



NCAA DIVISION III COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT AMATEURISM CERTIFICATION PROCESS GUIDELINES

(Updated March 2023)

- Certification conditions are assessed for each violation that occurs, so if an individual is in violation of agent legislation and competition legislation, both certification conditions may be imposed.
- Prospective student-athlete (PSA) includes any individual who is subject to review by the NCAA amateurism certification staff.
- The NCAA Division III Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement noted that a prospective student-athlete may complete community service hours in lieu of repayment.
- The committee noted that the NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff should continue to review factors (e.g., PSA culpability) that may increase or decrease the certification conditions.

Agent Violations

Description of Violation	Certification Condition
1. PSA agreed (orally or in writing) to be represented by an agent for purpose of marketing their athletics ability or reputation in a sport.	Eligibility not reinstated.
2. PSA or their relatives or friends accepted benefit(s) from an agent valued at \$500 or less.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s).
3. PSA or their relatives or friends accepted benefit(s) from an agent valued at greater than \$500 to \$1,000.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 10% withholding condition.
4. PSA or their relatives or friends accepted benefit(s) from an agent valued at greater than \$1,000 to \$1,500.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 20% withholding condition.
5. PSA or their relatives or friends accepted benefit(s) from an agent valued at greater than \$1,500.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 30% withholding condition.

Involvement with Professional Teams

Description of Violation	Certification Condition
1. Prior to full-time enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA received more than actual and necessary expenses from a professional team.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value that exceeded actual and necessary expenses. Additionally, the PSA shall be charged with the use of one season of participation.
2. After initial full-time collegiate enrollment at a non-NCAA institution but prior to enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA received funds (e.g., salary, bonus, reimbursement of expenses) from a professional team based on athletics skill or participation.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of impermissible funds received. Additionally, the PSA shall be charged with the use of one season of participation.
3. After initial full-time collegiate enrollment at a non-NCAA institution but prior to enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA signed a contract to play professional athletics.	Eligibility reinstated based on 10% withholding condition.
4. After initial full-time collegiate enrollment at a non-NCAA institution but prior to enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA competed on a professional team during the applicable sport's legislated delayed enrollment grace period.	Eligibility reinstated.
5. After initial full-time collegiate enrollment at a non-NCAA institution but prior to enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA competed on a professional team outside the applicable sport's legislated delayed enrollment grace period.	Eligibility reinstated based on a one-for-one withholding condition for every competition with professionals. This penalty can exceed equivalent of an NCAA season.

Impermissible Expenses

Description of Violation	Certification Condition
1. Prior to full-time enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA accepted reimbursement for expenses incurred or received awards that are prohibited by the rules governing an amateur, noncollegiate event in which the individual participates valued at \$500 or less.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s).
2. Prior to full-time enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA received reimbursement for expenses incurred or received awards that are prohibited by the rules governing an amateur, noncollegiate event in which the individual participates valued at greater than \$500 to \$1,000.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 10% withholding condition.
3. Prior to full-time enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA received reimbursement for expenses incurred or receives awards that are prohibited by the rules governing an amateur, noncollegiate event in which the individual participates valued at greater than \$1,000 to \$1,500.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 20% withholding condition.
4. Prior to full-time enrollment at an NCAA Division III institution, PSA received reimbursement for expenses incurred or receives awards that are prohibited by the rules governing an amateur, noncollegiate event in which the individual participates valued at greater than \$1,500.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 30% withholding condition.

Preferential Treatment

Description of Violation	Certification Condition
1. PSA received preferential treatment valued at \$500 or less.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s).
2. PSA received preferential treatment valued at greater than \$500 to \$1,000.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 10% withholding condition.
3. PSA received preferential treatment valued at greater than \$1,000 to \$1,500.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 20% withholding condition.
4. PSA received preferential treatment valued at greater than \$1,500.	Eligibility reinstated based on repayment of value of impermissible benefit(s) and a 30% withholding condition.