

**Answer:** No. A coach may not have in-person, on- or off-campus contact with any uncommitted prospective student-athlete during the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period. However, it remains permissible to make phone calls and send electronic correspondence during a dead period.

**Question No. 3:** In women's basketball, does the May 4-10 recruiting shutdown period apply during the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period?

**Answer:** Yes.

~~**Question No. 4:** Does the June 20, 2019, staff interpretation on observation of prospective student-athletes via livestream, on-demand and/or video apply during the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period?~~ [This question is now Question No. 1 in the "Livestream or On-Demand Videos" section (below)]

~~**Answer:** Yes.~~

~~**Question No. 5:** May an institution pay fees associated with observing an event that is conducted via livestreaming, on-demand and/or video?~~ [This question has been replaced with questions in the "Livestream or On-Demand Videos" section (below)]

~~**Answer:** Yes.~~

**Question No. 6:** In women's basketball, do the July evaluation period restrictions on communication apply during the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 7:** In women's basketball, does the August 10-14, 2020, recruiting shutdown period apply during the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period?

**Answer:** Yes.

#### **Livestream or On-Demand Videos [Added July 13, 2020].**

**Question No. 1:** Does the June 20, 2019, staff interpretation on observation of prospective student-athletes via livestream, on-demand and/or video apply during the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 2:** During the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period, may an institution's coach watch a livestream event in which prospective student-athletes are participating (e.g., tournament, team practice, etc.)?

**Answer:** An institution may watch a livestream event of prospective student-athletes, provided the criteria in the June 19, 2019, staff interpretation are met. If these criteria are met, watching the livestream event does not constitute a recruiting activity and is not restricted by recruiting periods. Further, the observation of prospective student-athletes on such a stream or video at an off-campus site (e.g., the coach's home) is not considered an "off-campus activity" and, therefore, is not considered an evaluation or recruiting activity.

**Question No. 3:** During the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period, may an institution's coach purchase a livestream or on-demand video from a recruiting and scouting service, scholastic or nonscholastic organization, prospective student-athlete's coach, etc., for purposes of observing prospective student-athletes' practice or competition?

**Answer:** An institution's coach may purchase a livestream or on-demand video from a recruiting and scouting service, scholastic or nonscholastic organization, prospective student-athlete's coach, etc., provided:

- a. The livestream/video is made available in the same format to all institutions desiring to purchase and at the same fee rate for all purchasers;
- b. The entity must publicly identify all applicable rates for the livestream/video; and
- c. Any additional information (e.g. packet, roster) regarding prospective student-athletes participating in the activity is included in the purchase price and is in a standardized format that ensures consistent distribution to all subscribers.

**Question No. 4:** During the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period, may an institution's coach purchase a livestream or on-demand video for a specific event from a recruiting or scouting service that is not approved by the NCAA?

**Answer:** Yes. An institution may purchase a livestream or on-demand video of an event from a recruiting and scouting service that has not been approved by the NCAA. Specifically, the livestream or on-demand video must be for a single event and the coach cannot be required to subscribe to the recruiting and scouting service to access the livestream or on-demand video.

**Question No. 5:** May an institution purchase a livestream or on-demand video from an approved recruiting or scouting service that the institution does not subscribe to?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 6:** During the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period, may an event operator (e.g., scholastic or nonscholastic entity) sell access to a livestream of an event without becoming a recruiting or scouting service?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question No. 7:** May an event operator (e.g., scholastic or nonscholastic entity) provide an informational packet of the prospective student-athletes participating in the event as part of the access to the livestream or on-demand of an event?

**Answer:** Yes. An event operator may provide an informational packet that only includes demographic information for those prospective student-athletes participating in the event and not be considered a recruiting or scouting service. However, if the packet includes anything beyond demographic information about the prospective student-athletes participating in the event the event operator would be considered a recruiting or scouting service and would have to meet all applicable recruiting and scouting service legislation.

#### Campus Visits.

**Question No. 1:** Is it permissible for a prospective student-athlete to take a previously scheduled official or unofficial visit during the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period?

**Answer:** No.

**Question No. 2:** May an institution reimburse a prospective student-athlete for official visit expenses incurred if the official visit was canceled due to the COVID-19 outbreak?

**Answer:** Yes. The NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee took action to allow prospective student-athlete to be reimbursed for a canceled visit due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Please note: Providing reimbursement does not count as the prospective student-athlete's official visit to the institution.

**Question No. 3:** During the temporary COVID-19 dead period, may an institution's coach assist the admissions office with campus tours for all prospective students?

**Answer:** No. A coach may not assist the admissions office with campus tours during a dead period.

**Question No. 4:** At the conclusion of the temporary COVID-19 recruiting dead period, may an institution conduct an official visit without obtaining a transcript due to the prospective student-athlete's educational institution closing for the remainder of the 2019-20 academic year?

**Answer:** Generally, an institution may not provide a prospective student-athlete an official visit without first obtaining the prospective student-athlete's transcript. However, if a prospective student-athlete's educational institution has closed for the remainder of the 2019-20 academic year as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, an institution that is unable to obtain the prospective student-athlete's transcript and documents its reasonable attempts to obtain the transcript may provide the prospective student-athlete an official visit despite not having the prospective student-athlete's transcript on file with the institution. This flexibility is available from the date the prospective