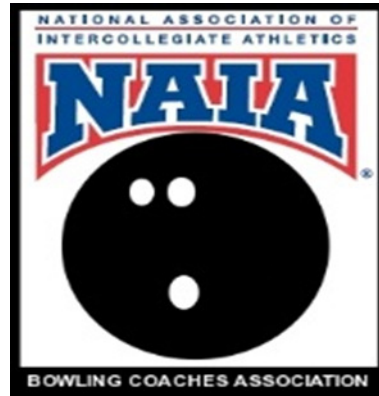
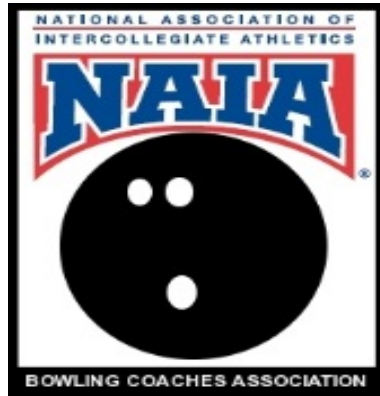


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1. High school Students -----No Restrictions
2. High school student who has signed LOI or given written notice (email or text) of intent to attend a college in the fall-----No Contact
3. College Students-- Enrolled including Summer----- No Contact
4. College Student enrolled first year at a 2 year Institution----- No Contact
5. College Student enrolled second year at a 2 year Institution-----First contact Coach or school representative once given permission then contact with no restrictions. Enrolled Institution will give answer within 10 business days of contact, if enrolled institution gives no contact answer they must supply a future contact date.
6. If an enrolled athlete contacts you the Coach or your athletic administration, you must give written verifiable notice to the enrolled athletes Athletic Director or Coach and the NAIA Bowling Coaches Associations Secretary your intention to continue the conversation with the student. A phone call to the other coach does not meet this requirement. Nothing can take the place of the written recruiting contact letter or email sent to the athletics director or Coach and the NAIABCA Secretary.
7. Violation of any part of the recruitment policy shall cause an immediate investigation by the NAIABCA Conduct and Ethics Committee for appropriate action. This committee will consist of the NAIABCA officers

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along with two or more Presidential appointees never to have less than a 5 member investigative group and always to have an odd number to render a majority in the final decision. Recruiting violations could warrant disciplinary action up to and including suspension from post season tournaments.

INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION

The recruiting rules of the NAIA are based on ethics and common courtesy. Item 1 above allows for freedom of coaches and administrators to identify and recruit the best prospective high school student-athletes or those students who have never participated, practiced, or received athletically based financial aid while enrolled at another institution of higher learning.

Under Items 2-6, though, the rules are stricter but not oppressive when it comes to enrolled student-athletes and the process that must be followed for a coach or administrator to discuss a possible transfer of that student to his/her institution. This interpretation will focus on Items 2-6 and how institutions should apply this regulation. Item 1 will be broken down into the elements necessary for proper application.

1. Contact is defined If AD, FAR, or Coach is contacted or made aware of contact by enrolled student athlete enrolled at another institution of higher learning (two-year or four-year)...

A. Contact can include a phone call, phone message, email, letter or any other form of notification from the student to the administrator or coach. It will also be considered contact if a player, alumni, or someone outside the athletics department at the institution notifies the administrator or coach of a possible transfer student.

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B. Contact will also be a phone call, phone message, email, letter or any other form notification from a parent, relative, friend of the family, coach, or acquaintance on behalf of the student.

2. ...it shall be the responsibility of the contacted institution (athletics director or faculty athletics representative or coach) to notify in writing the institution (athletics director or faculty athletics representative or Coach) where the athlete is presently enrolled or if the summer vacation period, was enrolled the previous term, within 10 days following the first contact. As soon as any institutional representative is contacted all communication must cease immediately with that student or his/her representative regarding a possible transfer or the prospects of that student participating at the contacted institution upon transfer. The statement should be, "Thank you for your contact but I cannot speak with you any further until proper NAIABCA procedure is followed."

A. If a coach or other athletics personnel is contacted then he/she must immediately notify the Athletics Director or Faculty Athletics Representative of the contact. See above statement that should be made. The AD, FAR, or Coach has 10 days in which to notify in writing (email or letter) the AD, FAR, or Coach at the institution where the student is currently enrolled or participated for within the last two or three terms that a representative has been contacted by this student.

3. A coach or another representative of a member institution may respond to a contact by an athlete only after the enrolled athlete's institution (athletics director or faculty athletics representative) has been notified as prescribed above.

A. Once the AD, FAR, or Coach has notified the other institution and the NAIABCA secretary in writing, then representatives of the institution may

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Speak with the student about transferring or the prospects of that student participating at their institution upon transfer.

B. The institution does not have to have a release (written or verbal) from the other institution to talk to this student. The institution has fulfilled its ethical obligation under this regulation by notifying the other institution in writing of the contact.

4. A coach or another representative of a member institution shall not initiate contact with an athlete who has enrolled at another institution.

After reading the preceding elements of this regulation, this mandate is self-explanatory. In no way, shape, or form should a coach or any other representative initiate contact with an enrolled student-athlete about the possibility of that student transferring or the prospects of that student participating for that institution upon transfer.

Item 7 describes the ramifications of violating the recruiting regulations. If an institution violates this bylaw they are to self-report. If an NAIA institution is aware of a violation or a possible violation they are to follow the procedure found under Article I, Section 1, item 7 of the NAIA Bylaws for reporting this information (listed below). Failure to self-report or to report another institution will also be investigated by the NAIABCA Conduct and Ethics Committee.

ARTICLE I, SECTION 1. Item 7

REPORTING VIOLATIONS: AN INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Should any chief executive officer, faculty athletics representative, athletics director, and/or coach become aware of an apparent institutional violation involving an athlete or institutional representative of any member institution, it shall be the responsibility of the individual to notify his/her athletics director and faculty athletics representative of that violation immediately. The athletics

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director or faculty athletics representative or Coach upon being notified shall contact in writing the athletics director and faculty athletics representative at the institution in question and send copies of the notification to the NAIABCA President. This notification shall take place within five days of receiving the information. Failure to abide by any part of this regulation shall be viewed as unethical conduct and shall cause an investigation by the NAIABCA Conduct and Ethics Committee for appropriate action against the institution for withholding information.

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