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11 – CONDUCT AND EMPLOYMENT OF ATHLETICS PERSONNEL

Student Assistant Coach: [Bylaw 11.01.4]

An undergraduate student assistant coach is any coach who is a student-athlete who has exhausted his or her eligibility in the sport or has become injured to the point that he or she is unable to practice or compete ever again, and who meets the following additional criteria:

- a) Is enrolled at the institution at which he or she most recently participated in intercollegiate athletics;
- b) Is enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student in his or her first baccalaureate degree program, except that during his or her final semester of the baccalaureate degree program, he or she may be enrolled in less than a full-time degree program of studies, provided he or she is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements;
- c) Is receiving no compensation or remuneration from the institution other than the financial aid that could be received as a student-athlete and expenses incurred on road trips that are received by individual team members; and
- d) Is not involved in contacting and evaluating prospective student-athletes off campus or scouting opponents off campus and does not perform recruiting coordination functions.

Student Assistant Coach Q&A: [Ed. Column 1/14/10]

Question: Is a student permitted to serve as an undergraduate student-assistant coach if he or she has graduated and is pursuing a second baccalaureate degree and all other criteria are met?

Answer: No.

Question: Would an undergraduate student-assistant coach be included within the NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate (APR) cohort for the terms in which he or she is serving in this capacity?

Answer: An undergraduate student-assistant coach who receives institutional financial aid based in any degree on athletics ability aid would be included in the APR cohort, provided the monies are awarded during the academic year, and the student-athlete has not yet enrolled beyond five years of actual full-time enrollment.

Question: Is a student-athlete permitted to transfer from an institution at which he or she exhausted eligibility to another Division I institution to serve as an undergraduate student-assistant coach?

Answer: No. The legislation requires that the individual be enrolled at the institution at which he or she most recently participated in intercollegiate athletics.

Manager: [Bylaw 11.01.6]

A manager is an individual who performs traditional managerial duties (e.g., equipment, laundry, hydration) and meets the following additional criteria:

- a) The individual shall be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student, except that during his or her final semester of a degree program, he or she may be enrolled in less than a full-time program of studies, provided he or she is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements;
- b) The individual may participate in limited on-court or on-field activities during practice (e.g., assist with drills, throw batting practice) or competition (e.g., assist with warm-up activities) involving student-athletes on a regular basis;
- c) The individual shall not provide instruction to student-athletes;
- d) The individual shall not participate in countable athletically related activities (e.g., practice player); and
- e) In baseball, the individual shall forfeit any remaining eligibility in the sport at the institution at which the individual serves as a manager.

Volunteer Coach: [Bylaw 11.01.5] – Sports other than football and basketball

A volunteer coach is any coach who does not receive compensation (including subscriptions, expenses for conventions or conferences and membership dues) from the athletics department, or any organization funded by the athletics department. The following provisions apply:

PROHIBITED FROM:

- Contacting/Evaluating prospects
- Recruiting coordination functions
- Scouting of opponents

MAY ONLY RECEIVE:

- 2 Complimentary tickets to home contests in their sport
- Complimentary meals incidental to team activities
(e.g. pre-game meals, occasional meals)

* Volunteer coaches must complete a form and take the NCAA Coaches Certification exam. See Chad Mandrell.

12 – AMATEURISM

Fee-for-Lesson Instruction: [Bylaw 12.4.2.1]

A student-athlete may receive compensation for teaching or coaching sport skills or techniques in his or her sport on a fee-for-lesson basis, provided:

- a) Institutional facilities are not used;
- b) Playing lessons shall not be permitted;
- c) The institution obtains and keeps on file documentation of the recipient of the lesson(s) and the fee for the lesson(s) provided during any time of the year; and
- d) The compensation is paid by the lesson recipient (or the recipient's family) and not another individual or entity.
- e) Instruction to each individual is comparable to the instruction that would be provided during a private lesson when the instruction involves more than one individual at a time.
- f) The student-athlete does not use his or her name, picture or appearance to promote or advertise the availability of fee-for-lesson sessions.

*The SA must see Kurt Hunsaker for forms and process.

13 - RECRUITING

Publicity: [Bylaw 13.10]

Texas Tech cannot permit a media entity to be present during any recruiting contact made by a Texas Tech coaching staff member.

Before the signing of a PSA to a National Letter of Intent or an institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, a member institution may comment publicly only to the extent of confirming its recruitment of the prospective student-athlete.

Texas Tech MAY NOT:

- Comment generally about the prospective student-athlete's ability
- The contribution that the PSA might make to the institution's team
- Texas Tech is not allowed to comment in any manner as to the likelihood of the prospective student-athlete's signing with Texas Tech



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- Evaluate or rate a PSA for news media, scouting services or recruiting services prior to the prospective student-athlete's signed acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission as a student and/or written tender of financial assistance.
- Permit a PSA or a high school, college preparatory school or two-year college coach to appear, be interviewed or otherwise be involved (in person or via film, audio tape or videotape) on:
 - a) A radio or television program conducted by the institution's coach;
 - b) A program in which the institution's coach is participating; or
 - c) A program for which a member of the institution's athletics staff has been instrumental in arranging for the appearance of the PSA or coach or related program material.

14 – ELIGIBILITY

Hardship Waiver [Bylaw 14.2.4]

An additional year of competition may be granted by the Big 12 Conference for reasons of "hardship" due to an incapacitating **injury or illness**. For the waiver to be considered, the injury or illness must meet all of the following criteria:

- Occurs in one of four seasons of competition;
- Occurs prior to the first competition of the second half of the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship and results in **incapacity to compete for the remainder of that playing season**; and
- Occurs prior to participation in more than 3 contests/dates of competition or 30 percent (whichever is greater) of the scheduled or completed contests/dates of competition.

*Notify Kurt Hunsaker at the time a SA has sustained a season ending injury.

15 – FINANCIAL AID

Reduction and Cancellation during Period of Award [Bylaw 15.3.4.2]

Institutional financial aid based in any degree on athletics ability may be reduced or canceled during the period of the award if the recipient:

- Renders himself or herself ineligible for intercollegiate competition;
- Fraudulently misrepresents information on an application, letter of intent or financial aid agreement;
- Engages in serious misconduct warranting substantial disciplinary penalty; or
- Voluntarily withdraws from a sport at any time for personal reasons.

16 – AWARDS, BENEFITS, AND EXPENSES FOR ENROLLED STUDENT-ATHLETES

Participation Awards [Bylaw 16.1.4.1]

Awards for participation in intercollegiate athletics may be presented each year by the institution, limited in value and number (\$175 – Underclassmen, \$325 – Senior).

Football:

- Orders all standard participation awards (e.g. Jackets, Watches, etc.), as well as all additional awards for student-athletes (e.g., flowers for seniors, framed jersey, etc.).
- Coordinates with and submits participation awards spreadsheet to Compliance Office.

All Other Sports:

- Shishir Bhakta will order all standard participation awards (e.g. Jackets, watches, etc.).
- Sport orders additional awards for student-athletes (e.g., flowers for seniors, framed jersey, etc.), but coordinates with and submits participation awards spreadsheet to Shishir Bhakta.

17 – PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS

Intercollegiate Competition [Bylaw 17.02.8]

Intercollegiate competition is considered to have occurred when a student-athlete in either a two-year or a four-year collegiate institution does any of the following:

- Represents the institution in any contest against outside competition
- Competes in the uniform of the institution, or uses any apparel received from the institution that includes institutional identification; or
- Competes and receives expenses (e.g., transportation, meals, room or entry fees) from the institution for the competition.

Recruiting Calendar January 1 – January 31

Football	Track/ CC	M Basketball	W Basketball	Softball	Baseball	Volleyball	Soccer	Tennis/ Golf
Dead: 1/1 – 1/3 Quiet: 1/4 – 1/8 Contact: 1/4-1/9 Quiet: 1/9 Dead: 1/10-1/13 Contact: 1/14-1/29 Quiet: 1/30 Dead: 1/31	Quiet: 1/1 – 1/14 Contact: 1/15 – 1/31	Quiet: 1/1-1/31	Quiet: 1/1-1/31	Contact: 1/1-1/31	Contact: 1/1-1/31	Contact: 1/1-1/31	Contact/ Evaluation: 1/1-1/30	Contact/ Evaluation: 1/1-1/31