NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball

2020 NBA Draft and Combine, NCAA-Certified Agents and Workouts

Webinar
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Overview

• NCAA Agent Certification Program.

• Use of NCAA-Certified Agents.

• National Basketball Association Pre-Draft Process.
NCAA Agent Certification Program
Guiding Principles for NCAA Agent Certification Program

- Standards of certification and enforcement align with the purpose and expectations set forth by the Commission on College Basketball.

- A higher standard of certification than the National Basketball Player’s Association.

- Transparency to equally benefit student-athletes, parents, member schools, agents, state regulators, the NCAA and the NBPA.

- Provide valuable education to student-athletes, parents, member schools and agents.
Agent Certification Requirements

• Bachelor’s degree or relevant experience to align with NBPA requirements.
• NBPA certification – minimum of three years.
• Successful completion of an annual background check.
• Maintain professional liability insurance.
• Successful completion of an NCAA-administered exam (based on relevant bylaws).
• Disclosure of information such as: conflicts of interest, booster status, employees/contractors, state agent registrations, etc.
• Annual continuing education requirement.
Agent Certification Directory

www.ncaa.org/agent-certification

- NCAA Certification Application opens annually on August 1.
- NCAA Certification Directory is published annually in December.
- Directory includes:
  - Profile picture.
  - Contact information.
  - NBPA and NCAA certification dates.
  - States certified in.
Use of NCAA Certified-Agents
NCAA Division I Agent Rules for Men’s Basketball Student-Athletes

Helpful Tips for NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Student-Athletes Obtaining an NCAA-Certified Agent
Men’s basketball student-athletes who wish to retain NCAA Division I eligibility

At the end of each men’s basketball season, a student-athlete may sign with and be represented by an **NCAA-certified agent** after he has requested an evaluation from the NBA Undergraduate Advisory Committee via email at UAC@nba.com.

Student-athletes may **ONLY** sign with or receive permissible benefits from NCAA-certified agents.

Agreement with an **NCAA-certified agent** must be:

- In writing;
- Provided to the student-athlete’s school; and
- Terminated when the student-athlete returns to school.
During the agent selection process, **NCAA-certified agents** can provide a student-athlete and his family members with expenses that relate to selecting an agent.

- Expenses are limited to meals and transportation to meet with agents in the student-athlete’s locale.

- An agent must travel to the student-athlete’s locale (e.g., student-athlete’s school locale or home locale) to provide a permissible meal or transportation.
Expenses from an NCAA-certified agent

After the student-athlete has selected and signed an agreement with an **NCAA-certified agent**, the agent can provide the student-athlete and his family members with expenses to meet with the agent or a professional team and to participate in professional team tryouts (e.g., pro days).

Expenses are limited to meals, lodging and transportation.

**Note:**
- All expenses (including reimbursement) must stop when the student-athlete returns to school.
- Student-athletes may not miss class for any of the above activities.
- Agents cannot provide training expenses.
NCAA Eligibility

• A student-athlete who signs with an agent inconsistent with these requirements and/or accepts impermissible benefits from an agent is ineligible for NCAA competition.

• Guidelines from the Division I Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement suggest:
  • Starting point of permanent ineligibility for an impermissible agent agreement.
  • Repayment and potential withholding for accepting impermissible benefits from an agent.
Best Practices for Division I Institutions

1. Identify if SA will be “testing the water” and wishing to retain his NCAA eligibility or fully declaring for the NBA Draft with no intention to return to school.

2. Submit Standard Player Agent Contract (SPAC) to the ECAG

   *NBPA requires that an agent use the Standard Player Agent Contract (SPAC)*

3. Review the NCAA Certified Agent Directory

4. Document student-athlete trips

   - Agent Meetings
   - NBA Team Workouts
   - NBA Combine
   - Pro Day Tryouts

5. Collect receipts

   - Meals
   - Lodging
   - Transportation

6. Provide rules education to coaches, student-athletes, and family members
2020 NBA Pre-Draft Process & Undergraduate Advisory Committee

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NBA Undergraduate Advisory Committee

- **Purpose:** Provides college underclassmen with an independent evaluation of their prospects in the upcoming NBA Draft.

- **Application Window:** After the conclusion of the player’s team’s season (including all postseason games) but no later than April 16, 2020.

- **Timing of Feedback:**
  - **Initial Feedback:** On or around April 6 to April 26.
  - **Updated Feedback:** On or around May 27 to June 3.

- **Reminder:** Requesting UAC feedback does **not** automatically enter a player in the NBA Draft.
  - Declaring for the Draft requires submitting separate paperwork to the NBA.
Sample Evaluation Form

Applicants will receive an evaluation like the sample provided below.

**Evaluation**

- **Player**: John Doe
- **School**: University/College Name
- **Draft Year**: 2020

**Vote Breakdown**

- **Lottery** (Pick No. 1-14): 0%
- **First Round Non-Lottery** (Pick No. 15-30): 30%
- **First Half of Second Round** (Pick No. 31-45): 40%
- **Second Half of Second Round** (Pick No. 46-60): 20%
- **Undrafted**: 10%

**Most Likely Draft Range**: First Half of Second Round

NBA Undergraduate Advisory Committee
NBA Draft Combine

- **Date / Location**: May 19-24, 2020, in Chicago.
- **Participants**: The top 60 to 65 Draft-eligible prospects for 2020.
  - If a player does not receive an invitation to the Combine, he likely will not be drafted in the upcoming NBA Draft.
- **Components**: Medical evaluation, interviews with teams, on-court competition, strength and agility tests, and media availability.
G League Elite Camp

- **Date / Location:** May 17-19, 2020, in Chicago (immediately prior to the Combine).
- **Participants:** The 40 top Draft-eligible prospects who did not receive an invitation to the Combine – 20 of the participants in the inaugural G Elite Camp in 2019 were college seniors.
- **Notable Feature:** The best performers generally advance to the Combine.
- **Placement Rate:** Among the participants in 2019, 56% received a Standard NBA Contract or Two-Way Contract, and 94% received at least an invitation to an NBA training camp and Exhibit 10 Bonus.
NCAA rule: UAC required to enter Draft & access NCAA certified agent.

NCAA rule: One expense paid tryout per team. No missed class.

NCAA rule: Expenses permitted. May miss class. No time limitations.

NCAA Rule: Must withdraw from Draft to retain NCAA eligibility.

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THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!