



Institution: University of Oklahoma
Case Type: Interpretation Request

Division: I

Case ID: 1051674
Date: 03/25/2019

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03/21/2019

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: An individual is charged with a season of competition for participation on an institution's club team if that institution sponsors the same sport as a varsity intercollegiate sport and as a club sport at the time of participation (see Bylaw 12.8.3.7).

Constitution 3.2.4.5 (Application of Rules to All Recognized Varsity Sports) defines a varsity sport and if the sport is not a varsity sport, typically it is a club sport if it plays against other teams outside the institution.

While NCAA legislation does not specifically define an institutional club team, the academic and membership affairs staff agreed that when assessing whether a club sport is sponsored, for purposes of applying NCAA legislation, the evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the following criteria: institutional affiliation, recognized entity of the institution (e.g., student organization), permitted to use institutional marks.

Based on the fact provided, [redacted] is not affiliated with Oklahoma, [redacted] does not represent Oklahoma against outside competition, [redacted] members do not wear Oklahoma's uniform or receive any institutional apparel, neither [redacted] nor its members receive any expenses (e.g., transportation, meals, room or entry fees) from Oklahoma, [redacted] is a non-profit organization with a separate bank account and [redacted] is not permitted to use Oklahoma's trademarks.

Staff agreed with the institution's analysis that [redacted] is not an institutionally sponsored club team and participants are not charged with a season of competition pursuant to Bylaw 12.8.3.7.

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Conference Big 12 Conference

Phone Number 405/325-3916

Academic year related to this request 2018-19

Sub Case Types

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Amateurism - Bylaw 12

Legislation Related to this Request

Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation

Type	Division ID	Text
Bylaw	I 12.8.3.7	Participation on an Institution's Club Team.
Bylaw	I 12.02.6(12.02.5 current)	Intercollegiate Competition.

One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.

Case Prioritization Information

Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)? Yes

Provide description of reason for expedited review request. MGYM Team competes on 3/23/19

Provide the date of the issue requiring expedited review 03/23/2019

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Have you previously contacted any NCAA staff regarding this request? Yes

Provide the case number or name(s) of NCAA staff previously contacted regarding this request Jennifer Roe

Provide the date(s) of contact with NCAA staff regarding this request 03/15/2019

Have the institution and conference communicated regarding this request? Yes

Provide the date(s) of contact between the institution and conference office regarding this request. 03/15/2019

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request. Agreed with institution's position; encouraged institution to seek confirmation from the NCAA

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request. See attached

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Agreement by Christopher Sokol on 03/15/2019

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Institution: University of Oklahoma
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Case ID: 1058950
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Accepted Date 06/10/2019

Accepted By Toby Baldwin

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06/10/2019

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Pursuant to Bylaw 16.1.7, it is permissible for an awarding agency to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to attend a recognition event or awards presentation for the student-athlete. Nothing in this legislation prohibits receipt of these expenses from a professional sports organization.



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Sub Case Types

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Awards and Benefits - Bylaw 16

Legislation Related to this Request

Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation,
educational column or interpretation

Type	Division	ID	Text
Bylaw	I	16.1.7	Expenses to Receive Noninstitutional Awards.
Bylaw	I	16.10.4	Recognition by Professional Sports Organization.

One sentence statement that describes the
interpretive issue.

[REDACTED]

Case Prioritization Information

Do the circumstances of this request require
urgent review (within the next two business
days)? No

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Have the institution and conference communicated regarding this request? No

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Agreement by Toby Baldwin on 05/23/2019

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Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: Yes. While it is not permissible for the institution to sell the described experiential package to PSAs, staff is comfortable with the institution offering this package to pre-PSAs provided:

1. Coaches and sport-specific staff members are not involved in selecting the individuals participating in the experiences;
2. The experiences are not meant to solicit enrollment at the institution; and
3. The experiences are not meant to test or evaluate the athletic ability of a pre-PSA.

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Academic year related to this request 2018-19

Sub Case Types

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Recruiting - Bylaw 13

Legislation Related to this Request

Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation

Type	Division	ID	Text
Bylaw	I	13.7.3.5(13.7.2.5 current)	Visit Unrelated to Recruitment.
Bylaw	I	13.7.1	First Opportunity to Visit.

One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.

Can applicant institution sell ticket package that allows purchaser (non-PSA aged group) to tour athletic facility and allow pregame field access.

Case Prioritization Information

Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)? No

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Applicant institution would like clarification as to whether applicant institution can sell a group ticket package that allows pre-game field access and a tour of the locker room to groups that include individuals that have not yet reached PSA age. Bylaw 13.7.5 allows for institutions to give complimentary admissions to an event on a group basis as a visit unrelated to recruitment but does not allow for a tour and field access as this would trigger first opportunity to visit legislation under Bylaw 13.7.1. If the tickets are purchased by the group and this ticket package is available to anyone interested in purchasing the ticket package, does the pregame field access and facility tour become permissible?

Have you previously contacted any NCAA staff regarding this request? No

Have the institution and conference communicated regarding this request? No

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Agreement by Compliance Intern/GA on 04/26/2019

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Institution: University of Oklahoma
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Case ID: 1046694
Date: 06/21/2019

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Accepted Date 02/08/2019

Accepted By Spencer Dawson

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02/08/2019

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: No, entertainment (e.g., ticket to institutional event) may not be considered a camp award.

However, it would be permissible for an institution to provide admission to an institution's contest that occurs during the camp provided the cost of the admission is included in the camp fees. As this entertainment would be part of the camp, it would not trigger 13.7 (unofficial visits).



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Recruiting - Bylaw 13

Legislation Related to this Request

Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation

Type	Division ID	Text
Education Column	I	Attendance Restrictions at Institutional and Noninstitutional Camps/Clinics and Material Benefits Provided at Institutional Camps/Clinics (I) General Restrictions.
Bylaw	I 13.7.3.1(13.7.2.1 current)	Sports Other Than Basketball and Football.
Bylaw	I 13.7.1.1	Awards.
Bylaw	I 13.12.1.7.4	

One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.

The institution respectfully requests guidance as to whether a ticket to an institutional athletics event is a permissible camp award per 13.12.1.7.4 and if so, whether providing the ticket allows an institution to circumvent the first opportunity to visit campus legislation per 13.7.1.

Case Prioritization Information

Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)? No

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Describe the interpretive request The institution's camp would like to provide camp participants with a ticket to a institutional athletics competition provided the cost of the ticket is included in the camp's admission fee. The ticket would provide basic admission with no upgrades or preferential seating. Bylaw 13.12.1.7.4 does not expressly state that a ticket to an institutional sporting event is impermissible and only requires that the cost of the award be included in the camp admission fee. However, the institution is concerned that a ticket is different from standard awards given at camps such as trophies and t-shirts due to ticket prices and demand for institutional sporting event tickets. The institution respectfully requests guidance as to whether a ticket to an institutional athletics event is a permissible camp award per 13.12.1.7.4. Additionally, if the ticket is permissible, the institution requests guidance as to whether providing the ticket triggers unofficial visit legislation and allows an institution to circumvent the first opportunity to visit campus per 13.7.1.

Have you previously contacted any NCAA staff regarding this request? No

Have the institution and conference communicated regarding this request? No

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Agreement by Spencer Dawson on 02/07/2019

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04/24/2019

Conditions

Rationale

Interpretation:: No, a non-coaching, sport specific staff member is not permitted to be involved as a participant with an outside team that involves a current student-athlete with remaining eligibility from the staff member's institution. Specifically, Bylaw 11.7.3 (noncoaching staff member with sport-specific responsibilities) prohibits a noncoaching staff member with sport-specific responsibilities from participating with or observing SAs in the staff member's sport.



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Playing and Practice Seasons - Bylaw 17

Legislation Related to this Request

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educational column or interpretation

Type	Division	ID	Text
Bylaw	I	17.19.8.1.2.1	Involvement of Coaching Staff.
Bylaw	I	11.7.3	Noncoaching Staff Member with Sport-Specific Responsibilities.

One sentence statement that describes the
interpretive issue.

[Redacted]

Case Prioritization Information

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