

NCAA Student-Athlete Reinstatement Calendar

AUGUST

1. *Ensure coaches communicate roster change information regarding walk-on student-athletes to compliance so that eligibility (NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse certification, progress toward degree or transfer) requirements are satisfied and certification can occur prior to participation in competition.*

Goal: Avoid competition by academically ineligible student-athletes.

Potential Student-Athlete-Reinstatement (SAR) Ramification: Student-athlete is ineligible. Institution must seek reinstatement and withhold student-athlete from competition until a reinstatement decision is rendered. Possible additional withholding from competition or practice and repayment of impermissible athletics aid by nonqualifiers.

2. *Remind incoming and returning student-athletes, as well as university bookstore personnel, of book scholarship limitations and procedures to ensure compliance with legislation.*

Goal. Avoid providing student-athletes with impermissible books or course supplies.

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SEPTEMBER

1. *Review the parameters of hardship waiver and extension legislation with coaches and training room staff members.*

Goal: To ensure an institution properly documents injuries and retains medical records, as well as help to avoid a student-athlete from competing in contests or dates of competition that exceed the specific parameters of the hardship legislation (e.g., cannot compete in more than 20 percent of scheduled or completed contests or in the second half of the season).

Potential SAR Ramification: Student-athlete does not qualify for waiver or extension.

2. *Review the parameters of season-of-competition waivers with coaches.*

Goal: To avoid a student-athlete losing a season of competition unnecessarily (e.g., coach puts student-athlete in the last play of the last regular season game mistakenly thinking it will not trigger student-athlete using a season of competition).

Potential SAR Ramification: Student-athlete does not qualify for waiver.

- 3. Confirm student-athlete full-time enrollment - remind student-athletes and coaches of the requirement.*

Goal: Avoid competition by student-athletes who are ineligible.

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- 4. Discuss extra benefit legislation with student-athletes, coaches, other athletics department staff members and boosters and remind them to ASK compliance if there is any doubt whether something can be provided under NCAA legislation.*

Goal: Avoid extra benefit violations.

Potential SAR Ramification: Student-athlete is ineligible. Institution must seek reinstatement and withhold student-athlete from competition until a reinstatement decision is rendered. Repayment of the value of the benefit and possible additional withholding from competition based on value of impermissible benefit and student-athlete's culpability.

- 5. Review employment legislation including fee for lessons with student-athletes and coaches.*

Goal: Avoid employment violation: Not paid the going rate or not paid for work actually performed.

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- 6. Review permissible promotional legislation with coaches, and student-athletes and other appropriate staff members.*

Goal: Avoid student-athletes from engaging in impermissible promotional activity.

Potential SAR Ramification: Student-athlete is ineligible. Institution must seek reinstatement and withhold student-athlete from competition until a reinstatement decision is rendered. Repayment of compensation (if any) and possible additional withholding from competition.

7. *Review with golf student-athletes and coaches that receipt of golf gift certificates based on performance in events is not permissible while enrolled as a regular student during the academic year.*

Goal: Avoid student-athletes from accepting impermissible benefits.

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8. *Review complimentary ticket legislation with ticket staff, coaches and student-athletes.*

Goal: Avoid extra benefits violation(s) due to violation (e.g., receipt of too many tickets and value is over \$100).

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9. *Review gambling legislation [e.g., organized (bookie and internet), pools, fantasy leagues and casual bets].*

Goal: Avoid gambling activities.

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10. *Review ethical conduct legislation [e.g., academic fraud, furnishing false or misleading information concerning involvement in NCAA violations].*

Goal: Avoid ethical conduct violations.

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11. *Review amateurism legislation regarding receipt of prize money postenrollment with all student-athletes, particularly tennis, golf and track and field student-athletes, specifically noting impermissibility of postenrollment receipt of prize money even when it is less than actual and necessary expenses.*

Goal: Avoid prize money violations.

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DECEMBER

1. *Review rules regarding permissible outside competition during vacation periods during the academic year with student-athletes and coaches.*

Goal: Avoid impermissible outside competition by student-athletes.

Potential SAR Ramification: Student-athlete is ineligible. Institution must seek reinstatement and withhold student-athlete from competition until a reinstatement decision is rendered. Possible additional withholding from competition.

2. *Review eligibility requirements and permissible expenses for postseason competition with appropriate coaching staff members.*

Goal: Avoid receipt of impermissible extra benefits or participation by ineligible student-athletes.

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JANUARY

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3. *Review the parameters of season-of-competition waivers with coaches.*

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4. *Confirm student-athlete full-time enrollment - remind student-athletes and coaches of the requirement.*

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5. *Review camp brochure legislation, especially permissible use of student-athletes' names and photographs, with coaches and other appropriate staff members.*

Goal: Avoid having impermissible use of student-athlete's name or photograph (e.g., not in counselor section).

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FEBRUARY

- *Advise student-athletes to speak to academic advisors regarding progress-toward-degree requirements and what summer classes, if any, are needed to meet these requirements.*

Goal: Avoid competition of academically ineligible student-athlete.

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APRIL

1. *Review rules regarding permissible outside competition during vacation periods outside the academic year (i.e., summer) with student-athletes and coaches.*

Goal: Avoid impermissible outside competition by student-athletes.

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2. *Discuss amateurism legislation, including competition with professional teams, with coaches and student-athletes (especially international).*

Goal: Avoid post enrollment amateurism violations.

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3. *Review amateurism legislation regarding receipt of prize money postenrollment with tennis, golf and track and field student-athletes, specifically noting impermissibility of postenrollment receipt of prize money even when it is less than actual and necessary expenses.*

Goal: Avoid prize money violations.

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4. *Review legislation regarding permissible tryout activities, including receipt of expenses, especially with men's basketball student-athletes [e.g., predraft camp held by the National Basketball Association (NBA)]*

Goal: Avoid violations involving impermissible tryouts or receipt of associated benefits.

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MAY

1. *Educate student-athletes, coaches, athletics department staff members and other appropriate offices (e.g., financial aid) on summer school legislation for returning student-athletes (e.g., must be in proportion to the amount of aid in the previous academic year) and prospective student-athletes (e.g., must be enrolled in a minimum of six hours).*

Goal: To avoid impermissible awarding of summer financial aid.

Potential SAR Ramification: Student-athlete is ineligible. Institution must seek reinstatement and withhold student-athlete from competition until a reinstatement decision is rendered. Possible repayment or withholding.

2. *Review rules regarding permissible outside competition during the summer with student-athletes and coaches. (Please note specifics for participation in a summer basketball leagues.)*

Goal: Avoid impermissible outside competition by student-athletes.

Potential SAR Ramification: Student-athlete is ineligible. Institution must seek reinstatement and withhold student-athlete from competition until a reinstatement decision is rendered. Possible additional withholding from competition.

SUMMER

- *Remind coaches it is important to update compliance office during the summer regarding incoming student-athletes to avoid delays in certification process and possible participation while ineligible.*

GENERAL NOTES:

The list above is not all inclusive, but is created to serve as a resource and an educational guide for institutions. Institutions should alter this calendar depending specific institutional needs and own calendar.

Refer to SAR Web site for more information (e.g., amateurism directives, forms for filing an initial request for reinstatement/waiver and an appeal, guidelines, policies and procedures etc.)

Access the Web site at:

http://www2.ncaa.org/legislation_and_governance/compliance/student_athlete_reinstatement.html.

Remember to submit reinstatement or waiver request as early as possible.

Please feel free to contact the SAR staff for additional questions regarding reinstatement process or suggested topics for the calendar.