PERSONNEL AND RECRUITING

Modernizing NCAA Division I Rules

What's New?

December 2021: ***Adoption of new proposals that benefit Division I student-athletes, prospective student-athletes, coaches, administrators and the membership.***

	Basics of Old Rule	Modernized Rule
RULES EDUCATION REQUIREMENT TO RECRUIT OFF CAMPUS		
	A coach must annually pass the NCAA recruiting exam (30 questions, 60 minutes, must earn 80%) in order to recruit off campus.	• A school must provide initial rules education to every newly hired coach prior to the coach engaging in off-campus recruiting activities; and • At a minimum, schools must provide continuing rules education to all coaches on an annual basis. ***What it means:*** There is no longer an annual recruiting exam with oversight by the NCAA national office. The conference or school determines when, where and how coaches will receive annual rules education on topics related to the recruitment of prospective student-athletes.
INVOLVEMENT IN MEDIA ACTIVITIES WITH INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH PROSPECTS		
	An individual associated with a prospect may not appear on a media broadcast with an institution's coach. Institutional athletics staff may not serve as announcers for contests involving prospects.	• Individuals associated with prospects and an institution's coaches may appear on the same media broadcast (e.g., podcast, radio show). • Noncoaching staff members without sport-specific responsibilities may serve as announcers for contests involving prospects (e.g., high school state championships). • Activities permitted under the new rule: - A high school coach may appear on a weekly radio show hosted by an institution's coach, provided they do not discuss any prospects. - A director of sports information may serve as the color commentator for a locally broadcast high school game.

To review all modernized bylaw language adopted by the Division I Council in December 2021, review the following Division I proposals in LSDBi: 2021-31, 2021-33 and 2021-34.

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