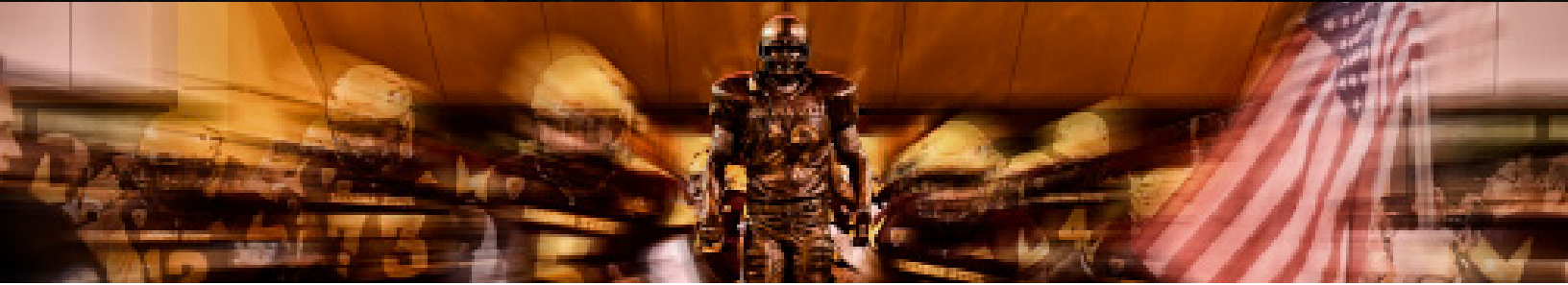




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LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

New rule: The transfer portal windows for football and basketball student-athletes has been reduced from 45 to 30 days.

What this means: Football student-athletes will have two transfer portal windows. The first window will be December 9 through December 28. The second window will be April 16, 2025 through April 25, 2025. Basketball student-athletes will still only have one window. The men's basketball window will be March 24, 2025 through April 22, 2025. The women's basketball window will be March 25, 2025 through April 23, 2025. The most up-to-date transfer portal windows for all sports can be found [here](#).

New rule: The National Letter of Intent program has been discontinued and the applicable parameters have now been included in the NCAA bylaws.

What this means: A prospect will only sign one document – an athletics scholarship agreement – during the upcoming signing periods (please see Page 2 for more information on the signing periods). In addition, the rules that used to apply to the NLI document (e.g., recruiting ban after signing, the prospect being bound to attend ASU) are now incorporated into the NCAA manual. So, for example, once a prospect signs an athletics scholarship agreement with ASU, that prospect will not be able to talk to coaches at other institutions.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT DAY

As a reminder, all CARAs are prohibited on Tuesday, November 5 for the Civic Day of Engagement unless a sport is in its championship segment and follows the parameters in the championship segment exception. To use this exception, a sport must give student-athletes a day off between now and November 19. And on this day off, student-athletes must be provided with opportunities to participate in civic engagement activities.

In addition, SDA has developed a civic engagement policy that addresses opportunities available to student-athletes for civic engagement. This was created through a collaborative process involving student-athletes, coaches, and senior administrators to ensure student-athletes are provided adequate opportunities, resources, and programming to participate in civic engagement activities.

Please see the Compliance Office with questions regarding implementing this rule for your sport. And please see your sport administrator and Deana Garner for information on available programming for your sport's civic engagement off day.

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CARA Reminder: December 1 is the last day for CARAs for out-of-season sports for the fall semester (one week before finals).

RARAS

What is a RARA?

A RARA is any required activity that has any relation to a student-athlete's participation in athletics. For a non-exhaustive list of RARAs, please click [here](#). Notable RARAs include community service events, student host duties, athletically-related travel, team building activities, and media activities.

Definition of "required"

An athletically related activity is "required" when the activity is initiated, organized, or witnessed by anyone in SDA. Thus, the definition of voluntary under RARA legislation is slightly different (and narrower) than under CARA legislation. Even if student-athletes want to participate in a community service event organized by SDA or attended by a staff member, they cannot participate in the event on an off day or if the event is not included on their sport's ARMS calendar.

When are RARAs prohibited?

Student-athletes are prohibited from participating in RARAs on all off days and during an 8-hour, overnight period between 9:00 pm and 6:00 am.

TMP

Please remember to provide student-athletes with proper notice of CARAs and RARAs throughout the year in accordance with the sport's time management plan.

ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIPS

Coaches and staff are encouraged to submit athletics scholarship requests ASAP through the TCR workflow. If you have any questions relating to the process, please reach out to Leo Gannon in the Compliance Office.

All sports except football and basketball signing dates:

November 13, 2024 through August 1, 2025

Basketball signing dates:

November 13-20, 2023 and April 16 through May 15, 2024

Football signing dates:

December 4-6, 2024 and February 5 through April 1, 2024 (and December 20, 2023 through January 15, 2024 for midyear junior college transfers)

2024-25 NCAA SIGNING DATES

SPORT	INITIAL SIGNING DATE	FINAL SIGNING DATE
Division I Basketball (Early Period)	November 13, 2024	November 20, 2024
Division I Basketball (Regular Period)	April 16, 2025	End date based on institutional policy for awarding scholarships
Division I Football (Early Period)	December 4, 2024	December 6, 2024
Division I and II Football (Midyear/Two-Year College Transfers)	December 4, 2024	End date based on institutional policy for awarding scholarships
Division I and II Football (Regular Period)	February 5, 2025	End date based on institutional policy for awarding scholarships
All Other Division I and II Sports	November 13, 2024	End date based on institutional policy for awarding scholarships

NCAA signing dates do not apply to four-year transfers. Four-year transfers must be permissibly entered in the NCAA Transfer Portal to sign the written offer of athletics aid. For Division I, the permissible entry includes the opening of the sport specific window or any applicable exceptions to the window.

SPOT THE VIOLATION

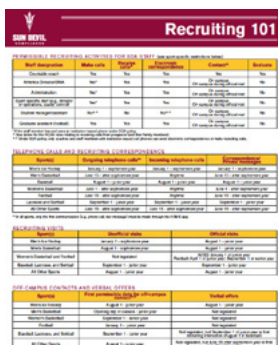
The soccer team has defined its week as Sunday to Saturday, and is in their championship season. The team will practice Sunday and Monday. The required day off is Tuesday. The team will then travel to away-from-home competition Wednesday and compete Thursday and Friday. The team will travel back to campus Saturday. The coaching staff told the student-athletes they were invited to attend an institutionally-organized fundraising event on Tuesday evening at a donor's home. The student-athletes voluntarily attended the event to mingle with donors and educate them about the soccer program.

Dead Period Reminder: November 11-14 is a dead period for all sports other than football and women's basketball.

COMPLIANCE AND AI

The Compliance Office is always searching for new and innovative ways to provide coaches and staff rules education materials. As a part of this initiative, the Compliance Office would like to present a couple AI podcasts coaches and staff can listen to relating to specific education materials. These links and documents are tied to Google's NotebookLM program. Coaches and staff must be logged into Google to be able to listen to these podcasts. If you have any questions, please contact the Compliance Office.

The first podcast relating to the SDA Compliance Recruiting 101 tip sheet can be found and listened to by clicking the Recruiting 101 icon below.



The image shows a document titled "Recruiting 101" with a table of contents. The table lists various sections such as "Recruiting 101", "Recruiting 101", "Recruiting 101", and "Recruiting 101".



Click on the Recruiting 101 tip sheet photo for a fun, AI podcast on NCAA recruiting.

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS

Player Guests

Student-athletes in ticketed sports may receive complimentary tickets for home and away events in their sport.

Deadline: Home and away games – 11:59 pm two days before game day, or Thursday at 11:59 pm for any Saturday or Sunday game. Example: If game day is Thursday, November 14, the deadline is Tuesday, November 12 at 11:59 pm.

Process: Student-athletes add their guests to Teamworks using the "Complimentary Tickets" tab. The tip sheet [here](#) contains the step-by-step process student-athletes must follow to properly submit requests.

Prospects

Prospects on official visits may receive up to 5 complimentary tickets, whereas prospects on unofficial visits may receive up to 3 complimentary tickets.

Deadline: Regular season home events only – 11:59 pm two days before game day or Thursday at 11:59 pm for any Saturday or Sunday game. Example: If game day is Thursday, November 14, the deadline is Tuesday, November 12 at 11:59 pm.

Process: Tickets are requested through the prospects' Teamworks profiles. Tickets for staff and student hosts accompanying the recruit must be requested separately via the staff or student ticket request processes. An official or unofficial visit request must be submitted before requesting complimentary tickets for a prospect.

AND THE ANSWER IS . . .





NCAA legislation states that RARAs cannot occur on a required off day. Because the institutionally-organized donor event was a RARA listed on the team's calendar for that week and because no other day that week could be used as a required off day, the soccer student-athletes' attendance at the event was a violation.

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.

NOVEMBER 2024

CALENDAR KEY

 EVALUATION PERIOD
  CONTACT PERIOD
  QUIET PERIOD
  DEAD PERIOD

(Recruiting Period in MBB)

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

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*

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

MEN/WOMEN'S GOLF

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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

FOOTBALL

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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

LACROSSE

					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*

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**

^ Indicates evaluation period begins at 5 pm.
 ^^ Indicates evaluation period begins following the adjournment of the IWLCAC.
 *Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, off-campus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

* Indicates scholastic practices and competitions only.
 ^ Indicates scholastic and nonscholastic practices and competitions.
 **Recruiting shutdown period: No visits, off-campus recruiting, emails, texts, phone calls, etc.

TRACK/CROSS COUNTRY

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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

ALL OTHER SPORTS

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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Please note this table has dates that run until November 30. Many of the periods run past November 30. Visit the [NCAA Recruiting Calendars website](#) for full recruiting calendars and NCAA sport-specific recruiting guides.

ASK FIRST!