



RALPHIE'S REVIEW

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NEW LEGISLATION

A few new pieces of legislation were passed during the recent NCAA Convention, held in Washington D.C. Some of the more noteworthy pieces include:

- In **MBB**, a 7th grader is now considered a PSA for the purpose of camps/clinics (i.e. No CU involvement with camps that include 7th and 8th graders)
- All PSA's are full student-athletes when they enroll in summer school
- CU can now send out institutional postcards. Postcards previously had to be issued by the U.S. Postal Service
- It is now permissible to text non-scholarship newcomers (e.g. walk-ons) after May 1st once they pay their housing deposit to CU.
- In **Football**, to be able to replace an injured student-athlete in the preseason 105 with another student-athlete.
- In **basketball**, to prohibit CU from hiring anyone from a PSA's "posse" (e.g. AAU coach) as a speaker at a CU camp or clinic. For WBB, this covers PSA "handlers" from grades 9-12. In MBB, this covers PSA "handlers" from grades 7-12.
- Foreign Tours are now prohibited during the Labor Day vacation period.

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SPORTS WAGERING REMINDER

Of all the actions that were taken at the NCAA Convention last month, were the rules regarding sports wagering revoked? DON'T BET ON IT. Coaches, staff, & student-athletes are still prohibited from wagering money or anything of value on a sport the NCAA sponsors. Will those rules change anytime in the near future? Again, DON'T BET ON IT!

PROTECT

YOUR  TEAM

IN THE NEWS

A couple of weeks ago, a basketball coach made national headlines by violating the vaunted “bump” rule at a recent high school basketball game. The coach was permissibly observing the contest from the stands since basketball was in an “evaluation” period. At the conclusion of the contest, however, this coach went back to the locker room area of the high school team he was evaluating. The reason for this visit was to greet the coaches of this high school team and congratulate them on the victory they had just achieved. However, in the process, this college coach made face-to-face contact with the prospective student-athlete he was there to evaluate by “bumping” him. The coach’s school had to report a secondary violation for improper contact with a PSA. Be very cognizant of who you are talking to when evaluating PSA’s.

RECRUITING CALENDAR

Sport	Period	Dates
Soccer	Contact	2/1
	Dead	2/2-2/5
	Contact	2/6-2/28
CC/T&F	Contact	2/1
	Dead	2/2-2/5
	Contact	2/6-2/28
Football	Quiet	2/1
	Dead	2/2-2/5
	Quiet	2/6-2/28
Men's BB	Evaluation	1/1-1/31
Women's BB	Evaluation	1/1-1/31
Volleyball	Contact	2/1-2/28
Other Sports	Contact	1/1-1/31

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TRACY TRIPP

*Women's Basketball
Director of Operations*

Tracy has been an outstanding asset to the CU Athletic Department since returning to her alma mater. She is always communicating with Compliance and has been a great help to our office in attempting to determine appropriate protocol regarding meals for home and away trips. Tracy has worked hard to help us find a balance between NCAA rules and CU policy in this area. Thanks Tracy, and congratulations!

NON-COACHING STAFF MEMBERS

Remember that NCAA rules place limits on the number of coaches in each sport can have. “Countable coaches” are allowed to perform coaching activities in their sport. These activities would include providing instruction during practice or competition, helping break down tape during team film sessions, etc.

Activities that would be permissible would be to keep stats on the sidelines during games, observing and attending practice, and being in huddles with the coaching staff (as long as no coaching occurs).