



# Case Summary

## General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1056527	Interpretation Request	Recruiting - Bylaw 13	No

Division	Sport(s)
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### Legislative Cite(s)

13.02.7 - Evaluation.  
17.31.1 - Outside Competition -- Sports Other Than Basketball.  
- College Coach Observing Enrolled Students, Student-Athletes and Prospective Student-Athletes Athletically Related Activities Outside the Playing Season (I)  
13.02.10 - Recruiting-Person Days -- Women's Basketball.  
13.02.13 - Prospective Student-Athlete.

## Status Information

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

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: Yes, it would be permissible for the WBB coaching staff attend the U.S. Pan American Games Team Trials; however, since one of the participating athletes has entered the transfer portal, they are considered a PSA and therefore, the evaluation would need to count towards the 112 days even if your institution is not recruiting the PSA.

## Case Summary

## Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

The U.S. Pan American Games Team Trials roster only includes current Division I student-athletes (although one is in the transfer portal). One of our institution's student-athletes is participating per 17.31.3 and our coaches would like to attend to support her. Coach attendance at the event appears to be permissible per the referenced 2/25/2015 Interpretation, but does the participation of the transfer portal student-athlete change our coaches ability to attend? If they are able to attend, does it have to count toward their 112 recruiting person day limit due to the participation of the transfer portal student-athlete? We are not recruiting the student-athlete who is in the transfer portal.

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Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1046073	Interpretation Request	Amateurism - Bylaw 12	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

12.1.2.3 - Road Racing.  
12.1.2.4.1 - Exception for Prize Money Based on Performance -- Sports Other Than Tennis.  
12.1.2 - Amateur Status.  
12.02.3 - Calculation of Actual and Necessary Expenses -- Individual Sports and Women's Beach Volleyball.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	02/04/2019	Staff	Individual

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: Staff agreed that indoor and outdoor track and field are considered different sports for the purposes of Bylaw 12. Therefore, the student-athlete is permitted to accept prize money, based on performance in an indoor track and field event, above actual and necessary expenses without impacting eligibility in the sport of outdoor track and field.

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request For purposes of Bylaw 12 in regards to amateurism and prize money, are Indoor and Outdoor Track considered the same sport? Under these bylaws, is a student-athlete who has exhausted eligibility in Indoor Track, but has eligibility remaining in Outdoor Track, permitted to accept prize money in an Indoor Track event that exceeds actual and necessary expenses?

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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1050329	Interpretation Request	Amateurism - Bylaw 12	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

12.5.2.1 - Advertisements and Promotions After Becoming a Student-Athlete.  
12.5.1.1 - Institutional, Charitable, Education or Nonprofit Promotions.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	03/07/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Meeting

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: After reviewing the website, staff concluded that LRT-Sports.com is not an educational agency. Per Bylaw 12.5.2.1, it is not permissible for a student-athlete to appear on the website of this commercial entity as that would be viewed as a promotion of a commercial product or service.

## Case Summary

## Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

Bylaw 12.5.1.1 states that "educational" organizations may use the name, image, or appearance of a student-athlete to promote the organization. Is there a manner in which an institution can determine whether or not an organization is "educational"? Is it possible for a for-profit, commercial company to meet the requirements of being an "educational" foundation? Specifically, does the website lrt-sports.com and their associated social media account (@LRTsport on Twitter) meet the standards of being an educational website as they seek to educate young people on the experiences of being a student-athlete?

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# Case Summary

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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1052447	Interpretation Request	Playing and Practice Seasons - Bylaw 17	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

- Conditioning Activities Outside of the Playing Season -- Contact, Equipment, Expenses and Publicity (I)  
- Proposal No. 2016-136 Autonomy Proposal -- Playing and Practice Seasons -- Additional Days Off During the Academic Year (I)  
17.1.7.8 - Additional Required Days Off.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	03/29/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Meeting

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: No, it is not permissible to consider activities "medical" if they are solely conducted/overseen by a strength and conditioning coach. However, it would be permissible (by applying the previously approved waiver: [https://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/2018DICLR\\_PreApprvdWaiversList\\_20180529.pdf](https://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/2018DICLR_PreApprvdWaiversList_20180529.pdf)) to have the strength and conditioning coach present for safety reasons while a medical professional (e.g., athletic trainer) conducts the rehabilitation exercise.

Specifically, a previously approved waiver allows a coach (including S&C coach) to be present during rehabilitative activities (that do not trigger CARA/RARA) if:

1. All activities are being conducted by a member of the medical staff;
2. The coach is providing safety-related instruction only;
3. The medical staff has documented when the coach should be present to provide safety-related instruction; and
4. The coach may only be present when the SA is engaged in activity that requires safety instruction.

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## Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

The University of Minnesota's internal policy for a student-athlete injury is to meet with the "Rehab Team." The Rehab Team consists of Athletic Medicine, Sport Physician, Sports Nutrition, Strength and Conditioning, and Sports Psychology. The Rehab Team is responsible for developing a plan for the student-athlete to rehabilitate his/her injury safely, effectively, and efficiently. The Rehab Team will then ensure this plan is carried out. Can a rehabilitation activity that is prescribed by a physician/trainer as medically necessary for a student-athlete before they will be medically cleared for practice be considered medical if the activity is only overseen/conducted by a strength coach but the activity involves sport specific equipment? If not, could this same activity be considered medical if it is conducted by athletic medicine, but the strength coach oversees the activity for safety reasons? In both scenarios, the strength coach does not report back to the coaching staff, is not providing technical or tactical instruction, is not using other student-athletes, and is not using offensive/defensive alignments. The strength coach might be the only one conducting this rehab activity because logistically the medical staff may not be able to be present for each workout. Additionally, the medical staff is proscripting this activity to ensure the student-athlete can safely handle sport specific movements before clearing them for practice. The strength coach has greater sport expertise to ensure the student-athlete is safely practicing these sport specific rehab movements.

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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1052450	Interpretation Request	Amateurism - Bylaw 12	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

12.01.2 - Clear Line of Demarcation.  
12.6.1.8 - Reciprocal Marketing Agreements -- Sports Other Than Football and Men's Basketball.  
17.1.7.10.8 - Off-Campus Practice Unrelated to Away-From-Home Competition During Vacation Period.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	03/28/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Member Consult

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: It is permissible for an institution's football team to practice at a local professional team's facility provided the institution pays the going rate for such facility usage and no reciprocal marketing agreements are entered into/occurs between the professional team and the institution. Further, as cited, off-campus practice unrelated to an away-from-home competition shall be prohibited during an institutional vacation period outside the institution's championship playing season.

## Case Summary

**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

Would it be permissible for an institution's football team to practice at a local professional team's facility provided the institution pays the going rate for such facility usage and no reciprocal marketing agreements are entered into/occurs between the professional team and the institution?

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1054952	Interpretation Request	Recruiting - Bylaw 13	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

- Bylaw 11.7.2 -- Recruiting Coordination Functions (I)  
13.1.2.5 - Off-Campus Contacts or Evaluations.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	04/19/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Member Consult

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: It would be impermissible for the strength coach to participate in the clinic at the high school because he / she is not a countable coach. As mentioned in the analysis, there is no legislated exception for noncountable coaches to work events inside of a high school.

## Case Summary

## Specific Case Information

Describe the interpretive request

The institution is attempting to determine the permissibility of a football strength coach attending a coaching clinic at a high school, if no other evaluation or recruiting activities occur. Specifically, the March 14, 2001 Archived Interpretation titled "Attending a Coaching Clinic at a Prospect's Educational Institution During an Evaluation Period" indicates that an institutional staff member attending a coaching clinic at a high school is charged with an evaluation; which would be an issue as a strength coach is not permitted to evaluate per Bylaw 13.1.2.5. The 3/14/2001 Interpretation has been archived; however, the archive note references Proposal 2011-99, which is not a proposal that is relevant to this interpretative request. Further, Question 1 from the 11/3/2016 educational column also indicates that a visit to a high school by a noncoaching staff member with sport specific responsibilities constitutes an evaluation.

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