



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1045162	Interpretation Request	Awards and Benefits - Bylaw 16	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)

16.4 - Medical Expenses.
16.11.1.8 - Student Assistance Fund.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	01/22/2019	Staff	Individual

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Bylaw 16.11.1.8 permits the use of student assistance funds to pay for a student-athlete's medical expenses, including surgery. Any use of the student assistance fund must be approved by the conference and also be consistent with institutional policies and procedures (e.g., related to insurance and medical procedures). Bylaw 16.4 also permits your institution to cover the expenses for the student-athlete's surgery.

Case Summary



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1045310	Interpretation Request	Eligibility - Bylaw 14 Progress Toward Degree-Bylaw 14.4	No

Division
I

Sport(s)

Legislative Cite(s)

14.4.3.3 - Fulfillment of Minimum Grade-Point Average Requirements.
14.01.2.1 - Good Academic Standing.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	01/23/2019	Staff	Individual

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Graduate student-athletes are exempt from all progress-toward-degree requirements, except the six-hour requirement per Bylaw 14.4.3.6-(c). Additionally, like all student-athletes, graduate student-athletes must remain in good academic standing at all times in order to be eligible for competition (per Bylaw 14.01.2.1).

Graduate student-athletes must maintain a level of good academic standing on their own campus that is at least as rigorous as that which is required for any student to participate in extracurricular activities. Provided the student-athlete's GPA in his graduate program does not impact his access to extracurricular activities, the institution retains the ability to certify the student-athlete's satisfaction of Bylaw 14.01.2.1.

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Graduate student athlete in fall term, received the 6 cr. requirement, was taking 9 cr. and received a failing grade in that course. This dropped the GPA and compliance staff and registrar could not find a GPA requirement for graduate students as far as NCAA is concerned. The SA obtained the 6cr. requirement and is seeking clarification on if there is a NCAA rule about the minimum GPA requirement for graduate students. SA is already registered for spring courses, therefore institutionally the SA is okay to proceed with coursework.

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1045588	Interpretation Request	Awards and Benefits - Bylaw 16	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)

16.11.1.8 - Student Assistance Fund.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	01/28/2019	Staff	Individual

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Bylaw 16.11.1.8 permits the use of student assistance funds to pay for a student-athlete's surgery, and includes payment for the surgery up front via a purchase order or through a reimbursement process after the procedure is complete. Any use of the student assistance fund must be approved by the conference and also be consistent with institutional policies and procedures (e.g., related to insurance and medical procedures).

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Under by law 16, for Student Assistance Fund. Is it permissible to issue a purchase order in advanced for a medical procedure that will be covered by Student Assistance Fund? Institution is requesting an official decision, so that the best decision can be made for the Student Athlete.

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1046188	Interpretation Request	Recruiting - Bylaw 13	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)

2018-23 - RECRUITING -- MEN'S BASKETBALL RECRUITING CALENDAR
13.1.7.5.4(13.1.7.5.3 current) - July Evaluation Periods.
13.1.7.5.3 - Summer Evaluation Periods.
13.1.7.5.6 - Regional Championships Approved, Sponsored or Conducted by FIBA.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	02/06/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Member Consult

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: During the summer of 2019, Division I coaches may evaluate prospective student-athletes during the July 11-14, 2019 evaluation period. Further, per Bylaw 13.1.7.5.6, a coaching staff member may attend regional championships approved, sponsored or conducted by FIBA outside permissible recruiting and evaluation periods.

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Men's basketball recruiting calendar has changed enough to where head coach does not know when the permissible recruiting date will be for overseas recruitment. Coach wants to know and receive clarification on when it will be permissible to go to FIBA events during the summer period? Information now would suggest times but may be subject to change. Looking for an official interpretation or statement.

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1052381	Interpretation Request	Playing and Practice Seasons - Bylaw 17	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)

14.3.5.1 - Participation Prior to Certification.

- Foreign Tours (I)

17.29.1.4.1 - Incoming-Student Participation -- Summer Prior to Initial Full-Time Enrollment at the Certifying Institution.

2002-4 - FOREIGN TOURS -- INCOMING STUDENT-ATHLETES -- BASKETBALL

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	04/08/2019	Staff	Individual

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Incoming freshman SAs must be eligible to represent the institution in competition during the academic year immediately following the tour. Since the institution's women's basketball team is going on a foreign tour summer 2019, in order for the women's basketball incoming freshman SAs to compete for the institution on the tour, they would need to be eligible to represent the institution in the fall (e.g., certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center).

If the incoming freshman SAs are not certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center before the team departs on the tour, they are not eligible to participate. A incoming freshman SA may participate in foreign tour practice pursuant to Bylaw 14.3.5.1 and 12.1.1.1.3.1.

However, if an incoming freshman SA is certified as an early academic qualifier, she has met the requirements of the legislation. Therefore, it would be permissible for the incoming freshman SA to begin practice for the foreign tour and travel to and compete on the tour before she finishes her high school curriculum. Two cautions: If for some reason the incoming freshman SA does not graduate high school, you would have a violation; and she can receive **no** academic assistance from any staff or current SA to complete her high school course work.

For continuing SAs, they must have been eligible for competition during the previous academic year (2018-19 academic year in this case) or have been enrolled at the institution as a full-time student during the previous academic year and have been determined to be eligible, by the beginning of the tour, for the next academic year.

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Women's Basketball will be competing in a foreign tour in the month of May, 2019. Coach has requested what needs to be done to have the incoming freshman class to be able to compete and go along on this foreign tour. Specifically other than the requirements to be eligible for competition. Do the incoming freshman as well as the rest of the team have to be certified early for the foreign tour? Do the incoming freshman have to have graduated their senior year in high school, where the foreign tour is in the month of May and some incoming student-athletes could be finishing up their senior year. What are the details surrounding "eligible for competition" other than being final qualifiers?

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1046388	Interpretation Request	Recruiting - Bylaw 13	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)

2018-23 - RECRUITING -- MEN'S BASKETBALL RECRUITING CALENDAR
13.1.7.5.6 - Regional Championships Approved, Sponsored or Conducted by FIBA.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	02/05/2019	Staff	Individual

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: the adoption of 2018-23 established additional recruiting periods in April, evaluation periods in June and one six-day evaluation period in July for NCAA Youth Developmental Camps and did not change the application of Bylaw 13.1.7.5.7 Regional Championships Approved, Sponsored or Conducted by FIBA.

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Per by law 13.1.7.5.6, is the bylaw still in effect without limitations to date, during summer period for Men's Basketball?

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1056649	Interpretation Request	Recruiting - Bylaw 13	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)

13.12.1.1.3(13.12.1.1.2 current) - Definition of Recruited Prospective Student-Athlete -- Football.
13.12.1.1 - Definition.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	05/07/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Meeting

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Yes, it would be permissible for a junior college prospective student-athlete to participate in the camp.

Per Bylaw 13.02.13, a junior college student-athlete is considered a PSA unless they trigger one of the four situations outlined.

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

If a camp or clinic in the sport of football is open to any and all, would it be permissible for a junior college athlete to also attend? How does 13.12.1.1.3 work into this interpretation as well?

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1057139	Interpretation Request	Awards and Benefits - Bylaw 16	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)
16.8.1.2 - Other Competition.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	05/08/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Lead

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Expenses may be provided pursuant to 16.8.1.2-(c) provided the event is: (1) a direct national team tryout or (2) an event from which participants are selected for another tier of tryout from which final selections are made for the national team. The institution should consider whether attendance at the event is *required* for consideration for the national team that will participate at one of the events listed in Bylaw 16.8.1.2 or just an opportunity for progress to be evaluated or be invited to participate in an event not listed in the bylaw. If the latter, the event does not meet the requirements of 16.8.1.2-(c).

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Institution would like clarification on if it is permissible for a coach to drive current student athlete to a high level performance camp with ties to the national team. Specifically if the institution's coach, who is also coaching this team, can drive the SA to these training's under 16.8.1.2 (c). This would be for USA National Team as described on their website: <https://webpoint.usfieldhockey.com/ViewHPCRegionInfo.wp?CompanyID=225074>

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



Case Summary

General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1057247	Interpretation Request	Amateurism - Bylaw 12	No

Division	Sport(s)
I	

Legislative Cite(s)

12.8.3.5 - Participation After 21st Birthday -- Men's Ice Hockey and Skiing.

Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	05/24/2019	Staff	Individual

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Per Bylaw 12.8.3.5, the 21st birthday rule would not apply to the student-athlete as he has triggered the start of his five-year clock. Additionally, a 4-2-4 transfer student-athlete would not be subject to the residence requirement if he meets the transfer criteria set forth in NCAA Bylaw 14.5.6 based on his interim enrollment at the two-year college. Finally, the USHL does not appear to contradict NCAA Bylaw 12.2.3.2 and therefore his proposed activity in the USHL would be permissible. If a member of the USHL team receives more than actual and necessary expenses (making the team permissible), then it could impact his amateur status.

Case Summary

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Institution is recruiting a transfer student athlete who would be a 4-2-4 transfer. Student athlete originally used two seasons of eligibility at first institution. He will be completing associates at 2 year college while also playing USHL hockey. Will student athlete lose a season of competition being his birth date is September 9, 1999. Also, is it permissible to go from collegiate hockey, to a year gap playing in the USHL, to 2 year s eligibility of collegiate hockey again.

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.

Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Student athlete has a pre-existing condition from playing overseas. Student athletes has required institutional insurance and supplement, however insurance does not cover pre-existing conditions for international students. Universities' legal council has postponed the surgery with a already found and usable donor because there is no writing or understanding on whether or not SAF can be used for this in case of liability and something going wrong in the surgery, despite being a relatively routine/safe procedure.If applicable athletics would like to use SAF to cover the bill much like a purchase order for the health and well being of the student athlete.

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

We believe it is permissible, Legal council of university wants NCAA ruling.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.

We believe it is permissible, Legal council of university wants NCAA ruling.