



The Education Wave

Tulane Athletics Compliance Newsletter

Recruiting Calendar

Track & Field/Cross Country

- 🏃 August 12 – November 19: Contact Period
- 🏃 November 19 – 20: Dead Period
- 🏃 November 20 – December 9: Contact Period

Football

- 🏈 August 1 – November 24: Quiet Period
- 🏈 November 25 – February 2: Contact Period

Men's Basketball

- 🏀 October 6 – November 11: Evaluation Period
- 🏀 November 12 – 15: Dead Period
- 🏀 November 16 – December 23: Eval Period

Women's Basketball

- 🏀 October 7 – November 11: Evaluation Period
- 🏀 November 12 – 15: Dead Period
- 🏀 November 16 – December 23: Eval Period

Baseball

- 🏈 September 14 – November 11: Contact Period
- 🏈 November 12 – 15: Dead Period
- 🏈 November 16 – January 3: Quiet Period

Women's Volleyball

- 🏐 August 1 – November 11: Contact Period
- 🏐 November 12 – 15: Dead Period
- 🏐 November 16 – December 2: Contact Period

All Other Sports

- 🏃 August 1 – Nov. 11: Contact/Evaluation Period
- 🏃 November 12 – 15: Dead Period
- 🏃 November 16 – April 6: Contact/Eval Period

Interp of the Month

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Question:

May the institution provide apparel (e.g., hat) to a prospect after he/she has signed a National Letter of Intent?

Answer:

No. NCAA Bylaw 13.2.2 specifically prohibits giving or loaning clothing/jerseys/apparel to prospects.

NCAA Eligibility Center Updates

With the early signing period running from November 14-21, please be mindful of the following information regarding the NCAA Eligibility Center (EC). Remember, all prospects must have their academic and amateur qualifications certified.

Certification Categories Before a Prospect Completes the Amateurism Questionnaire:

Preliminary Certified – Issued after a prospect registers with the EC, completes the amateurism questionnaire and has no amateurism issues.

Preliminary Certified with Conditions – Information the prospect provided to the EC on the amateurism questionnaire or information that was received by the EC staff indicates that the prospect has violated NCAA's amateurism rules. "Conditions" means that the prospect has been assigned penalties. Once the penalties have been satisfied, the prospect would be eligible to compete.

Preliminary Not Certified – Information that the prospect provided to the EC or information that was received by the EC indicates that the prospect has violated NCAA amateurism rules to the extent that he/she will not be eligible to compete at a Division I or II institution.

Under Review - Indicates that there is a need for review by the EC amateurism certification staff.

Certification Categories After a Prospect Completes the Amateurism Questionnaire:

Under Review – Indicates that there is a need for review by the EC amateurism certification staff.

Final Certified with Conditions – The prospect has eligibility conditions that were issued and need to be satisfied before the prospect would be eligible to compete.

Final Not Certified – In this case it has been determined that the prospect violated NCAA amateurism rules and will not be eligible to compete.

Final Certified – The prospect has completed the amateurism questionnaire, signed the 10.1 statement and is eligible to compete.

A student-athlete must be certified separately for each sport he/she will participate in. For example, if a student-athlete is going to run cross country, indoor track and field and outdoor track and field, he/she must be certified in each of those sports. A final certification in cross country will not satisfy the requirements for indoor and outdoor track and field.

Two and four-year college transfers who have never attended a NCAA Division I or II institution prior to 2007 must have their amateurism certified prior to competing in intercollegiate athletics.

Compliance Competition Standings

| Staff Division | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Department | Total Points Average | This Month's Average | Last Month's Average |
| Ticket Office | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Academic Services | 4.67 | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| Business & Finance | 3.89 | 4.17 | 4.17 |
| Strength & Conditioning | 2.11 | 1.33 | 3.33 |
| Event Management/Operations | 1.67 | 0.00 | 2.00 |
| Administration | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| Athletic Training | 0.67 | 0.50 | 1.00 |
| Equipment Operations | 0.61 | 0.00 | 0.83 |
| External Affairs | 0.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Communications | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Marketing Promotions | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Video Operations | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Sport Division | | | |
| Team | Total Points Average | This Month's Average | Last Month's Average |
| Women's Golf | 4.67 | 4.00 | 5.00 |
| Women's Basketball | 3.80 | 5.00 | 2.90 |
| Men's Basketball | 3.50 | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| Women's Track & Field | 3.17 | 4.17 | 0.83 |
| Volleyball | 2.08 | 0.00 | 3.75 |
| Football | 0.33 | 0.21 | 0.25 |
| Baseball | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Women's Tennis | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Compliance Competition Update

Compliance Competition races have never been tighter. In the Staff Division, **Ticket Office** continues to control, but **Academic Services** is nipping at the leader's heels. In the Sport Division, **Women's Golf** and **Women's Basketball** appear primed for a race to the finish with **Men's Basketball** and **Women's Track & Field** closely behind. **With the standings so close, every point counts!**

Who Can Coach?

Any individual who participates in any manner in the coaching of practice, games or organized activities directly related to a sport must be counted as a coach per Bylaw 11.7. The intent of the coaching limitations is to restrict the actual coaching of student-athletes to those individuals who are identified as coaches. Other athletics department staff members, including managers and non-coaching staff members with sport-specific responsibilities (e.g., Director of Ops, Program Coordinators, Admin. Assistants), do not have to be identified as coaches provided they do not engage in any coaching activities (e.g., supervising practice, bounce-passing drills, throw batting practice, using a stopwatch) and are not involved in recruiting activities. It is permissible for these individuals to observe practice without having to count toward the coaching limitations.

National Letter of Intent and Publicity

Tulane coaches and staff should be aware of the following provisions that apply regarding the publicity of new signees.

Comments Prior to Signing: Coaches may only comment to the extent of confirming their recruitment of a prospect prior to the signing of a prospect to a NLI or Tulane's intent to enroll and/or financial aid agreement. Coaches may not comment generally about the prospect's ability or the contribution that the prospect might make to the team. In addition, a coach may not comment on the likelihood that the prospect will sign or enroll with Tulane.

Announcement of the Signing: Once Tulane has received, by mail or fax, a signed NLI and financial aid agreement or the signed Tulane intent to enroll form, Tulane may publicly comment on the prospect's commitment to attend the institution. Such communications shall be limited to those media forms normally used by Tulane Athletics. If you are unsure which media outlets are normally used by Tulane, please contact the Compliance Office.

Video Clips: Tulane may show video clips of signees through normal media outlets during the announcement. Booster Clubs or other friends of the program are generally not considered normal media outlets.

Contact a member of the Compliance Office if you have any questions about the policies/procedures for the National Letter of Intent.

Ask Before You Act!

