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Title: RECRUITING -- CONTACT WITH PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES INVOLVED IN COMPETITION

Status: Adopted Final

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Bylaws: Amend 13.1.6.2, as follows:

13.1.6.2 Contact With Prospective Student-Athletes Involved in Practice or Competition.

13.1.6.2.1 Sports Other Than Basketball. In sports other than basketball, *recruiting* **in-person** contact may not be made with a prospective student-athlete at any site prior to any athletics competition (including a noninstitutional, private camp or clinic, but not an institutional camp or clinic) in which the prospective student-athlete is a participant on a day of competition, even if the prospective student-athlete is on an official or unofficial visit. *Contact includes the passing of notes or orally relaying information to a prospective student-athlete by a third party on behalf of an institutional staff member. Contact In-person contact may occur after the prospective student-athlete's competition concludes for the day and the prospective student-athlete has been released by the appropriate authority (e.g., coach). [D]*

13.1.6.2.2 Basketball. In basketball, *recruiting* **in-person** contact may not be made with a prospective student-athlete **or the prospective student-athlete's family members on a day of** *prior to any* athletics competition (including a noninstitutional, private camp or clinic, but not an institutional camp or clinic) in which the prospective student-athlete is a participant *on a day of competition*, even if the prospective student-athlete reports on call (at the discretion of his or her coach or comparable authority) and becomes involved in competition-related activity (e.g., traveling to an away from-home game) prior to the day of competition, in-person contact may not be made with the prospective student-athlete from the time he or she reports on call until the day after the end of competition and he or she has been released by the appropriate institutional authority. *Contact includes the passing of notes or orally relaying information to a prospective student-athlete by a third party on behalf of an institutional staff member.* Such contact shall be governed by the following: [D]

- (a) Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete at any site prior to the contest on the day or days of competition;
- (b) Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete from the time he or she reports on call (at the direction of his or her coach or comparable authority) and becomes involved in competition-related activity (e.g., traveling to an away from home game) to the end of the competition even if such competition-related activities are initiated prior to the day or days of competition;
- (c) Contact shall not be made after the competition until the prospective student-athlete is released by the appropriate institutional authority and departs the dressing and meeting facility;
- (d <u>a</u>) Contact shall not be made with the prospective student-athlete involved in competition that requires participation on consecutive days (e.g., a tournament) until after his or her final contest is completed and he or she is released by the appropriate institutional authority and leaves the dressing and meeting facility. Contact shall not be made <u>In-person contact is permitted</u> with a prospective student-athlete involved in a tournament that is not conducted on consecutive days, until after his or her final contest is completed on a day before a break in the days of the tournament <u>provided the contact occurs on a day in which the prospective student-athlete does not participate in competition</u> and he or she is released by the appropriate institutional authority and leaves the dressing and meeting facility; and
- (e <u>b</u>) Contact <u>In-person contact</u> with a prospective student-athlete who is on an extended road trip (e.g., traveling with a team from one contest or event to another), is permitted at the conclusion of a <u>the</u> <u>day after</u> competition and prior to the commencement of travel to the next competition, provided he

or she has been released by the appropriate institutional authority and departs the dressing and meeting facility:

- (c) In men's basketball, communication with a prospective student-athlete's coach or any other individual associated with the prospective student-athlete's participation in basketball, directly or indirectly, is prohibited during the time period in which the prospective student-athlete is participating in a certified event, June scholastic event, National Basketball Players Association Top 100 Camp, USA Basketball Junior National Team Minicamp or NCAA College Basketball Academy; however, an institutional coaching staff member may communicate (but not have inperson contact) with the prospective student-athlete, the prospective student-athlete's family members or the prospective student-athlete's high school coach (or high school administrator) during the time period in which the prospective student-athlete is participating in those events; and
- (d) In women's basketball, during the July evaluation periods, all communication with a prospective student-athlete, the prospective student-athlete's family members, the prospective student-athlete as a result of the prospective student-athlete's participation in basketball, directly or indirectly, is prohibited.

13.1.6.2.2.1 Additional Restrictions -- Basketball. In basketball, the following additional restrictions apply: [D]

- (a) In-person contact shall not be made with a prospective student-athlete or the prospective student-athlete's family members during a day of the prospective student-athlete's competition (e.g., before and after the competition).
- (b) In men's basketball, all communication with a prospective student-athlete's coach or any individual associated with the prospective student-athlete as a result of the prospective student-athlete's participation in basketball, directly or indirectly, is prohibited during the time period in which the prospective student-athlete is participating in a certified event, June scholastic event, National Basketball Players Association Top 100 Camp, USA Basketball Junior National Team Minicamp or NCAA College Basketball Academy. Communication with a prospective student-athlete's family members is permitted during the time period in which the prospective student-athlete is participating in a specified event.
- (c) In women's basketball, during the July evaluation periods, all communication with a prospective student-athlete, the prospective student-athlete's family members, the prospective student-athlete's coach or any individual associated with the prospective student-athlete as a result of the prospective student-athlete's participation in basketball, directly or indirectly, is prohibited.

13.1.6.2.2.1.1 Exception — Communication with High School Coach — Men's Basketball. In men's basketball, an institutional coaching staff member may communicate (but not have in-person contact) with a prospective student-athlete's high school coach (or high school administrator) while the prospective student-athlete is participating in a certified event, June scholastic event or NCAA College Basketball Academy.

[13.1.6.2.3 through 13.1.6.2.6 unchanged.]

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Adopted Final This revision clarifies restrictions on in-person contact with prospective student-athletes involved in competition by reorganizing the legislation per the adoption of Proposal Nos. 2015-44 and 2018-45.

Legislative References

Legislative Cite	Title
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13.1.6.2.2.1	Additional Restrictions Basketball.
13.1.6.2.2.1.1	Exception Communication with High School Coach Men's Basketball.