport-specific responsibilities to attend an off-campus athletics competition that involves prospective student-athletes if the competition is in the locale of the institution. Although the intent of the interpretation is to establish restrictions to avoid potential recruiting advantages, there is a concern in the basketball community that the mere presence of these individuals at such events is providing their institutions with such advantages. Multiple noncoaching athletics department staff members, clothed in institutional apparel, are attending basketball games featuring high profile prospective student-athletes. The issue is magnified in major metropolitan areas that include a significant number of high-profile prospective student-athletes. It is difficult to enforce the interpretation as there may be no real evidence that the staff member has been specifically directed to attend the contest. Accordingly, preventing the presence of noncoaching athletics department personnel at such competitions will alleviate concerns of recruiting advantages and will not cause any hardship on the staff since the staff member would be permitted to attend for the legitimate reason of watching an immediate family member participate.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. Further, the cabinet noted that the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet modified the proposal to include women's basketball. The cabinet supports the proposal as modified.

History:

Jun 01, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 25, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Modified the Proposal The cabinet modified the proposal to include women's basketball. Previously, the proposal applied only to men's basketball.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-31 RECRUITING — CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS — HEAD COACH RESTRICTIONS
— ASSISTANT COACH PUBLICLY DESIGNATED AS NEXT HEAD COACH — BOWL
SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL

Intent: In bowl subdivision football, to specify that an institution's assistant coach who has been publicly designated by the institution to become the next head coach shall be subject to the recruiting restrictions applicable to the institution's head coach.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.2.6, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS only]

13.1.2.6 Head Coach Restrictions — Bowl Subdivision Football.

13.1.2.6.1 Assistant Coach Publicly Designated as Institution's Next Head Coach. An institution's assistant coach who has been publicly designated by the institution to become its next head coach shall be subject to the recruiting restrictions applicable to the institution's head coach.

[13.1.2.6.1 through 13.1.2.6.2 renumbered as 13.1.2.6.2 through 13.1.2.6.3, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.8.4, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS only]

13.1.8.4 Limitations on Number of Evaluations — Football. In football, institutional staff members shall be limited to three evaluations during the academic year during which the prospective student-athlete competes or practices on any team. Not more than one evaluation may be used during the fall evaluation period and not more than two evaluations may be used during the April 15 through May 31 evaluation period. An authorized off-campus recruiter may use one evaluation to assess the prospective student-athlete's athletics ability and one evaluation to assess the prospective student-athlete's academic qualifications during the April 15 through May 31 evaluation period. If an institution's coaching staff member conducts both an athletics and an academic evaluation of a prospective student-athlete on the same day during the April 15 through May 31 evaluation period, the institution shall be charged with the use of an academic evaluation only and shall be permitted to conduct a second athletics evaluation of the prospective student-athlete on a separate day during the evaluation period.

13.1.8.4.1 Head Coach Restriction — Spring Evaluation Period. In bowl subdivision football, during the April 15 through May 31 evaluation period, the head coach **[and any assistant coach who has been publicly designated by the institution to become the next head coach (see Bylaw 13.1.2.6.1)]** shall not engage in off-campus recruiting activities, participating in off-

campus recruiting activities, participating in an off-campus coaching clinic, visit a prospective student-athlete's educational institution for any reason or meet with a prospective student-athlete's coach at an off-campus location.

Source: Big East Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: In recent years, some football programs have begun to publicly designate an individual on its current staff to become the institution's next head football coach when the current head football coach retires. In addition to being an assistant coach, this individual has also been given the title of "head coach in waiting." As the Division I membership has supported legislative initiatives to restrict the off-campus recruiting activities of the head football coach, this designation has provided a distinct recruiting advantage. This proposal would eliminate that advantage by mandating that the "head coach in waiting" adhere to all legislation applicable to the head football coach.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee noted that such coaches, once publicly designated, are allowed to recruit in a manner representative of a head coach and speak on behalf of the football program as a head coach — not just an assistant coach.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet noted that the designation of an assistant coach as the next head coach may occur several years prior to the departure of the current head coach, which may prohibit assistant coaches from participating in off-campus recruiting activities during the spring evaluation period for an extended period of time and may result in other unintended consequences.

History:

Jun 29, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-32 RECRUITING — TELEPHONE CALLS — TIME PERIOD FOR TELEPHONE CALLS
— EXCEPTION — UNLIMITED DURING CONTACT PERIOD

Intent: To specify that during a contact period, telephone calls may be made at the institution's discretion.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3, as follows:

13.1.3 Telephone Calls.

13.1.3.1 Time Period for Telephone Calls — General Rule. Telephone calls to an individual (or his or her relatives or legal guardians) may not be made before July 1 following the completion of his or her junior year in high school (subject to the exceptions below); thereafter, staff members (see Bylaw 13.1.3.4.1) shall not make such telephone calls more than once per week **outside a contact period. During a contact period, telephone calls may be made at the institution's discretion.**

[13.1.3.1.1 unchanged.]

13.1.3.1.2 Exception — Men's Basketball. In men's basketball, an institution is permitted to make one telephone call per month to an individual (or individual's relatives or legal guardians) on or after June 15 of the individual's sophomore year in high school through July 31 of the individual's junior year in high school. ~~AN~~ **Thereafter, outside a contact period, an** institution is permitted to make two telephone calls per week to an individual (or the individual's relatives or legal guardians) beginning August 1 prior to the individual's senior year in high school. ~~AN~~ **Outside a contact period, an** institution is permitted to make one telephone call per week to a two-year or four-year prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's relatives or legal guardians). **During a contact period, telephone calls may be made at the institution's discretion.**

13.1.3.1.3 Exception — Women's Basketball. In women's basketball, telephone calls may be made to an individual (or the individual's relatives or legal guardians) as follows:

[13.1.3.1.3-(a) through 13.1.3.1.3-(e) unchanged.]

(f) Thereafter, one telephone call per week **outside a contact period and unlimited telephone calls during a contact period.**

[13.1.3.1.3.1 through 13.1.3.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.1.3.1.4 Exception — Men's Ice Hockey. In men's ice hockey, an institution is permitted to make one telephone call per month to an individual (or individual's relatives or legal guardians) on or after June 15 at the conclusion of the individual's sophomore year in high school. ~~AN~~ **Thereafter, outside a contact period, an** institution is permitted to make one telephone call per week to an individual (or individual's relatives or legal guardians) beginning August 1 following completion of the individual's junior year in high school. **During a contact period, telephone calls may be made at the institution's discretion.**

13.1.3.1.5 Exception — Women's Ice Hockey. In women's ice hockey, an institution is permitted to make one telephone call to an individual (or the individual's relatives or legal guardians) who is a resident of a foreign country on or after July 7 through July 31 following completion of the individual's sophomore year in high school. ~~AN~~ **Thereafter, outside a contact period, an** institution is permitted to make one telephone call per week to an individual (or individual's relatives or legal guardians) beginning July 7 following completion of the individual's junior year in high school. **During a contact period, telephone calls may be made at the institution's discretion.**

[13.1.3.1.6 through 13.1.3.1.7 unchanged.]

[13.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3 Exceptions.

[13.1.3.3.1 through 13.1.3.3.3 unchanged.]

~~13.1.3.3.4 Off Campus Contact Exception. Institutional coaching staff members (see Bylaw 13.1.3.4.1) may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete on the day a permissible, in person, off-campus contact occurs with the prospective student-athlete.~~

[Remainder of 13.1.3 unchanged.]

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: The legislation related to telephone calls has evolved through the years to a point in which there is significant confusion among the membership. The rules change annually, and coaches struggle to keep up to date on the current legislation. Further, compliance staffs are finding the monitoring of telephone calls to be very time-consuming and the rules to be difficult to enforce. Staff resources that could be better spent elsewhere are being consumed going through telephone records. If this proposal is adopted, there is a risk of the telephone calls becoming intrusive on prospective student-athletes, but it is strongly believed that each prospect and his or her family can set their own ground rules, which coaches should respect or risk being cut off from the recruitment of a particular prospective student-athlete.

Estimated Budget Impact: Decrease in resources expended to monitor calls during contact periods.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Possible intrusion on prospective student-athletes' time.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal. The cabinet agrees with the sponsor's rationale and notes that significant institutional compliance resources are spent on monitoring current telephone call limitations. In addition, the cabinet notes the many forms of communication available in today's culture with electronic means increasingly becoming the preferred method among high school students. The cabinet also notes the importance of prospective student-athletes (and their parents and/or legal guardians) sharing the responsibility to communicate with coaches if the amount of telephone calls received becomes overwhelming or burdensome. Finally, the cabinet notes that this legislation has existed in football for several years without raising concerns about being too intrusive to prospective student-athletes and, accordingly, believes it is appropriate for all sports.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee expressed concern that this legislation would cause telephone calls to become more intrusive on prospective student-athletes and have a negative impact on the work/life balance of coaches due

to the increase in the number of telephone calls they would feel they must make during contact periods.

History:

Jul 09, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-33 RECRUITING — TELEPHONE CALLS — EXCEPTION — UNLIMITED AFTER RECEIPT OF ROOM OR TUITION DEPOSIT

Intent: To specify that on or after May 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, there shall be no limit on the number of telephone calls by an institution to the prospective student-athlete, provided the institution has received his or her room or tuition deposit in response to the institution's offer of admission.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3, as follows:

13.1.3 Telephone Calls.

[13.1.3.1 through 13.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3 Exceptions.

[13.1.3.3.1 through 13.1.3.3.3 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3.4 Telephone Calls After Receipt of Room or Tuition Deposit. On or after May 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, there shall be no limit on the number of telephone calls by an institution to the prospective student-athlete, provided the institution has received his or her room or tuition deposit in response to the institution's offer of admission.

[13.1.3.3.4 renumbered as 13.1.3.3.5, unchanged.]

[Remainder of 13.1.3 unchanged.]

Source: Big West Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Pursuant to recently adopted legislation, a prospective student-athlete may receive unlimited forms of electronically transmitted correspondence on or after May 1 of his or her senior year in high school if a tuition or housing deposit has been received by the institution. By allowing unlimited telephone calls as well, institutions will have the flexibility to communicate with such prospective student-athletes in the most appropriate and/or preferred method.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to permit unlimited telephone calls on or after May 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year provided the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to the institution's offer of admission. If the sponsor does not agree to modify the proposal, the cabinet will sponsor an alternative proposal. The cabinet is supportive of the concept outlined in the proposal; however, the use of a tuition or room deposit inadvertently prevents institutions that do not require those specific types of financial deposits from taking advantage of the flexibility afforded and is inconsistent with the use of a "financial deposit" in Proposals No. 2009-26 and 2009-43, which are supported by the cabinet.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-34 RECRUITING — TELEPHONE CALLS — EXCEPTION — DAY OF UNOFFICIAL VISIT

Intent: To specify that institutional coaching staff members may return telephone calls from (as opposed to initiate calls to) a prospective student-athlete (or his or her parents or legal guardians) on the day or days of an unofficial visit without such telephone calls being subject to the regulations regarding timing or number of telephone calls.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3, as follows:

13.1.3 Telephone Calls.

13.1.3.1 Time Period for Telephone Calls — General Rule. Telephone calls to an individual (or his or her relatives or legal guardians) may not be made before July 1 following the completion of his or her junior year in high school (subject to the exceptions below); thereafter, staff members shall not make such telephone calls more than once per week.

[13.1.3.1.1 through 13.1.3.1.7 unchanged.]

[13.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3 Exceptions.

[13.1.3.3.1 through 13.1.3.3.4 unchanged.]

13.1.3.3.5 Day of Unofficial Visit. Institutional coaching staff members (see Bylaw 13.1.3.4.1) may return telephone calls from (as opposed to initiate calls to) a prospective student-athlete (or his or her parents or legal guardians) on the day or days of an unofficial visit without such telephone calls being subject to the regulations regarding the timing or number of telephone calls.

[Remainder of 13.1.3 unchanged.]

Source: Big 12 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Current legislation permits unlimited telephone calls five days prior to an official visit in order to accommodate coaches and prospective student-athletes as they finalize plans for such visits. Additionally, coaches may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete on the day of an off-campus contact. Accordingly, similar leeway should be afforded to coaches when they miss a telephone call from a prospective student-athlete or his or her parents on the day of an unofficial visit. Prospective student-athletes on unofficial visits pay their own expenses, are able to place an unlimited number of telephone calls to coaches and are able to have face-to-face contact with coaches on campus during their visits. This common sense exception permits coaches to return a missed telephone call. No recruiting advantage is gained since face-to-face communication will occur on the same day. Allowing a coach to return a missed telephone call simply provides the coach with the right to use common courtesy in giving assistance to the prospective student-athletes and their families when it is needed.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to permit any athletics department staff member to make telephone calls to or receive telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete (or his or her parents or legal guardians) on the day or days of an unofficial visit. If the sponsor does not agree to modify the proposal, the cabinet will sponsor an alternative proposal. The cabinet is supportive of the concept outlined in the proposal and believes that providing additional flexibility to permit any athletics department staff member to make or receive telephone calls during this specified time period will permit institutions to be more responsive to the needs of prospective student-athletes while on unofficial visits or while in transit for the visit.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-35 RECRUITING — CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS — VISIT TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION — VISITS DURING EVALUATION PERIOD — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to specify that not more than two coaches per institution may visit a prospective student-athlete's educational institution on any one calendar day during an evaluation period.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.5, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

13.1.5 Visit to Prospective Student-Athlete's Educational Institution.

13.1.5.1 Football and Basketball. In football and basketball, institutional staff members may visit a prospective student-athlete's educational institution on not more than one occasion during a particular week within a contact period, regardless of the number of prospective student-athletes enrolled in the institution or whether any prospective student-athlete is contacted on that occasion.

[13.1.5.1.1 through 13.1.5.1.2 unchanged.]

13.1.5.1.3 Visits During Evaluation Period — Football. In football, not more than two coaches per institution may visit a prospective student-athlete's educational institution on any one calendar day during an evaluation period.

[13.1.5.1.3 through 13.1.5.1.5 renumbered as 13.1.5.1.4 through 13.1.5.1.6, unchanged.]

[Remainder of 13.1.5 unchanged.]

Source: Big East Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Although during an evaluation period no in-person, off-campus recruiting contact may occur with a prospective student-athlete, it has become commonplace for institutions to send numerous coaches to a prospective student-athlete's educational institution. Oftentimes arriving in limousines and extravagant buses, these multiple coaches are appearing at the high schools of the prospective student-athletes just as much to be seen as to actually conduct an evaluation. Many institutions are unnecessarily expending resources in order to have multiple assistant coaches attend these evaluations as a result of the perceived recruiting benefit. By permitting only two football coaches per institution to visit a prospective student-athlete's school on any given evaluation day, it would preclude institutions from sending a large number of assistant coaches to a school just for perception purposes.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential for cost savings dependent on current institutional recruiting practices.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee agreed that this proposal provides appropriate limitations for the number of coaches visiting a prospective student-athlete's educational institution.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet believes institutions should have the discretion to determine how to spend their recruiting resources and notes that institutions are limited to a maximum of seven coaches who may recruit off campus at any one time. Therefore, if an institution has more than two coaches at one educational institution on one calendar day, fewer coaches are permitted to recruit at other locations on that same day. The cabinet also notes that in some circumstances, the head coach, position coach and the recruiting coach for a specific geographic region may wish to visit a prospect's educational institution at the same time, thereby presenting concerns relative to current and common recruiting practices.

History:

Jul 01, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-37 RECRUITING — EVALUATIONS — SUMMER EVALUATION PERIOD — NONINSTITUTIONAL NONORGANIZED EVENTS — WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Intent: In women's basketball, to prohibit evaluations at noninstitutional nonorganized events (e.g., pick-up games, open gyms) during the summer evaluation period.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.8.8, as follows:

13.1.8.8 Basketball Evaluations.

[13.1.8.8-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Women's Basketball. In women's basketball, each institution is limited to five recruiting opportunities (contacts and evaluations combined) per prospective student-athlete (see Bylaw 13.1.6.6). Women's basketball staff members shall not exceed 100 recruiting-person days during the academic year contact and evaluation periods.

[13.1.8.8-(b)-(1) unchanged.]

(2) Summer Evaluation Period. During the summer evaluation period, a member institution's basketball coaching staff may attend ~~noninstitutional nonorganized events (e.g., pick-up games)~~, institutional basketball camps per Bylaw 13.12.1.1 and noninstitutional organized events (e.g., camps, leagues, tournaments and festivals) that are certified per Bylaw 30.16.

[Remainder of 13.1.8.8 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Women's Basketball Issues Committee)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: There has been an escalation in the number of impermissibly arranged activities disguised as open gym or pick-up games during the summer evaluation period. These activities subject coaches to potential rules violations and can create an environment in which contact between NCAA coaches and outside influences occur. During the summer evaluation period, evaluations should be limited to institutional basketball camps and noninstitutional organized events (e.g., camps, leagues, tournaments and festivals) that are certified through the basketball certification process. The Women's Basketball Coaches Association supports and has requested this legislative change to the women's basketball recruiting model.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

May 07, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 25, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-38 RECRUITING — EVALUATIONS — SCHOLASTIC AND NONSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES — CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL

Intent: In championship subdivision football, to specify that live athletics evaluations may be conducted at scholastic or nonscholastic athletics activities, provided there is no institutional involvement in arranging or directing such activities.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.8.9, as follows:

[Federated provision, FCS only]

13.1.8.9 Football Evaluations.

[13.1.8.9.1 through 13.1.8.9.3 unchanged.]

13.1.8.9.4 Scholastic and Nonscholastic Activities — **Bowl Subdivision Football**. In **bowl subdivision** football, all live athletics evaluations shall be limited to:

(a) Regularly scheduled high school, preparatory school and two-year college contests and practices; and

(b) Regular scholastic activities involving prospective student-athletes enrolled only at the institution at which the regular scholastic activities occur; and

(c) 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.

13.1.8.9.4.1 Other Evaluation Events — **Bowl Subdivision Football**. In **bowl subdivision** football, an institutional staff member shall not attend a recruiting event (other than those permitted pursuant to Bylaw 13.1.8.9.4) in which information (e.g., athletics or academic credentials, highlight or combine video) related to prospective student-athletes is presented or otherwise made available.

13.1.8.9.5 Scholastic and Nonscholastic Activities — Championship Subdivision Football. In championship subdivision football, live athletics evaluations may be conducted at scholastic or nonscholastic athletics activities, provided there is no institutional involvement in arranging or directing such activities. An institutional staff member shall not attend a recruiting event (other than a permissible live athletics event) in which information (e.g., athletics or academic credentials, highlight or combine video) related to prospective student-athletes is presented or otherwise made available.

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Football Issues Committee)

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: The issues related to the nonscholastic influences that led to the adoption of the current legislation are associated primarily with Football Bowl Subdivision recruiting. The current legislation, which limits evaluations of football prospective student-athletes to scholastic events, makes it difficult to efficiently evaluate championship subdivision-level football prospective student-athletes. Institutions can be more efficient in their management of recruiting resources if they are able to evaluate prospective student-athletes in central locations (e.g., all-star games or combines).

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential for more efficient use of institutional recruiting resources.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. However, the cabinet notes that nonscholastic influences are also present in Football Championship Subdivision and, if the proposal is adopted, should continue to be monitored. Further, the cabinet notes some concerns with the potential increase in recruiting expenses because the proposal would expand the permissible types of events at which coaches may evaluate.

History:

Apr 01, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 25, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-39 RECRUITING — LIMITATIONS ON NUMBER OF EVALUATIONS — EVALUATION DAYS — WOMEN'S SAND VOLLEYBALL

Intent: To specify that an institution that sponsors only women's sand volleyball or sponsors both women's volleyball and women's sand volleyball is limited to 100 evaluation days (measured August 1 through July 31); further, to specify that if an institution sponsors both women's volleyball and women's sand volleyball, a coach's involvement outside a volleyball contact or evaluation period with a local sports club (volleyball or sand volleyball) per Bylaw 13.11.2.3 shall count toward the limit.

Bylaws: Amend 13.1.8, as follows:

13.1.8 Limitations on Number of Evaluations.

[13.1.8.1 through 13.1.8.12 unchanged.]

13.1.8.13 Evaluation Days — Women's Sand Volleyball. An institution that sponsors only women's sand volleyball or sponsors both women's volleyball and women's sand volleyball is limited to 100 evaluation days (measured August 1 through July 31) per Bylaw 13.02.6.2. If an institution sponsors both women's volleyball and women's sand volleyball, a coach's involvement outside a volleyball contact or evaluation period with a local sports club (volleyball or sand volleyball) per Bylaw 13.11.2.3 shall count toward the limit.

[13.1.8.13 through 13.1.8.20 renumbered as 13.1.8.14 through 13.1.8.21, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: This proposal will provide institutions that sponsor both women's volleyball and women's sand volleyball with 20 additional evaluation days. It is expected that in the initial years of sponsorship, a large number of women's sand volleyball participants will also be women's volleyball participants. Due to the currently limited opportunities to evaluate prospective student-athletes competing in sand volleyball events, it is reasonable to expect that the evaluations for women's sand volleyball prospective student-athletes will be conducted during women's volleyball competition. These same challenges will be faced by institutions that sponsor only women's sand volleyball. Therefore, a limit of 100 evaluation days is also appropriate for such institutions, rather than an unlimited number as suggested by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. Finally, the number of permissible evaluation days shall remain at 80 for institutions that sponsor only women's volleyball.

Estimated Budget Impact: Additional costs associated with increase in number of permissible evaluation days for institutions that sponsor women's sand volleyball.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

No. 2009-40 RECRUITING — PRINTED RECRUITING MATERIALS — GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE — INSTITUTIONAL LETTERHEAD

Intent: To establish additional provisions governing general correspondence that an institution may send to prospective student-athletes, their parents or legal guardians, their coaches or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 13.4.1.1, as follows:

13.4.1.1 Printed Recruiting Materials. As specified below, an institution may provide the following printed materials to prospective student-athletes, their parents or legal guardians, their coaches or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved:

(a) General Correspondence. General correspondence, ~~including letters and blank postcards issued by the U.S. postal service,~~ may be sent only by mail-, **subject to the following provisions:**

(1) The correspondence shall include a single sheet of institutional letterhead, which shall not exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches in size;

(2) There are no restrictions on the design or content of one side of the single sheet of institutional letterhead. The opposite side shall be blank, except for text (typed or handwritten) used to communicate a message to the recipient and any other handwritten information;

(3) Additional pages of the correspondence shall be limited to plain white paper (not to exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches in size) and black ink. The additional pages shall be blank, except for text (typed or handwritten) used to communicate a message to the recipient and any other handwritten information;

(4) Attachments to general correspondence may only include materials printed on plain white paper (not to exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches in size) with black ink that are not created for recruiting purposes, except for *the additional* other permissible printed materials (e.g., camp brochures, questionnaires) listed in this section.;

(5) An envelope used to send the correspondence may only include the institution's name and logo or an athletics logo (in addition to the postage, return address and addressee information) on the outside, must be blank on the inside when produced and

may not exceed 9 by 12 inches; and

(6) All institutional staff members (e.g., faculty members, athletics department staff members and administrators) may prepare general correspondence.

[13.4.1.1-(b) through 13.4.1.1-(j) unchanged.]

(k) *Institutional* Postcards. ~~The~~ **An institution may send an institutional postcard, provided its dimensions of an institutional postcard may do not exceed 4 1/4 by 6 inches. In addition, a postcard may contain, it includes** only the institution's name and logo or an athletics logo on one side when produced and ~~may include~~ **it includes** only handwritten information, (e.g., words, illustrations) on the opposite side when provided to recipients. **Blank postcards issued by the U.S. postal service also may be sent.**

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Given the recently adopted regulations governing institutional note cards and postcards, there has been increased concern regarding institutional letterhead. Specifically, concerns have been raised about the lack of uniform standards under the current legislation and interpretations. Because there are no NCAA restrictions on the content or design of institutional letterhead, an institution that does not have policies (or has limited or flexible policies) is able to employ creativity in the letterhead it sends to prospective student-athletes (e.g., correspondence that resembles advertisements, mini posters and weekly press releases) while an institution that must use specific letterhead is limited by institutional policy. The current limitations on institutional note cards resulted from the membership's concern and frustration with the "no limits" evolution and the desire for a consistent standard to ensure equity and minimize any associated cost. This proposal attempts to allow institutions creative flexibility in the design of letterhead, but limit that flexibility to one side of the letterhead. This flexibility, coupled with the other restrictions on size and the remaining content, achieves an appropriate balance in this area. However, institutional policies on letterhead (e.g., must include mailing address, Web site address) will continue to apply.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential cost reduction for institutions using letterhead in excess of the proposed standards.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Intent: To specify that an institution shall not produce (or arrange for or authorize a third party to produce) a media guide, recruiting brochure or any other athletics publication printed in a hard copy format other than a game program; further, to specify that an institution may post a media guide or recruiting brochure on its Web site, but may not print such items and provide them to a prospective student-athlete (or his or her parents or legal guardians).

Bylaws: Amend 13.4.1, as follows:

13.4.1 Recruiting Materials. In sports other than men's basketball and men's ice hockey, a member institution shall not provide recruiting materials, including general correspondence related to athletics, to an individual (or his or her parents or legal guardians) until September 1 at the beginning of his or her junior year in high school. In men's basketball and men's ice hockey, an institution shall not provide recruiting materials, including general correspondence related to athletics, to an individual (or his or her parents or legal guardians) until June 15 at the conclusion of his or her sophomore year in high school. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the individual's eligibility.

13.4.1.1 Printed Recruiting Materials. As specified below, an institution may provide the following printed materials to prospective student-athletes, their parents or legal guardians, their coaches or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved:

[13.4.1.1-(a) through 13.4.1.1-(f) unchanged.]

~~(g) Athletics Publications. An institution may produce a recruiting brochure or media guide (but not both). The publications may have only one color of print inside the cover and may not exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches in size and 208 pages in length. An institution may not produce a separate media guide that is intended to supplement the one permissible recruiting brochure or media guide. Such supplemental information (e.g., historical information, records) may be posted on the institution's Web site and may be printed in black and white, and provided to the media. An institution may not create a portfolio of information (e.g., pictures) to be used in the recruiting process unless it is considered the institution's one permissible athletics recruiting publication. An institution may produce additional media publications for separate purposes (e.g., postseason media guide, spring football practice guide), provided the additional publications are not provided to prospective student-athletes (or their parents or legal guardians).~~

[13.4.1.1-(h) through 13.4.1.1-(j) relettered as 13.4.1.1-(g) through 13.4.1.1-(i), unchanged.]

[13.4.1.1.1 unchanged.]

13.4.1.1.2 Athletics Publications. An institution shall not produce (or arrange for or authorize a third party to produce) a media guide, recruiting brochure or any other athletics publication printed in a hard copy format other than a game program. An institution may post a media guide or recruiting brochure on its Web site, but may not print such items and provide them to a prospective student-athlete (or his or her

parents or legal guardians). An institution may not create a portfolio of information (e.g., pictures) to be used in the recruiting process. An institution may produce additional electronic media publications for separate purposes (e.g., postseason media guide, spring football practice guide), provided the additional publications are not printed and are not provided to prospective student-athletes (or their parents or legal guardians).

[Remainder of 13.4.1 unchanged.]

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: With the rise in use of electronic media, printing a media guide or recruiting brochure is an unnecessary allocation of limited resources. Eliminating the printing of media guides will result in significant cost reductions and a reduction in the use of natural resources. However, prospective student-athletes may still access such institutional materials on the institution's Web site.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential for significant cost savings.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Baseball Committee: The committee supports the proposal as a cost saving measure and agrees that there are other ways (e.g., Internet) for prospects to get information about an institution.

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee supports this cost saving measure and agrees that there are other ways (e.g., Internet) for prospective student-athletes to get information about an institution. However, the committee recommends that the effective date be modified from immediate to August 1, 2010.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet took no formal position. The cabinet believes the proposal extends beyond the cabinet's purview in that it would prohibit an institution from printing materials for purposes other than recruiting. Further, the cabinet believes that institutions should have discretion regarding the production and distribution of athletics publications for purposes other than recruiting. Instead, the cabinet supports Proposal No. 2009-42, which would modify the legislation to specifically impact recruiting activities.

History:

Jul 09, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Modification

Sep 03, 2009 Baseball Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, No Formal Position

No. 2009-42 RECRUITING — RECRUITING MATERIALS — ATHLETICS PUBLICATIONS — NO PRINTED PUBLICATIONS TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES

Intent: To specify that an institution shall not provide a printed media guide or any other printed athletics publication not listed in Bylaw 13.4.1.1 to a prospective student-athlete, his or her parents or legal guardians, the prospective student-athlete's educational institution or any individual involved in the coaching of a prospective student-athlete.

Bylaws: Amend 13.4.1, as follows:

13.4.1 Recruiting Materials. In sports other than men's basketball and men's ice hockey, a member institution shall not provide recruiting materials, including general correspondence related to athletics, to an individual (or his or her parents or legal guardians) until September 1 at the beginning of his or her junior year in high school. In men's basketball and men's ice hockey, an institution shall not provide recruiting materials, including general correspondence related to athletics, to an individual (or his or her parents or legal guardians) until June 15 at the conclusion of his or her sophomore year in high school. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the individual's eligibility.

13.4.1.1 Printed Recruiting Materials. As specified below, an institution may provide the following printed materials to prospective student-athletes, their parents or legal guardians, their coaches or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved:

[13.4.1.1-(a) through 13.4.1.1-(f) unchanged.]

~~(g) Athletics Publications. An institution may produce a recruiting brochure or media guide (but not both). The publications may have only one color of print inside the cover and may not exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches in size and 208 pages in length. An institution may not produce a separate media guide that is intended to supplement the one permissible recruiting brochure or media guide. Such supplemental information (e.g., historical information, records) may be posted on the institution's Web site and may be printed in black and white, and provided to the media. An institution may not create a portfolio of information (e.g., pictures) to be used in the recruiting process unless it is considered the institution's one permissible athletics recruiting publication. An institution may produce additional media publications for separate purposes (e.g., postseason media guide, spring football practice guide), provided the additional publications are not provided to prospective student-athletes (or their parents or legal guardians).~~

[13.4.1.1-(h) through 13.4.1.1-(j) relettered as 13.4.1.1-(g) through 13.4.1.1-(i), unchanged.]

[13.4.1.1.1 unchanged.]

13.4.1.1.2 Athletics Publications. An institution may produce a printed media guide; however, an institution shall not provide a printed media guide or any other printed athletics publication not listed in Bylaw 13.4.1.1 to a prospective student-athlete, his or her parents or legal guardians, the prospective student-athlete's educational institution

or any individual involved in the coaching of a prospective student-athlete. A printed media guide may have only one color of print inside the cover and may not exceed 8 1/2 by 11 inches in size and 208 pages in length. An institution may not produce a separate printed supplemental media guide. Any supplemental information (e.g., historical information, records) may be posted on the institution's Web site and may be printed in black and white, and provided to the media. An institution may not create a printed portfolio of information (e.g., pictures) to be used in the recruiting process.

[Remainder of 13.4.1 unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Increased access to technology and the enhanced presence of information on the Internet has reduced the need to provide printed materials to prospective student-athletes. The high costs and excessive use of resources to print guides to provide to prospective student-athletes may now be eliminated and, at the same time, the availability of information to prospective student-athletes increases due to Web site access. Given the challenging economic times, it is prudent to eliminate media guides and recruiting brochures from the list of items that may be provided to prospective student-athletes while maintaining the option for production and distribution of media guides to the media.

Estimated Budget Impact: Anticipated reduction in printing and mailing costs.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Baseball Committee: The committee supports Proposal No. 2009-41. In the event that Proposal No. 2009-41 is not adopted, the committee would support Proposal No. 2009-42.

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports Proposal No. 2009-41. In the event that Proposal No. 2009-41 is not adopted, the committee would support Proposal No. 2009-42.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval In the event that Proposal No. 2009-41 is not adopted.

Sep 03, 2009 Baseball Committee, Recommends Approval In the event that Proposal No. 2009-41 is not adopted.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-43 RECRUITING — RECRUITING MATERIALS — ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS — EXCEPTION — AFTER RECEIPT OF FINANCIAL DEPOSIT

Intent: To specify that on or after May 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, there shall be no limit on the forms of electronically transmitted correspondence that may be sent by an institution to the prospective student-athlete, provided the institution has received a financial deposit in response to the institution's offer of admission.

Bylaws: Amend 13.4.1.2.2, as follows:

13.4.1.2.2 Exception — Electronic Transmissions After Receipt of ~~Room or Tuition~~**Financial** Deposit. On or after May 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, there shall be no limit on the forms of electronically transmitted correspondence that may be sent by an institution to the prospective student-athlete, provided the institution has received ~~his or her room or tuition~~ **a financial** deposit in response to the institution's offer of admission.

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Current legislation allows institutions to send any form of electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., text messages) to a nonscholarship student-athlete on or after May 1 of his or her senior year in high school if the incoming prospective student-athlete has submitted a room deposit or tuition deposit to the institution in response to an offer of admission. Some institutions do not require specific room or tuition deposits. The change contemplated in this proposal is reasonable and it meets the overall intent of the current legislation.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jul 09, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-44 RECRUITING — RECRUITING MATERIALS — VIDEO/AUDIO MATERIALS AND COMPUTER GENERATED RECRUITING PRESENTATIONS

Intent: To specify that an institution may produce video or audio material to show to, play for or provide to a prospective student-athlete, provided such material includes only general information related to an institution or its athletics programs and is not created for recruiting purposes; further, to specify that a computer generated recruiting presentation may include general informational video/audio material that relates to an institution or its athletics programs and is not created for recruiting purposes.

Bylaws: Amend 13.4.2, as follows:

13.4.2 Video/Audio Materials. ~~An institution may not produce video or audio materials to show to, play for or send to a prospective student athlete except as specified in this section.~~ Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

~~13.4.2.1 Highlight/Video/Audio. An institution may show highlight video to highlight or play audio for prospective student athlete or the prospective student athlete's coach but may not send it to or leave it with the prospective student athlete or coach. Highlight video/audio consists of "game clips" that contain informational material that is related to a particular event or sports season. Any narration on the highlight video/audio must relate specifically to the event or sports season. Highlight video/audio may include only clips of actual athletics contests and activities that occur on the day of the contest that are directly related to the contest (e.g., pregame player introductions, half-time band and cheerleader performances, locker-room talks, crowd reactions, sideline coaching staff activities, postgame on-field award presentations). The highlight video/audio may not include clips of other activities that are only indirectly related to the contests (e.g., team travel, team meals, entertainment activities, practice activities, institutional facilities).~~

~~13.4.2.2 Media Available to All Students. Official academic admissions and student services media produced by the institution and available to all students may be provided to prospective student-athletes.~~

~~13.4.2.3 Hall of Fame/Museum Video/Audio. A prospective student athlete may tour an institution's athletics hall of fame or museum during a recruiting trip and view video or listen to audio related to the institution's athletics programs (even if such video/audio does not meet the definition of a highlight film), provided the facility is open to the general public on a year-round basis and the video/audio has been developed for the purpose of showing to the general public (as opposed to the recruitment of prospective student-athletes).~~

13.4.2.1 Material Not Created for Recruiting Purposes. **An institution may produce video or audio material to show to, play for or provide to a prospective student-athlete, provided such material includes only general information related to an institution or its athletics programs and is not created for recruiting purposes.**

13.4.2.42 Computer Generated Recruiting Presentations. An institution may produce a computer generated recruiting presentation (e.g., using presentation software) to show to a prospective student-athlete during any permissible on- or off-campus contact-, **subject to the following provisions:**

~~In addition the,~~ **(a) The** presentation may be posted to the institution's Web site.;

~~Such a~~ **(b) The** presentation may ~~not~~ include ~~any~~ **general informational** video/audio component ~~(except as permitted in Bylaw 13.4.2)~~ **and material that relates to an institution or its athletics programs and is not created for recruiting purposes;**

(c) The presentation may not be personalized to include a prospective student-athlete's name, picture or likeness; **and**

~~Such a~~ **(d) The** presentation may not be created by an entity outside the institution.

13.4.2.53 Pre-enrollment Information. An institution may provide any necessary pre-enrollment information **(that is not otherwise considered to be general information related to an institution or its athletics programs)** regarding orientation, conditioning, academics and practice activities in a video format (e.g., video playbook, game clips) to a prospective student-athlete, provided he or she has signed a National Letter of Intent or institutional financial aid agreement, or has been officially accepted for enrollment. [See Bylaw 13.4.1.1-(i).]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: The rationale for the current restrictions on the use of audio and video material in the recruiting process relate to recruiting equity and costs. As a result of technological advances, recording, producing, posting, sharing and accessing video has become fairly simple and inexpensive. Consequently, nearly all institutional athletics department Web sites now include some form of video content (e.g., interviews, press conferences, competition highlights, live or archived contests, facility tours). It is currently permissible to post such video material to an institution's Web site, provided it is not created for recruiting purposes and is considered general information in content and is generally accessible. Therefore, it is appropriate and reasonable that video and audio material that may be shown to, played for and provided to prospective student-athletes (including via computer generated recruiting presentations) should be subject to similar standards.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

No. 2009-45 RECRUITING — OFFICIAL VISIT — FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT — JUNE IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO SENIOR YEAR — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to specify that a prospective student-athlete may be provided an expense-paid

visit during the month of June immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school.

Bylaws: Amend 13.6.2.2.1, as follows:

13.6.2.2.1 First Opportunity to Visit. A prospective student-athlete may not be provided an expense-paid visit earlier than the opening day of classes of the prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

13.6.2.2.1.1 Exception — Football. In football, a prospective student-athlete may be provided an expense-paid visit during the month of June immediately preceding the prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school.

Source: Big Ten Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Allowing official visits in June addresses a few distinct policy considerations. First, official visits for football prospective student-athletes during the fall and winter can be challenging both in terms of logistics and the quality of the visits due to various issues (e.g., during the academic year, in-season, during the holidays, during bowl participation). June is a period of time that is more likely to be convenient for all parties involved and it is a common time for high school juniors to visit campuses as part of the process of choosing a college. Second, the need for early accurate assessments of a prospective student-athlete's ability to succeed academically and assimilate culturally in a collegiate environment has never been more important. Higher quality visits in June (due to the opportunity for increased interaction between the staff and prospective student-athletes) would lead to better assessments by both the institution and prospective student-athlete. Moreover, by June, institutions will be able to assess the prospective student-athlete's academic performance through spring of the junior year. This proposal would not affect individual or institutional limits on official visits and all other legislation relating to official visits would continue to apply unchanged.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Student-athletes may be asked to serve as hosts in June.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The committee opposes the proposal. The cabinet noted that some prospective student-athletes still will be completing the junior year of high school in June, and they could be preparing for or taking final exams while taking official visits if this legislation is adopted. The cabinet also noted that providing official visits prior to the senior year in high school would accelerate the early recruitment of prospective student-athletes. Finally, monitoring complications could result from official visits occurring around the time of institutions' football camps or clinics.

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal for the Football Championship Subdivision. The FCS members of the committee expressed concern about the earlier recruiting time frame this may create for other contacts, phone calls and/or evaluations. The FBS members of the committee took no formal position.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet does not believe it is necessary for official visits to occur earlier than the first day of classes of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school because there is adequate time during the prospective student-athlete's senior year and prior to the National Letter of Intent (NLI) signing date in February for these visits to occur. Further, the cabinet noted official visits that occur during the academic year provide the opportunity to visit when the campus culture and environment most closely resembles what it would be when a prospective student-athlete is in attendance at the institution. The cabinet also expressed concern regarding the opportunity for official visits to occur during the same time period in which it is permissible to conduct institutional football camps and clinics and the impact on prospective student-athletes and coaches.

History:

Jul 11, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat For the Football Championship Subdivision.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, No Formal Position For the Football Bowl Subdivision.

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-46 RECRUITING — OFFICIAL VISIT — NUMBER OF OFFICIAL VISITS — INSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION — DE MINIMIS VIOLATION

Intent: To specify that a violation of the institutional limitation on the number of official visits shall be considered an institutional violation, but shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

Bylaws: Amend 13.6.2.6, as follows:

13.6.2.6 Number of Official Visits — Institutional Limitation. The total number of official visits a member institution may provide prospective student-athletes in the following sports on an annual basis (August 1 through July 31) shall be limited to:

[13.6.2.6-(a) through 13.6.2.6-(c) unchanged.]

[13.6.2.6.1 through 13.6.2.6.7 unchanged.]

13.6.2.6.8 Effect of Violation. A violation of Bylaw 13.6.2.6 shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, the prospective student-athlete's eligibility shall not be affected.

Source: NCAA Division I Legislative Council (Administrative Committee) (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: This change removes any effect on a prospective student-athlete's eligibility when an institution exceeds the limitation on the number of official visits. Prospective student-athletes have no control over the number of prospective student-athletes who visit an institution. Any institutional accountability is better addressed within the enforcement process. Violations of the bylaw are institutional violations and the institution is required to submit a self-report.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet. The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. Further, the cabinet agrees that the proposal should be considered as noncontroversial legislation.

History:

Jun 11, 2009 Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 17, 2009 Legislative Council Administrative Committee, Sponsored

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval as Noncontroversial Legislation

No. 2009-47 RECRUITING — LETTER OF INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS
— WRITTEN OFFER OF AID BEFORE SIGNING DATE — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to specify that prior to August 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, an institution shall not provide a written offer of athletically related financial aid or indicate in writing to the prospective student-athlete that an athletically related grant-in-aid will be offered by the institution.

Bylaws: Amend 13.9.2, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

13.9.2 Letter of Intent Restriction. A member institution may not participate in an institutional or conference athletics letter-of-intent program or issue an institutional or conference financial aid agreement that involves a signing date that precedes the initial regular (as opposed to early) signing date for the National Letter of Intent program in the same sport. However, an institution may permit a

prospective student-athlete to sign an institutional or conference letter of intent during the National Letter of Intent early signing period in the applicable sport.

[13.9.2.1 unchanged.]

13.9.2.2 Offer of Aid Before Signing Date — **Sports Other Than Football.** *AA* **In sports other than football, an** institution may indicate in writing to a prospective student-athlete that an athletically related grant-in-aid will be offered by the institution; however, the institution may not permit the prospective student-athlete to sign a form indicating his or her acceptance of such an award before the initial signing date in that sport in the National Letter of Intent program.

13.9.2.3 Written Offer of Aid Before Signing Date — Football. In football, prior to August 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, an institution shall not provide a written offer of athletically related financial aid or indicate in writing to the prospective student-athlete that an athletically related grant-in-aid will be offered by the institution. On or after August 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, an institution may indicate in writing to the prospective student-athlete that an athletically related grant-in-aid will be offered by the institution; however, the institution may not permit the prospective student-athlete to sign a form indicating his or her acceptance of such an award before the initial signing date in that sport in the National Letter of Intent program.

Source: Big East Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Over the years, a culture has developed in football in which prospective student-athletes are receiving letters from coaches at the beginning of their junior year in high school that, essentially, offer athletics scholarships. Although they are not able to sign a National Letter of Intent until their senior year in high school, many prospective student-athletes view the early scholarship offer letters they receive as binding agreements. This proposal will eliminate the confusion such letters create with prospective student-athletes.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet took no formal position. The cabinet applauded the leadership displayed by the Big East Conference on this issue and supports the concept. However, the cabinet encourages the Legislative Council to table the proposal until the Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet completes its review of early recruitment for potential solutions applicable to all sports.

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee agrees that the current trend of very early written offers of aid is disturbing and that it leads to confusion on the part of prospective student-athletes during the recruiting process.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recognizes the intent of the sponsor to address early recruitment concerns in football. However, the cabinet has begun an examination of the current recruiting model, including offers of aid in all sports, and believes it would be premature to adopt sport-specific legislation at this time. Further, the cabinet is concerned with the difficulty of determining what constitutes a written indication of an athletically related grant-in-aid and how institutions will monitor such communication. The cabinet believes a clear understanding of these practical concerns should be addressed prior to consideration of the legislation.

History:

Jul 01, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, No Formal Position

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-48 RECRUITING AND FINANCIAL AID — LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS — LETTER OF INTENT RESTRICTION — LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF SIGNINGS — BOWL SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL

Intent: In bowl subdivision football, to specify that there shall be an annual limit of 28 on the number of prospective student-athletes who may sign a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid from the initial signing date of the National Letter of Intent through May 31.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.9.2, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS only]

13.9.2 Letter of Intent Restriction. A member institution may not participate in an institutional or conference athletics letter-of-intent program or issue an institutional or conference financial aid agreement that involves a signing date that precedes the initial regular (as opposed to early) signing date for the National Letter of Intent program in the same sport. However, an institution may permit a prospective student-athlete to sign an institutional or conference letter of intent during the National Letter of Intent early signing period in the applicable sport.

[13.9.2.1 through 13.9.2.2 unchanged.]

13.9.2.3 Limitation on Number of Letter of Intent/Offer of Financial Aid Signings — Bowl Subdivision Football. In bowl subdivision football, there shall be an annual limit of 28 on the number of prospective student-athletes who may sign a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid from the initial signing date of the National Letter of Intent through May 31.

B. Bylaws: Amend 15.5.1.9, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS only]

15.5.1.9 Offers Exceeding Maximum Allowable Awards. An institution may offer more than the maximum number of permissible awards in a sport (per Bylaw 15.5) in anticipation that not all of the offers will be accepted, but the institution shall not exceed the awards limitation in the sport in question.

15.5.1.9.1 Limitation on Number of Letter of Intent/Offer of Financial Aid Signings — Bowl Subdivision Football. In bowl subdivision football, there shall be an annual limit of 28 on the number of prospective student-athletes who may sign a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of financial aid from the initial signing date of the National Letter of Intent through May 31.

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Current legislation limits a Football Bowl Subdivision institution to 25 initial counters each academic year; however, neither NCAA nor National Letter of Intent (NLI) regulations limit the number of football prospective student-athletes an institution may sign to a NLI or institutional offer of financial aid. Some institutions are signing an excessive number of football prospective student-athletes. This proposal would encourage institutional personnel to discuss academic and admission qualifications of each prospective student-athlete, rather than simply athletics ability, prior to sending the prospective student-athlete an NLI or a written offer of financial aid. Finally, this proposal may reduce the number of prospective student-athletes signed by an institution who are unlikely to meet NCAA academic eligibility requirements.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports this proposal in concept but requests additional study to confirm that 28 is the appropriate number.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-49 RECRUITING — TRYOUTS — COMPETITION AGAINST PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to prohibit an institution's varsity and subvarsity intercollegiate teams from competing against any team that includes prospective student-athletes.

Bylaws: Amend 13.11.1, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

13.11.1 Prohibited Activities. A member institution, on its campus or elsewhere, shall not conduct (or have conducted on its behalf) any physical activity (e.g., practice session or test/tryout) at which one or more prospective student-athletes (as defined in Bylaws 13.11.1.1 and 13.11.1.2) reveal, demonstrate or display their athletics abilities in any sport except as provided in Bylaws 13.11.2 and 13.11.3.

[13.11.1.3.1 and 13.11.1.3.2 unchanged.]

13.11.1.3 Competition Against Prospective Student-Athletes — **Sports Other Than Football.** In sports other than football, ~~An~~ **an** institution's varsity intercollegiate team may compete against a two-year college team but may not compete against a high school or preparatory school team. An institution's varsity team may not participate in a contest against an outside team (e.g., nonscholastic team) that includes high school prospective student-athletes except for permissible contests while on a foreign tour, exempted contests against a foreign team in the United States and the United States national team. In individual sports, it is permissible for an institution's varsity team and an outside team that includes prospective student-athletes to participate in the same open event, provided the event either involves no team scoring or the event uses team scoring such that the institution's varsity team and the outside team are in separate scoring categories. Subvarsity teams are not bound by this prohibition.

13.11.1.4 Competition Against Prospective Student-Athletes — Football. In football, an institution's varsity and subvarsity intercollegiate teams shall not compete against any team that includes prospective student-athletes.

[13.11.1.4 through 13.11.1.7 renumbered as 13.11.1.5 through 13.11.1.8, unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Current legislation permits an institution's varsity team to compete against two-year college teams and its junior varsity team or other subvarsity team to compete against any teams that include prospective student-athletes. These contests may result in a substantial financial payment being made to visiting teams or in recruiting activities involving visiting team members taking place in conjunction with these contests. This proposal is similar to recent legislative

changes in basketball, which preclude institutions from exempting competition against teams comprised of prospective student-athletes from maximum contest limitations. This proposal would eliminate a questionable practice that may be associated with undue influences involving teams of prospective student-athletes, and would also eliminate the recruiting activity that may occur in conjunction contests involving prospective student-athletes.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee agreed that there are significant recruiting implications to competition against teams that include prospective student-athletes.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. However, the cabinet expressed some concern that the proposal may restrict subvarsity teams from competing against outside competition in the area or region of the institution and may result in increased travel expenses for competition.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-50 RECRUITING AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS — LOCAL SPORTS CLUBS
— ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS — QUIET PERIODS — WOMEN'S SOCCER

Intent: In women's soccer, to specify that during a dead or quiet period, institutional coaching staff members may not coach a local sports team at an off-campus competition where prospective student-athletes are present; further, to establish quiet periods in women's soccer, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.11.2.3.4, as follows:

13.11.2.3.4 Women's **Soccer and Women's** Volleyball — Additional Restrictions. In women's **soccer and women's** volleyball, during a dead or quiet period, institutional coaching staff members may not coach a local sports club team at an off-campus competition where prospective student-athletes are present. However, it is permissible for an institution's coach to coach his or her own local sports club team in practice activities.

B. Administrative: Amend 30.10, as follows:

30.10 RECRUITING CALENDARS

[30.10.1 through 30.10.9 unchanged.]

30.10.10 Dead or Quiet Periods for Other Sports. There are no specified recruiting periods in sports for which no recruiting calendars have been established except for the following dead

periods and the quiet ~~period~~ **periods** in women's ice hockey (see Bylaw 30.10.11) **and women's soccer (see Bylaw 30.10.12).**

[30.10.11 unchanged.]

30.10.12 Quiet Periods — Women's Soccer.

(a) December 21 through the Sunday of the first full weekend (Saturday and Sunday) in January;

(b) 12:01 a.m. on the day of registration for the national convention of the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) to 12:01 a.m. on the day after adjournment of the convention. However, it is permissible to observe prospective student-athletes in demonstrations activities during a session at the convention, subject to applicable recruiting regulations (e.g., evaluations, limit on off-campus recruiters).

Source: Big 12 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Establishing a limited recruiting calendar in women's soccer is in the best interests for coaches and prospective student-athletes. In addition to coaching duties, the current 365-day recruiting calendar and summer camps hinder the opportunity for coaches to schedule time away from their numerous responsibilities. Furthermore, a quiet period during the holiday season will benefit prospective student-athletes and their families by permitting them to enjoy time without the intrusion of off-campus recruiting activities. Finally, establishing a quiet period during the annual convention of the National Soccer Coaches Association of America will encourage attendance by NCAA Division I coaches, thereby leading to a more productive conference.

Estimated Budget Impact: May reduce recruiting expenditures due to the reduced number of off-campus recruiting days.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to establish a comprehensive recruiting calendar that includes dead periods surrounding the NCAA championship, the National Soccer Coaches Association of America convention and NLI signing periods similar to the recruiting calendars already established in other sports. Additionally, the cabinet noted the NCAA Division I Women's Soccer Committee does not support the proposal and believes the National Soccer Coaches Association of America should be involved or provide feedback regarding the development of a recruiting calendar.

Women's Soccer Committee: The committee opposes the proposal and does not believe that a significant advantage is gained by serving as a coach of a local sports team/club during an off-campus competition.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 08, 2009 Women's Soccer Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-51 RECRUITING — CAMPS AND CLINICS — INSTITUTION'S SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS — LOCATION — BASKETBALL

Intent: In basketball, to specify that an institution's camp or clinic shall be conducted on the institution's campus or within a 100-mile radius of the institution's campus.

Bylaws: Amend 13.12.1.1.4, as follows:

13.12.1.1.4 Basketball. An institution's basketball camp or clinic shall be conducted only during the months of June, July and August, or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). **An institution's camp or clinic shall be conducted on the institution's campus or within a 100-mile radius of the institution's campus.** Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Men's Basketball Issues Committee)

Effective Date: Immediate; a contract signed before September 17, 2008, may be honored

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Current legislation does not place restrictions on the location of institutional camps or clinics in sports other than football. The trend of hosting institutional camps or clinics in different regions of the country is an unwanted development in the basketball recruiting culture. Camps or clinics should not be conducted primarily for recruiting purposes. Requiring institutions to conduct their basketball camps or clinics on campus or a reasonable distance from campus will reduce institutional expenses and will reduce burdens on institutional personnel.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential cost savings for institutions that have conducted camps or clinics beyond the proposed distance restriction. Potential for lost revenue from such camps.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The committee supports the proposal. The cabinet noted that the intent of sports camps and clinics is not for recruiting purposes. Therefore, the intent and rationale of the proposal may be applicable to all sports. The cabinet encourages the sponsor to consider similar legislation that would apply to all sports.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. Further, the cabinet notes the addition of women's basketball to this proposal by the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet and supports the proposal as modified.

History:

Aug 28, 2008 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Aug 29, 2008 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 17, 2008 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Modified the Proposal The cabinet modified the proposal to include women's basketball. Previously, the proposal applied only to men's basketball.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-52 RECRUITING — CAMPS AND CLINICS — CONDUCTED DURING JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST — EMPLOYMENT IN NONINSTITUTIONAL, PRIVATELY OWNED CAMPS AND CLINICS AT ANY LOCATION — CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION FOOTBALL

Intent: In championship subdivision football, to specify that an institution's camp or clinic may be conducted only during the months of June, July and August or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3); further, to specify that an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to football may be employed in any capacity in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic at any location and only during the months of June, July and August or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3).

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.12.1.1.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FCS only]

13.12.1.1.3 Football. An institution's football camp or clinic shall be conducted on the institution's campus, within the state in which the institution is located or, if outside the state, within a 50-mile radius of the institution's campus. In *addition* **bowI subdivision football**, an institution's *football* camp or clinic may be conducted only during two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). The dates of the two 15-day periods must be on file in the office of the athletics director. **In championship subdivision football, an institution's camp or clinic may be conducted only during the months of June, July and August or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3).** Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.12.2.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FCS only]

13.12.2.3 Athletics Staff Members. A member institution's athletics staff member may be involved in sports camps or clinics unless otherwise prohibited in this section.

[13.12.2.3.1 through 13.12.2.3.2 unchanged.]

13.12.2.3.3 Noninstitutional, Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Bowl Subdivision Football. In bowl subdivision football, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to football may be employed (either on a salaried or volunteer basis) in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). Employment in such camps/clinics is limited to two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). The dates of the two 15-day periods must be on file in the office of the director of athletics.

13.12.2.3.4 Noninstitutional, Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Championship Subdivision Football. In championship subdivision football, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to football may be employed (either on a salaried or volunteer basis) in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps, (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). However, a coach or staff member may be employed in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic at any location. Employment in such camps/clinics may occur only during the months of June, July and August or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3).

13.12.2.3.~~35~~ Noninstitutional, Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Sports Other Than Basketball **and Football.** In sports other than basketball **and football,** an institution's athletics department personnel may serve in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). ~~In football, participation in such camps/clinics is limited to two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). The dates of the two 15-day periods must be on file in the office of the athletics director.~~

[13.12.2.3.4 through 13.12.2.3.6 renumbered as 13.12.2.3.6 through 13.12.2.3.8, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Football Issues Committee)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Currently, an institution's athletics department personnel in football may only participate in institutional and noninstitutional camps and clinics during two 15-day periods in June and July. This limitation is unnecessarily restrictive for Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) coaches. The issues that prompted the adoption of the current legislation limiting camp participation (e.g., feeling pressure to work several camps in the summer, significant time away from campus and family) impact Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) coaches more than FCS coaches and greater flexibility in scheduling and working at summer camps for FCS coaches is needed.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Apr 01, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 25, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-53 RECRUITING — CAMPS AND CLINICS — CONDUCTED DURING JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to specify that an institution's camp or clinic may be conducted only during the months of June, July and August or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.12.1.1.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

13.12.1.1.3 Football. An institution's football camp or clinic shall be conducted on the institution's campus, within the state in which the institution is located or, if outside the state, within a 50-mile radius of the institution's campus. In addition, an institution's football camp or clinic may be conducted only during ~~two periods of 15 consecutive days in~~ the months of June, ~~and~~ July **and August** or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). ~~The dates of the two 15-day periods must be on file in the office of the athletics director.~~ Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.12.2.3.3, as follows:

13.12.2.3.3 Noninstitutional, Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Sports Other Than Basketball. In sports other than basketball, an institution's athletics department personnel may serve in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). ~~In football, participation in such camps/clinics is limited to two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). The dates of the two 15-day periods must be on file in the office of the athletics director.~~

Source: Southern Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Under the current rule, an institution's football camp may be conducted only during two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week that includes days of those months. In addition, coaches may only be employed at other camps (institutional and noninstitutional) during the same two periods of 15 consecutive days. Given the restrictive nature of the current rule, it is extremely difficult for assistant coaches to work at other institutional and noninstitutional camps throughout the summer. Employment at other camps provides assistant coaches with means to supplement their income and is an important professional development opportunity. Additionally, increasing the time period during which an institution's football camp is conducted will alleviate scheduling conflicts that exist on campuses where numerous sports compete for access to a limited number of facilities during the summer months.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee prefers the adoption of its own proposal, Proposal No. 2009-52, in conjunction with Proposal No. 2009-54. This would allow FCS and FBS coaches to have different calendars for conducting institutional camps and allow both FBS and FCS coaches to work private camps at any location during their permissible camp periods.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet supports Proposal Nos. 2009-52 and 2009-54 and believes they more effectively address the issues regarding employment at noninstitutional camps and clinics in football.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-54 RECRUITING — CAMPS AND CLINICS — EMPLOYMENT IN NONINSTITUTIONAL, PRIVATELY OWNED CAMPS OR CLINICS AT ANY LOCATION — FOOTBALL

Intent: In football, to specify that an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to football may be employed in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic at any location during the two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July as declared by the institution.

Bylaws: Amend 13.12.2.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

13.12.2.3 Athletics Staff Members. A member institution's athletics staff member may be involved in sports camps or clinics unless otherwise prohibited in this section.

[13.12.2.3.1 through 13.12.2.3.2 unchanged.]

13.12.2.3.3 Noninstitutional, Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Football. In football, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to football may be employed (either on a salaried or volunteer basis) in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). However, a coach or staff member may be employed in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic at any location. Employment in such camps/clinics is limited to two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). The dates of the two 15-day periods must be on file in the office the athletics director.

13.12.2.3.34 Noninstitutional Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Sports Other Than Basketball **and Football**. In sports other than basketball **and football**, an institution's athletics department personnel may serve in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). *In football, participation in such camps/clinics is limited to two period of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). The dates of the two 15 day periods must be on file in the office of the athletics director.*

[13.12.2.3.4 through 13.12.2.3.6 renumbered as 13.12.2.3.5 through 13.12.2.3.7, unchanged.]

Source: Ivy Group

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: This proposal allows football coaches, assistant coaches in particular, to gain more coaching and camp/clinic experience. Additionally, it gives coaches greater flexibility in finding summer employment during the two 15-day declared periods. The original intent of the imposition of the 50-mile radius was to limit institutional football camps from being held in locations other than the vicinity of the institution. Therefore, the radius restriction should not apply to the employment of football coaches at noninstitutional, privately owned camps or clinics.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee agrees that the original intent of recently adopted legislation restricting the location of institutional camps was not intended to affect coaches working private camps in various locations.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal. However, the cabinet expressed some concern that these employment opportunities have developed primarily into recruiting opportunities rather than professional development experiences and believes this practice should be monitored in the future.

History:

Jul 15, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-55 RECRUITING — CAMPS AND CLINICS — EMPLOYMENT DURING QUIET PERIODS — WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Intent: In women's volleyball, to specify that it is not permissible for a coach or a noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to volleyball to be employed (either on a salaried or a volunteer basis) at an institutional camp or clinic or a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic that is conducted off the institution's campus during a quiet period.

Bylaws: Amend 13.12.2.3, as follows:

13.12.2.3 Athletics Staff Members. A member institution's athletics staff member may be involved in sports camps or clinics unless otherwise prohibited in this section.

[13.12.2.3.1 through 13.12.2.3.2 unchanged.]

13.12.2.3.3 Institutional/Noninstitutional, Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Women's Volleyball. In women's volleyball, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to volleyball may serve in any capacity (e.g., counselor,

guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). However, it is not permissible for a women's volleyball coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to volleyball to be employed (either on salaried or a volunteer basis) at an institutional camp or clinic or a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic that is conducted off the institution's campus during a quiet period.

13.12.2.3.3.4 Other Noninstitutional Privately Owned Camps/Clinics — Sports Other Than Basketball **and Women's Volleyball**. In sports other than basketball **and women's volleyball**, an institution's athletics department personnel may serve in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). In football, participation in such camps/clinics is limited to two periods of 15 consecutive days in the months of June and July or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days of those months (e.g., May 28-June 3). The dates of the two 15-day periods must be on file in the office of the athletics director.

[13.12.2.3.4 through 13.12.2.3.6 renumbered as 13.12.2.3.5 through 13.12.2.3.7, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: This proposal would restrict the involvement of women's volleyball coaches and sport-specific staff members in institutional and noninstitutional camps or clinics conducted off the institution's campus during a quiet period. Coaches have used employment in such camps and clinics as a means of gaining access to prospective student-athletes at a time when off-campus recruitment is otherwise prohibited. A coach may continue to be employed at an institutional or noninstitutional camp or clinic on his or her institution's campus during a quiet period. Legislation restricting coaches' involvement in institutional and noninstitutional camps or clinics currently exists in basketball and football. Finally, this proposal was initiated and supported by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Modified the Proposal Modified to add noncoaching staff with sport-specific responsibilities to the prohibition

on employment at institutional or noninstitutional camps that occur off campus during a quiet period.

No. 2009-56 RECRUITING — USE OF RECRUITING FUNDS — RECRUITING OR SCOUTING SERVICES — CRITERIA FOR SUBSCRIPTION

Intent: To establish additional criteria that must be satisfied in order for an institution to subscribe to a recruiting or scouting service involving prospective student-athletes, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.8, as follows:

13.1.8 Limitations on Number of Evaluations.

[13.1.8.1 through 13.1.8.19 unchanged.]

13.1.8.20 Off-Campus Observation of Recruiting or Scouting Service Video. Off-campus observation of a prospective student-athlete via video made available by a recruiting or scouting service is considered an evaluation activity and is subject to applicable evaluation regulations.

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.14.3, as follows:

13.14.3 Recruiting **or Scouting** Services.

~~13.14.3.1 Published Recruiting Services.~~ An institution may subscribe to a *regularly published* **recruiting or** scouting service involving prospective student-athletes, provided **this the institution does not purchase more than one annual subscription to a particular service and the** service ~~is~~:

(a) Is made available to all institutions desiring to subscribe and at the same fee rate for all subscribers;

(b) Publicly identifies all applicable rates;

(c) Disseminates information (e.g., reports, profiles) about prospective student-athletes at least four times per calendar year;

(d) Publicly identifies the geographical scope of the service (e.g., local, regional, national) and reflects broad-based coverage of the geographical area in the information it disseminates;

(e) Provides analysis in the information it disseminates beyond demographic information or rankings of prospective student-athletes;

(f) Provides access to samples or previews of the information it disseminates prior to purchase of a subscription; and

(g) Provides video that is restricted to regularly scheduled (regular season) high school, preparatory school or two-year college contests and for which the institution made no prior arrangements for recording. (Note: This provision is applicable only if the subscription includes video services.)

~~13.14.3.2 Video Services. An institution is permitted to use a video service, provided only regularly scheduled (regular season) high school or two-year college contests are involved. The institution may not contract with the service in advance to have a particular contest recorded or provided, and the service must be available to all institutions at the same cost. Off-campus observation of a prospective student-athlete via video made available by a scouting service is considered an evaluation activity and is subject to applicable evaluation regulations.~~

[13.14.3.3 renumbered as 13.14.3.1, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Men's Basketball Issues Committee)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Currently, recruiting or scouting services are only required to meet minimal requirements in order for institutions to subscribe to them. For example, a published recruiting or scouting service only needs to be regularly published and available at the same fee rate for all subscribers. There has been a proliferation of recruiting services, particularly in the sport of men's basketball, that do not provide information consistent with the original intent of the legislation. Many of the operators of the recruiting or scouting services are tied directly to teams or events involving highly skilled prospective student-athletes and concerns have been expressed that the service is being used as leverage in the recruiting process. In some instances, the service merely provides demographic information that is available from other sources or in other instances, no information that would assist in the evaluation of talent. The perception is that unless an institution subscribes particular services, it will be disadvantaged in attempts to recruit prospective student-athletes linked with the recruiting-service operators. This proposal acknowledges the overall value of recruiting services and protects the integrity of the recruiting process by reinforcing the intent of the original legislation.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential cost savings by eliminating subscriptions to services that provide limited or insufficient information.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. In addition, the cabinet supports the modification made by the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet to limit each institution to one subscription to each service on an annual basis. The cabinet noted that this would eliminate the current practice by some institutions of paying for multiple subscriptions to the same service in the same year.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. The committee noted that this legislation would assist in reinforcing the original intent of the legislation by requiring that recruiting or scouting services actually provide

information that would assist in the evaluation of talent. The committee also noted that the legislation acknowledges the overall value of recruiting services and would protect the integrity of the recruiting process.

History:

Jun 01, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 25, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Modified the Proposal Modified to specify that an institution may not purchase more than one annual subscription to a particular recruiting or scouting service.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-57 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS — RECRUITING CALENDARS — FOOTBALL — QUIET PERIODS IN JANUARY

Intent: In football, to revise the recruiting calendar to eliminate the quiet periods in January, as specified.

Administrative: Amend 30.10.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

30.10.3 Football. The following recruiting periods shall apply to football:

[30.10.3-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The Sunday following the last Saturday in November through the Saturday prior to the initial date for the regular signing period of the National Letter of Intent except for (1) through ~~(96)~~ below. Six in-person off-campus contacts per prospective student-athlete shall be permitted during this time period with not more than one permitted in any one calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) or partial calendar week:

Contact
Period

[30.10.3-(b)-(1) through 30.10.3-(b)-(4) unchanged.]

(5) The Monday following the third Saturday in December through January ~~13~~:

D e a d
Period

(a) Institutional staff members may have contact with a prospective student-athlete who has been admitted for midyear enrollment, provided the prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent or other offer of admission and/or financial aid to attend the institution and is required to be on campus to attend institutional orientation sessions for all students.

~~(6) Weekdays during the first week of January when the first Monday in January is not a contact period [except for (a) below]:~~

~~Dead-Period~~

~~(a) Institutional staff members may have contact with a prospective student-athlete who has been admitted for midyear enrollment provided the prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent or other offer of admission and/or financial aid to attend the institution and is required to be on campus to attend institutional orientation sessions for all students.~~

~~(7) Friday, Saturday and Sunday when the first Friday in January is preceded by a dead day:~~

~~Quiet-Period~~

~~(8) Sunday during the week of the annual convention of the American Football Coaches Association and Friday and Saturday after the completion of the convention:~~

~~Quiet-Period~~

(9) Monday through Thursday during the week of the annual convention of the American Football Coaches Association [except for (a) below]:

Dead-Period

[Remainder of 30.10.3 unchanged.]

Source: Patriot League

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: The original intent of the current recruiting calendar format was to provide for a total of six weeks of contact (Sunday through Saturday) during the winter contact period. Contact opportunities in January are critical for Football Championship Subdivision programs that are trying to finalize their recruiting efforts prior to the National Letter of Intent signing period. The current format creates the potential to lose recruiting opportunities in early January depending on how the calendar falls, particularly when January 1 falls on a weekday. This revision would not increase the number of permissible contacts, but would ensure that the January contact period is consistent and allows for the maximum number of contact days in January on an annual basis. In addition, extending the first dead period through January 3 protects the original intent of providing an uninterrupted holiday season for both prospective student-athletes and coaches.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. However, the committee recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to maintain the Sunday during the week of the annual American Football Coaches Association convention as a quiet period and to specify that Friday and Saturday after the completion of the convention is a contact period.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. However, the cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to maintain the Sunday during the week of the annual American Football Coaches Association convention as a quiet period and to specify that Friday and Saturday after the completion of the convention is a contact period. If the sponsor chooses not to modify the proposal, the cabinet will sponsor an alternative proposal. The cabinet is supportive of the concept outlined in the proposal and believes the modification would encourage coaches to fully participate in the American Football Coaches Association convention. Further, the cabinet notes that this modification is supported by the NCAA Division I Football Issues Committee.

History:

Jun 15, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Modification

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-58 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS — RECRUITING CALENDARS — MEN'S SOCCER

Intent: In men's soccer, to establish a recruiting calendar, as specified.

Administrative: Amend 30.10, as follows:

30.10 RECRUITING CALENDARS

[30.10.1 through 30.10.9 unchanged.]

30.10.10 Soccer, Men's. The following recruiting periods shall apply to men's soccer:

<u>(a) August 1 to the date that is two weeks prior to the date on which the first permissible men's soccer contest may occur:</u>	<u>Contact Period</u>
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(b) The date that is two weeks prior to the date on which the first permissible men's soccer contest may occur through the date on which the first permissible men's soccer contest may occur: Q u i e t Period

(c) The day after the date on which the first permissible men's soccer contest may occur through November 31: Contact Period

(d) December 1 through December 31 Q u i e t Period

(e) January 1 through May 31 [except for (1) below]: Contact Period

(1) Monday through Thursday of the week that includes the initial signing date of the National Letter of Intent: D e a d Period

(f) June 1 through June 14: Q u i e t Period

(g) June 15 through July 31: Contact Period

[30.10.10 through 30.10.11 renumbered as 30.10.11 through 30.10.12 unchanged.]

Source: Big West Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: Establishing a recruiting calendar in men's soccer will afford coaches quality time with their teams and their families. In addition, this proposal is designed to promote equity among institutions in recruiting and to shield prospective student-athletes from undue pressures that may interfere with their scholastic or athletics interests.

Estimated Budget Impact: May reduce recruiting expenditures due to the reduced number of off-campus recruiting days.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. However, the cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to include a dead period surrounding the NCAA Championship and the National Soccer Coaches Association of America

convention similar to recruiting calendars already established in other sports. If the sponsor chooses not to modify the proposal, the cabinet will sponsor an alternative proposal. However, the cabinet believes it is important that the National Soccer Coaches Association of America is involved or provides feedback regarding the development of a recruiting calendar.

History:

Jul 06, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-59 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS — RECRUITING CALENDARS — WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL — EVALUATION PERIOD IN CONJUNCTION WITH CHAMPIONSHIP

Intent: In women's volleyball, to designate Thursday of the Division I Women's Volleyball Championship through the Sunday immediately following the championship as an evaluation period; further, to specify that an institution's authorized coaching staff members may evaluate on only one day and may attend only one event on that day during this period; that the event shall occur within a 30-mile radius of the site of the championship; that coaches from the same institution who attend such an event shall attend the same event on the same day; and that coaches shall not attend events that occur at the same time that any intercollegiate competition in conjunction with the NCAA championship occurs.

Administrative: Amend 30.10.6, as follows:

30.10.6 Women's Volleyball. The following recruiting periods shall apply to women's volleyball:

[30.10.6-(a) through 30.10.6-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Wednesday prior to the Division I Women's Volleyball Championship through December 31 [except for (1)
[30.10.6-(c)-(1) unchanged.]

~~(2) One event conducted on the Sunday immediately following the Division I Women's Volleyball Championship, provided it occurs within a 100-mile radius of the site of the championship:~~ **Thursday of the Division I Women's Volleyball Championship through the Sunday immediately following the championship. An institution's authorized coaching staff members (see Bylaw 11.7.4) may evaluate on only one day and may attend only one event on that day during this period. Such an event shall occur within a 30-mile radius of the site of the championship. Coaches from the same institution who attend such an event shall attend the same event on the same day. Coaches shall not attend events that occur at the same time that any intercollegiate competition in conjunction with the NCAA championship occurs:**

Evaluation
Period

[Remainder of 30.10.6 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: This proposal does not substantially modify the current legislation, which was adopted in 2007 as a noncontroversial amendment. The proposal expands the window of time during which events may be conducted from one day to four days. Based on feedback related to the first year of the current legislation, it appears that limiting the events to one day limits the flexibility necessary to accommodate the events in conjunction with other activities surrounding the championship. In addition, the estimated impact to recruiting and recruiting budgets will be minimal because the American Volleyball Coaches Association convention is held in conjunction with the championship. Many coaches are already in the locale of the championship to attend the convention. This exception is similar to a women's basketball exception, which also allows coaches to attend an event in conjunction with the sport's championship. This change is requested as noncontroversial legislation, inasmuch as broader consultation and debate are unlikely to improve the proposal in any substantial way, significant disagreement or alternative points of view are not likely generated and there does not appear to be a significant impact on existing or proposed legislation. Finally, this proposal was initiated and supported by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Sponsored

Jun 09, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval as Noncontroversial Legislation

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Modified the Proposal Modified to specify that coaches shall not attend events that occur at the same time that any intercollegiate competition in conjunction with the NCAA championship occurs.

Eligibility

No. 2009-60 ELIGIBILITY — ACADEMIC WAIVERS — AUTHORITY OF INITIAL-ELIGIBILITY WAIVERS COMMITTEE AND PROGRESS-TOWARD-DEGREE WAIVERS COMMITTEE

Intent: To specify that the NCAA Division I Initial-Eligibility Waivers Committee shall be the final appellate body for initial-eligibility waivers and that the NCAA Division I Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee shall be the final appellate body for progress-toward-degree waivers.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.8, as follows:

14.1.8 Full-Time Enrollment.

14.1.8.1 Requirement for Practice. To be eligible to participate in organized practice sessions, a student-athlete shall be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies leading to a baccalaureate or equivalent degree as defined by the regulations of the certifying institution. The violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, it shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

[14.1.8.1.1 through 14.1.8.1.5 unchanged.]

~~14.1.8.1.6 Waiver — U.S. Olympic Committee National Governing Body. A student with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies or a former student-athlete may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions, provided the following conditions are met:~~

~~(a) The practice sessions take place only at the institution the individual previously attended as an undergraduate or currently attends or previously attended as a graduate student;~~

~~(b) In the case of former student-athlete, the practice sessions involved an individual sport or women's rowing;~~

~~(c) In the case of a current student-athlete with eligibility remaining, the practice sessions involve an individual or team sport;~~

~~(d) The United States Olympic Committee or national governing body (NGB) in the sport has recommended the individual's participation;~~

~~(e) The individual does not participate in any coaching activities unless the institution designates the individual in the appropriate coaching limits;~~

~~(f) In the case of a student-athlete with NCAA eligibility remaining in the sport, such participation occurs only during the academic year immediately preceding the Olympic Games; and~~

~~(g) In the case of a former student-athlete, such participation shall be limited to no more than five years following exhaustion of eligibility or completion of degree, whichever is earlier. A student-athlete who has not graduated must be enrolled (full or part time) and make progress toward a degree.~~

~~14.1.8.1.6.1 Administration. This waiver shall be approved by the conference members of the Association or, in the case of independent institutions, by the Legislative Council Subcommittee for Legislative Relief. A member institution shall submit a waiver request that includes documentation that demonstrates that the conditions of Bylaw 14.1.8.1.6 have been met for each individual who wishes to participate in the institution's practice sessions.~~

~~14.1.8.1.7 Waiver Full-Time Enrollment — Practice. Unless otherwise specified under this bylaw, the Academics Cabinet may waive the 12-hour requirement for practice.~~

14.1.8.2 Requirement for Competition. To be eligible for competition, a student-athlete shall be enrolled in at least a minimum full-time program of studies leading to a baccalaureate or equivalent degree, which shall not be less than 12-semester or quarter hours.

[14.1.8.2.1 through 14.1.8.2.6 unchanged.]

14.1.8.2-~~73~~ Waivers. Waivers may be granted to the minimum 12-semester or 12-quarter hour enrollment as follows:

14.1.8.2-~~73~~.1 Nontraditional Academic Calendars. A student-athlete at an institution that determines enrollment hours on a basis other than traditional semester or quarter hours or that conducts a cooperative educational program may **practice and** compete if, ~~at the time of competition~~, the student is enrolled for a comparable minimum academic load as determined by the ~~Academies Cabinet~~ **Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2)**.

14.1.8.3.2 U.S. Olympic Committee/National Governing Body — Practice. A student with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies or a former student-athlete may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions, provided the following conditions are met:

(a) The practice sessions take place only at the institution the individual previously attended as an undergraduate or currently attends or previously attended as a graduate student;

(b) In the case of former student-athlete, the practice sessions involve an individual sport or women's rowing;

(c) In the case of a current student-athlete with eligibility remaining, the practice sessions involve an individual or team sport;

(d) The United States Olympic Committee or national governing body (NGB) in the sport has recommended the individual's participation;

(e) The individual does not participate in any coaching activities unless the institution designates the individual in the appropriate coaching limits;

(f) In the case of a student-athlete with NCAA eligibility remaining in the sport, such participation occurs only during the academic year immediately preceding the Olympic Games; and

(g) In the case of a former student-athlete, such participation shall be limited to no more than five years following exhaustion of eligibility or completion of degree, whichever is earlier. A student-athlete who has not graduated must be enrolled (full or part time) and making progress toward a degree.

14.1.8.3.2.1 Administration. This waiver shall be approved by the conference members of the Association or, in the case of independent institutions, by the Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee. A member institution shall submit a waiver request that includes documentation that demonstrates that the conditions of Bylaw 14.1.8.3.2 have been met for each individual who wishes to participate in the institution's practice sessions.

14.1.8.2-~~73~~.~~23~~.3 Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games or World Youth Championships — **Competition**. The ~~Academies Cabinet~~ **Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2)** may waive the minimum full-time enrollment requirement for any participant in the Olympic Games, Pan

American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games or World Youth Championships (including junior levels of such events) who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice and competition in any sports.

~~14.1.8.2-7.3.4~~ Student-Athletes with Education-Impacting Disabilities. The ~~Academic Cabinet~~ **Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2)** may waive the 12-hour requirement for a student-athlete when objective evidence demonstrates that an institution defines full-time enrollment for that student-athlete to be less than 12 hours to accommodate for the education-impacting disability.

~~14.1.8.2-7.43.5~~ Full Time Enrollment — **Practice and** Competition. Unless otherwise specified under this bylaw, the ~~Academics Cabinet~~ **Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2)** may waive the 12-hour requirement for **practice and** competition.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.3.1.4, as follows:

14.3.1.4 Early Admission Program Waiver. A waiver may be granted by the ~~Academics Cabinet~~ **Initial-Eligibility Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.1)** for a student who left high school after completion of the junior year or during the senior year to enter a member institution under an early admissions program (open to students solely on the basis of outstanding academic performance and promise), provided the following conditions are met:

[14.3.1.4-(a) through 14.3.1.4-(b) unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 14.3.1.5, as follows:

14.3.1.5 Initial-Eligibility Waivers. The ~~Academics Cabinet~~ **Initial-Eligibility Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.1)** shall have the authority ~~to authorize waivers of~~ **waive** the initial-eligibility requirements based on objective evidence that demonstrates circumstances in which a student's overall academic record warrants a waiver of the normal application of this regulation. The ~~Academics Cabinet~~ **committee** shall ~~establish~~ **oversee** the process for ~~granting~~ **reviewing** such waivers, ~~shall monitor the actions taken under this authorization~~ and shall report annually **to the Academics Cabinet and** to the membership the actions taken in summary, aggregate form.

D. Bylaws: Amend 14.3.3.1, as follows:

14.3.3.1 Fourth Season of Competition — Not a Qualifier. A fourth season of intercollegiate competition shall be granted to a student-athlete who is not a qualifier, provided that at the beginning of the fifth academic year following the student-athlete's initial, full-time collegiate enrollment, the student-athlete has completed at least 80 percent of his or her designated degree program.

14.3.3.1.1 Waiver. The ~~Academics Cabinet~~ **Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2)** shall have the authority to grant a fourth season of intercollegiate competition to a student-athlete who is not a qualifier based on objective evidence of extraordinary circumstances that warrant a waiver of the normal application of this regulation.

E. Bylaws: Amend 14.4.3.9, as follows:

14.4.3.9 Additional Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers. The Division I Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee **(see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2)** shall have the authority to waive all other progress-

toward-degree requirements based on objective evidence that demonstrates circumstances that warrant the waiver of the normal application of those regulations. The committee shall establish the process for granting such waivers and shall report annually to the Academics Cabinet and to the membership the actions taken in summary, aggregate form.

F. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.4.5.4, as follows:

14.5.4.5.4 Degree Requirement. In order to satisfy the two-year-college graduation requirement for eligibility immediately on transfer from a two-year college to a member institution, a student-athlete must receive an associate or equivalent degree in an academic or technical, rather than a vocational, curriculum. The ~~Academics Cabinet~~ **Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2)** shall have the authority to determine whether a two-year college degree is academic or technical, rather than vocational, in nature.

G. Bylaws: Amend 21.7.5.1, as follows:

21.7.5.1 Academics Cabinet.

[21.7.5.1.1 unchanged.]

21.7.6.1.2 Duties. The cabinet shall:

[21.7.6.1.2-(a) through 21.7.6.1.2-(e) unchanged.]

(f) ~~Serve as the final appellate body for academic~~ **Administer** waivers as specified by legislation and/or policy.

21.7.5.1.3 Committees. The following committees shall report directly to the Academics Cabinet.

21.7.5.1.3.1 Initial-Eligibility Waivers Committee.

[21.7.5.1.3.1.1 through 21.7.5.1.3.1.2 unchanged.]

21.7.5.1.3.1.3 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for:

(a) **Oversight of the process for** reviewing requests for waivers of the initial-eligibility requirements in accordance with ~~Bylaw~~ **Bylaws 14.3.1.4 and 14.3.1.5. The policies and procedures for the review of such waivers shall be approved by the Academics Cabinet; and**

(b) Consideration of appeals of staff decisions related to initial-eligibility waiver requests.

21.7.5.1.3.1.4 Appeals. After the ~~Initial-Eligibility Waivers Committee~~ **NCAA staff** has acted on an initial-eligibility matter, the involved institution may appeal that decision to the ~~Academics Cabinet~~ **Initial-Eligibility Committee**. The ~~cabinet~~ **committee's** determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by any other authority.

21.7.5.1.3.2 Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee.

[21.7.5.1.3.2.1 unchanged.]

21.7.5.1.3.2.2 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for:

(a) **Oversight of the process for** reviewing requests for waiver of all progress-toward-degree requirements set forth in Bylaw 14.4.3. **The policies and procedures for the review of such waivers shall be approved by the Academics Cabinet; and**

(b) Consideration of appeals of staff decisions related to waivers requests for which the committee has jurisdiction.

21.7.5.1.3.2.3 Appeals. After the NCAA staff has acted on a progress-toward-degree matter, the involved institution may appeal the decision to the Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee. The committee's determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by any other authority.

[21.7.5.1.4 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Academics Cabinet

Effective Date: May 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: Current legislation allows two appeal opportunities — to the waiver committee and to the Academics Cabinet subcommittee — after staff decisions for initial-eligibility and progress-toward-degree waivers. Historically, these two waiver areas did not permit staff decisions, or provided very limited staff authority to make decisions. Therefore, the two committee process provided an appeal opportunity of the waiver committee's decision. More recently, all cases receive a staff decision before consideration by the waiver committee. Given current staff authority, the one committee appeal process maintains one appeal opportunity. Additionally, the second appellate level is rarely used. In the past two years, eight initial-eligibility waivers out of 913 submitted and nine progress-toward-degree waivers out of 1,030 submitted were appealed to the cabinet subcommittees. Of these nearly 2,000 cases, only three resulted in different outcomes by the cabinet subcommittees. Further, most other waiver processes (e.g., student-athlete reinstatement, NCAA Division I Legislative Council Subcommittee for Legislative Relief) include only one appeal opportunity. Eliminating the second appellate opportunity will reduce bureaucracy and streamline the waiver process with virtually no impact on the outcome of waiver decisions.

Estimated Budget Impact: Would eliminate expenses related to appeals to the cabinet level.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 30, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Modified the Proposal The sponsor modified the effective date from "immediate" to "May 1, 2010." The modification is intended to clarify the application of the procedural changes such that waiver requests received prior to the effective date will follow the current appeal procedures, and those received on or after May 1, 2010, will follow the new

appeal process. This modification also provides for transition at time of year when relatively few waivers are requested, which should reduce the likelihood for backlogs and/or confusion. Further, the modified effective date allows for timely, effective communication and instruction to the membership.

No. 2009-61 ELIGIBILITY — FULL TIME ENROLLMENT — REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE — WAIVER — U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE/NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY — FORMER STUDENT ATHLETE AT ANOTHER INSTITUTION — INDIVIDUAL SPORTS AND WOMEN'S ROWING

Intent: In individual sports and women's rowing, in a case in which the U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body in the sport has recommended the individual's participation, to permit a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining to participate in organized practice sessions at an institution other than the one he or she previously attended.

Bylaws: Amend 14.1.8.1.6, as follows:

14.1.8.1.6 Waiver — United States Olympic Committee/National Governing Body. A student with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies or a former student-athlete may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions, provided the following conditions are met:

(a) The practice sessions take place ~~only~~ at the institution the individual previously attended as an undergraduate or currently attends or previously attended as a graduate student, **except that a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining may participate in practice sessions at an institution other than the one he or she previously attended;**

[14.1.8.1.6-(b) through 14.1.8.1.6-(g) unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee)

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: Current or former student-athletes may receive a waiver to participate in organized practice sessions, provided the practice sessions take place only at the institution the individual previously attended or currently attends as an undergraduate or graduate student. The NCAA Olympic Sports Liaison Committee supports the United States Olympic Committee and national governing bodies' efforts to enhance opportunities for elite athletes to improve their chances of making USA Olympic teams and, in the long term, compete for Olympic medals. Allowing former student-athletes opportunities to train with Olympic coaches at institutions other than those attended as an undergraduate or graduate student provides them with better opportunities to adequately prepare for the Olympic Games.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The committee supports the proposal. The cabinet noted that a student-athlete must have graduated and exhausted eligibility in order to meet this legislation. Such student-athletes can have a positive influence on an institution's current student-athletes. In addition, any recruiting or competitive advantage as a result of the former student-athlete participating in practice is likely to be minimal.

History:

May 28, 2009 Olympic Sports Liaison Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 25, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-62 ELIGIBILITY — FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT — REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE — WAIVER — U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE/NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY — FORMER STUDENT-ATHLETE — DURATION OF WAIVER — INDIVIDUAL SPORTS AND WOMEN'S ROWING

Intent: In individual sports and women's rowing, in a case in which the U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body (NGB) in the sport has recommended the individual's participation, to specify that a former student-athlete's participation in organized practice sessions shall be limited to the number of years that allows the individual to practice with the institution's team in preparation for two consecutive Olympic Games following exhaustion of eligibility or completion of degree, whichever is earlier.

Bylaws: Amend 14.1.8.1.6, as follows:

14.1.8.1.6 Waiver — United States Olympic Committee/National Governing Body. A student with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies or a former student-athlete may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions, provided the following conditions are met:

[14.1.8.1.6-(a) through 14.1.8.1.6-(f) unchanged.]

(g) In the case of a former student-athlete, such participation shall be limited to ~~no more than five~~ **the number of years that allows the individual to practice with the institution's team in preparation for two consecutive Olympic Games** following exhaustion of eligibility or completion of degree, whichever is earlier. A student-athlete who has not graduated must be enrolled (full- or part-time) and making progress toward a degree.

Source: NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee)

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: The current rule stipulates that a former student-athlete who has either exhausted his or her eligibility or who has completed a degree is limited to participating in an institution's organized practice sessions for no more than five years. Originally, this rule was intended to allow a former student-athlete to practice with an institution's team in organized practice sessions for a five-year period to enhance his or her chances of qualifying for the next Olympic Games following the completion of a degree or exhaustion of eligibility. In the past 15 years, the average age of Olympic athletes has increased significantly. This change would allow a former student-athlete to spend additional years participating in an institution's organized practice sessions but limit that participation to the time period that encompasses two Olympic opportunities. Doing so will increase the former student-athlete's opportunity to adequately prepare for the Olympic Games.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The committee opposes the proposal. The cabinet noted that the current limit of five years is sufficient time to learn from an institution's coach and have a positive impact on the institution's team. Also the cabinet noted that other means exist for former student-athletes to train with Olympic coaches beyond the five year period (e.g., outside of the team's formal practice sessions).

History:

May 28, 2009 Olympic Sports Liaison Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 25, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-63 ELIGIBILITY — SEASONS OF COMPETITION — CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF COMPETITION — ALUMNI GAME, FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY OR CELEBRITY SPORTS ACTIVITY

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete may engage in outside competition in either one alumni game, one fundraising activity or one celebrity sports activity during a season without counting such competition as a season of competition, provided the event is exempted from the institution's maximum number of contests or dates of competition as permitted in the particular sport per NCAA Bylaw 17.

Bylaws: Amend 14.2.3, as follows:

14.2.3 Criteria for Determining Season of Competition.

14.2.3.1 Minimum Amount of Competition. Any competition, regardless of time, during a season in an intercollegiate sport shall be counted as a season of competition in that sport, except as provided in Bylaws 14.2.3.1.1, 14.2.3.1.2 and 14.2.3.1.3. This provision is applicable to intercollegiate athletics competition conducted by a two-year or four-year collegiate institution

at the varsity or subvarsity level.

[14.2.3.1.1 through 14.2.3.1.3 unchanged.]

14.2.3.1.4 Alumni Game, Fundraising Activity or Celebrity Sports Activity. A student-athlete may engage in outside competition in either one alumni game, one fundraising activity or one celebrity sports activity during a season without counting such competition as a season of competition, provided the event is exempted from the institution's maximum number of contests or dates of competition as permitted in the particular sport per Bylaw 17.

Source: Big East Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: This proposal is consistent with the philosophy of student-athlete well-being. Alumni games, fundraising activities and celebrity sports activities are not designed to provide a competitive advantage. They are intended to promote goodwill within the institution's local community, as well as to generate the necessary financial donations for the different sports programs. Allowing more student-athletes to compete in these events would help institutions to meet their financial goals. The limitation of one event is necessary to prevent institutions from using these types of events as tryouts.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet expressed concern about using student-athletes who would not compete for the institution's team for the duration of the playing season as participants in promotional contests. The cabinet also noted the potential complexity of monitoring a student-athlete's participation in such activities.

History:

Jun 29, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-64 ELIGIBILITY — FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS — CORE-CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS — NONTRADITIONAL COURSES

Intent: To specify that for purposes of using a nontraditional course to satisfy NCAA core-course requirements, the course must be one in which the instructor and the student have ongoing access to one another and regular interaction with one another for purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance to the student throughout the duration of the course; the

student's work (e.g., exams, papers, assignments) is available for review and validation; and a defined time period for completion of the course is included.

Bylaws: Amend 14.3.1.2.2, as follows:

14.3.1.2.2 Nontraditional Courses. Courses taught via the Internet, distance-learning, independent-study, individualized-instruction, correspondence, and courses taught by similar means may be used to satisfy NCAA core-course requirements if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

[14.3.1.2.2-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The instructor and the student have **ongoing** access to one another ~~during the duration of the course~~ for purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance to the student **throughout the duration of the course;**

(c) The instructor and the student have regular interaction with one another for purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance to the student throughout the duration of the course;

(d) The course is offered through a system that permits evaluation and validation of the student's work (e.g., exams, papers, assignments);

~~(e)~~ Evaluation of the student's work is conducted by the appropriate academic authorities in accordance with the high school's established academic policies; ~~and~~

(f) The course includes a defined time period for completion; and

[14.3.1.2.2-(d) relettered as 14.3.1.2.2-(g), unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Academics Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010; for student-athletes initially enrolling full time in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: Current legislation permits the use of nontraditional courses (courses taught via the Internet, distance-learning, independent-study, individualized-instruction, correspondence or similar means) to satisfy NCAA initial-eligibility requirements, provided certain conditions are satisfied. This legislation was adopted in 2000 in an attempt to keep up with trends in educational technology and to streamline initial-eligibility standards. While the original intent of the legislation was to allow individuals to take advantage of increased flexibility in learning opportunities without compromising the intent of the core-curriculum legislation, it is important to clarify that there is an expectation that nontraditional courses should include interaction (e.g., instruction, evaluation) between the instructor and student throughout the duration of the course. Based on feedback from the NCAA Student Records Review Committee and NCAA High School Review Committee, this recommendation is intended to help ensure that acceptable nontraditional courses provide opportunities for students to demonstrate their work was completed in a manner consistent with the intent and design of the course curriculum. The ultimate goal of this legislation is to ensure that individuals are prepared for college work; therefore, it is of utmost importance to ensure that these

individuals are enrolled in quality courses that satisfy the intent of the core-curriculum requirements.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

High School Review Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee believes that the additional requirements of regular interaction between the student and the instructor for teaching, evaluating and assistance in courses used to meet core-course requirements would impact student-athletes in a positive manner by better preparing prospective student-athletes for college work.

History:

Jun 30, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Sponsored

Sep 29, 2009 High School Review Committee, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-65 ELIGIBILITY — TRANSFER REGULATIONS — FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS — ONE-TIME TRANSFER EXCEPTION — WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Intent: To specify that the one-time transfer exception to the four-year transfer residence requirement is not applicable to student-athletes in women's volleyball.

Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5.2.10, as follows:

14.5.5.2.10 One-Time Transfer Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution from another four-year collegiate institution, and all of the following conditions are met (for graduate students, see Bylaw 14.1.9.1):

(a) The student is a participant in a sport other than baseball, basketball, bowl subdivision football ~~or~~, men's ice hockey **or women's volleyball** at the institution to which the student is transferring. A participant in championship subdivision football at the institution to which the student is transferring may use this exception only if the participant transferred to the certifying institution from an institution that sponsors bowl subdivision football and has two or more seasons of competition remaining in football or the participant transfers from a Football Championship Subdivision institution that offers athletically related financial aid in football to a Football Championship Subdivision institution that does not offer athletically related financial aid in football;

[Remainder of 14.5.5.2.10 unchanged.]

Source: Mountain West Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: Current legislation permits student-athletes who meet the criteria for the one-time transfer exception to transfer to a Division I institution and be immediately eligible for competition. Women's volleyball team Academic Progress Rates have been negatively impacted by numerous transfers. If this proposal were adopted, student-athletes would have to make more thoughtful decisions in choosing which four-year institution to initially attend. Likewise, coaches will be encouraged to make more informed recruiting decisions since it will be less likely that four-year college student-athletes will be transferring to their institutions midway through their college careers. Further, this proposal will address the alleged or perceived recruiting improprieties that may occur when women's volleyball student-athletes are participating on permissible outside teams outside the playing and practice season.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The committee opposes the proposal. The cabinet generally is opposed to sport-specific legislation without compelling evidence to support the proposal for a particular sport. The cabinet noted a lack of data to support a significant loss of NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate (APR) retention points in volleyball due to transfer activity. Also, the cabinet noted that the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) has not yet taken a position on the proposal.

History:

Jul 10, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-66 ELIGIBILITY — TRANSFER REGULATIONS — FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFERS — COMPETITION OR RECEIPT OF ATHLETICALLY RELATED FINANCIAL AID IN YEAR OF TRANSFER — TENNIS

Intent: In tennis, to specify that a transfer student from a four-year institution who enrolls at the certifying institution as a full-time student after the conclusion of the first term of the academic year and qualifies for an exception to the one-year residence requirement shall not be eligible for competition until the following academic year if he or she has competed during the same academic year or received athletically related financial aid during the same academic year from the previous four-year institution.

Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5.3.1, as follows:

14.5.5.3.1 Competition ~~and~~ or Receipt of Athletically Related Financial Aid in Year of Transfer — Tennis. In tennis, a transfer student from a four-year institution who enrolls at the certifying institution as a full-time student after the conclusion of the first term of the academic year and qualifies for an exception to the one-year residence requirement shall not be eligible for competition until the following academic year if he or she has competed during the same academic year ~~and~~ or received athletically related financial aid during the same academic year

from the previous four-year institution.

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Eligibility

Rationale: NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2008-38, which was adopted January 2009, specified that a tennis student-athlete who competes in the fall and receives an athletics scholarship shall not be eligible for competition until the following academic year following a transfer to a Division I institution. That proposal addressed a general concern related to the ability of a student-athlete to compete for two institutions within the same academic year. However, two concerns remain. As adopted, the legislation will allow a student-athlete to receive athletics aid during an academic term at the first institution and be permitted to compete for a second institution during the same academic year on transfer, provided the student-athlete meets a transfer exception. The adopted legislation will also allow a nonscholarship transfer student-athlete to compete in an academic term at the first institution and be permitted to compete for a second institution during the same academic year on transfer, provided the student-athlete meets a transfer exception. The minor modification contemplated in this proposal is appropriate to address these concerns.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Academics Cabinet: The committee opposes the proposal. The cabinet noted that the proposal appears to negatively impact student-athlete well-being by restricting student-athletes who either have not received athletically related financial aid or have not competed for the current institution. Further, the cabinet generally is opposed to sport-specific legislation without compelling evidence to support the proposal. The cabinet also would like to measure to impact of Proposal No. 2008-38 before supporting another amendment to the legislation. Finally, the cabinet noted that the Intercollegiate Tennis Association has not yet taken a position on the proposal.

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The committee opposes the proposal. The cabinet is concerned that the proposal is overly restrictive and believes that the current legislation for tennis student-athletes who transfer at midyear is appropriate.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 15, 2009 Academics Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Financial Aid

No. 2009-67 FINANCIAL AID — TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AWARDING INSTITUTIONAL
FINANCIAL AID — ONE-YEAR PERIOD — DE MINIMIS VIOLATION

Intent: To specify that a violation of the financial aid regulations in which financial aid is awarded for less than one academic year shall be considered an institutional violation, but shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

Bylaws: Amend 15.3.3.1, as follows:

15.3.3.1 One-Year Period. If a student's athletics ability is considered in any degree in awarding financial aid, such aid shall neither be awarded for a period in excess of one academic year nor for a period less than one academic year (see Bylaw 15.01.5).

[15.3.3.1.1 through 15.3.3.1.3 unchanged.]

15.3.3.1.4 Effect of Violation. A violation of Bylaw 15.3.3.1 in which financial aid is awarded for a period less than one academic year shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, the prospective student-athlete's or student-athlete's eligibility shall not be affected.

Source: NCAA Division I Legislative Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Financial Aid

Rationale: This change removes any effect on a prospective student-athlete's or student-athlete's eligibility in cases in which he or she is awarded financial aid for less than one academic year. In such situations, institutions do not typically gain a competitive advantage and the student-athlete has no culpability in the violation. Violations of the bylaw are institutional violations and the institution is required to submit a self-report.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. The cabinet recommends that the proposal be considered as noncontroversial legislation.

History:

Jun 11, 2009 Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 17, 2009 Legislative Council Administrative Committee, Sponsored

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Approval as Noncontroversial Legislation

No. 2009-68 FINANCIAL AID — MIDYEAR REPLACEMENT — GRADUATION DURING PREVIOUS YEAR — WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Intent: In women's volleyball, to specify that the financial aid of a counter who graduates at midyear or who graduates during the previous academic year (including summer) may be provided to another student-athlete without making the second student-athlete a counter for the remainder of that academic year.

Bylaws: Amend 15.5.2, as follows:

15.5.2 Head-Count Sports Other Than Football or Basketball.

[15.5.2.1 through 15.5.2.2 unchanged.]

15.5.2.3 Midyear ~~Graduate~~ Replacement — Women's Volleyball. In women's volleyball, the financial aid of a counter who graduates at midyear **or who graduates during the previous academic year (including summer)** may be provided to another student-athlete without making the second student-athlete a counter for the remainder of that academic year.

[15.5.2.4 unchanged.]

Source: Atlantic Coast Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Financial Aid

Rationale: Under the current women's volleyball legislation, the financial aid of a counter who graduates at midyear may be provided to another student-athlete without making the second student-athlete a counter for the remainder of that academic year; however, if a counter with eligibility remaining graduates during the previous academic year (including the summer) and competes in the following fall, the financial aid of that student-athlete may not be provided to another student-athlete in the spring. By changing this legislation, the women's volleyball legislation would be consistent with the rule governing midyear replacements in football, which is the only other fall season head-count sport.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-69 FINANCIAL AID — MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT — EQUIVALENCY COMPUTATIONS — EXCEPTIONS — ACADEMIC HONOR AWARDS — TRANSFER STUDENTS

Intent: To specify that institutional academic honor awards that are part of an institution's normal arrangements for academic scholarships, based solely on the recipient's cumulative academic record from all collegiate institutions previously attended and awarded independently of athletics interests and in amounts consistent with the pattern of all such awards made by the institution, may be exempted from a team's equivalency computation, provided the recipient achieved a cumulative transferable grade-point average of at least 3.300 (based on a maximum of 4.000).

Bylaws: Amend 15.5.3.2.2, as follows:

15.5.3.2.2 Exceptions.

15.5.3.2.2.1 Academic Honor Awards — **Based on High School Record.** Academic honor awards that are part of an institution's normal arrangements for academic scholarships, based solely on the recipient's high school record and awarded independently of athletics interests and in amounts consistent with the pattern of all such awards made by the institution, are exempt from an institution's equivalency computation, provided the recipient was ranked in the upper 10 percent of the high school graduating class or achieved a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.500 (based on a maximum of 4.000) or a minimum ACT sum score of 105 or a minimum SAT score of 1200 (critical reading and math).

[15.5.3.2.2.1.1 through 15.5.3.2.2.1.2 unchanged.]

15.5.3.2.2.2 Academic Honor Awards — Transfer Students. **Academic honor awards that are part of an institution's normal arrangements for academic scholarships, based solely on the recipient's cumulative academic record from all collegiate institutions previously attended and awarded independently of athletics interests and in amounts consistent with the pattern of all such awards made by the institution, may be exempted from a team's equivalency computation, provided the recipient achieved a cumulative transferable grade-point average of at least 3.300 (based on a maximum of 4.000).**

15.5.3.2.2.2.1 Calculation of Grade-Point Average. **Grades earned in all courses that are normally transferable to an institution shall be considered in determining the grade-point average for meeting this exception, regardless of the grade earned or whether such grade makes the course unacceptable for transferable degree credit.**

15.5.3.2.2.2.2 Renewals. **The renewal of an academic honor award (per Bylaw 15.5.3.2.2.2) may be exempted from an institution's equivalency computation, provided:**

(a) The recipient achieves a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.300 (based on a maximum of 4.000) at the certifying institution; and

(b) The recipient meets all NCAA, conference and institutional progress-toward-degree requirements.

[15.5.3.2.2.2. renumbered as 15.5.3.2.2.3, unchanged.]

Source: Mountain West Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Financial Aid

Rationale: Under current legislation, academic scholarships awarded by the certifying institution that are based solely on the high school record may be exempted from a student-athlete's equivalency computation, provided specific academic standards are met. This proposal would provide a similar exception for transfer student-athletes who have demonstrated academic success at a previous collegiate institution and would allow the student-athletes to accept such scholarships without impacting team limits. The proposed grade-point average standard is modeled after the grade-point average required for a continuing student-athlete's institutional academic scholarship to be exempted from an equivalency computation. Finally, the proposed grade-point average requirement may only consider grades earned in all courses that are normally transferable to the certifying institution, regardless of the grade earned or whether such a grade makes the course unacceptable for transfer degree credit.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet took no formal position. The cabinet recommends that the Legislative Council table the proposal to provide time for the cabinet to incorporate this concept into its broader examination of the financial aid legislation, which includes a review of the criteria for these scholarships. It is anticipated that this review will be completed by June 2010.

History:

Jul 10, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, No Formal Position

No. 2009-70 FINANCIAL AID — MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT — WOMEN'S SAND VOLLEYBALL

Intent: In sand volleyball, to establish the maximum equivalency and counter limitations, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 15.5, as follows:

15.5 MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT

[15.5.1 through 15.5.7 unchanged]

15.5.8 Women's Sand Volleyball Limitations.

15.5.8.1 Institutions That Sponsor Women's Sand Volleyball and Women's Volleyball. If an institution sponsors women's sand volleyball and women's volleyball, the annual limit on the value of financial aid awards (equivalencies) provided to counters and the annual limit on the total number of counters in women's sand volleyball shall be:

(a) During the 2010-11 academic year, three equivalencies and 14 counters;

(b) During the 2011-12 academic year, four equivalencies and 14 counters;

(c) During the 2012-13 academic year, five equivalencies and 14 counters; and

(d) During the 2013-14 academic year and thereafter, six equivalencies and 14 counters.

15.5.8.2 Institutions That Sponsor Women's Sand Volleyball but Do Not Sponsor Women's Volleyball. If an institution does not sponsor women's volleyball, there shall be an annual limit of eight on the value of financial aid awards (equivalencies) provided to counters and an annual limit of 14 on the total number of counters in women's sand volleyball.

[15.5.8 through 15.5.12 renumbered as 15.5.9 through 15.5.13, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Awards, Benefits and Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Financial Aid

Rationale: Limiting the equivalencies to six among 14 total counters is appropriate based on the anticipated playing rules for women's sand volleyball, which would permit five two-person units to compete as a team in competition. It is anticipated that during the sport's emergence, there will be a high number of student-athletes who will participate in both women's volleyball and women's sand volleyball. Limiting the total number of counters will assist in maintaining competitive balance. Based on the information provided to the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics related to the current women's sand volleyball participation numbers, these financial aid limits provide appropriate financial aid opportunities as the sport develops as an NCAA sport. Further, eight equivalencies for women's sand volleyball is appropriate for institutions that do not sponsor women's volleyball because the concerns regarding the number of student-athletes who participate in both sports do not exist at those institutions. Finally, it should be noted that pursuant to the application of the multisport participant legislation, a counter in women's sand volleyball who also practices or competes in women's volleyball shall be a counter in women's volleyball.

Estimated Budget Impact: Will vary by sponsorship and amount of financial aid offered within the limitations.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jun 11, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Sponsored

Awards, Benefits and Expenses

No. 2009-71 AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES FOR ENROLLED STUDENT-ATHLETES — HOUSING AND MEALS — PERMISSIBLE PRESEASON PRACTICE EXPENSES — DE MINIMIS VIOLATION

Intent: To specify that an inadvertent violation of the preseason practice expenses legislation shall be considered an institutional violation, but shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility.

Bylaws: Amend 16.5.2, as follows:

16.5.2 Permissible. Identified housing and meal benefits incidental to a student's participation in intercollegiate athletics that may be financed by the institution are:

[16.5.2-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Preseason Practice Expenses. The institution may provide the cost of room and board to student-athletes who report for preseason practice prior to the start of the academic year, it being understood that the student-athlete has been accepted for admission to the institution at the time such benefits are received. Further, an institution, at its discretion, may provide an additional meal (as opposed to the cash equivalent) to student-athletes to meet their nutritional needs as a benefit incidental to participation during the preseason practice period prior to the start of the academic year;

[16.5.2-(c) through 16.5.2-(h) unchanged.]

16.5.2.1 Effect of Violation — Preseason Practice Expenses. An inadvertent violation of Bylaw 16.5.2-(b) shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, the student-athlete's eligibility shall not be affected.

Source: NCAA Division I Legislative Council (Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: This change removes any effect on student-athlete eligibility when an institution impermissibly provides preseason practice expenses due to an inadvertent oversight or miscalculation. In such cases, student-athletes do not have culpability. Violations of the preseason practice expense legislation generally occur due to institutional miscalculations of the permissible start date for preseason practice. Such violations remain institutional violations and the institution is required to submit a self-report. However, a violation in which an institution knowingly provides impermissible expenses will continue to affect the eligibility of a student-athlete who receives such expenses.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. The cabinet recommends that the proposal be considered as noncontroversial legislation.

History:

Jun 11, 2009 Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee, Recommends Approval

Jun 17, 2009 Legislative Council Administrative Committee, Sponsored

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Approval as Noncontroversial Legislation

No. 2009-72 AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES — EXPENSES FOR STUDENT-ATHLETE'S FRIENDS AND RELATIVES — REASONABLE REFRESHMENTS

Intent: To specify that an institution may provide the family (e.g., parents or legal guardians, relatives) of a student-athlete with reasonable refreshments (e.g., soft drink, snacks) in conjunction with educational meetings or celebratory events (e.g., senior night) and on an occasional basis for other reasons.

Bylaws: Amend 16.6.1.5, as follows:

16.6.1.5 Reasonable Refreshments. An institution may provide the **family (e.g., parents (or legal guardians, relatives))** of a student-athlete with reasonable refreshments (e.g., soft drink, snacks) **in conjunction with educational meetings or celebratory events (e.g., senior night) and on an occasional basis for other reasons.**

Source: Big 12 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: Frequently, NCAA legislation affects not only a student-athlete, but his or her parents and family members. Thus, it is critical that institutions be able to take advantage of the limited opportunities they have to educate parents and families. These educational opportunities typically are scheduled in conjunction with a sport-related event for which the family is already on campus. In these circumstances, it is very common that the parents are accompanied by the student-athlete's siblings, grandparents or other immediate family members. Similarly, the types of celebratory events at which institutions provide refreshments are events that the student-athlete's entire family attends (e.g., opening day, senior night). However, under the current rules, the options available to an institution in these circumstances are to provide no refreshments, provide refreshments but prohibit any family member other than a parent or legal guardian from attending, or permit all family members to come and provide refreshments but have staff patrol the event to ensure that no impermissible individuals consume the refreshments. None of these options is hospitable or practical. Providing more flexibility in this rule will enhance institutions' opportunities

to provide much-needed rules education to parents and families and improve the student-athlete experience during these family-centered events.

Estimated Budget Impact: Cost of additional refreshments for additional family members in conjunction with specified events and on an occasional basis.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 16, 2009 Sponsor modified proposal to specify that an institution may provide the family (e.g., parents or legal guardians, relatives) of a student-athlete with reasonable refreshments (e.g., soft drink, snacks) in conjunction with educational meetings or celebratory events (e.g., senior night) and on an occasional basis for other reasons. Previously, the proposal's intent was to permit an institution to provide reasonable refreshments to the immediate family of a student-athlete for educational meetings or, on an occasional basis, for celebratory events.

Sep 16, 2009 Sponsor modified effective date from August 1, 2010 to immediate.

No. 2009-73 AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES — EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION — NONPERMISSIBLE — LODGING IN CONJUNCTION WITH A REGULAR-SEASON HOME CONTEST

Intent: To specify that an institution shall not provide lodging (e.g., hotel, motel, resort) to student-athletes in conjunction with a regular-season home contest, unless the competition site is located more than 25 miles from its campus.

Bylaws: Amend 16.8, as follows:

16.8 EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION

[16.8.1 unchanged.]

16.8.2 Nonpermissible.

[16.8.2.1 through 16.8.2.5 unchanged.]

16.8.2.6 Lodging in Conjunction with a Regular-Season Home Contest. An institution shall not provide lodging (e.g., hotel, motel, resort) to student-athletes in conjunction with a regular-season home contest, unless the competition site is located more than 25 miles from its campus.

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: This proposal would reduce costs for institutions and provide a level playing field for those institutions that cannot or do not wish to incur the costs of providing special lodging to its teams prior to home contests. Also, eliminating the lodging of student-athletes at a local hotel in conjunction with a home contest would further the goal of more fully integrating student-athletes into the general student body.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential significant cost savings.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal. Some cabinet members note concerns with the environment on campus during a Friday night before a home football contest; however, the majority of the cabinet members agree with the sponsor's rationale for the proposal.

Baseball Committee: The committee supports the proposal.

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal for the Football Bowl Subdivision. The FCS members of the committee took no formal position.

History:

Jul 09, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat For the Football Bowl Subdivision.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, No Formal Position For the Football Championship Subdivision.

Sep 03, 2009 Baseball Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-74 AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES — BENEFITS, GIFTS AND SERVICES — OCCASIONAL MEALS — LOCATION OF MEAL PROVIDED BY REPRESENTATIVE OF ATHLETICS INTERESTS

Intent: To permit a representative of the institution's athletics interests to provide an occasional meal to a student-athlete or the entire team in a sport on campus or in a facility that is regularly used for home competition.

Bylaws: Amend 16.11.1.5, as follows:

16.11.1.5 Occasional Meals. A student-athlete or the entire team in a sport may receive an occasional meal in the locale of the institution on infrequent and special occasions from an institutional staff member. An institutional staff member may provide reasonable local transportation to student-athletes to attend such meals. A student-athlete **or the entire team in a sport** may receive an occasional *family home* meal from a representative of athletics interests on infrequent and special occasions under the following conditions:

(a) The meal ~~must~~ **may only** be provided in an individual's home ~~(as opposed to a restaurant)~~, **on campus or at a facility that is regularly used for home competition** and may be catered; and

[16.11.1.5-(b) unchanged.]

Source: Horizon League

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: At the time the current legislation was revised in 2002, the membership indicated that in order to protect against potential abuses, only institutional staff members should be permitted to provide occasional meals to student-athletes at sites in the locale of the institution other than an individual's home. However, the current legislation is difficult to apply in sports with large squad sizes. In many cases, the home of a representative of an institution's athletics interests may not be large enough to accommodate an entire team. Further, a representative of an institution's athletics interests may not wish to provide a meal at his or her home. This proposal continues to support the need to provide protection from potential abuses by permitting a representative of athletics interest to provide a meal on campus or at an institution's home competition facility. The legislation allows for appropriate oversight by the institution while also permitting flexibility and equity in providing such occasional meals.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal. The cabinet expresses concerns regarding monitoring such meals on campus (e.g., tailgate sites) and believes that the current legislation provides adequate safeguards against abuse.

History:

Jun 15, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 18, 2009 Awards, Benefits, Expenses and Financial Aid Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 29, 2009 Sponsor modified effective date from August 1, 2010 to immediate.

Playing and Practice Seasons

No. 2009-75 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS AND RECRUITING — MANDATORY MEDICAL EXAMINATION — SICKLE CELL SOLUBILITY TEST

Intent: To specify that the required medical examination or evaluation that student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility and students who are trying out for a team must undergo prior to participation in voluntary summer conditioning or voluntary individual workouts pursuant to

the safety exception, practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST).

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.11.3, as follows:

13.11.3 Tryout Exceptions.

[13.11.3.1 through 13.11.7 unchanged.]

13.11.3.8 Voluntary Summer Conditioning — Football.

[13.11.3.8.1 through 13.11.3.8.2 unchanged.]

13.11.3.8.3 Mandatory Medical Examination. Prior to participation in any weight training or conditioning workouts, a prospective student-athlete who will be a first-time participant shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation, **which shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST)**, administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation must have been administered within six months prior to participation in any weight training or conditioning activity.

13.11.3.9 Voluntary Summer Conditioning — Basketball. In basketball, a prospective student-athlete may engage in voluntary workouts conducted by an institution's strength and conditioning coach with department-wide duties and may receive workout apparel (on an issuance and retrieval basis), provide he or she:

[13.11.3.9-(a) through 13.11.3.9-(b) unchanged.]

13.11.3.9.1 Mandatory Medical Examination. Prior to participation in any weight training or conditioning workouts conducted by an institution's strength and conditioning coach, a prospective student-athlete who will be a first-time participant shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation, **which shall include sickle cell solubility test (SST)**, administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation must have been administered within six months prior to participation in any weight training or conditioning activity.

13.11.3.10 Voluntary Summer Conditioning — Sports Other Than Football and Basketball. In sports other than football and basketball, a prospective student-athlete may engage in voluntary summer workouts conducted by an institution's strength and conditioning coach with department-wide duties and may receive workout apparel (on an issuance and retrieval basis), provided he or she is enrolled in the institution's summer term prior to the student's initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution.

13.11.3.10.1 Mandatory Medical Examination. Prior to participation in any weight training or conditioning workouts conducted by an institution's strength and conditioning coach, a prospective student-athlete who will be a first-time participant shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation, **which shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST)**, administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation must have been administered within six months prior to participation in any weight training or conditioning activity.

13.11.3.11 Safety Exception — Summer Prior to Initial Full-Time Enrollment at the Certifying Institution. In sports in which the safety exception is applicable in Bylaw 17, a prospective

student-athlete who is enrolled in a summer term prior to initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution may participate in voluntary individual workouts in the presence of the institution's coach and in the institution's regular practice facility when the prospective student-athlete uses equipment related to the sport. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but may not conduct the individual's workout.

13.11.3.11.1 Mandatory Medical Examination. Prior to participation in any voluntary individual workouts pursuant to the safety exception, a prospective student-athlete who will be a first-time participant shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation, **which shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST)**, administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation must have been administered within six months prior to participation in any safety exception activity.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.5, as follows:

[Common provision, all divisions, divided vote]

17.1.5 Mandatory Medical Examination. Prior to participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities (or in Division I, permissible voluntary summer conditioning or voluntary individual workouts pursuant to the safety exception), student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility and students who are trying out for a team shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation, **which shall include a sickle cell solubility test (SST)**, administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation must be administered within six months prior to participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities. In following years, an updated history of the student-athlete's medical condition shall be administered by an institutional medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) to determine if additional examinations (e.g., physical, cardiovascular, neurological) are required. The updated history must be administered within six months prior to the student-athlete's participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities for the applicable academic year.

Source: Conference USA and Southwestern Athletic Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: According to the National Athletic Trainers Association, acute exertional rhabdomyolysis from sickle cell trait is one of the top three causes of nontraumatic sports deaths in high school and college student-athletes. While all 50 states now screen at birth for sickle cell trait, this information can be lost over the years and may leave many college student-athletes unaware that they may be carriers of the trait. The administration of a sickle cell solubility test (SST), in addition to an established athletics department policy for managing the care of student-athletes with the trait, can lessen the chances of an untimely death. The SST is relatively inexpensive to administer compared to the heavy toll associated with a student-athlete's death. Lastly, this legislation is in the best interest of student-athlete well-being. This legislation will reduce the risk associated with

the sickle cell condition by requiring a screening in medical examinations for all student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The committee supports the proposal. The cabinet agreed with the sponsor's rationale, though some cabinet members discussed a desire to permit institutions to satisfy the intent of the proposal by obtaining the results of previous SSTs prior to participation and keeping those results on record.

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsors' rationale.

History:

Jul 15, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 22, 2009 Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-76 PLAYING AND PRACTICES SEASONS — TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES — ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS — COUNTABLE ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES BETWEEN MIDNIGHT AND 5 A.M.

Intent: To specify that countable athletically related activities shall not occur between midnight and 5 a.m., except for during participation in a conference championship or an NCAA championship, in any competition that begins prior to midnight and concludes after midnight, or a promotional practice activity (e.g., first practice of the season).

Bylaws: Amend 17.1.6, as follows:

17.1.6 Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities. In all sports, the following time limitations shall apply:

[17.1.6.1 through 17.1.6.5 unchanged.]

17.1.6.6 Additional Restrictions.

[17.1.6.6.1 unchanged.]

17.1.6.6.2 Countable Athletically Related Activities Between Midnight and 5 a.m.
Countable athletically related activities shall not occur between midnight and 5 a.m.

17.1.6.6.2.1 Exceptions. Countable athletically related activities may occur between midnight and 5 a.m. under the following circumstances:

(a) During participation in a conference championship or an NCAA championship;

(b) Participation in any competition that begins prior to midnight and concludes after midnight; or

(c) Participation in a promotional practice activity (e.g., first practice of the season).

[17.1.6.6.2 renumbered as 17.1.6.6.3 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.1.6 unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Currently, some coaches require that student-athletes participate in countable athletically-related activities between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m. Engaging in athletics activities during these hours can be detrimental to the health of student-athletes. A proper amount of sleep is vital to success and exercising late at night or early in the morning could negatively affect student-athletes, both on and off the field. Being forced to perform at a high athletic level when the mental and physical state of a student-athlete is already weakened increases the risk of injury or illness. Further, student-athletes are encouraged to eat following workouts to refuel their bodies. These late night workouts force student-athletes to eat late at night, further reducing the proper amount of sleep they receive and detrimentally affecting their diets. Finally, countable athletically related activities held in the middle of the night may jeopardize a student-athlete's academic performance by preventing him or her from obtaining a good night's rest before a test, or causing the student-athlete to fall asleep during class.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Restricts time period for countable activities.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Men's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee noted that the proposal originated from a student-athlete advisory group as a result of student-athlete well-being concerns and the punitive nature of these activities. The committee expressed concern that coaches would actually engage in such activities or directors of athletics would allow such activities to be conducted.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Aug 18, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-77 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS — WOMEN'S BASKETBALL — PRESEASON PRACTICE — ON-COURT PRACTICE — 30 PRACTICES WITHIN 40 DAYS PRIOR TO FIRST CONTEST

Intent: In women's basketball, to specify that an institution shall not commence on-court preseason basketball practice sessions prior to 5 p.m. on the date that is 40 days prior to the date of the institution's first regular-season contest; further, to specify that an institution shall not engage in more than 30 days of practice prior to its first regular-season contest.

Bylaws: Amend 17.3.2, as follows:

17.3.2 Preseason Practice — On-Court Practice.

17.3.2.1 Men's Basketball. An institution shall not commence on-court preseason basketball practice sessions prior to 5 p.m. on the Friday nearest October 15 (see Figure 17-2).

17.3.2.2 Women's Basketball. An institution shall not commence on-court preseason basketball practice sessions prior to 5 p.m. on the date that is 40 days prior to the date of the institution's first regular-season contest. An institution shall not engage in more than 30 days of practice prior to its first regular-season contest.

[17.3.2.1 through 17.3.2.2 renumbered as 17.3.2.3 through 17.3.2.4, unchanged.]

Source: Southeastern Conference and Big East Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Recent modifications to the first permissible contest date in women's basketball have reduced the number of preseason practice opportunities by up to seven practice days. This proposal allows the number of practice days in women's basketball to remain at a constant level of 30, which is generally consistent with the number of practice opportunities permitted prior to the adoption of the current legislation. Additionally, this proposed flexible preseason practice schedule permits coaches to best use practice and "off" days to benefit student-athletes prior to the first contest. While the existing preseason practice schedule essentially dictates that practice must occur during every possible day, the flexible approach offered in this proposal provides each coach with the ability to determine when to use the practice opportunities depending on the team, the team's needs and the academic calendar. For example, a coach may provide the team days off to study for midterm exams, to take advantage of fall vacation periods or to recover from injuries.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: On-court practice will begin on an earlier date, but additional days off will be included during the preseason practice period.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet. The cabinet supports the proposal. The cabinet agrees with the sponsor's rationale, but notes the position of the Women's Basketball Issues Committee and the potential change to preseason practice that may come as a result of their

review.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee took no formal position. The committee cited the recommendation of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group (BAEG) regarding a staggered schedule for the start of team practice and noted that such a model may also be appropriate for women's basketball. It was noted that it agrees conceptually with the flexibility that the proposal and the BAEG recommendation offers to institutions and that both concepts should be reviewed and considered by the membership.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, No Formal Position

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-78 PLAYING AND PRACTICES SEASONS — WOMEN'S BASKETBALL — NUMBER OF CONTESTS — MAXIMUM LIMITATIONS

Intent: In women's basketball, to specify that an institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition to 26 contests and one qualifying regular-season multiple team event or 28 contests during a playing season in which the institution does not participate in a qualifying regular-season multiple team event.

Bylaws: Amend 17.3.5, as follows:

17.3.5 Number of Contests.

17.3.5.1 Maximum Limitations - Institutional.

17.3.5.1.1 Men's Basketball. An institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition in men's basketball during the playing season to one of the following (except for those contests excluded under Bylaw 17.3.5.3):

(a) 27 contests (games or scrimmages) and One qualifying regular-season multiple team event per Bylaw 17.3.5.1.4~~3~~; or

(b) 29 contests (games or scrimmages) during a playing season in which the institution does not participate in a qualifying regular-season multiple team event.

17.3.5.1.2 Women's Basketball. An institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition in women's basketball during the playing season to one of the following (except for those contests excluded under Bylaw 17.3.5.3):

(a) 26 contests (games or scrimmages) and one qualifying regular-season multiple team event per Bylaw 17.3.5.1.3; or

(b) 28 contests (games or scrimmages) during a playing season in which the institution does not participate in a qualifying regular-season multiple team event.

[17.3.5.1.1 through 17.3.5.1.2 renumbered as 17.3.5.1.3 through 17.3.5.1.4, unchanged.]

Source: Atlantic Coast Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Many conferences choose to play their women's basketball tournaments a week earlier than before, thereby compressing the time during which regular season contests may be played. This proposal would provide some relief from the shortened schedule. Additionally, in an effort toward cost containment, institutions are attempting to regionalize their nonconference regular season schedule in order to reduce their travel budget. Institutions that are not located near Division I nonconference opponents are forced to travel further out of their region, resulting in additional travel costs. By eliminating one nonconference contest, institutions will realize cost savings in travel as well as in paying game guarantees. Finally, this change addresses concerns regarding the lack of available institutional facilities and academic issues related to missed class time and the academic rigors placed on the student-athlete.

Estimated Budget Impact: Reduction in institutional travel budgets. Reduction in guarantees paid and received.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Potential reduction in time demands and missed class.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Women's Basketball Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee noted that this legislation may address some concerns regarding academic issues related to missed class time, but it also may raise concerns regarding possible financial implications relative to guarantee games. Further, the committee noted that the same concept is a recommendation of the Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-79 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS — NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT — TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS — CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, SOCCER, SOFTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL

Intent: In cross country (for institutions without indoor or outdoor track and field), field hockey, soccer, softball and volleyball, to specify that team travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.5.5.1.1, as follows:

17.5.5.1.1 Exception — Cross Country without Indoor or Outdoor Track and Field. An institution that sponsors men's or women's cross country but does not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the cross country playing season to seven dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment. **Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation.**

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.8.5.1, as follows:

17.8.5.1 Maximum Limitations — Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's field hockey playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.10.5.3 and 17.10.5.4. **Travel to competition during the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation.**

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.19.5.1, as follows:

17.19.5.1 Maximum Limitations — Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in soccer during the institution's soccer playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests and/or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.19.5.3 and 17.19.5.4. **Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation.**

D. Bylaws: Amend 17.20.5.1, as follows:

17.20.5.1 Maximum Limitations — Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in softball during the institution's softball playing season to 56 contests (games and scrimmages) during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and eight contests (games and scrimmages) during the nonchampionship segment, except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.20.5.3 and 17.20.5.4. No class time shall be missed for competition during the nonchampionship segment, including activities associated with competition (e.g., travel and other pregame or postgame activities) conducted during the nonchampionship segment. **Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation.**

E. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.7.1, as follows:

17.25.7.1 Maximum Limitations — Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in women's volleyball during the institution's women's volleyball playing season to 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.9 and 17.25.10. **Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation.**

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.25.8.1, as follows:

17.25.8.1 Maximum Limitations — Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in men's volleyball during the institution's men's volleyball playing season to not more than 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA

championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.9 and 17.25.10. **Travel to competition in the nonchampionship segment shall be restricted to ground transportation.**

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Economic pressures have caused athletics programs to examine expenditures in all areas. Nonchampionship segment contests contribute to the development of the team, but, in most cases, are not included in regular season records or in determining postseason championships access. As a result, restricting travel to ground transportation for such contests is a prudent action given the resource challenges facing many institutions.

Estimated Budget Impact: Anticipated savings associated travel expenses.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal to include an exception to specify that if no other Division I institution is located within 400 miles of an institution, such an institution may travel by air to nonchampionship segment competition. If the sponsor does not agree to modify the proposal, the cabinet will sponsor an alternative proposal. The cabinet is supportive of the concept outlined in the proposal; however, some members expressed concern that geographically isolated institutions would be detrimentally impacted by the current proposal. The cabinet notes that the 400 mile radius is consistent with the current ground transportation policies related to whether an institution must drive to a championship site. The cabinet also discussed a possible second exception for the University of Hawaii; however, it suggests that the Western Athletic Conference discuss the most appropriate way to draft such an exception and suggest a modification or submit an alternative proposal or amendment through the legislative process.

Men's Soccer Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. Limiting travel to ground transportation only creates inequities for those institutions that are geographically isolated.

Women's Soccer Committee: The committee supports the proposal.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Submit Sponsor modified the proposal to remove proposed reductions to the maximum number of permissible dates of competition in the nonchampionship segment in cross country (for institutions without indoor or outdoor track and field), field hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball and volleyball.

Sep 08, 2009 Women's Soccer Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 10, 2009 Men's Soccer Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-80 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS — FOOTBALL — FIRST CONTEST — 14 WEEKS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1

Intent: In football, to specify that an institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition prior to the Thursday preceding the 14th Saturday prior to December 1.

Bylaws: Amend 17.9.3, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

17.9.3 First Contest. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in football prior to the Thursday preceding ~~Labor Day~~ **the 14th Saturday prior to December 1** (see Figure 17-2).

Source: Conference USA

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Under the current legislation, the number of available weekends for competition in football varies from year to year. Allowing institutions the opportunity to compete in twelve football contests in a fixed playing season that always includes fourteen Saturdays prior to December 1 will permit greater flexibility in scheduling and establish consistency. Additionally, a standard playing season is in the best interest of student-athlete well-being inasmuch as it helps student-athletes to fulfill academic obligations by increasing the number of weekends off over the course of a twelve game season. Further, results of the Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students in College (GOALS) and the Study of College Outcomes and Recent Experiences (SCORE) surveys reveal that football student-athletes reported more hours spent on athletics during the season than on academics. Finally, stress reactions (e.g., physical and mental health issues) were reported at the highest rates among football players within the Football Bowl Subdivision.

Estimated Budget Impact: Additional 3-4 days of preseason expenses in those years that would not otherwise include 14 weeks.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Increases the number of weeks in the season (in years that would not otherwise include 14 weeks) without increasing the limit on the number of contests.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet notes concerns related to the increased cost of housing football student-athletes for additional days as compared to current schedules.

Football Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee expressed concerns regarding increased costs to bring student-athletes back to campus earlier and potential conflicts with summer school schedules and the start of preseason practice.

History:

Jun 29, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

No. 2009-81 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS — FOOTBALL — OUT-OF-SEASON ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES — SUMMER CONDITIONING PERIOD

Intent: In football, to permit an institution to designate nine consecutive weeks between the conclusion of the academic year and the first permissible reporting date for preseason practice as its summer conditioning period.

Bylaws: Amend 17.9.6, as follows:

[Federated provision, FBS and FCS, divided vote]

17.9.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the playing season, except as set forth in this bylaw (see Bylaw 17.1.6.2):

(a) Conditioning Activities. Student-athletes may participate in conditioning activities pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.6.2; as follows:

[17.9.6-(a)-(1) unchanged.]

(2) Summer Conditioning Period. Between the ~~start of summer conditioning and the start of preseason practice~~ **conclusion of the academic year and the first permissible reporting date for preseason practice**, an institution shall conduct its out of season conditioning period as follows:

(a) ~~Institutions shall count back nine weeks from the first permissible reporting date for preseason practice.~~ **An institution shall designate nine consecutive weeks as its summer conditioning period.** During this nine-week period, institutions shall designate one week as student-athlete discretionary time.

(b) During the remaining eight weeks of the summer conditioning period student-athletes may be involved in voluntary weight training and conditioning activities pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1 and prospective student-athletes may be involved in voluntary weight training and conditioning activities pursuant to Bylaw 13.11.3.8. Such activities are limited to eight hours per week.

(c) All remaining weeks between the conclusion of the academic year and the first permissible reporting date for preseason practice that are not part of an institution's designated summer conditioning period shall be considered student-athlete discretionary time.

[Remainder of 17.9.6 unchanged.]

Source: Mountain West Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: The current legislation governing summer conditioning was adopted, in part, to reduce the time commitments on student-athletes by requiring designated discretionary time. By permitting an institution to designate their summer conditioning time period, this will allow more flexibility based on the institution's academic year. The institution will be able to schedule its time periods around the summer school terms that student-athletes attend and for those incoming students who are already on campus. In addition, by keeping the summer conditioning time period at nine weeks, this will continue to provide all institutions the same amount of time to be involved in summer conditioning and will not create any competitive disadvantages.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Football Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal and institutional flexibility it would afford.

History:

Jul 10, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 02, 2009 Football Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-82 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS — LIMIT ON NUMBER OF STUDENT-ATHLETES ON AN OUTSIDE TEAM — VACATION PERIOD EXCEPTION AND OUTSIDE TEAM TOURS — WOMEN'S ROWING

Intent: In women's rowing, to specify that the number of student-athletes from any one institution who may compete outside of the institution's declared playing and practice season as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition during any official academic year

vacation period published in the institution's catalog and who may participate in international competition as a member of an outside team on a foreign tour shall not exceed two.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.15.9, as follows:

17.15.9 Other Restrictions.

17.15.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition.

17.15.9.1.1 During Academic Year. A student-athlete in rowing who participates during the academic year as a member of any outside rowing team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) except while representing the institution in intercollegiate rowing competition shall be ineligible for intercollegiate rowing competition unless eligibility is restored by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement (see Bylaw 14.7.3 for exceptions).

17.15.9.1.1.1 Vacation-Period Exception. A student-athlete may compete outside of the institution's declared playing and practice season as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition during any official vacation period published in the institution's catalog. **The number of student-athletes from any one institution shall not exceed two.**

[Remainder of 17.15.9 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.29.2, as follows:

17.29.2 Outside-Team Tours. An outside team that includes student-athletes from more than one member institution may participate in international competition in any sport on a foreign tour. However, any such outside team that includes more than the following number of student-athletes from the same member institution must be certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7.

Baseball	4	Gymnastics	2	Softball	4
Basketball	2	Ice Hockey	4	Swimming and Diving	5
Cross Country	2	Lacrosse	5	Tennis	2
Fencing	4	Rifle	2	Track and Field	7
Field Hockey	5	Women's Rowing	2	Volleyball	2
Football	5	Skiing	4	Water Polo	4
Golf	2	Soccer	5	Wrestling	5

[17.29.2.1 unchanged.]

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: When women's rowing moved from emerging sport status to championship sport status, placing a limit on the number of student-athletes who may compete for an outside team was inadvertently overlooked. This proposal corrects that oversight.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Women's Rowing Committee: The cabinet supports the proposal.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 08, 2009 Women's Rowing Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-83 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS AND DIVISION MEMBERSHIP — REGULATIONS FOR PLAYING SEASON AND MINIMUM CONTEST REQUIREMENTS FOR SPORTS SPONSORSHIP — WOMEN'S SAND VOLLEYBALL

Intent: In women's sand volleyball, to establish the playing and practice season and the minimum number of contests necessary for sports sponsorship purposes, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17, as follows:

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[17.01 through 17.16 unchanged.]

17.17 SAND VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S

Regulations for computing the women's sand volleyball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

17.17.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in women's sand volleyball shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required days off per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur.

17.17.1.1 Women's Volleyball Student-Athletes Participating in Women's Sand Volleyball. Women's volleyball student-athletes listed as participants for women's sand volleyball must participate fully in women's sand volleyball practices. If student-athletes are

practicing women's volleyball skills unrelated to women's sand volleyball, such practices must be counted in the institution's established segment in women's volleyball.

17.17.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women's sand volleyball prior to September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.

17.17.3 First Contest. A member institution shall not pay its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in women's sand volleyball prior to the following dates:

(a) Nonchampionship Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.

(b) Championship Segment. The first Thursday in March (see Figure 17-2).

17.17.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in women's sand volleyball by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution.

17.17.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.17.5.1 Maximum Limitations — Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in women's sand volleyball during the institution's women's sand volleyball playing season to 16 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.17.5.3 and 17.17.5.4.

17.17.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in women's sand volleyball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.17.5.2 Maximum Limitations — Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in not more than 16 dates of competition in women's sand volleyball during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student-athlete represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution.

17.17.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in women's sand volleyball shall exclude the following:

(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament or playoff in women's sand volleyball;

(b) Season-Ending Championship Tournament. Competition in one of the recognized national intercollegiate championship events in women's sand volleyball (e.g., National

Collegiate Sand Championships). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season;

(c) Alumni Game. One date of competition each year against an alumni team of the institution;

(d) Foreign Team in the United States. One date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States played in the facility in which the member institution regularly plays its home dates of competition.

(e) Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. Any dates of competition played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active Division I institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located inside these locales;

(f) Fundraising Activity. Any women's sand volleyball activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate (or in individual sports per Bylaw 17.02.12.2, in which team members of that sport participate) with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds to benefit the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss class as a result of their participation (see Bylaw 12.5.1.1);

(g) Celebrity Sports Activity. Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's women's sand volleyball team who participate in local celebrity activities in women's sand volleyball conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:

(1) The student-athlete does not miss class as a result of the participation;

(2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and

(3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

(h) U.S. National Team. One date of competition against any team as selected and designated by the appropriate national governing body for women's sand volleyball as a U.S. national team.

17.17.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may not exempt more than one foreign tour from its maximum number of dates of competition in women's sand volleyball during any academic year and may not repeat participation in a foreign tour within a four-year period. The tour shall be conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).

17.17.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.17.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.17.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized

in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practices and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

17.17.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in women's sand volleyball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.17.8 Other Restrictions.

17.17.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition.

17.17.8.1.1 During Academic Year. A student-athlete in women's sand volleyball who participates during the academic year as a member of any outside women's sand volleyball team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) except while representing the institution in intercollegiate women's sand volleyball competition shall be ineligible for intercollegiate women's sand volleyball competition unless eligibility is restored by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement (see Bylaw 14.7.3 for exceptions).

17.17.8.1.1.1 Vacation-Period Exception. A student-athlete in women's sand volleyball may compete outside of the institution's declared playing and practice season as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition during any official vacation period published in the institution's catalog. The number of student-athletes from any one institution shall not exceed two.

17.17.8.1.2 Out of Season. An institution may permit not more than two student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate women's sand volleyball to practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur women's sand volleyball team (competition on an outside team permitted only during the summer, except as provided in Bylaws 17.17.8.1.1.1 and 17.17.8.1.1.2).

17.17.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's women's sand volleyball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3, 17.1.1.1 and 17.29.

17.17.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and a student-athlete from the same institution, provided:

(a) The national governing body (NGB) conducts and administers the developmental program;

(b) The NGB selects coaches involved in the developmental program; and

(c) The NGB or the selected coaches select the involved participants.

17.17.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

[17.18 through 17.30 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 20.9.4.3, as follows:

20.9.4.3 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

Team Sports	Minimum Contests
<u>Sand Volleyball, Women's</u>	<u>8</u>

[All other sports unchanged.]

(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in Bylaws 20.9.4.3.1 through 20.9.4.3.7 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaws 14 and 17.)

[20.9.4.3.1 through 20.9.4.3.5 unchanged.]

20.9.4.3.6 Contests vs. Club Teams. A contest against a collegiate institution's club team may not be counted toward meeting minimum-contest requirements. However, a member is not precluded from scheduling club teams.

20.9.4.3.6.1 Exception — Women's Sand Volleyball. One dual, one-day contest against a collegiate institution's club team per year may count toward meeting minimum-contest requirements. A multi-opponent tournament (see Bylaw 20.9.4.3.8) may count toward meeting minimum-contest requirements if not more than 40 percent of the participating teams are club teams affiliated with four-year collegiate institutions.

[20.9.4.3.7 unchanged.]

20.9.4.3.8 Women's Sand Volleyball. The following additional criteria shall apply to women's sand volleyball:

(a) No less than three of the minimum eight contests shall be dual, one-day competitions in which five two-person teams compete (institution versus institution on a single day on which no other competition occurs); and

(b) The remaining number of minimum contests shall be dual, one-day competitions in which five two-person teams compete or multi-opponent competitions. For a tournament to qualify as a contest, it must culminate in the determination of a winner based on the performance of each institution's five, two-person teams.

[20.9.4.3.8 renumbered as 20.9.4.3.9, unchanged.]

Source: Sun Belt Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Legislative proposals governing financial aid, recruiting, and personnel for the emerging sport of sand volleyball have already been sponsored by the appropriate cabinets. In order to complete the legislation for the sport, recommendations regarding the playing and practice season need to be considered during the legislative cycle in order to give institutions a comprehensive view of how the sport will be implemented.

Estimated Budget Impact: Based on institutional sponsorship of the sport.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Based on institutional sponsorship of the sport.

Position Statement(s)

Administration Cabinet: The cabinet supports section B of the proposal (the section of the proposal related to Division I membership requirements, of which the cabinet maintains oversight). The cabinet noted that the minimum eight contest requirement for sports sponsorship purposes may require adjustment if the maximum limitation of 16 contests set forth in the proposal is modified.

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet opposes the proposal. The cabinet recommends that the sponsor modify the proposal as follows:

(1) Limit the championship segment playing season to eight weeks beginning with the first Thursday in March. The cabinet intends this season to include the weekend following the Thursday that is eight weeks from the first Thursday in March.

(2) Limit the number of dates of competitions to 18, regardless of the segment in which the date of competition is conducted. The recommendation would not establish a separate limit for championship and nonchampionship segments.

The cabinet would support the proposal if it were modified as recommended.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 16, 2009 Administration Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Defeat

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Modification

No. 2009-84 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS — GENERAL PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASON REGULATIONS — PRESEASON PRACTICE — WOMEN'S SOCCER

Intent: In women's soccer, to increase the preseason practice units from 21 to 29; further, to establish criteria governing the activities permitted during the preseason practice period, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 17.19.2, as follows:

17.19.2 Preseason Practice.

17.19.2.1 Men's Soccer. An institution shall not commence practice sessions in soccer prior to the date that permits a maximum of 21 units (see Bylaw 17.02.11) prior to the first scheduled intercollegiate contest.

17.19.2.2 Women's Soccer. **An institution shall not commence practice sessions in soccer prior to the date that is determined by the application of 29 units (see Bylaw 17.02.11) prior to the first scheduled intercollegiate contest. Preseason practice shall be conducted as follows:**

(a) The first day of preseason practice shall include no more than five hours of on-field practice, which must be conducted in no more than two distinct sessions. Student-athletes shall be provided with at least three continuous hours of recovery time between the end of the first session and the start of the second session;

(b) The second day of preseason practice shall include no more than three hours of on-field practice;

(c) The third day of preseason practice shall include no more than five hours of on-field practice, which must be conducted in no more than two distinct sessions. Student-athletes shall be provided with at least three continuous hours of recovery time between the end of the first session and the start of the second session;

(d) The fourth day of preseason practice shall include no more than three hours of on-field practice;

(e) All remaining preseason practice days held prior to the institution's first day of classes or first regular-season competition, whichever is earlier, shall include no more than five hours of on-field practice, which must be conducted in no more than two distinct sessions. Student-athletes shall be provided with at least three hours continuous hours of recovery time between the end of the first session and the start of the second session; and

(f) Beginning with the institution's first day of classes or first regular-season competition, whichever is earlier, practice shall be conducted in accordance with established time limits for athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.1.6).

Source: Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Current legislation specifies 21 practice units to determine the first permissible date of preseason practice for women's soccer. By contrast, the legislation specifies 29 practice units for football and women's volleyball. Due to the limited opportunity for preseason practice, coaches feel the need to conduct multiple practice sessions beginning with the first permissible day of practice and continuing throughout the preseason practice period. In some instances, the compressed preseason practice schedule causes coaches to conduct more than two practice sessions during a

single day. By expanding the preseason period, this proposal would reduce the need to maximize the number of practices conducted during a short time period. In addition, this proposal limits the number and length of time for practices held during each day. It is anticipated this legislation will encourage coaches to spread out preseason practice sessions, develop practice sessions that reduce the physical impact placed on student-athletes during the first few days of preseason practice and allow student-athletes to better adapt to the demands of preseason practices, which are typically conducted outdoors during a period of high temperatures.

Estimated Budget Impact: Anticipated increase in costs associated with addition of eight preseason practice units.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Anticipated addition of four days associated with addition of eight preseason practice units.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet took no formal position.

Women's Soccer Committee: The committee opposes the proposal and believes that the additional units (from 21 to the proposed 29) would add significant expense to an institution.

History:

Jun 23, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, No Formal Position

No. 2009-85 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS — SOFTBALL — PRESEASON PRACTICE AND FIRST CONTEST DATE — NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT

Intent: In softball, to specify that an institution that has not begun classes by September 15 may commence preseason practice sessions on or after that date and may play its first contest (game or scrimmage) against outside competition on or after that date.

A. **Bylaws:** Amend 17.20.2, as follows:

17.20.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in softball prior to September 1 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is later; **however, if an institution's first day of classes occurs after September 15, the institution may commence practice sessions on or after September 15.**

B. **Bylaws:** Amend 17.20.3, as follows:

17.20.3 First Contest Date. An institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmages) with outside competition in softball prior to the following dates:

(a) Nonchampionship Segment. **If the institution's first day of classes occurs on or before September 15:** September 1 or the institution's first day of class, whichever is later. **If the institution's first day of classes occurs after September 15: September 15.**

[17.20.3-(b) unchanged.]

Source: Big Ten Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Rationale: Current legislation states that the first permissible preseason practice and competition date during the nonchampionship segment is September 1 or the first day of classes, whichever is later. This standard causes a disparate impact on institutions that begin classes later in September. Those institutions are unable to properly prepare their student-athletes for their first contest since the first practice is delayed by two weeks or more. The impact is more acute for quarter-system institutions located in cold weather regions. Such institutions have fewer days within which to schedule their 45-day nonchampionship segment due to inclement weather in late October and November, which severely limits the possibility of practicing outdoors. Indoor practices are also impacted by facility availability for a team that is not "in season." As a result of these issues, a blanket waiver was granted last year to permit softball teams to begin preseason practice or competition during the nonchampionship segment on or after September 15. This proposal seeks to enact the waiver as a permanent legislative change, thereby addressing the competitive equity and safety concerns surrounding this issue. Additionally, the September 15 date addresses academic calendar variances while remaining sensitive to cost concerns.

Estimated Budget Impact: Varies based on institutional discretion and current practices related to skill instruction beginning September 15.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

History:

Jul 11, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Athletics Certification

No. 2009-86 ATHLETICS CERTIFICATION — MANDATORY SELF-STUDY AND EXTERNAL PEER REVIEW — ACADEMIC INTEGRITY — ACADEMIC STANDARDS — RETENTION

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that the retention rate of student-athletes, as a whole, be compared to other student-body groups.

Bylaws: Amend 22.2, as follows:

22.2 MANDATORY SELF-STUDY AND EXTERNAL PEER REVIEW

[22.2.1 unchanged.]

22.2.2 Academic Integrity.

22.2.2.1 Academic Standards. The Association's fundamental principles indicate that an intercollegiate athletics program shall be designed and maintained as a vital component of the institution's educational system, and student-athletes shall be treated consistently with the student body. Consistent with this philosophy, the institution shall demonstrate that:

[22.2.2.1-(a) through 22.2.2.1-(c) unchanged.]

(d) If the retention of ~~student-athletes, as a whole or for~~ any student-athlete subgroup, is lower than that of ~~other~~ all student-athletes ~~or comparable student body groups~~, this disparity shall be analyzed, explained and, if necessary, addressed through specific plans for improvement by appropriate institutional authorities;

[Remainder of 22.2 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division I Legislative Council (Committee on Athletics Certification)

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Athletics Certification

Rationale: Many institutions do not have data related to the retention of the student body generally or comparable student-body groups. Requiring institutions to compare retention rate data of student-athletes with the student body generally or with comparable student body subgroups places an undue burden on those institutions that do not compile these data for other purposes.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

History:

Mar 25, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Mar 26, 2009 Committee on Athletics Certification, Recommends Approval as Noncontroversial Legislation

Apr 20, 2009 Legislative Council, Sponsored

Apr 20, 2009 Leg Council Init Review, Not Supported as Noncontroversial Legislation

Administrative Regulations

No. 2009-87 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS — FOREIGN TOURS AND COMPETITION — NO INSTITUTIONAL OR CONFERENCE FOREIGN TOURS

Intent: To specify that an institution or conference shall not sponsor or participate in a foreign tour.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.11.1.3, as follows:

13.11.1.3 Competition Against Prospective Student-Athletes. An institution's varsity intercollegiate team may compete against a two-year college team but may not compete against a high school or preparatory school team. An institution's varsity team may not participate in a contest against an outside team (e.g., nonscholastic team) that includes high school prospective student-athletes except for ~~permissible contests while on a foreign tour~~, exempted contests against a foreign team in the United States and the U.S. national team. In individual sports, it is permissible for an institution's varsity team and an outside team that includes prospective student-athletes to participate in the same open event, provided the event either involves no team scoring or the event uses team scoring such that the institution's varsity team and the outside team are in separate scoring categories. Subvarsity teams are not bound by this prohibition.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.3, as follows:

14.2.3 Criteria for Determining Season of Competition.

[14.2.3.1 through 14.2.3.5 unchanged.]

~~14.2.3.6 Foreign Tour Competition. A student athlete who did not compete during the institution's season just completed and who represents the institution in a certified foreign tour after that intercollegiate season and prior to the start of the next academic year shall not be charged with a season of eligibility (see Bylaw 30.7.2).~~

C. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.4.3, as follows:

14.2.4.3 Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver.

[14.2.4.3.1 through 14.2.4.3.6 unchanged.]

~~14.2.4.3.7 Foreign Tour Competition. A student athlete who qualifies for a hardship for the previous academic year would not use a season of competition if the student athlete represents the institution on a certified foreign tour during the summer vacation period at the conclusion of that academic year.~~

D. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1, as follows:

16.8.1 Permissible. The permissible expenses for practice and competition that an institution may provide a student-athlete are defined in the following subsections. (See Bylaw 16.9 for expenses that may be provided by individuals or organizations other than the institution.)

[16.8.1.1 through 16.8.1.7 unchanged.]

~~16.8.1.8 Foreign Tour Expenses. An institution may provide a student athlete with expenses for participation in an institution's foreign tour in his or her sport as provided in Bylaw 30.7.~~

[16.8.1.9 renumbered as 16.8.1.8, unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 16.11.1.12, as follows:

16.11.1.12 Miscellaneous Benefits. An institution may provide or arrange for the following benefits for a student-athlete:

~~(a) The use of a return ticket at any time after the conclusion of a foreign tour;~~

[16.11.1.12-(b) through 16.11.1.12-(h) relettered as 16.11.1.12-(a) through 16.11.1.12-(g), unchanged.]

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.7, as follows:

17.1.7 General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons Applicable to All Sports. [17.1.7-(a) through 17.1.7-(g) unchanged.]

~~(g) Foreign Tours. Participation by a member institution on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.2.9) need not be included within the institution's declared playing season limitation in the sport.~~

[17.1.7.1 unchanged.]

G. Bylaws: Amend 17.2, as follows:

17.2 BASEBALL. Regulations for computing the baseball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.2.1 through 17.2.4 unchanged.]

17.2.5 Number of Contests.

[17.2.5.1 unchanged.]

17.2.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in baseball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.2.9)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.2.5.2 through 17.2.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.2.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.2.9).~~

17.2.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.2.1, except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.2.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~(e.g., foreign tour)~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.2 unchanged.]

H. Bylaws: Amend 17.3, as follows:

17.3 BASKETBALL. Regulations for computing the basketball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.3.1 through 17.3.4 unchanged.]

17.3.5 Number of Contests.

[17.3.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.3.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.3.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in basketball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.3.5.2 through 17.3.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.3.5.4 Foreign Tour. The games played on a foreign basketball tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of contests, provided the tour is conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.3.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. In basketball, student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's playing season except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.3.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~(e.g., foreign tour)~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.3 unchanged.]

I. **Bylaws:** Amend 17.4, as follows:

17.4 BOWLING, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the bowling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.4.1 through 17.4.4 unchanged.]

17.4.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.4.5.1 unchanged.]

17.4.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in bowling in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.4.5.2 through 17.4.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.4.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth~~

~~in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.4.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season pursuant to Bylaw 17.4.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.4.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.4 unchanged.]

J. Bylaws: Amend 17.5, as follows:

17.5 CROSS COUNTRY. Regulations for computing the cross country playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.5.1 through 17.5.4 unchanged.]

17.5.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.5.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.5.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.5.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in cross country in one or more foreign countries **for U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.5.5.2 through 17.5.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.5.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.5.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.5.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.5.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.6 unchanged.]

K. Bylaws: Amend 17.6, as follows:

17.6 EQUESTRIAN, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the equestrian playing season set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.6.1 through 17.6.4 unchanged.]

17.6.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.6.5.1 unchanged.]

17.6.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in equestrian in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.6.5.2 through 17.6.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.6.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in equestrian on a foreign tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.6.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.6.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.6.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.6 unchanged.]

L. Bylaws: Amend 17.7, as follows:

17.7 FENCING. Regulations for computing the fencing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.7.1 through 17.7.4 unchanged.]

17.7.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.7.5.1 unchanged.]

17.7.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in fencing in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.7.5.1.2 unchanged.]

[17.7.5.2 unchanged.]

~~17.7.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.7.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.7.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.7.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.7 unchanged.]

M. Bylaws: Amend 17.8, as follows:

17.8 FIELD HOCKEY. Regulations for computing the field hockey playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.8.1 through 17.8.4 unchanged.]

17.8.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

[17.8.5.1 unchanged.]

17.8.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable field hockey contests or dates of competition in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests or dates of competition played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.8.5.2 through 17.8.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.8.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.8.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.8.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.8.6.1 Summer Practice. Field hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.8 unchanged.]

N. Bylaws: Amend 17.9, as follows:

17.9 FOOTBALL. Regulations for computing the football playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.9.1 through 17.9.3 unchanged.]

17.9.4 End of Playing Season. A member institution's last contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in football shall not be played after the second Saturday or Sunday in December, except for the following:

[17.9.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Bowl Games, NCAA and NAIA Championships, ~~International Competition~~, Heritage Bowl and Gridiron Classic. One postseason game approved by the Championships/Sports Management Cabinet or those games played in the Division I Football Championship; ~~football contests played on a foreign tour certified by the member institution~~, or the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics football championships. In championship subdivision football only, a member institution's last contest also may include participation in the Heritage Bowl or Gridiron Classic.

[17.9.4.1 through 17.9.4.3 unchanged.]

17.9.5 Number of Contests.

[17.9.5.1 unchanged.]

17.9.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in football in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.9.5.1.2 unchanged.]

17.9.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of football contests shall exclude the following:

[17.9.5.2-(a) through 17.9.5.2-(i) unchanged.]

~~(j) Foreign Tour. The football games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29);~~

[17.9.2.2-(a) through 17.9.5.2-(i) relettered as 17.9.2.2-(j) through 17.9.5.2-(k) unchanged.]

17.9.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the playing season, except as set forth in this bylaw (see Bylaw 17.1.6.2):

[17.9.6-(a) through 17.9.6-(b) unchanged.]

[17.9.6.1 unchanged.]

17.9.6.2 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws

~~(e.g., foreign tour)~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.9 unchanged.]

O. Bylaws: Amend 17.10, as follows:

17.10 GOLF. Regulations for computing the golf playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.10.1 through 17.10.4 unchanged.]

17.10.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.10.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.10.5.1.1 through 17.10.5.1.2 unchanged.]

17.10.5.1.3 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in golf in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.10.5.1.4 unchanged.]

[17.10.5.2 unchanged.]

~~17.10.5.3 Once in Four Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt a foreign tour from its maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.10.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.10.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.10.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~(e.g., foreign tour)~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.10 unchanged.]

P. Bylaws: Amend 17.11, as follows:

17.11 GYMNASTICS. Regulations for computing the gymnastics playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.11.1 through 17.11.4 unchanged.]

17.11.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.11.5.1 unchanged.]

17.11.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable gymnastics dates of competition in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.11.5.1.2 unchanged.]

[17.11.5.2 unchanged.]

~~17.11.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.11.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.11.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.11.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., *foreign tour*) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.11 unchanged.]

Q. Bylaws: Amend 17.12, as follows:

17.12 ICE HOCKEY. Regulations for computing the ice hockey playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.12.1 through 17.12.4 unchanged.]

17.12.5 Number of Contests.

[17.12.5.1 unchanged.]

17.12.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in ice hockey in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.12.5.2 through 17.12.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.12.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.12.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's

declared playing season per Bylaw 17.12.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.12.6.1 Summer Practice. Ice hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.12 unchanged.]

R. Bylaws: Amend 17.13, as follows:

17.13 LACROSSE. Regulations for computing the lacrosse playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.13.1 through 17.13.4 unchanged.]

17.13.5 Number and Dates of Competition.

[17.13.5.1 unchanged.]

17.13.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in lacrosse in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for dates of competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.13.5.2 through 17.13.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.13.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.13.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.13.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.13.6.1 Summer Practice. Lacrosse practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.13 unchanged.]

S. Bylaws: Amend 17.14, as follows:

17.14 RIFLE. Regulations for computing the rifle playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.14.1 through 17.14.4 unchanged.]

17.14.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.14.5.1 unchanged.]

17.14.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in rifle in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.2.5.2 through 17.2.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.14.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.14.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaws 17.14.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.14.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.14 unchanged.]

T. Bylaws: Amend 17.15, as follows:

17.15 ROWING, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the rowing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.) The following regulations apply independently to open and lightweight rowing programs.

[17.15.1 through 17.15.4 unchanged.]

17.15.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.15.5.1 unchanged.]

17.15.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in rowing in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.15.5.2 through 17.15.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.15.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in rowing on a foreign tour shall be excluded from the maximum number of dates of competition, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.15.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.15.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.15.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[17.15.7 through 17.15.8 unchanged.]

17.15.9 Other Restrictions.

17.15.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition.

17.15.9.1.1 During Academic Year. A student-athlete in rowing who participates during the academic year as a member of any outside rowing team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) except while representing the institution in intercollegiate rowing competition shall be ineligible for intercollegiate rowing competition unless eligibility is restored by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement (see Bylaw 14.7.3 for exceptions).

17.15.9.1.1.1 Vacation-Period Exception. A student-athlete may compete outside of the institution's declared playing and practice season as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition during any official vacation period published in the institution's catalog. **The number of student-athletes from any one institution shall not exceed two.**

[Remainder of 17.15 unchanged.]

U. Bylaws: Amend 17.16, as follows:

17.16 RUGBY, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the rugby playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.16.1 through 17.16.4 unchanged.]

17.16.5 Number of Contests.

[17.16.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.16.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.16.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in women's rugby in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.16.5.2 through 17.16.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.16.5.4 Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member~~

~~institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.16.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.16.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.16.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (*e.g., foreign tour*) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.16 unchanged.]

V. Bylaws: Amend 17.18, as follows:

17.18 SKIING. Regulations for computing the skiing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.18.1 through 17.18.4 unchanged.]

17.18.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.18.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.18.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.18.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in skiing in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.18.5.2 through 17.18.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.18.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.18.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.18.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.18.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (*e.g., foreign tour*) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.18 unchanged.]

W. Bylaws: Amend 17.19, as follows:

17.19 SOCCER. Regulations for computing the soccer playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.19.1 through 17.19.4 unchanged.]

17.19.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

[17.19.5.1 unchanged.]

17.19.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in soccer in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.19.5.2 through 17.19.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.19.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.19.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.20.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.19.6.1 Summer Practice. Soccer practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~(e.g., foreign tour)~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.19 unchanged.]

X. Bylaws: Amend 17.20, as follows:

17.20 SOFTBALL. Regulations for computing the softball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.20.1 through 17.20.4 unchanged.]

17.20.5 Number of Contests.

[17.20.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.20.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.20.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in softball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.20.5.2 through 17.20.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.20.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt those softball games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29), from its maximum number of softball contests during any academic year.~~

17.20.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.20.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.20.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., ~~foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.20 unchanged.]

Y. **Bylaws:** Amend 17.21, as follows:

17.21 SQUASH, WOMEN'S. Regulations for computing the squash playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.21.1 through 17.21.4 unchanged.]

17.21.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.21.5.1 unchanged.]

17.21.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in squash in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.21.5.2 through 17.21.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.21.5.4 Once In Four Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.21.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season pursuant to Bylaw 17.21.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.21.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., ~~foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.21 unchanged.]

Z. Bylaws: Amend 17.22, as follows:

17.22 SWIMMING AND DIVING. Regulations for computing the swimming and diving playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.22.1 through 17.22.4 unchanged.]

17.22.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.22.5.1 unchanged.]

17.22.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in swimming and diving in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.22.5.2 through 17.22.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.22.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.22.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season pursuant to Bylaw 17.22.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.22.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws ~~(e.g., foreign tour)~~ or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.22 unchanged.]

AA. Bylaws: Amend 17.23, as follows:

17.23 TENNIS. Regulations for computing the tennis playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.23.1 through 17.23.4 unchanged.]

17.23.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.23.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.23.5.1.1 through 17.23.5.1.3 unchanged.]

17.23.5.1.4 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in tennis in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.23.5.2 through 17.23.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.23.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.23.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.23.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.23.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., ~~foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.23 unchanged.]

BB. Bylaws: Amend 17.24, as follows:

17.24 TRACK AND FIELD, INDOOR /OUTDOOR. Regulations for computing the indoor/outdoor track and field playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.24.1 through 17.24.4 unchanged.]

17.24.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.24.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.24.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.24.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in indoor and outdoor track and field in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.24.5.2 through 17.24.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.24.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.24.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.24.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.24.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., ~~foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[17.24.6.1.1 unchanged.]

[Remainder of 17.24 unchanged.]

CC. Bylaws: Amend 17.25, as follows:

17.25 VOLLEYBALL. Regulations for computing the volleyball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.25.1 through 17.25.6 unchanged.]

17.25.7 Number of Dates of Competition — Women.

[17.25.7.1 unchanged.]

17.25.7.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition — Women. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in women's volleyball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.25.7.2 unchanged.]

17.25.8 Number of Dates of Competition — Men.

[17.25.8.1 unchanged.]

17.25.8.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition — Men. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in men's volleyball in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for those contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.25.8.2 unchanged.]

[17.25.9 unchanged.]

~~17.25.10 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may not exempt more than one foreign tour from its maximum number of dates of competition in volleyball during any academic year and may not repeat participation in a foreign tour within a four-year period. The tour shall be conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.25.11 ~~10~~ Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.25.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.25.11 ~~10~~.1 Summer Practice. Volleyball practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (~~e.g., foreign tour~~) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[17.25.12 through 17.25.13 renumbered as 17.25.11 through 17.25.12, unchanged.]

DD. Bylaws: Amend 17.26, as follows:

17.26 WATER POLO. Regulations for computing the men's and women's water polo playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.26.1 through 17.26.4 unchanged.]

17.26.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.26.5.1 unchanged.]

17.26.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in water polo in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

[17.26.5.2 through 17.26.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.26.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.26.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.26.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.26.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (*e.g., foreign tour*) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.26 unchanged.]

EE. Bylaws: Amend 17.27, as follows:

17.27 WRESTLING. Regulations for computing the wrestling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. (See Figure 17-1 and Figure 17-2.)

[17.27.1 through 17.27.4 unchanged.]

17.27.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

[17.27.5.1 unchanged.]

[17.27.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.27.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in wrestling in one or more foreign countries **or U.S. territories** except for competition in Canada and Mexico ~~or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29)~~, the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than

once every four years.

[17.27.5.2 through 17.27.5.3 unchanged.]

~~17.27.5.4 Once in Four Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. An institution may exempt the contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).~~

17.27.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.27.1 except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.

17.27.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations. An institution may pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sport.

[Remainder of 17.27 unchanged.]

FF. Bylaws: Amend 17.29, as follows:

17.29 FOREIGN TOURS

17.29.1 ~~Institutionally~~ **Institutional or Conference Certified** Tours. A member institution **or conference may shall not sponsor or** participate in ~~competition in any sport on a~~ foreign ~~tours~~ **tour certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth under Bylaw 30.7.**

~~17.29.1.1 Contest Exclusions. Any contest or date of competition played on a certified foreign tour shall be excluded from the limitations set forth in this bylaw.~~

~~17.29.1.2 Timing of Tour. A foreign tour taken during the summer vacation period shall be considered to have occurred during the academic year after the summer for purposes of Bylaws 17 and 30.7.~~

~~17.29.1.3 Tour to U.S. Territory or Commonwealth. A tour to a U.S. commonwealth (e.g., Puerto Rico) or a U.S. territory (e.g., Virgin Islands) is not considered a foreign tour.~~

17.29.2 Outside-Team Tours. An outside team that includes student-athletes from more than one member institution may participate in international competition in any sport on a foreign tour. However, any such outside team ~~that includes~~ **shall not include** more than the following number of student-athletes from the same member institution ~~must be certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7.~~

Baseball	4	Gymnastics	2	Softball	4
Basketball	2	Ice Hockey	4	Swimming and Diving	5
C r o s s Country	2	Lacrosse	5	Tennis	2
Fencing	4	Rifle	2	Track and Field	7

Field Hockey	5	Women's Rowing	2	Volleyball	2
Football	5	Skiing	4	Water Polo	4
Golf	2	Soccer	5	Wrestling	5

~~17.29.2.1 Institutional Foreign Tour Limitations. A member institution shall be charged with its foreign-tour opportunity in a sport and its once-in-four-years limitation if the institution is represented by more than the number of student athletes specified under Bylaw 17.29.2 on an outside team participating in a foreign tour in that sport.~~

GG. Administrative: Amend 30, as follows:

30 Administrative Regulations

[30.01 through 30.6 unchanged.]

~~30.7 FOREIGN TOURS AND COMPETITION. A member institution may participate in a foreign tour in any sport (see Bylaw 17.29), provided the conditions specified below are met.~~

~~30.7.1 Certification of Tour. The institution must certify in writing that the conditions set forth in this section are met and must maintain the certification on file in the athletics department.~~

~~30.7.2 Eligibility of Student Athletes. The eligibility of student athletes on the tour shall be governed by the following (see Bylaw 14.2.3.6):~~

~~(a) If the tour takes place during the summer, the student athletes shall have been eligible for intercollegiate competition during the previous academic year or shall have been enrolled at the institution as a full-time student during the previous academic year and have established by the beginning of the tour that he or she is eligible for competition the academic year immediately following the tour; or~~

~~(b) If the tour takes place after the academic year has started, the student athletes shall be regularly enrolled in the institution and eligible for intercollegiate competition.~~

~~30.7.2.1 Incoming Student Participation. It is permissible for an eligible incoming student athlete to represent the institution on a foreign tour that begins after the permissible starting practice date in the sport involved or after the first day of classes of his or her first regular term at the institution. An incoming student athlete (freshman or transfer) may participate in practice sessions conducted in preparation for a foreign tour only if such practice sessions occur either:~~

~~(a) On or after the first permissible practice date in the involved sport; or~~

~~(b) On or after the first day of classes of the student athlete's first regular academic term at the institution.~~

~~30.7.3 Football Postseason Opportunity. A foreign football tour shall be considered that institution's postseason opportunity for that season, the accounting period to commence with the start of the institution's normal beginning of fall football practice.~~

~~30.7.4 Time Lapse between Tours. An institution shall not engage in a foreign tour in each sport more than once every four years.~~

~~30.7.5 Maximum Number of Contests/Competition Dates. A team shall be limited to a maximum of three football games, 10 basketball games, or 10 contests or dates of competition in any other sport during and as part of the tour.~~

~~30.7.6 Opponents. The team shall not compete during the tour against other American teams (colleges or other U.S. teams) other than teams composed of U.S. armed forces personnel stationed at U.S. military bases in foreign countries.~~

~~30.7.6.1 Exception—Women's Rowing. It is permissible for rowing teams representing NCAA member institutions to compete against each other as part of the Henley Royal Regatta.~~

~~30.7.7 Practice Limitation. Not more than 10 days of practice are permitted prior to departure. Practice is prohibited outside the playing season one week prior to the beginning of the institution's final examination period for the applicable regular academic term through the conclusion of the final examination period.~~

~~30.7.8 Timing of Tour. A tour may only be scheduled during the summer vacation period between the institution's spring and fall terms or during an academic year vacation period (other than a Labor Day vacation period) published in the institution's official catalog. All travel to and from the foreign country must take place during such a vacation period. However, if the team crosses the international date line during the tour, the change of date will be disregarded and the equivalent time as measured in the United States will be used to determine the institution's vacation period.~~

~~30.7.8.1 Prohibition Prior to Championship Segment. In sports in which separate dates are specified for the first permissible date of practice and the first permissible date of competition for the championship segment (e.g., women's volleyball, basketball, baseball), an institution may not engage in a foreign tour during the period beginning 30 days prior to the first permissible practice date until the first permissible date for a contest or date of competition in the championship segment in the applicable sport. In sports in which the same date is specified for the first permissible date of practice and the first permissible date of competition (e.g., gymnastics, lacrosse, swimming and diving), an institution may not engage in a foreign tour for a period of 30 days prior to the first day of the institution's declared playing and practice season (first permissible date of practice or competition) for the championship segment in the applicable sport.~~

~~30.7.9 Per Diem. An institution may provide a student athlete \$20 cash per day to cover unitemized incidental expenses incurred in connection with a foreign tour in his or her particular sport. This expense allowance may be provided each day of the tour, up to a maximum of 21 days.~~

~~30.7.10 Passports. An institution may purchase passports for its student athletes that are required for travel in connection with a foreign tour, and student athletes may retain ownership of such passports. The institution also may provide student athletes with reasonable local transportation to obtain such passports.~~

[30.8 through 30.18 renumbered as 30.7 through 30.17, unchanged.]

Source: Pacific-10 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate; a contract signed before August 14, 2009, may be honored.

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Administrative Regulations

Rationale: While visiting foreign nations is a part of the learning experience, foreign tours are viewed by many institutions as an additional opportunity to get a head start on the ensuing season. Saving the costs of such tours seems to be logical in difficult economic times. In addition, when women's rowing moved from emerging sport status to championship status, placing a limit on the number of student-athletes who may compete for an outside team was apparently overlooked. If this proposal is adopted, such a limit will be important in order to prevent an institution's team from participating in an outside tour as a team.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential for significant savings.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: Reduction on time demands of student-athletes.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal. Some cabinet members oppose taking away the cultural opportunities gained by student-athletes on foreign tours; however, the majority of the cabinet agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Men's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee opposes the proposal.

* Educational and cultural opportunities outweigh concerns related to costs. The legislation is permissive in nature and institutions should retain the autonomy to determine the potential economic impact and whether it is appropriate for teams to participate.

* Many institution's teams self-generate funds through fundraising activities to cover expenses for foreign tours.

* Current legislation related to the timing and frequency of foreign tours provide adequate safeguards against recruiting and competitive equity concerns.

Men's Soccer Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The decision regarding a foreign tour should be institutional. Foreign tours provide opportunities for educational and cultural growth.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee took no formal position. The committee noted that the current legislation is permissive in nature and institutions should have the autonomy to determine if a foreign tour is appropriate for a team. The committee also recognized that in the current financial climate and due to the diversity of institutions in Division I, there are many programs that do not have the funds to send their teams on a foreign tour, which may cause competitive equity concerns.

Women's Gymnastics Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee recognizes the need to reduce costs; but the decision regarding a foreign tour should be institutional. Student-athletes may not be able to participate in international programs (e.g., study abroad) that are available to the general student population. Foreign tours provide opportunities to help the growth of the sport abroad while at the same time allow student-athletes to sample the culture of other countries.

Women's Lacrosse Committee: The committee opposes the proposal. The committee recognizes the need to reduce costs; but the decision regarding a foreign tour should be institutional. Student-athletes may not be able to participate in international programs (e.g., study abroad) that are available to the general student population. Foreign tours provide opportunities to help the growth of the sport abroad while at the same time allow student-athletes to sample the culture of other countries.

History:

Jul 14, 2009 Submit Submitted for consideration.

Aug 18, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Defeat

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, No Formal Position

Sep 02, 2009 Women's Gymnastics Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 09, 2009 Women's Lacrosse Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 10, 2009 Men's Soccer Committee, Recommends Defeat

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval

No. 2009-88 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS — FOREIGN TOURS AND COMPETITION — ELIGIBILITY OF STUDENT-ATHLETES — INCOMING-STUDENT PARTICIPATION — BASKETBALL

Intent: In basketball, to permit an incoming student-athlete (freshman or transfer) to represent the institution on a foreign tour that occurs during the summer prior to his or her initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution, provided: (a) he or she has earned at least three hours of acceptable degree credit during the summer term at the certifying institution; and (b) he or she is eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition during the academic year immediately following the tour; further, to specify that a basketball student-athlete shall not participate in more than one institutional foreign tour.

A. Administrative: Amend 30.7.2.1, as follows:

30.7.2.1 Incoming-Student Participation. It is permissible for an eligible incoming student-athlete to represent the institution on a foreign tour that begins after the permissible starting practice date in the sport involved or after the first day of classes of his or her first regular term at the institution. An incoming student-athlete (freshman or transfer) may participate in practice sessions conducted in preparation for a foreign tour only if such practice sessions occur either:

(a) On or after the first permissible practice date in the involved sport; or

(b) On or after the first day of classes of the student-athlete's first regular academic term at the institution.

30.7.2.1.1 Exception — Basketball. In basketball, it is permissible for an incoming student-athlete (freshman or transfer) to represent the institution on a foreign tour that occurs during the summer prior to his or her initial full-time enrollment at the certifying

institution, provided the following conditions are met:

(a) He or she has earned at least three hours of acceptable degree credit during the summer term at the certifying institution; and

(b) He or she is eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition during the academic year immediately following the tour.

B. Administrative: Amend 30.7.4, as follows:

30.7.4 Time Lapse between Tours. An institution shall not engage in a foreign tour in each sport more than once every four years. **In basketball, a student-athlete shall not participate in more than one institutional foreign tour.**

Source: Atlantic 10 Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2010

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Administrative Regulations

Rationale: An institution is not permitted to engage in a foreign tour in each sport more than once every four years. Therefore, a student-athlete who initially enrolls as a freshman during the fall term after a summer foreign tour will not have an opportunity to participate in the institution's next foreign tour until the summer after his or her senior year. By that time, many student-athletes will have graduated and/or exhausted their eligibility. Consequently, one class every four years may not have a legitimate opportunity to participate on a foreign tour. This proposal addresses this issue in basketball by allowing an incoming student-athlete to participate in a foreign tour that takes place during the summer prior to initial full-time enrollment, provided certain conditions are satisfied. Prospective student-athletes who enroll in an institution's summer term prior to initial full-time enrollment are no longer subject to contact restrictions, are eligible for financial aid, are eligible to participate in voluntary summer workouts with strength and conditioning coaches and are considered student-athletes for purposes of Bylaw 16. Consistent with such treatment, incoming basketball student-athletes should also be permitted to participate in a foreign tour with their teammates during the summer prior to enrollment.

Estimated Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time: None.

Position Statement(s)

Championships/Sports Management Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale.

Men's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal. The committee acknowledges that there may be some logistical issues related to the timing of a tour and an institution's summer term, but believes that entering student-athletes should have the opportunity to participate on a foreign tour with their new teammates.

Women's Basketball Issues Committee: The committee supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale. The committee believes that entering student-athletes should have the

opportunity to participate in a foreign tour with their team.

History:

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Aug 18, 2009 Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Aug 21, 2009 Women's Basketball Issues Committee, Recommends Approval

Sep 16, 2009 Championships/Sports Management Cabinet, Recommends Approval