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UTEP ATHLETICS COMPLIANCE NEWSLETTER

## COMPLIANCE HOTSHOT



**Mika Laaksonen**

**Track & Field Head Coach**

The compliance office would like to recognize the efforts Mika has made to make sure his team and staff are following NCAA rules. Mika always does a great job of communicating with compliance on any questions he and his staff have, as well as making sure he and his staff are up to date with all compliance tasks.

## 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 with or over the athletics department, and student-athletes from wagering anything of tangible value on intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition.



## April

## RECRUITING CALENDARS

- QUIET
- EVALUATION
- CONTACT
- EVALUATION / QUIET
- RECRUITING SHUTDOWN
- DEAD

### FOOTBALL

SU	M	TU	W	TH	F	SA
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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### MEN'S BASKETBALL

SU	M	TU	W	TH	F	SA
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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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### TRACK & CROSS COUNTRY

SU	M	TU	W	TH	F	SA
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### MEN'S GOLF

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### VOLLEYBALL

SU	M	TU	W	TH	F	SA
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### SOFTBALL

SU	M	TU	W	TH	F	SA
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### OTHER SPORTS

SU	M	TU	W	TH	F	SA
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# NCAA Educational Column: 2021 Modernization

## Legislative Proposals - Part I

The following questions and answers are designed to assist the NCAA Division I membership in understanding application contexts for the 2021 proposals introduced and adopted by the NCAA Division I Council through the modernization legislative track.

### Proposal No. 2021-10

This legislation eliminated the prohibition on the use of tobacco products.

#### #1

**Q:** Does Proposal No. 2021-10 permit student-athletes or institutional personnel to use tobacco during practice and competition?

**A:** Proposal No. 2021-10 recognizes that a prohibition on the use of tobacco is more appropriately addressed as a health and safety policy or within playing rules, as opposed to an operating bylaw that requires monitoring and enforcement oversight.

### Proposal No. 2021-11

This legislation eliminated the restrictions on endorsements of specific entities and individuals associated with prospects.

#### #1

**Q:** May an institutional athletics department staff member be employed by a recruiting or scouting service?

**A:** No. Proposal No. 2021-11 only eliminates the endorsement provision (e.g., social media endorsement) related to recruiting and scouting services. The remaining limitations (e.g., employment, consultant, advisory panels) continue to apply.

#### #2

**Q:** May an institutional athletics staff member be employed by a noninstitutional athletics event involving prospective student-athletes?

**A:** No. Proposal No. 2021-11 only eliminates the endorsement provision (e.g., social media post regarding an event a coach will attend) related to noninstitutional athletics events involving prospective student-athletes. The remaining limitations (e.g., employment, consultant) continue to apply.

### Proposal No. 2021-12

This legislation eliminated the content and production restriction on video/audio materials and eliminated the restrictions on express mail services.

#### #1

**Q:** May an institution provide a prospective student-athlete with personalized video/audio material?

**A:** Yes, provided the prospective student-athlete has reached the first permissible date to receive recruiting materials.

#### #2

**Q:** May an institution provide a prospective student-athlete with video/audio material that was created by an entity or individual who is not employed by the institution?

**A:** Yes, provided the prospective student-athlete has reached the first permissible date to receive recruiting materials.

#### #3

**Q:** May an institution provide printed recruited materials via "priority" or other express mail types to a prospective student-athlete?

**A:** Yes. Proposal No. 2021-12 eliminates the specifications on what class of mail may be used to send printed recruiting materials to a prospective student-athlete.

#### #4

**Q:** May an institution display personalized video/audio material on a scoreboard/video board during a prospective student-athlete's official or unofficial visit to campus?

**A:** No. Such an activity is considered a personalized recruiting aid and celebrates the prospective student-athlete's visit to campus which is not permitted.

#### #5

**Q:** Before a prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or after the institution has received the prospective student-athlete's financial deposit in response to its offer of admission, may an institution provide the prospective student-athlete with a digital storage device (e.g., flash drive, CD) that contains audio/video materials?

**A:** No. NCAA Division I Bylaw 13.2.1 prohibits institutions from providing any tangible items to prospective student-athletes that are not recruiting materials. Electronic versions of printed material and digital media (e.g., video and audio material) may be provided to prospective student-athletes via electronic correspondence.

#### #6

**Q:** After a prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid or after the institution has received the prospective student-athlete's financial deposit in response to its offer of admission, may an institution provide the prospective student-athlete with a digital storage device (e.g., flash drive, CD) that contains personalized audio/video materials and/or necessary pre-enrollment information?

**A:** Yes.

#### #7

**Q:** May an institution provide a prospective student-athlete with printed material that produce sounds when opened (e.g., greeting cards that play a fight song or recorded message)?

**A:** Yes. An institution may provide a prospective student-athlete with printed recruiting material that produces sound. Proposal No. 2021-12 eliminated the content restrictions for audio material.

## Top 10 // Off Day Reminders

1. One off-day is required per week during a team's playing season (20-hour segment), while two off-days are required per week outside a team's playing season (8-hour segment).
2. Required health and medical activities and required academic activities are permitted on a day off.
3. Student-athletes must be provided with one day off during a vacation period week. During a team's playing season, a vacation day may be used to satisfy the day-off-per-week requirement.
4. All CARA activities are prohibited on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in order to allow student-athletes time to participate in civic engagement activities.
5. A travel day may not be used to satisfy the day-off-per-week requirement. The Athletic Director may approve the use of Conference USA's exception to allow a return travel day to satisfy the day-off-per-week requirement in the event of limited travel options.
6. A travel day to or from Hawaii or Alaska may be used to satisfy the day-off-per-week requirement.
7. If a team participates in three contests in a seven-day period, they are not required to provide an off-day during such week, provided student-athletes do not engage in any required activities for two days in either the preceding or the following week.
8. Teams are not required to take an off day during the week they participate in a conference or NCAA championship event, or non-NCAA postseason championship.
9. Required life-skills activities that involve multiple sports and are organized by the life skills department are permitted on a student-athlete's off day.
10. Student-athletes must be provided with 14 off days during the academic year in addition to the required one or two off days per week.

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