NCAA Division I Softball Recruiting Calendar

August 1, 2019, through July 31, 2020

(See NCAA Division I Bylaw 13.17.9 for Softball Calendar Formula)

(Updated: August 1, 2019)

Note: Softball coaches and noncoaching staff members with responsibilities specific to softball may only be employed at noninstitutional camps and clinics that occur during recruiting calendar periods when evaluation at nonscholastic practice or competition activities is permissible (See NCAA Division I Bylaws 13.12.2.3.6 and 13.12.2.3.8).

(a) August 1-11, 2019: Contact Period

(b) August 12 through November 24, 2019 [except for (1) and (2) below]:
   Evaluation Period (For scholastic practice and competition activities only)

   (1) November 11-14, 2019: Dead Period

   (2) October 19-20, 2019;
       October 26-27, 2019;
       November 2-3, 2019;
       November 9-10, 2019;
       November, 16-17, 2019; and
       November 23-24, 2019:

(c) November 25, 2019, through January 1, 2020 [except for (1) below]: Quiet Period
   
   (1) December 4-7, 2019: Dead Period

(d) January 2 through May 25, 2020: Evaluation Period (For scholastic practice and competition activities only)

(e) May 26 through June 3, 2020:* Dead Period
(f) June 4 through July 31, 2020: ** Contact Period

(g) During high school regional and state championship competition that does not occur during a dead period: Evaluation Period

* Dates are based on the 2020 NCAA Division I Women’s Softball Championship. Dead period remains in effect until the day following the conclusion of the Women’s College World Series. If the championship series ends after two games, the dead period ends on June 2 and the contact period would start on June 3.

** Dates are based on the 2020 NCAA Division I Women’s Softball Championship. Contact period starts the day following the conclusion of the Women’s College World Series. If the championship series is tied after two games and requires a third game, the contact period starts on June 4.
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August 2019

Septemhber

October

November

December

January

February

March

April

May

June

July

Quiet Period
A quiet period is that period of time when it is permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts only on the member institution’s campus. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts or evaluations may be made during the quiet period.

Dead Period
A dead period is that period of time when it is not permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off the member institution’s campus or to permit official or unofficial visits by prospective student-athletes to the institution’s campus.

Evaluation Period
An evaluation period is that period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members to be involved in off-campus activities designed to assess the academic qualifications and playing ability of prospective student-athletes. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts shall be made with the prospective student-athlete during an evaluation period.

Contact Period
A contact period is that period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members to make in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts and evaluations.

Key Calendar Dates

Contact Period
- Please reference the narrative for additional information that impacts the dates during the June 4 through July 31, 2020, contact period.

Dead Period
- Please reference the narrative for additional information that impacts the dates during the May 26 through June 3, 2020, dead period.

Indicates Scholastic practice and competition activities only.
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