



**2019 NCAA Convention Legislation
NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Pro-Con List**

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-2

NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- STUDENT-ATHLETE HEALTH AND SAFETY SURVEY AND PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO SUBMIT SURVEY

INTENT: To specify that an active member institution shall complete a student-athlete health and safety survey on an annual basis pursuant to policies and procedures as determined by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport; further, to establish a penalty for failure to submit the survey.

PROS:

- Benefits student-athletes and their safety.

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-3

PERSONNEL -- CERTIFICATION TO RECRUIT OFF-CAMPUS -- REGULATIONS -- ANNUAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT -- CERTIFICATION ADMINISTRATION -- REQUIRED COMPLETION OF EDUCATIONAL MODULES

INTENT: To amend NCAA Bylaw 11.6.1.1.1 (certification administration), as follows: (1) to require all coaches to annually complete specific educational modules as determined by the Legislation Committee; (2) to prohibit off-campus recruiting until the coach successfully completes the required educational modules; and (3) to prohibit the directing, supervising or observing of countable athletically related activities until the coach successfully completes the required educational modules.

PROS:

- More inclusive.
- More convenient.
- Ensures coaches are kept up to date with the best practices.
- Requires coaches to be actively engaged.
- Ensures coaches have the same knowledge and understanding of the legislation.
- Ease of burden on the faculty athletics representatives.

CONS:

- More coaches will not pass in the appropriate timeline.

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-4

RECRUITING -- SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- INSTITUTION'S SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- DEFINITION -- FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL -- ELIMINATION OF TIMING RESTRICTIONS -- PROHIBITION OF STUDENT-ATHLETE EMPLOYMENT AT INSTITUTIONAL CAMPS AND CLINICS DURING THE LEGISLATED WINTER BREAK

INTENT: To eliminate the timing restrictions for football and basketball camps and clinics; further, to prohibit student-athlete employment at an institutional camp or clinic during the legislated winter break.

PROS:

- Encompasses life in the balance.
- The winter break is a time for student-athletes to be off and not to do anything.

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-5

ELIGIBILITY -- OUTSIDE COMPETITION, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY -- ADDITIONAL APPLICATION OF OUTSIDE-COMPETITION REGULATIONS, SPORTS OTHER THAN BASKETBALL -- COMPETITION AS INDIVIDUAL/NOT REPRESENTING INSTITUTION -- EXCEPTION - MEDICAL SERVICES

INTENT: To specify that a student-athlete competing as an individual/not representing the institution may receive medical services from their institution's medical personnel at a competition site.

PROS:

- Student-athletes able to receive better care from someone who is familiar with them and their previous medical history.

CONS:

- Spreading athletic trainers thin.
- Athletes get the idea that they can compete without their teams being there.

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-6

ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS -- VALIDITY OF ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS -- PRE-ENROLLMENT ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

INTENT: To amend Bylaw 14.1.2.1 (pre-enrollment academic misconduct) to define and clarify pre-enrollment academic misconduct activities, the individuals to whom the activities apply and violations of such activities, as specified.

PROS:

- Consistency across all three divisions.

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-7

ELIGIBILITY -- SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER -- CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING SEASON OF ELIGIBILITY -- PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZED COMPETITION BEFORE INITIAL COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT -- EXCEPTIONS TO PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZED COMPETITION -- SERVICE EXCEPTIONS

INTENT: To specify that participation in organized competition during time spent in the armed services, on official religious missions or with recognized foreign aid services of the U.S. government are exempt from the application of the participation in organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment legislation.

PROS:

- More inclusive.
- Student-athletes serving their country will have their full collegiate career.
- Ease of burden for compliance (no more waivers)

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-8

PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -
- TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- WEEKLY HOUR
LIMITATIONS -- OUTSIDE OF PLAYING SEASON -- SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL
-- FOUR HOURS OF TEAM ACTIVITIES

INTENT: In sports other than football, to permit a student-athlete to participate in a maximum of four hours of team activities as part of the permissible eight hours of countable athletically related activities that may occur outside the playing season during the academic year.

PROS:

- Increased practice time.
- Less conditioning.
- Flexibility for coaches.

PROPOSAL NO. SPOPL 2-9

PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOOTBALL -- OUT-OF-SEASON
ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- SPRING PRACTICE -- 36-CONSECUTIVE
CALENDAR DAYS

INTENT: In football, to amend the spring practice period to permit 15 practice sessions within a period of 36-consecutive calendar days, omitting vacation and examination days officially announced on the institution's calendar and days during which the institution is closed due to inclement weather.

PROS:

- More possibilities to schedule practices during the spring.
- Student-athletes will have less fatigue with extra days in-between practices.