



Unofficial Visits

A prospective student-athlete may make an unlimited number of unofficial visits to any institution he or she chooses. Please remember the following points regarding unofficial visits:

- A prospect may take an unofficial visit at any time (except in the month of July in MBB, and during the July evaluation period in WBB).
- The prospect is responsible for all expenses incurred during the visit.
- Prospects may receive up to three complimentary admissions to a home athletics contest.
- A prospect may eat with other prospects that are on official visits provided he or she pays the full cost of the meal.
- A prospect may stay the night with an enrolled student-athlete (on campus only) provided he or she pays the regular institutional rate for a one night stay (if UTEP requires that guests pay).

Please also remember to provide the following documentation to the Compliance Office following unofficial visits:

- Unofficial Visit Log (to be completed by the coach)
- Unofficial Visit Form (to be completed by the prospect), along with any supporting documentation attached (receipts from meal/lodging payment/transportation e.g. flight confirmation).

NLI Reminders

With the Fall NLI Signing Period approaching, please be reminded of the Dead Period that surrounds it. This year, the Dead Period is as follows:

All sports except for Cross Country/Track and Field, Football, & Soccer:

Monday November 8 through Thursday November 11.

NO Official Visits, Unofficial Visits, Contacts, Evaluations, Camps, or Speeches at Banquets may occur!

November 10-17 is the early signing period for sports **other than Football, Soccer, Cross Country/Track & Field**. Signees in this period **MUST** sign by the end of the day on the 17th.

Please have your NLI request forms turned in to Fadia by November 3rd!

Telephone Calls: During the initial 3 days (Nov. 10-13) of the signing period, unlimited phone calls may be made to prospects. On the calendar day **AFTER** a prospect signs an NLI, there shall be no limit on phone calls to that individual.

Text/Instant Messaging: It is not permissible to text/instant message prospects! On the day **AFTER** a prospect signs an NLI, text/instant messages are permissible on an unlimited basis to that individual.

**During the Signing Period, General Correspondence and emails may still be sent as you normally would .



Recruiting Calendars

Men's Basketball:

Contact: October 1-5

Evaluation: October 6-31

Women's Basketball:

Contact: October 1-6*

Evaluation: October 6-31

Football:

42 evaluation days between Sept, Oct, & Nov.

Softball:

Contact: October 1-31

Track/CC:

Contact: October 1-31

Volleyball:

Contact: October 1-31

All Other Sports:

Contact: October 1-31

*October 1-3: Evaluations permitted at non-scholastic WBB events.

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Rules Education Sessions:

- **Olympic Coaches:** TBA, Meeting information will be sent out next week
- **MBB:** TBA, Foster Stevens
- **WBB:** TBA, Foster Stevens
- **FB:** TBA, Durham Center



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Team Travel

Please take the restrictions set forth in NCAA Bylaw 16.8.1.2.1 into account while planning team travel. This Bylaw states that a team may not depart from campus earlier than 48 hours prior to the start of the actual competition.

Scenario: Women's Rifle has an away match starting at 9AM on a Saturday. The Rifle team may not depart campus prior to 9AM on Thursday.

In addition, a team may not return home any later than 36 hours (24 hours in Men's Basketball) following an away-from-home contest.

Teams traveling by bus cannot depart from campus earlier than 48 hours prior to the competition. If you are traveling by plane, the team cannot depart from campus to go to the airport earlier than 48 hours prior to the scheduled competition. If team competition occurs in a different time zone, this rule still applies. Mountain Time will be used to determine the first opportunity to depart from campus. For example...if a contest is scheduled for 5PM EST on Saturday in Greenville, NC, the team can leave no earlier than 3PM GMT on Thursday. All questions regarding this should be directed to the Compliance Office.

Compliance Hot Shot



Ewa Laskowska
Women's Basketball

The Compliance Office would like to recognize Ewa's proactive approach to compliance. She always "Asks before she acts" and we commend her for completing her monthly reports on time.

Gambling Reminder

The NCAA prohibits all athletics department staff members, coaches, and student athletes from wagering anything of value on any sport that the NCAA sponsors.



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 athletics competition.

Additionally, any athletics department staff member that introduces an agent to a student-athlete is in violation of NCAA Bylaw 10.1.

Booster Contact

A representative of athletics interest (or booster) may not aid the coaching staff in the recruitment process.

Telephone: Boosters may only speak to a prospect via telephone if the prospect initiates the call and the call is not for recruiting purposes.

Observing Prospect's Contest: A booster can view a prospects contest on his or her own initiative. The booster may not come into contact with a prospect or his/her parents in this situation.

Evaluation of Prospect: A booster may not contact a prospect's school or coach in order to evaluate the prospect.

On Campus Visits: A booster may never come into contact with a prospect while he or she is visiting UTEP's campus on either an official or unofficial visit (including tailgates prior to or following athletics contests).

Missed Class Time

A student-athlete may not miss class in order to attend a practice. However, a student-athlete may miss class for practice that occurs prior to departing to an away from home contest, as long as the practice is held on UTEP's campus. Please contact the MAAC with questions regarding missed class time.

Training Table

One training table meal per day may be provided to student-athletes during the academic year. These meals may only be provided to student-athletes that receive board as part of their scholarship. If a walk-on or partial scholarship student-athlete wishes to eat with his or her teammates at training table, he or she must pay for the cost of the meal at the same rate that we pay for aided student-athletes.

Did you know?...that Texas is the only state that is allowed to fly its state flag at the same height as the U.S. flag.