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UTEP ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE NEWSLETTER

## COMPLIANCE HOT SHOT



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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL  
ASSISTANT COACH

Paty does an excellent job of communicating with the compliance department. She is very proactive, and always communicates compliance questions and issues to the staff. We would like to thank Paty for her involvement with and support of the compliance staff.

## APRIL RECRUITING CALENDARS

QUIET	EVALUATION	CONTACT	DEAD
EVALUATION / QUIET			

### TRACK/CROSS COUNTRY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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### SOFTBALL

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## AGENTS REMINDER

Any agreement with an agent, in writing or verbally to market his or her athletic skills will render a student-athlete ineligible for intercollegiate athletic competition. Additionally, any athletics department staff member that introduces an agent to a student-athlete is in violation of NCAA Bylaw 10.1.



## SPORTS WAGERING (GAMBLING)

The NCAA prohibits any athletics department staff members, staff members who have responsibilities within or over the athletics department, and student-athletes from wagering anything of tangible value on intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition.



### FOOTBALL

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### SOCCER

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### VOLLEYBALL

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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### OTHER SPORTS

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### MEN'S BASKETBALL

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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## **NLI SIGNING REMINDERS**

- By signing a National Letter of Intent, a prospective student-athlete agrees to attend the institution full-time for one academic year, provided the prospect meets all applicable university, conference, and NCAA rules for the receipt of aid. Additionally, the NLI must be accompanied by a financial aid agreement, which serves as the institution's commitment to provide athletics related financial aid for one academic year.
- An important provision of the NLI program is a recruiting prohibition applied after a prospective student-athlete signs the NLI. This prohibition requires member institutions to cease recruitment of a prospective student-athlete once an NLI is signed with another institution.

## **INSTITUTIONAL SPORTS CAMPS/CLINICS REMINDERS**

- An institution's sports camp or instructional clinic shall be any camp or clinic that is owned or operated by a member institution or an employee of the member institution's athletics department, either on or off its campus, and in which prospective student-athletes participate.
- In bowl subdivision football, an institution's camp or clinic may be conducted only during 10 days in the months of June [or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days in June (e.g., May 28-June 3)] and July. The dates must be on file in the office of the athletics director. In football, an institution's camp or clinic shall be conducted on the institution's campus or in facilities regularly used by the institution for practice or competition.
- 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). In basketball, 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. In men's basketball, all institutional men's/boys' camps and clinics shall offer the same participation, registration procedure, fee structure, advertisement and/or logistical experience (e.g., lodging, meals, transportation or awards/mementos). In women's basketball, all institutional women's/girls' camps and clinics

shall offer the same participation, registration procedure, fee structure, advertisement and/or logistical experience (e.g., lodging, meals, transportation or awards/mementos).

- The interaction during sports camps and clinics between prospective student-athletes and those coaches employed by the camp or clinic is not subject to the recruiting calendar restrictions. However, an institutional staff member employed at any camp or clinic (e.g., counselor, director) is prohibited from recruiting any prospective student-athlete during the time period that the camp or clinic is conducted (from the time the prospective student-athlete reports to the camp or clinic until the conclusion of all camp activities). The prohibition against recruiting includes extending written offers of financial aid to any prospective student-athlete during his or her attendance at the camp or clinic (see Bylaw 13.9.2.2), but does not include recruiting conversations between the certifying institution's coach and a participating prospective student-athlete during the institution's camps or clinics. Other coaches wishing to attend the camp as observers must comply with appropriate recruiting contact and evaluation periods. In addition, institutional camps or clinics may not be conducted during a dead period.
- In sports other than women's basketball, an institution's coach may arrange and conduct a campus tour during the institution's camp or clinic, provided the format of the tour has been approved by an institutional authority outside the athletics department (e.g., admissions office).
- In women's basketball, an institutional coaching staff member may engage in recruiting activities (e.g., campus tour, meeting with academic advisor) with prospective student-athletes during an institutional camp or clinic.
- In football, an institutional coaching staff member who is permissibly employed at a camp or clinic (see Bylaws 13.12.2.3.4 and 13.12.2.3.5) may engage in recruiting conversations with a prospective student-athlete during the time period that the camp or clinic is conducted (from the time the prospective student-athlete reports to the camp or clinic until the conclusion of all camp activities).

- An institutional camp or clinic advertisement or promotion (e.g., camp brochure, website, newspaper or magazine advertisement) must indicate that the camp or clinic is open to any and all entrants (limited only by number, age, grade level and/or gender).

- A student-athlete may be employed in any sports camp or clinic, provided compensation is provided pursuant to the criteria of Bylaw 12.4.1. A student-athlete who only lectures or demonstrates at a camp/clinic may not receive compensation for his or her appearance at the camp/clinic.

## **NONINSTITUTIONAL SPORTS CAMPS/ CLINICS REMINDERS**

- In basketball, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to basketball may be employed only at his or her institution's camps or clinics. Participation in such camps or clinics is limited to 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). It is not permissible for a basketball coach or a noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to basketball to be employed at other institutional camps or clinics or at noninstitutional privately owned camps or clinics.

- In bowl subdivision football, an institution's coach (including a graduate assistant coach who has successfully completed the coaches' certification examination) may be employed (either on a salaried or volunteer basis) in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) only by his or her institution's camps or clinics or another four-year, NCAA member institution's camps or clinics. A noncoaching athletics department staff member with responsibilities specific to football may be employed only by his or her institution's camps or clinics. Employment in such a camp or clinic is limited to 10 days in the months of June [or any calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that includes days in June (e.g., May 28-June 3)] and July. The dates must be on file in the office of the athletics director. It is not permissible for a football coach to be employed at a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic. It is not permissible for a noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to football to be employed at other institutional camps or clinics or at noninstitutional, privately owned camps or clinics.

- In softball, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to softball 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 an institutional camp or clinic (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to or employment of athletics award winners). Employment in such a camp or clinic is limited to periods when evaluation at nonscholastic practice or competition activities is permissible. During periods in which it is not permissible to evaluate at nonscholastic practice or competition activities, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to softball may be employed (either on a salaried or volunteer basis) only at institutional (his or her own or another institution's) camps or clinics that occur on any institution's campus or at a facility regularly used by the institution for practice or competition.

- In women's volleyball, an institution's coach or noncoaching staff member with responsibilities specific to women's 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 an institutional camp or clinic (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 women's volleyball to be employed (either on salaried or a volunteer basis) in 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.

- In sports other than basketball, football, softball 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). Participation in such camps or clinics is not subject to the location restriction in Bylaw 13.12.1.2.

- A noncoaching athletics staff member who does not have sport-specific responsibilities may present an educational session at a noninstitutional, privately owned camp/clinic that is not operated under the restrictions applicable to institutional camps/clinics, provided the staff member does not make a recruiting presentation.

## **NCAA INTERPRETATIONS OF INTEREST**

### **Recruited Status when Receiving a Written Offer of Athletically Related Financial Aid (I) - March 8, 2018**

The committee determined a prospective student-athlete who receives any type of written correspondence (e.g., letter, email, text, etc.) that indicates an offer of athletically related financial aid is considered recruited. However, a prospective student-athlete who receives a written offer of athletically related financial aid to attend a summer session prior to full-time enrollment is not considered recruited.

### **Final Academic Year Exception - Summer Graduation (I) - March 27, 2018**

The committee determined that, for the purpose of meeting the six-hour requirement, if an institution certifies that a student-athlete is enrolled in courses necessary to complete degree requirements during the summer term, it is permissible to use credit hours that count toward any degree program for the regular academic terms (i.e., final two semesters or three quarters) in the academic year immediately prior to the summer of graduation.

### **Nine-Hour Requirement for a Football Student-Athlete Who Fulfills Graduation Requirements (I) - March 27, 2018**

The committee determined that a football student-athlete who does not successfully complete nine semester hours or eight quarter hours of academic credit during the fall term, but completes the courses necessary to receive a baccalaureate degree from the institution shall not be subject to the four contest competition restriction.

Further, a football student-athlete who is in the final academic year (final two semesters or three quarters) of his or her designated degree

program may use credit hours acceptable toward any of the institution's degree programs to satisfy the nine semester or eight quarter hour requirement, provided the institution certifies that the student is enrolled in courses necessary to complete degree requirements at the end of the two semesters or three quarters. Thereafter, the student-athlete shall forfeit eligibility in all sports, unless he or she completes all degree requirements during the final two semesters or three quarters and is eligible to earn his or her baccalaureate degree on the institution's next degree-granting date.

### **Eligibility of Student-Athlete to Compete Between Final Undergraduate Term and First Term as a Graduate/Postbaccalaureate Student (I) - March 27, 2018**

The committee confirmed that a student-athlete's eligibility for competition between his or her final term as an undergraduate student and his or her first term as a graduate/postbaccalaureate student is subject to the conditions of the eligibility between terms legislation.

### **Participation in Practice After Exhausting Eligibility (I) - March 27, 2018**

The committee confirmed that in order to participate in organized practice sessions, a student (other than a former student-athlete participating on an occasional basis) must have eligibility remaining under the five-year rule.

### **Eligibility for Practice and Regular-Season Competition Following Last Term of Eligibility (I) - March 27, 2018**

The committee confirmed that a student-athlete who completes his or her degree requirements may participate in practice and regular-season competition that precedes a postseason event that begins within 60 days after the end of the term [including an academic year interim term (e.g., mini-term, J-term)] in which the student completes the requirements for the degree (or graduate eligibility), provided the student has not exhausted his or her five years of eligibility.

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