

General Amateurism and Eligibility Form for International
Student-Athletes – NCAA Division III

For: Action:	NCAA Division III institutions. Complete for each international student-athlete and file at your institution with other eligibility documents.
Due date: Required by: Purpose:	Prior to practice or competition. NCAA Division III Bylaw 14.1.5.1. To certify international student-athletes for intercollegiate practice or competition and assess compliance with NCAA general amateurism and eligibility rules.

Part I. Institutional Guidelines.

To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics practice or competition, an international student-athlete shall be certified as eligible using this form. An international student-athlete is a student-athlete who either:

- 1. Is not a U.S. citizen; or
- 2. Resides in an unincorporated or commonwealth territory of the United States; or
- 3. Has participated in international athletics activities or was associated as an athlete with an international athletics organization.

Each international student-athlete who is participating for the first time in intercollegiate athletics at the certifying institution should be given this form to complete and sign. The form should be completed in the presence of the institution's eligibility certification official. It may be necessary for an institutional administrator to assist the student-athlete in understanding terms and to ensure that the student-athlete responds to all items. Subsequent to the student-athlete completing the form, the institution's eligibility official is responsible for investigating any answers that may result in ineligibility. Further, the statement must be signed by the institution's eligibility official and the student-athlete's head coach prior to the student-athlete engaging in competition. The completed form shall be maintained on file at the institution with other eligibility documents for a period of six years. [NCAA Bylaw 14.1.5.1]

Please be aware that your institution is responsible for:

- 1. Reviewing NCAA Bylaw 10.1 with the student-athlete to ensure that all information is provided truthfully and that the student-athlete is aware that further eligibility consequences could result if false and misleading information is provided.
- 2. Verifying the validity of the information provided by the student-athlete.

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- 3. Analyzing the information submitted by the student-athlete and applying general amateurism and eligibility rules, particularly those related to amateurism, to determine the student-athlete's general eligibility. (NCAA Manual citations are included after each item to assist in this effort.)
- 4. Contacting the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff for assistance in determining the correct application of NCAA rules.
- 5. Advising the student-athlete that the information being provided through this form can affect the individual's eligibility.

[Note: International student-athletes also must sign the NCAA Student-Athlete Statement, NCAA Affirmation of Eligibility and NCAA Drug-Testing Consent form.]

Part II. International Student-Athlete Information.

[Please note that this section is to be completed by the student-athlete.]

To be eligible for intercollegiate athletics practice and competition, every student-athlete must meet all applicable NCAA eligibility requirements. As an international student-athlete, you are being asked to complete this form because it will make it easier for your institution to determine your eligibility under NCAA rules.

This questionnaire does not relate to your admission to the school—the admissions office of your institution will handle that process separately.

You must respond to each item below and sign the form to compete in intercollegiate athletics at an NCAA institution. (Use "N/A" if the question does not apply to you.) Ask an administrator at your school for help if you do not understand an item. (References to NCAA Bylaws that follow each item are for your institution's use.) The school's eligibility-certification official and your head coach also must sign the completed form and keep it on file at the school with other eligibility documents.

Please note that the information you provide on this form will be used to certify your eligibility and thus may impact your eligibility to compete at an NCAA institution. In addition, under NCAA rules you are required to provide accurate information. The knowing provision of false and misleading information on this form may result in additional consequences to your NCAA eligibility.

[Note: In completing the following items, please use the back of the pages if you need additional space.]

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1. <u>General Information</u>.

Sport(s):

Home country:_____

Date of high school graduation:

Government Identification Number: ______ [Note: This is similar to a social security number.]

International student-athletes must provide appropriate visa and/or other government documentation in accordance with local, state and federal laws and member schools will be required to maintain copies of such documentation on file in the athletics department.

2. <u>Educational Background</u>.

Please list all schools attended (e.g., high schools, preparatory schools, etc.).

Year	Name of School	Country	Tuition Amount (if applicable)	Degree Received	Graduation Date

a. Did you at any time discontinue full-time high school enrollment? YES NO

If "YES", when?

b. For all schools where tuition was required, please indicate who paid for your expenses (e.g., parents, coach, school, athletics team, government, family friend, other individual, etc.) [Bylaw 12.1.7.3]

School	Tuition Paid By

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c. Did you ever attend classes in a regular term as a full-time student (not a vacation or holiday term) at a collegiate institution in the United States or elsewhere?



If yes, please provide the name of the school(s) and the years attended. (Bylaw 14.2.2)

School	Years Attended

d. Participation on an organized team.

Please list all organized teams you have participated on and include the dates which you participated.

Team	Dates

Please respond to the following questions regarding your participation on the teams mentioned.

Did you or members of your team receive actual and necessary expenses for your participation on any of the teams mentioned above? (Bylaws 12.02.4, 12.02.5, 12.1.1, 12.1.3 and 12.1.5)
 YES NO

If yes, please indicate which team provided the expenses and what expenses were paid.

Team	Expenses

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- (2) Did you receive any money above actual and necessary expenses for your participation on any of the teams mentioned in section two?
 (Bylaws 12.02.5, 12.1.1, 12.1.3 and 12.1.5) YES NO
- (3) Did any members of your team receive money above actual and necessary expenses for his or her participation on your team (e.g., salary)?
 (Bylaw 12.02.5, 12.2.3.2) YES NO
- (4) Did you sign any type of contract or agreement to participate on any of the teams mentioned in section d? (Bylaws 12.02.5, 12.1.1, 12.1.3.1 and 12.1.5.2)
 YES NO

If yes, for which team? (Please provide a copy of the agreement signed.)

(5) Did any of the teams you participated on recognize themselves as a professional team? (Bylaw 12.02.5) **YES NO**

If yes, which ones?

e. Participation as an individual.

Please list all events in which you participated as an individual, the dates you participated and the amount of prize money you received for your participation.

Event	Dates	Prize Money Received

f. Additional issues.

(1) Have you accepted any other benefits not listed on this form from individuals other than your parents or legal guardians? (Bylaw 12.1.1) YES NO

- (2) Have you ever been involved in an advertisement or promotional activity? (Bylaw 12.5) YES NO
- (3) Have you ever accepted any remuneration of any kind for your participation in an advertisement or promotional activity? (Bylaw 12.5)
 YES NO
- (4) Who paid for your transportation to the United States?
- (5) When did you first arrive in the United States?
- (6) Where did you live once you arrived in the United States and with whom did you live?
- (7) Did you ever have any contact with an agent or a runner? (Bylaw 12.3.1) YES NO

If yes, did you sign any kind of agreement with the agent? YES NO

Did you accept any benefits from an agent or a runner? YES NO

Part III. International Student-Athlete Information.

Part III of this form is to be completed by your school's eligibility-certification officer based on the above responses.

STUDENT-ATHLETE: PLEASE PROCEED TO THE LAST PAGE AND COMPLETE THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT-ATHLETE AFFIRMATION AND RETURN THIS FORM TO THE APPROPRIATE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS. General Amateurism and Eligibility for International Student-Athletes – Division III Form 20-10c Page No. 7

The purpose of the first section below is to ascertain whether prior to initial collegiate enrollment, the individual has been involved with a team or in individual competition that would result in the use of a season of participation pursuant to Bylaw 14.2.4.4.

The following questions will enable the NCAA member institution to better determine the individual's eligibility status.

Did the student-athlete enroll in a collegiate institution as a full-time student in or before the regular academic term that begins immediately after a one-year period (the next opportunity to enroll after the one calender year period has elapsed) following his or her high school graduation? YES NO

If no, complete Sections No. 1 and No. 2 below.

If yes, skip to Section No. 2 below.

1. <u>Participation in Organized Competition</u>.

Did the individual:

- Yes No
- a. Participate in any team competition or training in which pay in any form was provided to any of the participants above actual and necessary expenses;
 b. Participate in any individual competition or training in which the individual accepted pay in any form based on his or her place finish;
 c. Participate in any competition or training in which the individual accepted pay in any form above actual and necessary expenses;
 d. Participate in any competition pursuant to the signing of a contract for athletics participation or entering a professional draft; or
 e. Participate in any competition funded by a representative of athletics interests that was not open to all participants.
- 2. <u>Additional Amateurism Issues</u>.

Has the individual:

Yes No

- a. Accepted any direct or indirect salary, gratuity or comparable compensation for the individual's participation on a team;
- b. Received prize money or payment based on the individual's performance in competition;

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 c. Received preferential treatment, benefits or services because of the
individual's athletics reputation or skill other than expressly
authorized by NCAA rules;
 d. Received educational expenses that were based in any degree on
the recipient's athletics ability (even if the funds are given to the
institution to administer to the recipient);
 e. Entered into an oral or written agreement with an agent;
 f. Signed a contract or entered into an oral or written commitment of
any kind for participation in athletics after initial full-time
collegiate enrollment.

If the answer to any of the questions in Sections No. 1 or No. 2 is "YES," the individual may not be immediately eligible for intercollegiate competition in a particular sport. Therefore, it is incumbent on the institution to further investigate the individual's amateur status.

Please note that an individual who does not enroll in a collegiate institution as a full-time student in the regular academic year term that begins immediately after a one-year period (the next opportunity to enroll after the one calendar year period has elapsed) following their high school graduation date (or the international equivalent as specified in the NCAA Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility) shall use a season of intercollegiate participation for each consecutive 12-month period after the one-year time period and before the initial-collegiate enrollment in which the individual participates in activities that meet the criteria set forth in Bylaw 14.2.4.4.2. (Please see Bylaw 14.2.4.4.2.1 for exceptions to this rule.) Further, an individual who uses a season of participation per Bylaw 14.2.4.4 shall fulfill one academic year in residence prior to being eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition.

International Student-Athlete's Affirmation

intercollegiate athletics at NCAA member institutions.

By signing below, I	, affirm that I have
(Student-at	hlete's name)
discussed the information I provided on this f	orm with the eligibility-certification official at
	to determine my eligibility for participation in
(Name of your NCAA institution)	
intercollegiate athletics. I have completed and re-	viewed the responses to the questionnaire above
and agree that the information is correct. I und	erstand that if I knowingly have given false or
misleading answers to these questions, I will	jeopardize my eligibility for participation in

Student-athlete's signature

Date

[Note: You may wish to keep a copy of this form should you enroll at or transfer to another NCAA institution.]

Eligibility Certification Official's Affirmation

By signing below, I	, affirm that I have
(Eligibility-certification offici	al's name)
reviewed the responses to the questionnaire	above as well as other information and agree
that	has met all academic-eligibility requirements
(Student-athlete's name)	
and other general eligibility requirements a	and, therefore, is eligible for participation in
intercollegiate athletics.	

Eligibility-certification official's signature

Head Coach's Affirmation

By signing below, I ______, affirm that the information provided by the student-athlete is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I am responsible under NCAA Bylaw 10.1 to provide truthful information.

Head coach's signature

Date

Date