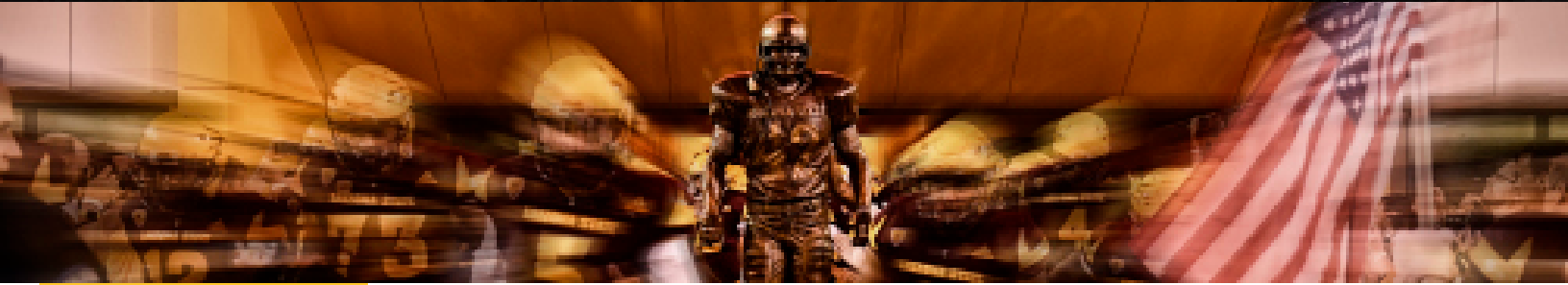




SUN DEVIL COMPLIANCE

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BEGINNING-OF-THE YEAR TASKS

If your sport has not done so already, please submit the following as soon as possible (all forms below are available on ARMS unless otherwise noted):

- Staff declaration (please include everyone that will be on your team's staff for the 2023-24 academic year, including noncoaches, managers, and volunteers, if applicable)
- Playing and practice season declaration
- 2023-24 competition schedules (may be emailed to Mel Aptaker or attached to your playing and practice season declaration in ARMS)
- Outside consultant request for any outside consultant(s) that will be working with your program during the 2023-24 academic year (even if you submitted a request for the 2022-23 academic year)

Also, all coaches and staff must complete a local sports club approval workflow if they will be running or working with a local sports club during the 2023-24 academic year (even if they submitted a workflow for the 2022-23 academic year).



FALL CLEARANCE

Student-athletes may not participate in CARAs during the fall semester until they are fully cleared by sports medicine and the Compliance Office. To receive clearance from the Compliance Office, student-athletes must:

- Complete all beginning-of-the-year forms in ARMS (these have been assigned—please tell your student-athletes to complete these in a timely manner),
- Attend a compliance education session (please contact the Compliance Office to schedule a time for an in-person meeting with your student-athletes before your first fall activities), and
- Receive medical clearance from the sports medicine staff (note, student-athletes that were cleared for summer activities will require separate clearance for the fall semester).

Coaches and staff can view their student-athletes' up-to-date clearance status by using the "Fall Clearance" view on the ARMS team roster page.



OFF-CAMPUS RECRUITING

Coaches may not recruit off campus after August 1 until they attend an NCAA off-campus recruiting educational session hosted by the Compliance Office. (These sessions have replaced the annual recruiting exam.) If you have not attended one of these sessions, please contact the Compliance Office to schedule a meeting.



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FALL LIEU CHECK DATES

August 23 - September 20 - October 18 - November 15 - November 29

INITIAL ARRIVAL REMINDER: NEW RULE

Under the August 2022 student-athlete benefits package, a prospect becomes a student-athlete when the prospect:

- Has signed an athletics scholarship or is admitted, paid enrollment deposit, and signed the walk-on admissions form;
- Has completed all academic requirements at the previous institution (e.g., graduated from high school, last day of finals at 4-year institution); and
- Receives a benefit from SDA (e.g., gear, meal, initial arrival flight).

The incoming prospect will become a student-athlete on this date, so now,

- **The in-comer can arrive in the locale on or after this date.**
- Coaches and staff can provide the in-comer gear, equipment, and other benefits student-athletes may receive.
- Once cleared by sports medicine and the Compliance Office, the prospect can participate in permissible sports activities that other student-athletes can participate in.

However, student-athlete rules restrictions remain in place. For example,

- The in-comer cannot stay cost-free anywhere.
- The in-comer cannot participate in any workouts until fully cleared by the Compliance Office.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

On July 1, several legislative updates adopted by the NCAA DI Council went into effect, including the following:

New rule: There is no cap on the number of official visits that a prospect may take.

What this means: Before, a prospect was limited to five total official visits. Now, prospects may take as many official visits as they would like to make informed decisions. Note, prospects are still limited to one visit per institution. Sports with official visit caps (football, baseball, basketball) maintain their annual limits.

New rule: For official visits, a sports program may pay for the transportation costs to and from campus for up to two prospect family members.

What changed: In the past, for sports other than football and basketball, programs could only pay for prospect transportation. Now, in addition to paying for a prospect's transportation (e.g., flight, mileage), ASU can pay for transportation costs for up to two family members (as that term is defined under NCAA rules).

New rule: Official visits are limited to a two-night stay.

What changed: There is no longer a strict 48-hour limit, but rather a limit on the number of nights. So, coaches have a greater flexibility with arrival and departure times.

Note, all proposals related to unofficial visits, including allowing parking and meals to prospects were tabled for further review.

SPOT THE VIOLATION

Sarah is a women's gymnastics prospect and a senior in high school. Sarah is competing in a local meet at a high school. The gymnastics coach has been recruiting Sarah and wants to see her compete when she is in town, but women's gymnastics is in a dead period. In between events, the gymnastics coach stations himself outside of the locker room. As Sarah heads to the floor to compete, the gymnastics coach stops her, says hello, and wishes her good luck.



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METRICS REPORT

Five areas of program and coach compliance behavior are measured and included in the President and AD's annual compliance metrics report. Those areas are indicators of SDA's compliance culture (they are all very basic and necessary compliance activities) as well as the Compliance Office's effectiveness in communicating our messages. If you have any questions regarding metrics, see Steve. Here are the five coaches' metrics and information about each:

Monthly newsletter read rate – The newsletter is sent out at the beginning of each month to all coaches, and, for those who fail to read that newsletter, the middle of each month. Coaches have until the next month's newsletter is distributed to click and read.

Mandatory attendance at monthly compliance meetings – Meetings typically occur the third Tuesday of every month (August - June) at 11:15 am via Zoom (for the foreseeable future). Please note that the November meeting will be on the second Tuesday in November. Justin sent out the meeting invites on July 31 for all education meetings that will take place during the 2023-24 academic year including the first meeting on August 15 at 11:15 am. These meetings are mandatory.

Absences from mandatory meetings – Absences are only excused if coaches are out of town for competition or recruiting and notify the Compliance Office and sport supervisor(s) before the meeting and get approval. Other absences will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis so long as the coach notifies the Compliance Office before the meeting occurs. Coaches who have excusable absences must complete a makeup video session to be listed as excused in the report.

Timely CARA log submission – Logs must be submitted every week by Monday at 11:59 pm during the academic year (and during summer for mandatory workouts in basketball and football). Cross country, football, soccer, triathlon, and volleyball must begin recording hours on their first day of practice.

Timely recruiting statement submission – Recruiting statements must be submitted by the fifth business day of each month. The recruiting statement is sent via ARMS on the first of every month and can be accessed through the link provided in your email.

Violations – The metrics report includes information regarding the types and number of violations for each sport. Coach involvement in violations is also included in the sport-specific section of the metrics report.

NIL UPDATES

Point of contact:

For NIL questions, situations, scenarios, please reach out to the SDA Altius GM - Rachael Bacchus. Her office is located on the 6th floor of CSAC. Her email is rachael.bacchus@altiusssp.com and her phone number is 407.619.6537.

Institutional/Coach/Staff Member Involvement in NIL:

Coaches and staff are encouraged to read through the NCAA guidance found by clicking [here](#) relating to institutional involvement with student-athlete NIL activities as well as with the Sun Angel Collective. Key highlights are:

1. Coaches and staff cannot personally donate to the Sun Angel Collective.
2. Coaches and staff can purchase a student-athlete's product (e.g., t-shirt) so long as the value is de minimis (e.g., a coach can buy a t-shirt, but a coach cannot buy a box of t-shirts from the student-athlete).
3. Coaches and staff can connect a student-athlete with a business owner (through Rachael), but coaches and staff cannot negotiate any deal between the student-athlete and the business.

AND THE ANSWER IS . . .

Two violations occurred in this scenario. First, the coach visited a prospect's educational institution during a dead period. Second, the gymnastics coach violated impermissible contact rules when he stationed himself outside of Sarah's locker room to say hello and wish her good luck. Any pre-arranged contact that takes place at the site of a prospect's competition is considered a contact regardless of whether any conversation occurs.

RECRUITING CALENDARS

For information about permissible dates for various recruiting activities, check out our Recruiting 101 tip sheet, available [here](#). And please see sport recruiting calendars listed below.

AUGUST 2023

CALENDAR KEY

 EVALUATION PERIOD
  CONTACT PERIOD (Recruiting Period in MBB)
  QUIET PERIOD
  DEAD PERIOD

FOOTBALL

	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

BASEBALL

	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

MEN'S BASKETBALL

	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

TRACK / CC

	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

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6*	7*	8*	9*	10*	11*	12*
13*	14*	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

*Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, off-campus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14*	15*	16*	17*	18*	19*
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

*Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, off-campus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

SOFTBALL

	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14*	15*	16*	17*	18*	19*
20	21*	22*	23*	24*	25*	26*
27	28*	29*	30*	31*		

* Softball evaluations only at scholastic practices and competitions.

SWIMMING / DIVING

	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21*	22*	23*	24*	25*	26*
27*	28	29	30	31		

*Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, off-campus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

ALL OTHER SPORTS

	1	2	3	4	5	
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Please note this table has dates that run until August 31. Many of the periods run past August 31.

Visit the [NCAA Recruiting Calendars website](#) for full recruiting calendars and NCAA sport-specific recruiting guides.

ASK FIRST!