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FORMER STUDENT-ATHLETES

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Although they could provide great testimonials, it is not permissible for a former student-athlete to participate in the recruitment of prospects. Former student-athletes are considered boosters and as you know, boosters are not permissible recruiters for CU. This includes introducing a recruit on their official visit to a former student-athlete that may be in attendance at one of CU's events. Please be aware this contact would **not** be considered incidental and is a violation of recruiting rules.

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NFL DRAFT INFORMATION

REDUCTION NOT PERMITTED

A current football student-athlete can enter the NFL draft to test the waters one time in his career without jeopardizing his eligibility. If the SA decides the NFL is not for him and is not drafted by any team in the league, he must declare, in writing, his intention to return to college football within 72 hours following the NFL draft declaration date. The date for this is January 15th, 2011. Please note, however, that a student-athlete cannot retain an agent during the trial period and maintain his amateur status.

There are times when a coach may think a student-athlete is not worthy of his/her athletics scholarship. However, for some of those reasons, it is not permissible to reduce a student-athletes scholarship. Below are specific examples of when a reduction is *not permitted during the period of the award*:

- Based on the student-athlete's athletic ability, performance or contribution to a team's success;
- Due to an injury, illness, or physical or mental medical condition (i.e. pregnancy); or
- Any other athletics reason.

PROTECT

YOUR  TEAM

HARDSHIP WAIVER

A student-athlete may be granted an extra year of eligibility due to a “hardship” of an incapacitating injury or illness so long as the injury occurred:

- During the season,
- Prior to the first competition of the second one-half of the season & prevents the student-athlete’s return to competition that season, and
- Prior to participation in more than 3 competitions OR 30% of scheduled contests (whichever is greater).

Some scrimmages or exhibitions may count towards the 30% threshold. An injury or illness that occurs while competing in the nontraditional season (e.g. spring soccer) that prevents a SA from competing in the traditional season can also apply for another year of eligibility.

SELLING OF AWARDS

It is not permissible for student-athletes to sell or exchange their CU, Big 12 or NCAA awards for anything of value. This includes cash, free meals or any other tangible item. A student-athlete’s eligibility will be affected and need to be reinstated should it be found that they sold or traded awards. Please remind your team of this rule.

VOLUNTEER COACHES

In sports other than football and basketball, it is permissible to use the services of one volunteer coach. Volunteer coaches cannot receive any compensation for their services, cannot recruit prospects off-campus and cannot scout opponents. They can, however, receive two comp tickets in their sport.

COMPLIANCE UNSUNG HERO



CURTIS SNYDER ASSOCIATE SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

Curtis works well with the compliance office to ensure informational pieces put out by sports information are compliant. He is currently working, among others, to create a new online recruiting tool for our coaches. The compliance office appreciates all of Curtis’ hard work. Congratulations Curtis!

CARA BETWEEN MIDNIGHT & 5 AM

It is not permissible to conduct or require countable athletically related activities to occur between midnight and 5 a.m. CARA may only occur between midnight and 5 a.m. under the following circumstances:

- During participation in a conference or NCAA championship;
- Participation in any competition that begins before midnight and concludes after midnight; or
- Participation in a promotional practice activity (i.e. midnight madness.)

The midnight punishment run is no longer permissible!!