

2023-24 NCAA RECRUITING CALENDAR

Division I Softball



See NCAA Division I Bylaw 13.17.9 for Softball Calendar Formula.

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).

Aug. 1, 2023-July 31, 2024

Aug. 1-13, 2023	CONTACT PERIOD
Aug. 14-Nov. 19, except as noted below:	EVALUATION PERIOD (For scholastic practice and competition activities only)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oct. 14-15, 21-22, 28-29 • Nov. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 	EVALUATION PERIOD (For scholastic and nonscholastic practice or competition activities)
• Nov. 6-9	DEAD PERIOD
Nov. 20-Jan. 2, 2024, except as noted below:	QUIET PERIOD
• Dec. 6-9	DEAD PERIOD
• Nov. 22-26	RECRUITING SHUTDOWN
• Dec. 22-26	
• Dec. 31-Jan. 2	
Jan. 3-May 27	EVALUATION PERIOD (For scholastic practice and competition activities only)
May 28-June 7*	DEAD PERIOD
June 8-July 31**	CONTACT PERIOD
During high school regional and state championship competition that does not occur during a dead period.	EVALUATION PERIOD

*Dates are based on the 2024 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 ends after two games, the dead period ends on June 6 and the contact period would start on June 7.

**Dates are based on the 2024 NCAA Division I Women's Softball Championship. If the WCWS dates are delayed (e.g., two-game tie, inclement weather), the dead period continues through the day of the final championship game. See Bylaw 13.17.9 for further information.

Recruiting periods defined

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.

RECRUITING SHUTDOWN

A recruiting shutdown is a period of time when no form of recruiting (e.g., contacts, evaluations, official or unofficial visits, correspondence or making or receiving telephone calls) is permissible.



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QUIET PERIOD
DEAD PERIOD
EVALUATION PERIOD
CONTACT PERIOD

AUG 2023

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