



# Case Summary

## General Case Information

Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1045192	Interpretation Request	Eligibility - Bylaw 14 Progress Toward Degree-Bylaw 14.4	No

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

14.4.3.1.7.2 - Hours Earned or Accepted Toward a Minor.  
14.4.3.1.7 - Hours Earned or Accepted for Degree Credit.

## Status Information

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

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: The "applicable term" is the term in which the student-athlete will be using the minor credits for certification purposes. For example, if a student-athlete wants to use credits from the 2018 fall term to meet the eligibility requirements to be eligible in 2019 spring term (e.g., six credits in the last full-time term) the student-athlete would need to have designated the minor by the end of the fifth day of classes during the 2018 fall term.

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

Based off legislation 14.4.3.1.7.2 what does the term applicable term mean? Is that the term in which certification is taking place or the term prior to? We have a student-athlete whom changed her major and minor in Spring 2017 but her minor was never changed just her major. She submitted another change of major form that went into affect September 2018. Per our mid-year certification form she is ineligible because she only pass 5 degree applicable hours in the Fall (based upon her major only, not minor). However, looking at the bylaw, can we count the hours she took in the Fall 2018 semester towards her minor because the change was done prior to the start of classes for the Spring 2019 semester?

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1043551	Interpretation Request	Awards and Benefits - Bylaw 16	No
Division	Sport(s)		

## Legislative Cite(s)

- RWG Proposal No. 16-6 -- Awards, Benefits and Expenses -- Team Entertainment -- In Conjunction with Practice or Competition (I)  
16.8.1 - Permissible.  
13.1.2.7 - Student-Athletes and Other Enrolled Students.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	02/13/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Meeting

## Conditions

## Rationale

Interpretation:: A student-athlete is permitted to attend a competition in which prospective student-athletes participate provided it is not at the direction of the institution, the institution does not provide expenses for student-athletes to attend such competition and student-athletes do not report back information regarding prospective student-athletes. This situation would not be permissible interpretively; however, the staff is comfortable providing a phone waiver for this situation. Staff provided relief with the following conditions: (1) No recruiting conversations can occur; and (2) Coaching staff must count an evaluation. In rationale, staff noted: (1) The PSA has committed; (2) The game is serving as team entertainment and not for a recruiting purpose; and (3) Applicant institution is not recruiting anyone else on either team participating. Please submit a formal waiver through RSRO within two weeks and note my name and the date of this phone waiver decision.

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

The current women's basketball team would like to go and watch a recent signee (signed NLI on November 14, 2018) in a competition tonight. The coach has verified that she is not recruiting anyone else on the signee's team or anyone on the opposing team. They would like to use this event as entertainment in conjunction with practice or competition. However, they will be in the presence of prospective student-athletes.

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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
1049778	Interpretation Request	Playing and Practice Seasons - Bylaw 17	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

17.1.7.6.8 - Exception -- Three Contests in Seven-Day Period.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	02/21/2019	Staff	Individual

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation::  
If an institution is unable to use the exception outlined in Bylaw 17.1.7.6.8, they would then need to apply Bylaw 17.1.7.6 and provide a day off during the declared week. If there are extenuating or unique circumstances associated with why the institution cannot provide the day-off, your institution may consider filing a legislative relief waiver request.

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

Our Baseball program has multiple weeks where they exceed 3 games within 7 days and indicates they are not able to give 2 off-days every other week.

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## Case Summary

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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1050442	Interpretation Request	Recruiting - Bylaw 13	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

13.1.5.10 - Post-High School Contacts.

### Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	02/27/2019	Staff	Individual

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: Staff agrees with the institution's analysis. Specifically, Bylaw 13.1.5.10 prohibits contact until October 15 following the prospective student athlete's completion of high school. This prohibition includes contact with two-year college PSAs.

Further, it is permissible for an institution to evaluate a PSA enrolled at a two-year college before October 15 following the PSA's completion of high school, as the time restrictions of Bylaw 13.1.5.10 apply only to contacts. The institution is still subject to the applicable evaluation legislation for the particular sport, in that the evaluation must occur during the permissible evaluation period and must count toward the PSA's limit for that sport.

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

What type of recruit is defined as a post-high school contact? My interpretation of the bylaw: Once a high school PSA graduates, we can no longer contact the athlete until October 15th (even if they haven't designated a specific college to attend) and after October 15th we can speak with the athlete. How does this pertain to 2-year junior college PSAs?

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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
1052166	Interpretation Request	Amateurism - Bylaw 12	No

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

16.11.1.8 - Student Assistance Fund.  
12.2.1.3.1 - Exception for Basketball Draft Combine.

### Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	03/28/2019	Staff	Individual

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: Current legislation does not allow an institution to provide a student-athlete with expenses for a tryout with a professional athletics team or professional athletics organization. However, institutions may use the Student Assistance Fund (SAF) to cover actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete who has exhausted eligibility to participate in a professional tryout event. The use of these funds must be otherwise permissible per conference policy.

### Case Summary

**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

A Wpmen's Basketball student-athlete exhausted her eligibility as of March 21, 2019. Is the institution allowed to cover fees for her to attend a combine, provided she does not miss class?

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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
1059238	Interpretation Request	Recruiting - Bylaw 13	No

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### Legislative Cite(s)

13.12.2.3.5 - Institutional or Noninstitutional, Privately Owned Camps/Clinics -- Championship Subdivision Football.  
13.12.2.3.10(13.12.2.3.9 current) - Noninstitutional Fundamental Skills Camp/Clinic.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	06/05/2019	Staff	Individual

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: No, it would not be permissible for a FCS coach or noncoaching staff member to be employed at a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic. FCS coaching staff members may only be employed by his or her own camps or another four-year, NCAA member institution's camp or clinic.

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

Members of the football coaching staff would like to work a high school football camp sponsored by the Houston Texans. The camp will be a fundraiser for the special Olympics.

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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1060624	Interpretation Request	Eligibility - Bylaw 14 Four-Year College Transfers-Bylaw 14.5.5 (Including Graduate Transfers - Bylaws 14.6.1) General Eligibility Requirements-Bylaw 14.1	No
<b>Division</b>	<b>Sport(s)</b>		
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<b>Legislative Cite(s)</b>			
14 - Academic Eligibility			

### Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	06/10/2019	Staff	Individual

### Conditions

### Rationale

Interpretation:: A baseball transfer student-athlete (SA) from a four-year institution, that was a qualifier at the time of initial collegiate enrollment, may use one of the transfer exceptions in Bylaw 14.5.5.2, however, the SA **may not** use the one-time transfer exception in Bylaw 14.5.5.2.10. The SA would also be responsible for meeting all applicable progress-toward-degree legislation.

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request

In the sport of Baseball, if an athlete is transferring from a NAIA to a Division I will he have to sit out a year in residency or can he be immediately eligible for competition pending he meet all transfer requirements?

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Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.



# Case Summary

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Case Number	Case Type	Sub Case Type	Release to Database
1061862	Interpretation Request	Financial Aid - Bylaw 15	No
Division	Sport(s)		

## Legislative Cite(s)

15.5.3.2 - Equivalency Computations.  
- Tuition waivers and state reciprocity statutes -- Bylaw 15.02.3.1  
15.02.5.2 - Institutional Financial Aid.  
15.5.1.1 - Football or Basketball, Varsity Competition.

## Status Information

Status	Status Date	Status Level	Status Level Type
Resolved	06/25/2019	Staff	Bylaw Team Member Consult

## Conditions

## Rationale

Interpretation:: Yes, tuition waivers count in the team equivalency limitation regardless of whether the tuition waiver is based upon the SA's athletics aid or aid from another department. This remains true even if the SA only receives a small athletics award (e.g., a book scholarship). Pursuant to Bylaw 15.02.5.2, the tuition waiver is institutional financial aid. Per to Bylaw 15.5.1, a student-athlete who receives any amount of financial aid based in any degree on athletics ability becomes a counter for the year during which the student-athlete receives the athletics aid. Once a student becomes a counter, all institutional aid the counter receives becomes countable unless otherwise exempted (e.g., academic honor awards).

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**Specific Case Information**

Describe the interpretive request **When computing Football-FCS equivalencies, tuition waivers will count in the sport equivalency regardless of where the waiver comes from (athletics or institutional[other department]) if a student-athlete is receiving any money from athletics even if it is only the cost of books?**

Provide the conference analysis of the interpretive request.

Provide the institution's analysis of the interpretive request.