

GUIDELINES FOR PROFESSIONAL ATHLETICS OPPORTUNITIES

AGENTS

You May

- ✓ Secure advice from an attorney or third party concerning a proposed professional contract, provided the attorney or third party does not represent you in negotiations for that contract.
- ✓ Hire an attorney to assist in researching professional opportunities

You May Not

- ✓ Agree (orally or in writing) to be represented by an agent for the purpose of marketing your athletics ability or reputation in that sport. An agent contract that is not specifically limited in writing to a particular sport is applicable to all sports.
- ✓ Make an agreement (oral or written) with an agent or compete in professional athletics, and remain eligible for participation in that intercollegiate sport, regardless of the legal enforceability of the contract.
- ✓ Agree (orally or in writing) to be represented by an agent in the future (after your eligibility is exhausted).
- ✓ Agree (orally or in writing) to be represented by an agent until after your eligibility has ended, including your team's postseason competition. Nor may your relatives or friends, accept benefits from an agent, financial advisor, runner or any other person associated with an agency business. (Benefits include but are not limited to transportation, money and gifts, regardless of the value of the benefit or if it is used.)
- ✓ Receive preferential benefits or treatment because of your reputation, skill or pay-back potential as a professional athlete.

TRYOUTS

You May

- ✓ Try out with a professional organization in a sport during the summer or during the academic year while not a full-time student, provided the student-athlete does not receive any form of expenses or other compensation from the professional organization.
- ✓ Have a single scouting bureau recognized by a professional league conduct one medical examination during the academic year without jeopardizing your eligibility, provided the examination occur on-campus.
- ✓ Participate in practice sessions conducted by a professional team.
- ✓ Allow a representative of a professional team to visit campus during the academic year and evaluate a student-athlete while the institution is conducting a regular practice session, physical education class or off-season conditioning program session that includes physical activities (e.g., speed trials, agility tests, strength tests), provided these activities are normally a part of and take place during regular practice, class or conditioning sessions.

You May Not

- ✓ Try out with a professional athletics team in a sport or permit a professional athletics team to conduct medical examinations during any part of the academic year (i.e., from the beginning of the fall term through completion of the spring term, including any intervening vacation period) while enrolled as a full-time student in a collegiate institution, unless the student-athlete has exhausted eligibility in that sport.
- ✓ Participate in outside competition (games or scrimmages) as a representative of a professional team.
- ✓ Receive any compensation for participation in a tryout.
- ✓ Enter into any contract or agreement with a professional team or sports organization.