

**COMPLIANCE NEWS** 

October 25, 2013 – October 31, 2013

#### **RECRUITING CALENDER**

<u>Baseball</u>

Oct 25 - Oct 31: Contact Period

Men's Basketball

Oct 25 - Oct 31: Contact Period

Women's Basketball

Oct 25 - Oct 31: Evaluation Period

Football

Oct 25 - Oct 31: Evaluation Period

Cross Country/Track

Oct 25 - Oct 31: Contact Period

Women's Volleyball

Oct 25 - Oct 31: Contact Period

# **Tip of the Week**

#### **Electronic Transmissions**

Electronic transmitted correspondence that may be sent to a prospective student-athlete (or the prospective student-athlete's parents or legal guardians) is limited to electronic mail and facsimiles. Al other forms of electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., Instant Messenger, text messaging) are prohibited. Color attachments may be included with electronic mail correspondence, provided the attachment only includes information that is not created for recruiting purposes, except for items that are specifically permitted as printed recruiting materials (e.g., questionnaires), a media guide and video and audio materials, as permitted in Bylaw 13.4.1.5. Attachments other than a media guide and permissible video and audio materials shall not include any animation, audio or video clips and there shall be no cost (e.g., subscription fee) associated with sending the item attached to the electronic mail correspondence.

Exception – Basketball. Electronic correspondence (e.g., electronic mail, Instant Messenger, facsimiles, text message) may be sent to a prospective student-athlete's parents or legal guardians). Before a prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent or the institutions written offer of admission and/or financial aid, or the institution has received his or her financial deposit in response to its offer of admission, the correspondence must be sent directly to the prospective student-athlete ( or his or her parents or legal guardians) and must be private between only the sender and recipient.

NCAA Bylaws 13.4.1.2

As Always, Please Remember to Ask Before You Act!

# **WSU Compliance News**

- Coaches please remember that CARA forms are due each Monday of the new week.
- Also unofficial visits need to be logged into Radar before unofficial visit tickets are approved.

### NCAA News: After Long N.C.A.A. Inquiry, Miami Loses 12 Scholarships

The N.C.A.A. on Tuesday cited Miami for a decade of violations in its men's basketball and football programs, penalizing the university with three years of probation and a loss of some scholarships.

A 102-page infractions report by the N.C.A.A. concluded that Miami "lacked institutional control" over the programs as it failed to monitor a major booster, coaches and student-athletes. The penalties issued by the N.C.A.A. were in addition to the self-imposed penalties by Miami in recent years, which included a ban on bowl games in 2011 and 2012.

The N.C.A.A.'s punishment, which was accepted by Miami, ends its lengthy, high-profile investigation into the university's athletics department. The football team, currently 6-0 and ranked seventh in the nation, will lose nine scholarships over three years, and the men's basketball team will lose a scholarship in each of the next three seasons.

The inquiry, which dates to 2009, centered on allegations that a booster, Nevin Shapiro, gave hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash, as well as other benefits, to Miami athletes.

Miami's president, Donna Shalala, said in a statement that the report "closes a challenging chapter in the history of the University of Miami," as she apologized to the university's supporters.

The Miami investigation was sidetracked for a time after N.C.A.A. enforcement staff improperly obtained information for its case from a criminal lawyer representing Shapiro. The N.C.A.A. president, Mark Emmert, announced the misstep publicly in January, calling it "shocking" and saying the organization would conduct an outside review of its enforcement arm.

The results of the Miami investigation come as the N.C.A.A. has been criticized for its handling of a spate of recent cases, including ones involving Texas A&M, Penn State, U.C.L.A., Southern California and North Carolina, and for being uneven in its penalties. In late August, Texas A&M quarterback Johnny Manziel, one of the highest-profile players in college sports, was suspended for a half-game after a brief investigation found that there was "no evidence" he had received money for autographs.

To some observers, the Miami punishments seemed inconsistent in comparison with others levied by the N.C.A.A. in recent years. David Ridpath, an associate professor of sports administration at Ohio University, said the problems during the Miami investigation probably gave the university a "trump card," which meant lesser penalties.

"In my view, they are always inconsistent," said Ridpath, a frequent critic of the N.C.A.A.'s enforcement process. "They don't follow any rhyme or reason or precedent that they should."

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Despite the setback regarding Shapiro's lawyer, the N.C.A.A. continued its investigation into Miami, sorting out 18 allegations with 79 subparts "that primarily involved widespread and significant inducements with extra benefits," the infractions report said. Among the findings, Shapiro provided various benefits to student-athletes, including paying for them to go to Miami-area nightclubs and strip clubs, involving, "on occasion," access to private rooms. The investigation found that certain Miami coaches and members of the athletics department had a "poor understanding of N.C.A.A. rules or felt comfortable breaking them." Frank Haith, the former men's basketball coach who is now at Missouri, was suspended for the first five regular-season games of the

coming season. The N.C.A.A., which did not refer to him by name, found that he attempted to cover up the booster's threats to disclose incriminating information.

Haith discussed his feelings about college basketball recruiting with N.C.A.A. enforcement staff during an interview in September, cautioning that people should not be "naïve."

"Our business is corrupt," he said.

http://www.nytimes.com/2013/10/23/sports/miami-avoids-further-bowl-ban-in-ncaa-penalties.html?\_r=0

#### **COMPLIANCE QUIZ**

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- 1. It is permissible for a coaching staff member to drive an automobile in order to bring a prospective student-athlete and his or her parents or legal guardian from any location to campus for an Official visit.
  - A. True.
  - B. False.
- 2. Prior to a prospective student-athlete signing a National Letter of Intent (NLI), a representative of an institution's athletics interest (i.e., booster) is permitted to do which of the following.
  - A. Make in-person, on-campus recruiting contacts with the prospective studentathlete.
  - B. Correspond in writing with the prospective student-athlete.
  - C. Make telephone calls to prospective student-athlete's parents.
  - D. None of the above.

# All Sports (except Football and Basketball)

Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> before the senior year – One Call Per Week

#### **Football**

• Beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> of the senior year – **One Call Per Week** 

#### Men's Basketball

• Beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> at the completion of the sophomore year – **Unlimited Phone Calls** 

### Women's Basketball

Beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> at the completion of the sophomore year – Unlimited Phone Calls

# **Compliance Website/Social Media**

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- Compliance Website <a href="http://www.wsucougars.com/compliance">http://www.wsucougars.com/compliance</a>
- Compliance Facebook http://www.facebook.com/WSUCompliance
  - Compliance Twitter <a href="http://twitter.com/WSUCompliance">http://twitter.com/WSUCompliance</a>

# **Compliance Quiz Answers**

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Answers to Compliance Quiz:

- 1. A) True. 13.5.2.2.3; 13.5.2.6.
- 2. D) None of the above. 13.01.4; 13.1.2.1; 13.1.2.4; 13.1.3.5.1; 13.02.14

