NEW NCAA INTERPRETATION - PROSPECTS OBSERVING PRACTICES AND MEETINGS

Bylaw 13.1.6.9 states that a coach may not engage in any practice activities (e.g., review of playbook, film review) with a prospect. Per a July 15 interpretation, a prospect is permitted to observe practices and meetings until the date on which he/she has signed a National Letter of Intent, a written offer of admission or financial aid or has made a financial deposit with the institution. After that date, the prospect is permitted to observe the institution’s practices and meetings only in the same manner as the general public. [7/15/10 Staff Interp.]

TRANSPORTATION TO CAMPUS FOR INCOMING FRESHMEN

It is permissible to provide transportation to a prospect from the nearest bus or train station or major airport (Lansing or Detroit) to campus on the occasion of the prospect’s initial arrival at MSU to attend fall classes. Please note that transportation may be provided to the prospect only. It is not permissible to provide transportation to the prospect’s relatives. Prospects who received transportation to campus for summer classes may not take advantage of this legislation.

INCOMING STUDENT-ATHLETE REMINDERS

Most freshmen, in sports other than football, field hockey, cross country, volleyball and soccer, will start arriving on campus in four weeks. Please note the following activities incoming student-athletes may NOT participate in prior to September 1 (i.e., first day of classes):

- Countable athletically related activities (e.g., film, weight training and conditioning, practice).
- Promotional activities (both institutional and community events).
- Institutional fundraising events.

In addition to the items listed above, it is important to keep in mind that boosters may not have contact with incoming student-athletes until the first day of classes. Incoming student-athletes are considered prospects until the first day of classes or the first day of practice (whichever occurs first).