



# SUN DEVIL COMPLIANCE

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## OFFICIAL VISITS

### Ten Rules to Remember

#### 1 ELIGIBILITY

High school prospects must submit all transcripts, register with the Eligibility Center, and be placed on ASU's request list. Transfers must submit college transcripts. Please make sure transcripts have the prospect's name, school's name, and all coursework on it.

#### 2 48 HOURS

Official visits cannot last longer than 48 hours. The 48 hours begin when prospects arrive on campus or receive entertainment.

#### 3 TRYOUTS

Prospects may not participate in recreational activities supervised by staff members. Coaches and staff may now organize (e.g., place on itineraries) these activities. Basketball prospects may participate in on-campus evaluations (subject to time restrictions) only if they are approved by the Compliance Office.

#### 4 STUDENT HOSTS

Student hosts may receive \$75 each day for entertainment for prospects and their families. All entertainment expenses must be deducted from the student host money allotment.

#### 5 COMP ADMISSIONS

Prospects may receive up to five complimentary admissions via pass lists to regular season, home athletics events.

#### 6 MEALS

Prospects and up to four of their family members may receive up to three meals each day.

#### 7 CASH

Student hosts, staff members, or boosters may not provide prospects with cash.

#### 8 AUTOMOBILES

Neither prospects nor hosts may be provided the use of automobiles.

#### 9 AIRFARE

As long as tickets are considered coach class, prospects may take advantage of enhanced seating (e.g., additional leg room, exit row) options for their flights. Please make sure to provide Susanna with the actual booking of the ticket.

#### 10 BOOSTER CONTACTS

Boosters cannot have contact with prospects during official visits unless the prospects have signed NLI's with ASU. But former SDA student-athletes (who are boosters) may have on-campus contact with prospects.

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## IN THE NEWS

### UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

The University of Utah was recently penalized by the Committee on Infractions for recruiting violations in men's basketball that took place over the course of one week.

1. The coaching staff had an impermissible off-campus evaluation and contact with a prospect during a quiet period. The coaching staff misread the recruiting calendar by one week leading to the impermissible activities.
2. The same prospect received impermissible benefits from a booster in the form of an expense-paid visit to the institution.

The coaching staff asked the compliance office if the prospect could take an unofficial visit to campus while also in the area visiting the junior college. The compliance office answered in the affirmative based on the facts provided. But the coaching staff did not mention the extensive role the junior college coach had in facilitating the visit. This extensive role caused the junior college coach to become a booster for Utah. And because of his booster status, he provided the prospect with impermissible travel benefits to Utah.

The penalties included probation, a \$5,000 fine, recruiting restrictions, and a one-year show cause order for a member of the coaching staff.

#### Key Takeaways:

1. It does not take much for violations to become a Level II (major) case. Over the course of one week, a small mistake in incorrectly reading the recruiting calendar and an impermissible visit led to this Level II case.
2. Third parties, including prospect coaches, are considered boosters when they assist in recruiting efforts on behalf of the university.
3. Failing to give the compliance office full information when asking a question can result in inaccurate advice.

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## FANTASY FOOTBALL

Fantasy football participation, including daily fantasy leagues, is a form of gambling under NCAA legislation if there are entry fees. So participation in fantasy leagues with entry fees by coaches, staff, and student-athletes is prohibited. But participation in leagues with no entry fees for all participants is permissible.



## SPOT THE VIOLATION

Pam Beasley is scheduled to take an official visit to the University of Argon. She is flying from Pennsylvania and arriving at 6:45 pm Saturday. The coach decides to start her visit at 9:15 am Sunday. On the way to the hotel after she arrives in Argon, she tells the coach she is starving and would like to have dinner. The coach plans to drive thru Chick-fil-a, but decides they should go in and sit down because the meal will be quick. The next morning at 9:15 am, the coach picks her up from the hotel and takes her to campus. On Tuesday morning at 9:15 am, she boards the plane to go home.

# RARA TIP

All SDA staff members: Any activity that is not a countable athletically related activity must be added to a sport's RARA calendar. This includes, but is not limited to, community service, golf outings, and media interviews. Keep in mind these RARAs cannot occur on off days. For more information on whether an activity is a RARA, please review the Pac-12 RARA chart found [here](#) or check with the Compliance Office.

## AWAY-FROM-HOME COMPETITION MEALS

Coaches and staff may choose between three options when providing meals to student-athletes in connection with away games.

### OPTION 1: ALL MEALS

SDA pays for all meals during trip (but no per diem).

- There is no limit on the number of meals provided during the trip.
- Student-athletes may receive \$15 (or a final meal) when they are released at the end of the trip, but not both.

### OPTION 2: PER DIEM

SDA pays the cash equivalent for meals up to the university employee rate for the locale of the contest.

- There is a limit on the number of meals where expenses can be provided – three per day plus a pre- or post-game meal. Student-athletes may be given \$15 instead of the post-game meal, but not both.
- Actual meals can be provided if the values of those meals are subtracted from the student-athlete's per diem allowance or they satisfy the meal-incident-to-participation (MIP) requirements (see example below).

### OPTION 3: MIX OF PER DIEM AND MEALS ON DIFFERENT DAYS

While on the same road trip, NCAA legislation allows SDA to switch between the all-meals option on one day and the per-diem option on a different day. Please properly document on meal-money form the which option you select each day.

### MIP EXAMPLE

A team has two competitions in one day and the last competition ends at 5:00 pm. The team goes to dinner at 6:00 pm. The student-athletes could receive a fourth meal as an MIP at 10:00 pm.



**Fall  
Lieu Check  
Pick-Up  
Schedule**

**September 25  
October 23  
November 20  
December 4**

## AND THE ANSWER IS...

There is a violation of the 48-hour rule. The University of Argon would not be permitted to provide return transportation to the prospect because the 48-hour window started when the prospect and coach stopped at Chick-fil-a for a meal instead of using the drive-through. So the visit should have ended by 6:45 pm Monday night. Additionally, the University of Argon would not be permitted to pay for the prospect's hotel stay on Monday night or return flight home on Tuesday. To help prevent any potential violations, please work with Susanna in the Compliance Office relating to any issues of the official visit, 48-hour rule ahead of time.

# Recruiting Calendars

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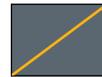
## CALENDAR KEY



EVALUATION PERIOD



CONTACT PERIOD



QUIET PERIOD



DEAD PERIOD

*Recruiting Period in MBB*

### 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					

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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### BASEBALL

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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 September 30. Many of the periods run past September 30.  
 Visit the [NCAA Recruiting Calendars website](http://www.ncaa.org/recruiting-calendars) for full recruiting calendars and NCAA sport-specific recruiting guides.