Bylaw 10 – Ethical Conduct

- Unethical conduct is defined as the refusal to furnish information relevant to an institutional or NCAA investigation upon request, knowing involvement in fraudulent activities or knowingly providing prospective or enrolled student-athletes with improper inducements or “extra benefits.” [Bylaw 10.1]

Sports Wagering

- Sports wagering is defined as placing, accepting or soliciting a wager of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur or professional team or contest. [Bylaw 10.02.1]
- Examples of sports wagering, include the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; Internet sports wagering; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize. [Bylaw 10.02.1]
- Athletic department staff members, nonathletic department staff members who have responsibilities within the athletic department, student-athletes and staff members of a conference office are prohibited from gambling on any NCAA sponsored sport at the collegiate or professional level. [Bylaw 10.3]
- Gambling activities such as placing bets on horse racing or poker/slot machines are not prohibited because such activities are not sponsored by the NCAA.

Bylaw 13 – Recruiting

Prospects

- A prospect is any student who has started classes for the ninth grade or a student who has not started ninth grade but the institution has provided the individual (or his/her relatives or friends) any financial assistance or other benefits not giving to prospective students generally. An individual remains a prospect until one of the following occurs:
  a) Individual officially registers and enrolls in a minimum full-time program of studies and attends classes;
  b) Participates in a regular squad practice or competition; or
  c) Registers, enrolls and attends classes during the summer prior to initial enrollment and receives institutional athletics aid. [Bylaw 13.02.12]

Official Visit

- An official visit is one that is financed in whole or in part by the member institution. [Bylaw 13.02.16.1]
- **3 Tickets:** During an official visit, a prospect may receive a maximum of three complimentary tickets to a home athletics event at a facility within a 30 mile radius of the campus, which must be issued through a pass list only to the prospect and those accompanying him/her on the visit. The prospect must present a valid ID in order to receive his/her tickets. The tickets may provide seating only in the general seating area of the facility. [Bylaw 13.6.7.2]
- **Nontraditional Family (e.g., divorce, separation):** If the prospect is a member of a nontraditional family the institution may provide up to two additional complimentary tickets to accommodate the parents accompanying the prospect for a home athletics event. [Bylaw 13.6.7.2.1]
• **Postseason Conference Tournament:** A member institution may NOT provide complimentary tickets to a prospect for a postseason conference tournament. Tickets must be purchased the same way as the general public. [Bylaw 13.6.7.2.2]

• **NCAA Championship or other Postseason Contest:** A member institution may NOT provide complimentary tickets to a prospect for a NCAA championship or other postseason contest. Tickets must be purchased the same way as the general public. [Bylaw 13.6.7.2.3]

• **Reserve Tickets:** An institution may reserve tickets, only for the use of immediate family members accompanying a prospect during an official visit and for seat locations adjacent to the complimentary seats being provided to the prospective student-athlete. These tickets must be purchased at face value. [Bylaw 13.6.7.2.4]

**Unofficial Visit**

• An unofficial visit is one that is made at the prospect's own expense. [Bylaw 13.02.16.2]

• **3 Tickets:** During an unofficial visit an institution may provide a prospect and those accompanying the prospect a maximum of three complimentary tickets to a home athletics event at any facility within a 30 mile radius of the institution in which the institution’s team practices or competes. The complimentary tickets must be issued through a pass list and must provide seating in the general seating area of the facility. The prospect must present a valid ID in order to receive his/her tickets. [Bylaw 13.7.2.1]

• **Reserve Tickets:** An institution may NOT reserve tickets (in addition to the permissible complimentary tickets) to be purchased by the prospect or those accompanying the prospect. Tickets must be purchased the same as the general public. [Bylaw 13.7.2.1.4]

• **Postseason Conference Tournament:** A member institution may NOT provide complimentary tickets to a prospect for a postseason conference tournament. Tickets must be purchased the same as the general public. [Bylaw 13.7.2.3]

• **NCAA Championship or other Postseason Contest:** A member institution may NOT provide complimentary tickets to a prospect for an NCAA championship or other postseason contest. The prospect must buy tickets the same way as the general public. [Bylaw 13.7.2.4]

• **Visit Unrelated to Recruitment:** A prospect on a visit unrelated to recruitment (e.g., band trip, fraternity weekend, athletics team's attendance at a sporting event with the high school coach) may receive free tickets to an athletics event on a group basis only, not on a personal basis. This is the only involvement the athletics department may have with the visit. [Bylaw 13.7.2.5]

**High School, Prep School & Two-Year College Coaches**

• **2 Tickets:** A high school, prep school, or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing a prospect shall be limited to a maximum of two complimentary tickets to a home athletics event at a facility within a 30 mile radius of the campus. The complimentary tickets must be issued through a pass list and must be issued on a game by game basis. The individual must present a valid ID in order to receive his/her tickets. [Bylaw 13.8.1]

• **Postseason Competition:** An institution may NOT provide a complimentary admission to a high school, prep school, or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing a prospect for any postseason competition. [Bylaw 13.8.1]

• **Reserve Tickets:** An institution may NOT reserve tickets (in addition to the permissible two complimentary tickets) for purchase by a high school, prep school, or two-year college coach. [Bylaw 13.8.1.3]
Bylaw 16- Awards and Benefits

- An extra benefit is any special arrangement that provides a student-athlete or student-athlete’s relative or friend a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation or not generally available to the rest of the student body. [Bylaw 16.02.3]
- Receipt of a benefit by student-athletes or their relatives or friends is not a violation of NCAA legislation if it is demonstrated that the same benefit is generally available to the institution's students or their relatives or friends. [Bylaw 16.02.3]
- Receipt of any extra benefit jeopardizes a student-athlete’s athletic eligibility and must be reported to the Athletic Director or Compliance Office.

Student-Athletes

Permissible Procedures

- **4 Tickets:** A student-athlete who participates (either practices or competes) for a sport may receive four complimentary tickets to home contests in that sport. Only student-athletes eligible for competition, and therefore travel, may receive four complimentary tickets to away contests. [Bylaw 16.2.1.1]
- **Pass List:** Complimentary tickets given to student-athletes must be provided through a pass list. [Bylaw 16.2.1.2]
- **Valid ID:** The student-athlete must present a valid ID to receive their complimentary tickets. [Bylaw 16.2.1.2.1]
- **Post Season Competition:** A student-athlete who is participating in or on a team participating in a conference championship, NCAA championship, or bowl game may receive six complimentary tickets for all athletics events at the site. [Bylaw 16.2.1.1.1]
- **Nonqualifier:** A nonqualifier in their year in residence may receive a complimentary ticket to all regular season home athletics events. [Bylaw 16.2.1.3.1]
- **Honored but not Participating:** An institution may provide a maximum of four complimentary tickets to a student-athlete for an institution’s game or event during which a student-athlete is being honored but not participating. The complimentary tickets must be used by the student-athlete’s parents, legal guardians and/or spouse. [Bylaw 16.2.1.3.2]
- **Pro Sports Contests:** Complimentary tickets to a professional sports contest may only be given by the institution to student-athletes for entertainment purposes during an away from home competition. [Bylaw 16.7.1.1]
- **Special Seating:** An institution may provide such seating in a manner consistent with the institution's (or facility’s) policies for seating any individuals with such an injury, illness or disability, when a student-athlete's family member requires special seating due to an injury, illness or disability. [3/5/08, Staff]

Nonpermissible Procedures

- **Resale:** A student-athlete and the individuals designated by the student-athlete to receive complimentary tickets may NOT sell or exchange their complimentary tickets for payment or an item of value. [Bylaws 16.2.2.1 & 16.2.2.2]
- **Additional Tickets:** Special arrangements may NOT be made by the institution to sell a student-athlete a ticket to an athletics event. Tickets must be purchased the same way as other students. [Bylaw 16.2.2.3]
- **Resale of Additional Tickets:** A student-athlete may NOT purchase a ticket for an athletics event and then sell it above face value. [Bylaw 16.2.2.4]
- **Pro Sports Contests:** An institution or booster may not purchase or obtain tickets to a professional sports event and make them available to student-athletes. [Bylaw 16.2.2.5]