

Notification of Transfer: What Division II Student-Athletes Should Know

The transfer process previously known as "permission to contact" has been changed to "notification of transfer." Student-athletes should be aware of the process and implications. Read below for more information. (New Process Effective Aug. 1, 2020.)

THE PROCESS:

Talk to your coach and/or administrator about your intention to transfer.

Once notification of transfer is communicated, compliance will place your name in the transfer portal within seven consecutive calendar days.

After your name enters the transfer portal, you will receive an email notification, verifying a coach's ability to contact you.

Determine the school you will attend next. You will have the opportunity to receive athletics aid.

Benefits of Notification of Transfer

- Gives student-athletes more control over the decision to transfer.
- Prohibits current school from blocking a student-athlete from getting athletics aid at the new school.
- Utilizes a transfer portal to identify student-athletes who have notified their school of transfer, streamlining the process.
- Prompts conferences to review their own transfer rules.

RESOURCE LINK

• Notification of Transfer

IMPLICATIONS:

- Once notification of transfer is provided, your current school has the right to reduce or cancel your athletics aid at the end of the academic year. An institution may not cancel your athletics aid during the period of award based on your written notification of transfer. However, an institution may still reduce or cancel your athletics aid during the period of award per NCAA Division II Bylaw 15.5.4.*
- After notification, your original school is not obligated to let you continue participating with the team.
- Failure to follow the listed steps may result in NCAA violations.

YOU decide your future, but **CONSIDER** all options carefully before making any decisions.

* Please consult with your compliance administrator regarding the regulations of Bylaw 15.5.4.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Who can enter my name into the portal?

A: Your school's compliance administrator, or other authorized athletics administrators.

Q: Who do I need to talk to when wanting to transfer with the new legislation?

A: You always should be communicating with your coach and compliance administrator about transferring to another institution.

Q: When can communication start with prospective coaches?

A: Communication with coaches at other schools can begin after you notify your current school of the intent to transfer and your name has been entered into the transfer portal.

Q: What actions can I take before providing my notification to transfer?

A: Communication with the new school's office of admissions is permissible. You also can contact other student-athletes at the school you are looking to transfer to, provided communication is not at the direction of the coach from that school.

Q: When I notify my current school that I want to transfer, what can happen to my athletics aid?

A: After notifying your current school of your intent to transfer, your current school may not cancel your athletics aid during the period of award after you provide written notification of transfer.

Q: Am I able to receive athletics aid at my next school immediately?

A: Yes! With the notification of transfer model comes the opportunity to receive athletics aid immediately at your new school.

Q: Does the notification of transfer model guarantee that I will be immediately eligible to compete upon transferring?

A: No.Your current school will still be able to deny the use of the one-time transfer exception.

Q: What information will be on the portal?

A: Your NCAA ID number, school, sport and email address will be listed on the portal. In addition, information related to your past recruitment history, receipt of athletics aid and status as a graduate participant will also be included. After the compliance office submits the notification of transfer, your academic and athletics history will be entered to determine your NCAA eligibility.

Q: Are there any consequences if I give a notification of transfer and then don't transfer?

A: NCAA rules do not apply any consequences if a student notifies a school of an impending transfer and then does not transfer. However, once you have communicated your intention to transfer to your coach and compliance administrator, your coach does not have to invite you back on the team and your athletics aid or scholarship also may be discontinued for the following year.