Recruiting Calendars

- **Baseball**
  - Contact Period: All month

- **Cross Country/Track**
  - Contact Period: All Month

- **Football**
  - Evaluation Period: All month

- **Men's Basketball**
  - Contact Period: October 1-5
  - Evaluation Period: October 6-31

- **Women's Basketball**
  - Contact Period: October 1-5
  - Evaluation Period: October 6-31

- **Softball**
  - Contact Period: All Month

- **Volleyball**
  - Contact Period: All Month

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Social Media Regulations

As sports programs and departments develop Facebook and Twitter accounts, please keep the following rules regarding the use of social media in mind:

**Permissible Activities**

- **Initiating** being Facebook “Friends” with a prospect or “Following” a prospect on Twitter AFTER September 1st of their junior year (June 15 at the conclusion of the prospect’s sophomore year in Men’s Basketball).
- Corresponding via private or direct message AFTER September 1st of the prospects junior year (June 15 at the conclusion of the prospect’s sophomore year in Men’s Basketball).
- Posting or tweeting general information related to SJSU Athletics, provided such content is accessible to the general public and is not created for recruiting purposes.

**Impermissible Activities**

- **Initiating** being Facebook “Friends” with a prospect or “Following” a prospect on Twitter PRIOR to September 1st of their junior year (June 15 at the conclusion of the prospect’s sophomore year in Men’s Basketball).
- To interact via Facebook “Chat”.
- To comment on a prospect’s “Wall” or photos.
- To comment or tweet about a prospect PRIOR to the signing of an NLI or SJSU’s written offer of admission/financial aid.
- To post a link to a recruiting service that covers SJSU (e.g. sjsuinsider.com)
- To mention a prospect on twitter using @.

Compliance Brain Busters

1. A current student-athlete can provide complimentary tickets to all of the following EXCEPT:
   - His/her parents
   - His/her siblings
   - A booster who paid for the tickets
   - His/her significant other.

2. A prospect who has signed a National Letter of Intent (NLI) can take an unofficial visit during a Dead Period.
   - True
   - False

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Media Guides

The following questions clarify the difference between printed and electronic media guides:

**Question:** If an institution produces a printed media guide, do the color, size and page restrictions apply?  
**Answer:** Yes. A printed media guide remains limited to only one color of print inside the cover, a size not in excess of 8 ½ by 11 inches and a length of 208 pages. Any supplemental information (e.g., historical information, records) related to the media guide may be posted on the institution’s website, printed in black and white and provided to the media.

**Question:** If an institution only produces an electronic media guide, do the color, size and page restrictions apply?  
**Answer:** No, the color, size and page restrictions are not applicable if an institution only produces an electronic media guide.

Brain Buster Answers

1. **C** – Bylaw 16.2.2.1 states that a student-athlete may not receive payment from any source for his or her complimentary admissions and may not exchange or assign them for any item of value.
2. **True** – Bylaw 13.02.5.4.2 allows for a prospect to make an unofficial visit during a dead period beginning the calendar day after one of the following occur: a) the prospect signs a NLI or the institutions written offer of admission and/or financial aid OR b) The institution receives a financial deposit in response to the institution’s offer of admission.

Compliance Education Sessions

This month’s mandatory SJSU Compliance Rules Education Session will take place on Tuesday, October 25 from 2-3 PM and Thursday, October 27 from 9-10 AM in the Spartan Foundation Room. ALL coaching staff members are required to attend and we encourage staff members to attend as well.

Interpretation Questions and Answers

**Question:** I have received free tickets to an event next week. Can I provide these tickets to my student-athletes?  
**Answer:** No, per Bylaw 16.02.3 this would constitute an extra benefit because this is a special arrangement made by an institutional employee AND it is not a benefit that could be received by all SJSU students. However, per Bylaw 16.7.1, such tickets may be provided if the event takes place within 100-miles of an away practice or contest site during a road trip or within a 30-mile radius of campus during a vacation period when the team is required to reside on campus and classes are not in session.

**Question:** Can a student-athlete who is competing unattached during the academic year use the equipment he/she is issued (e.g. golf bag, softball bat, golf clubs)?  
**Answer:** Per Bylaw 14.02.7, a student-athlete’s use of institutional apparel or equipment in an outside event during the academic year would result in representation of the institution in the event and would count against the student-athlete’s maximum contest/dates of competition limitations. [WAC Interp, 9/26/2011]

**Question:** Can a volunteer assistant coach receive football season tickets?  
**Answer:** No, per Bylaw 11.01.5, it is only permissible to provide volunteer coaches with two tickets in their own sport. Since football is not permitted volunteer assistant coaches, there shall be no tickets provided to a volunteer assistant coach in football.