NSIC Reminders:

1. NLI Institutional Commitment form due November 1, 2008.
2. Submit Academic Performance Data (APC) (due 12 weeks after 1st day of class in fall semester)
3. Squad lists and financial aid for winter sports are due before the 1st date of competition.

Letter from Assistant Commissioner for Compliance:

It’s hard to believe that October is already here! I hope that school is off to a great start and that your fall sports are having success on the playing field and in the classroom.

Things here in the office are going well. I just got back from an NCAA Compliance meeting in Indianapolis with all other DII Compliance Officers from the Conference Offices. The meeting was a great success and I learned many new things. I have been given some new ideas and plan to implement them in the near future. Every day is a learning process for me, but I have realized that compliance you learn something new all the time.

Keep up the good work everyone!

-Melissa

NCAA DII Compliance Calendar Reminders

*Information taken from ncaa.org

* Confirm eligibility certification for winter sport student-athletes (by end of October)
* Identify injured fall semester sport student-athletes for medical hardship waiver application. (As needed)
* Collect roster changes and update squad lists. (Continual)
* Monitor full-time enrollment. (Continual)
* Monitor official and unofficial visits. (Continual)
* Monitor contacts and evaluations.
* Monitor countable athletically related activities.
* Submit Academic Performance Data (APC). (Due 12 weeks after first day of classes in the fall semester/quarter.)

Regional Rules Seminar

2009-
May 11-15 Atlanta, Georgia
June 1-5 Anaheim, California

2010-
May 17-21 Indianapolis, Indiana
June 14-18 Dallas, Texas

The NCAA is pleased to announce that there will be a new format to regional rules seminars and is excited for the changes that are going to be made.
POINT OF REFERENCE FOR COMPLIANCE QUESTIONS

BYLAW 13.1.3.1 TELEPHONE CALLS TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENT ATHLETES, GENERAL RULE
TITLE: ED COLUMN—ISSUE RELATED TO TELEPHONE CALLS (II)
DATE ISSUED: AUGUST 18TH, 2008
TYPE: ED COLUMN

BYLAW 14.1.8.1.7 ELIGIBILITY FOR MALE STUDENTS OR MALE STUDENTS-ATHLETES TO PRACTICE WITH WOMEN’S TEAMS.
DATE ISSUED: JANUARY 12TH, 2008
TYPE: ED COLUMN

BYLAW 17.1.6.6.1 NO CLASS TIME MISSED FOR PRACTICE ACTIVITIES
DATE ISSUED: FEBRUARY 20TH, 1991
TYPE: STAFF INTERPRETATION
TITLE: MISSED CLASS TIME FOR PRACTICE ACTIVITIES

COMPLIANCE QUESTION/ANSWER

Q: Can a PSA come on campus if there is a fee problem showing up on the clearinghouse website?
A: No, a PSA cannot come on an official visit until cleared by the clearing house, this includes any fee problems.

Q: Can an institution pay for male practice players NCAA eligibility center certification?
A: No

Q: Can an institution have a practice player that is an employee of the department? For example, we have a full-time equipment manager that our coaches would like to help out as a practice player. Is this legal?
A: No, (ED Column, January 12th, 2008). In the ed column, the questions was ‘Is it permissible to use an individual who is designated a manager for the team as a male practice player?’ (A)- The individual must be hired primarily to perform traditional managerial duties. Therefore, an institution should not employ or use a manager for the sole purpose of being involved in on-court or on-field activities as a male practice player with its women’s team.

Q: Does a student who is a freshman and was not recruited have to go through the NCAA eligibility center?
A: Bylaw 14.3.5.1 addresses recruited and non-recruited players in regards to competition and practice and alludes to the fact that all freshman student-athletes (recruited or non-recruited) must be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center prior to competition. For further questions regarding this issue, page 112 in manual will help.
Q: Clarification per bylaw 13.4.5?
A: Texting parents of recruits are considered to be sending a text message to a prospective student athlete.

Q: If a Student-Athlete is found to have practiced without all physical and insurance forms in, what sort of violation is it?
A: Bylaw 17.1.5 is the bylaw to refer to and it is a level 2 violation of Bylaw 2.8 and should be reported annually.

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### NLI Signing Dates

**2009-10 Signing Dates**

**Basketball (Early Period)**  
Nov. 12, 2008- Nov. 19, 2008

**Basketball (Regular Period)**  
April 15, 2009- May 20, 2009

**Football (midyear JC transfer)**  
Dec. 17, 2008- Jan 15, 2009

**Football (Regular Period)**  
Feb. 4, 2009-April 1, 2009

**Field Hockey, Soccer, Track and Field/Cross Country, Men’s Water Polo**  
Feb. 4, 2009- Aug. 1, 2009

**All other Sports (Early Period)**  
Nov. 12, 2008- Nov. 19, 2008

**All other Sports (Regular Period)**  
April 8, 2009- Aug.1, 2009

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**National Letter of Intent**

How is the NLI handled by the Institution?
- Institution issues an NLI and offer of athletics aid to the PSA.
- PSA signs two-copies; returns one to institution and keeps one.
  - *must be signed within 14 days of issue date (unless early signing period, deadline on final signing date.)*
  - *if PSA is under 21, a parent/legal guardian must also sign the NLI.*
- Institution verifies required information and sends to conference office
  - *must be filed with conference within 21 days of final signature.*

How is the NLI handled by the Conference Office?
- Conference office determines validity of NLI. If NLI is valid, conference administrator enters PSA information into NLI database. Only conference administrators have access to database.

The date issued cannot be prior to the signing date. If you are going to send out NLI early put first date of signing period.

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**2008-09 RESOURCES FOR NCAA DII INSTITUTIONS**

- NCAA Legislative Services Database Internet  
  [https://goomer.ncaa.org/wdbctx/LSDBI.home](https://goomer.ncaa.org/wdbctx/LSDBI.home)

- NCAA Division II Manual  

- NCAA Recruiting Web Site  

- Division II Community Engagement Web Site  
Letter to Compliance Officers:

The NSIC Compliance Newsletter will be published monthly during the academic calendar. The goal is to have the newsletter published by the 1st of every month. If you have anything that you would like to be published in the monthly compliance newsletter please get this information to me the 3rd week of every month. Also, if you have any ideas or things you would like to see changed please let me know as well.

Have a great day!
Melissa