PERMISSION TO CONTACT VS RELEASE
Here is a quick refresher on what is required for student-athletes who are interested in transferring, plus an explanation of the difference between a “permission to contact” and a “release.” When an athlete wants to transfer from MSU they may either first speak with the coaching staff or with the compliance office. If the athlete first approaches compliance we will contact the head coach to determine whether permission to contact will be granted. The head coach has the option to allow the athlete to contact any institution, to limit the institutions the athlete may have contact with, or to refuse all contact requests for that athlete.

There are two steps to the initial transfer process: 1) sending an institution permission to contact, which allows its coaches to speak with your athlete; and 2) sending an institution a completed release form. A completed release form contains detailed information about the athlete’s history at MSU (e.g., years of financial aid, seasons of competition used) including the one-time transfer exception. It is possible to provide an athlete with permission to contact a second institution but deny him/her the one-time transfer exception.

New legislation, effective August 1, 2010, further defines the guidelines institutions must follow regarding a student-athlete’s request for permission to contact another institution. Specifically, when an institution receives a written request from an athlete for permission to contact another institution or a request for the one-time transfer exception the institution will have seven business days to either grant or deny the athlete’s request. If the institution chooses to deny the athlete’s request, the institution must provide a hearing to the athlete within 15 business days of receiving the athlete’s written request for a hearing. If the institution does not adhere to the new legislation within the prescribed time period then permission to contact or the transfer release will be granted to the athlete by default.

SUMMER PARKING REMINDER
Please note that during the summer the Office of Compliance Services will not be paying for student-athletes’ parking. Student-athletes remaining on campus for practice and competition beyond Friday, May 14 will be responsible for any parking expenses they incur (e.g., parking pass, ticket).

RECRUITING CALENDAR

BASEBALL
Contact/Eval. Period: May 1-31

MEN’S BASKETBALL
Quiet Period: May 1-19
Dead Period: May 20-28
Quiet Period: May 29-31

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL
Quiet Period: May 1-31

CROSS COUNTRY
TRACK & FIELD
Contact/Eval. Period: May 1-31

FOOTBALL
Evaluation Period: May 1-31
Quiet Period: Any day not designated as an evaluation day including Sundays and Memorial Day

SOFTBALL
Contact/Eval. Period: May 1-31

VOLLEYBALL
Quiet Period: May 1-28
Contact/Eval. Period: May 29-31

STUDENT-ATHLETE PROMOTIONAL APPEARANCES
NCAA legislation regarding the use of a student-athlete’s name, picture or appearance for promotional purposes continues to apply during the summer vacation period. Student-athletes need to obtain permission from compliance prior to participating in ANY promotional activity during the summer vacation period unless the event is a MSU sponsored event. If the event is sponsored by MSU it is important to check with SASS to make sure the student-athlete does not miss class to participate in the event. Please keep in mind that student-athletes may not participate in any promotional events that involves commercial establishments.

COMPLIANCE MADNESS CHAMPION
Congratulations to Tom Saxton! Tom is the winner of the 2nd Annual Compliance Madness Tournament!

2010-2011 NCAA COACHES CERTIFICATION EXAM
The exam will be available in the Smith Center computer lab on the following dates and times:
• May 13 @ 9:00 a.m.
• May 26 @ 1:00 p.m.
• June 1 @ 9:00 a.m. (FB only)
• June 8 @ 8:00 a.m.
Please contact Jill Gainey if you have any questions.