# Compliance Update

## SEPTEMBER 2012

### ELIGIBILITY CENTER REGISTRATION FEE INCREASE

Effective September 1, 2012, the registration fee for the Eligibility Center increased as follows.

- **Domestic prospects (U.S. and Canada):** $70
- **International prospects:** $120

### NCAA INTERPRETATION - PHOTOGRAPHS AS ATTACHMENTS

It is permissible to send a photograph to a prospect as an attachment to general correspondence (printed on plain white paper with black ink) or electronic transmissions, provided the information in the photograph was not altered or staged for a recruiting purpose. [8/30/12 Staff Interp.]

### TRYOUTS

It is permissible to host walk-on tryouts for enrolled students at MSU. PRIOR to the tryout, the individual must obtain the Walk-On and Tryout Authorization form from the Office of Compliance Services (OCS). The head coach initiates the process by signing the authorization form. Next, the student must have the form signed by the athletic training staff verifying that the student has had a physical. The student then brings the form to the OCS where he/she will sign the necessary compliance paperwork. Once the student obtains all three signatures he/she will be allowed to participate in a tryout with your team. During the tryout period the student may not receive practice apparel or equipment.

Tryouts must occur on or after the first day of the fall semester and during the team’s declared playing and practice season (i.e., 20-hour weeks). Tryouts may last a maximum of five days. After the five day period, the student must be added to your roster if you would like the individual to continue practicing with your team. It is NOT permissible for a student to participate in practices, film sessions, team meetings, strength training and conditioning workouts or other countable athletically related activities beyond the five-day tryout period unless the student is added to the roster.

### TRYOUTS - ATHLETES ENGAGED IN ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITY DURING OFF DAY

A student athlete may engage in voluntary athletically related activity during the student-athlete’s required day off, provided the activity was initiated and requested solely by the student-athlete. Athletically related activity becomes countable if the student-athlete:

- Is required to report back any information about the activity to a coach or other staff member, or any staff member who observes the activity reports back any information about the activity to a coach;
- Is required to participate in the activity;
- The student-athlete's attendance and participation in the activity (or lack thereof) is recorded for the purposes of reporting such information to coaching staff members or other student-athletes; or
- Is subject to penalty for failing to participate in the activity, or receives recognition or incentive (e.g., awards) based on his or her attendance or performance in the activity. [8/8/12 Educational Column]

### RECRUITING CALENDAR

#### BASEBALL
- **Quiet Period:** Sept. 1-13
- **Contact/Eval. Period:** Sept. 14-30

#### MEN’S BASKETBALL
- **Quiet Period:** Sept. 1-8
- **Contact Period:** Sept. 9-30
  (Evaluations at nonscholastic events: Sept. 28-30)

#### WOMEN’S BASKETBALL
- **Quiet Period:** Sept. 1-15
- **Contact Period:** Sept. 16-30

#### CROSS COUNTRY
- **Contact/Eval. Period:** Sept. 1-30

#### TRACK & FIELD
- **Contact/Eval. Period:** Sept. 1-30

#### FOOTBALL
- **Evaluation Period:** Sept. 1-30
  42 evaluation days Sept.—Nov.

#### SOFTBALL
- **Contact/Eval. Period:** Sept. 1-30

#### VOLLEYBALL
- **Contact/Eval. Period:** Sept. 1-30

### ADMISSIONS PRESENTATION

The Office of Admissions presentation will take place September 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Smith Center room #220.

### COMPLIANCE OLYMPICS

In honor of the Summer 2012 Olympics, this year OCS will be hosting the Compliance Olympics (in place of Compliance Madness). Be sure to check your e-mail for instructions and breakdown of teams for Compliance Olympics.

### RANDOM TRIVIA

Strawberries are the only fruit with their seeds on the outside of the fruit.