



# SUN DEVIL COMPLIANCE

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## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

In January, the membership adopted a number of new Council proposals with immediate effective dates, including the following:

**New rule:** SDA staff members may now create and send personalized recruiting videos via electronic correspondence to prospects who have signed their NLI's.

**What this means:** While videos created for a recruiting purpose have been permissible since August 2018, personalized videos were not permissible. The new rule allows SDA to create and send such videos to NLI signees. So, for example, coaches and staff may now send personalized GIFs or Snapchats to NLI signees.

**Effective date:** Immediate

**New rule:** Student-athletes who are designated by the USOPC and sport-affiliated NGBs (or international equivalents) as elite athletes may receive sport-related training expenses as well as travel expenses for parents and coaches from those organizations.

**What this means:** This proposal narrowed who can receive training expenses (only those officially designated as elite), but broadened what those individuals can receive.

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**New rule:** Student-athletes who are designated by the USOPC and sport-affiliated NGBs (or international equivalents) as elite athletes may participate in individual workout sessions with coaches without these sessions counting towards daily/weekly limits as long as the student-athletes initiate the request and do not miss class.

**What this means:** In addition to having access to more developmental training funds, elite student-athletes also have more access to working with their college coaches on a voluntary basis to help improve their skills.

**Effective Date:** Immediate

For more information relating to these two elite athlete proposals, please review an NCAA overview on the topics found [here](#).

The remaining Council proposals will be reviewed and discussed over the next couple months leading to a membership vote in April 2020. The NCAA Council will meet April 22-24 to gather the membership votes. If a proposal is approved, it would likely be ratified on April 29 during the NCAA Board of Directors meeting. If there are any comments/concerns with the remaining legislation, please discuss with Steve Webb.



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5. Interesting fact: My younger siblings are triplets

# OUTSIDE INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

Subject to the conditions below, a student-athlete may participate in outside competition as an individual at any time in his or her sport as either a member of an SDA team or as an unattached individual.

## Competing in Unattached Individual Competition

Competing unattached from SDA allows student-athletes to maintain redshirt status or not use a date of competition if the student-athletes:

- Represent themselves and not a club, team, or other organization;
- Pay all their own expenses, including all travel and competition expenses (i.e., they only receive expenses from their parents, legal guardians, or event sponsors);
- Do not receive any coaching or instruction from SDA staff members; and
- Do not wear SDA-issued uniforms or apparel still used by SDA in competition.

Note: Student-athletes may use SDA equipment (e.g., golf bag, bicycles).

## Prizes and Awards While Competing Unattached

Student-athletes may accept prize money if it does not exceed the student-athletes' "actual and necessary expenses" (this term is limited in scope and defined in the NCAA manual) and is provided by the event sponsor.



## Competing for SDA in Outside Individual Competition

Competing for SDA in an outside individual competition must be counted toward individual NCAA competition limits, but allows SDA to provide travel expenses and coaching. Student-athletes may also use SDA-issued uniforms.

## Prizes and Awards While Competing for SDA

Student-athletes may not receive anything for their finish when competing for SDA in an outside individual competition. For example, student-athletes may not accept any prize money, even if it does not exceed actual and necessary expenses.

## Compliance Office Approval for Outside Individual Competition

Because mistakes in connection with individual competition carry serious consequences (e.g., using a season of competition or violating amateurism rules), student-athletes must fill out the Outside Competition Approval form in ARMS before participating in outside competition.

# SPOT THE VIOLATION

The University of Argon softball program has an institutional camp scheduled for this upcoming weekend. Two softball student-athletes have decided to operate their own concession booth during the camp. The student-athletes purchased all of the food items and supplies necessary to operate the concession booth. During the course of the camp, the student-athletes sold food and other camp items to campers and others in attendance.

# Spring Lieu Check Pick-Up Schedule

February 26  
March 25  
April 22

## IN THE NEWS

### TCU: COACHING LIMITS, CARAS, AND STUDENT-ATHLETE EMPLOYMENT

TCU was penalized by the Committee on Infractions for violations involving coaching limitations, CARAs, and impermissible student-athlete employment in the football, swimming, and basketball programs. The head swimming and diving coach instructed student managers to engage in impermissible coaching activities violating coaching limitation rules. Further, CARA violations occurred when the head coach and other staff members directed or supervised the student-athletes participating in athletically related activities that exceeded the daily and weekly limits.

The student-athlete employment violations occurred in the football and basketball programs. Student-athletes were paid for work not actually performed during the summer months between 2015 and 2018. Thirty-three student-athletes did not clock out when they left their job resulting in being credited and paid out for hours they did not work.

Penalties included one year of probation, a \$50,000 fine, and a one-year show-cause order for the former swimming and diving coach.

#### KEY TAKEAWAYS:

1. Team meetings are CARAs. The swimming and diving head coach failed to recognize this, and therefore, he did not incorporate team meetings into the daily and weekly hour limitations.
2. Student managers including graduate managers (often referred to as graduate assistants in many sports) are prohibited from providing instruction to student-athletes at any time. For more information on what student managers can/cannot do, please refer to this student manager tip sheet found [here](#).
3. As a penalty for exceeding coaching limitations, the swimming and diving program reduced the maximum number of countable coaches (from six to five) for the entire 2018-19 academic year.

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## INITIAL ARRIVAL TO TEMPE

As discussed in our monthly rules education meetings, the general rule is freshmen and transfers may arrive in the Tempe locale the day before either the first practice (or summer mandatory workouts) if a sport is in season or classes begin for a session (summer or regular term). Coaches and staff should tell their prospects when to arrive to campus. A list of those arrival dates are provided below. And if incoming student-athletes decide to move to the locale before these dates, you are required to develop monitoring plans in consultation with the Compliance Office.

#### Summer Sessions A and C

- Sessions start date: May 18
- Initial date when prospects should arrive in locale: May 17

#### Summer Session B

- Session start date: July 1
- Initial date when prospects should arrive in locale: June 30

#### Fall 2020 Semester - Freshmen orientation start date

- Orientation session start date: August 15
- Initial date when prospects should arrive in locale: August 15

## AND THE ANSWER IS...

A violation of NCAA rules occurred when Argon permitted its enrolled student-athletes to operate a concession booth to sell items, related to or associated with, the camp to those in attendance. The fact that the concession booth was operated at the sole expense of the student-athletes does not make it permissible.

# Recruiting Calendars

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## CALENDAR KEY



EVALUATION PERIOD



CONTACT PERIOD



QUIET PERIOD



DEAD PERIOD

*Recruiting Period in MBB*

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29	

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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Scholastic events only February 1-29

### BASEBALL

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### VOLLEYBALL

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### SOFTBALL

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### ALL OTHER SPORTS

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## NCAA RECRUITING INFORMATION

Please note this table has dates that run until February 29. Many of the periods run past February 29.

Visit the [NCAA Recruiting Calendars website](https://www.ncaa.org/sport-information) for full recruiting calendars and NCAA sport-specific recruiting guides.