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This publication presents all proposed amendments to NCAA legislation that were properly submitted by the Division II membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline in the NCAA legislative calendar. The four proposals herein are printed in the order in which they would appear, if adopted in the NCAA Division II Manual. No attempt has been made to place them in topical groupings or in the order in which they eventually might appear in the Convention agenda. The order of the four proposals may change in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation and in the Official Notice. Therefore, the numeral 1 will be placed in front of each proposal number to help identify it in future legislative publications as having originated in the initial (first) publication.

This publication is produced directly from LSDBi each time it is downloaded. Therefore, the content of the publication may change each time it is accessed from the NCAA website. As modifications or corrections are made to proposals during the sponsor-modification period, updates will be made to LSDBi and those changes will be reflected in this document.

All amendments in the publication have been reviewed by the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee. Each proposal is accompanied not only by a statement of intent and proposed effective date, but also by a statement of rationale and a listing of the primary contact person designated by the sponsors of the amendment.

Between the date this publication is posted (August 15) and September 15, sponsors of these proposals are permitted to refine and change the amendments in any manner that is germane to the proposal as printed in this publication. Such changes may either increase or decrease the modification set forth in the original proposal (i.e., the sponsors may alter the proposal to make greater or lesser changes in the current legislation than they originally submitted). A sponsor-modification memorandum will be distributed to the designated primary contact persons in August. Sponsors may use the LSDBi "Sponsor-Modification Submission" section to modify the legislative proposals they have submitted. All such modifications must be received in the NCAA national office not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time September 15. In addition, sponsors who wish to withdraw a proposal before September 15 must contact their academic and membership affairs legislative contact; however, please note that proposals withdrawn after September 15 will still appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation.

No new proposals may be submitted by the Division II membership for the 2019 Convention as the July 15 deadline has passed. Member institutions and conferences that wish to offer suggested revisions to an amendment are encouraged to contact the designated primary contact person, as listed with each proposal. Such contacts should be made early in the period between the date this publication is posted and September 15 to assure time for appropriate consideration by the sponsors.

This represents the first in a series of three publications dealing with Convention legislation, as dictated by the provisions of NCAA Constitution 5. The other publications will be as follows:

**September 23** - Second Publication of Proposed Legislation (SPOPL), including the proposals submitted by the Division II membership as modified on or prior to September 15, as well as all legislation submitted by the NCAA Division II Presidents Council and the NCAA Board of Governors. The submission deadline for the Presidents Council is September 1. Amendment-to-amendment forms will also be available at this time.

**November 15** - Official Notice of the 2019 Convention. This will contain all Division II legislation for the Convention and proposed legislation sponsored by the Board of Governors, including all amendments-to-amendments and resolutions submitted by the November 1 deadline.

### 2018-19 Legislative Calendar

The legislative calendar, as set forth in Constitution 5, is summarized here for convenience of reference.

**July 15**: Deadline for submission of amendments by the Division II membership. Each amendment must include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale (200 words or less), as well as identification of the designated primary contact person.

**July 15**: Legislation Committee Review. The committee reviews all proposals by the membership and works with the primary contact person for each amendment to ensure that the proposal meets the intent of the sponsor, to ensure that the placement of the amendment is consistent with the organizational integrity of the relevant divisional
Manual, and to edit the intent and rationale statements of the sponsors for clarity and brevity.

**August 8**: Presidents Council Consideration. The Presidents Council considers legislative proposals that it may wish to sponsor. It also reviews the proposals submitted by the membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline.

**August 15**: Posting of Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation.

**August 15 through September 15**: Sponsor Modification Period. Sponsors are permitted to refine and change their proposals in any manner germane to the original proposal. Member institutions and conferences are invited to offer any suggested revisions of a proposal to the primary contact person listed with the proposal. Additionally, members that believe an amendment should not be modified should so inform the primary contact person.

**September 1**: Deadline for submission of amendments sponsored by the Presidents Council.

**September 15**: Deadline for submission by all sponsors (with submission by the primary contact person) of any modification to their original amendments. These modifications may represent either greater or lesser changes; they need only be germane to the original proposal.

**September 23**: Posting of SPOPL. This publication includes all Division II membership-sponsored proposals (as modified), all proposals sponsored by the Presidents Council and all proposals sponsored by the Board of Governors.

**September 23 through November 1**: Amendment-to-Amendment Period. The Presidents Council as well as the membership (see Constitution 5.3.4.2) may submit amendments to the Division II proposals in the SPOPL. An amendment-to-amendment of a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may only be sponsored by the Board of Governors. These amendments-to-amendments may not increase the modification of the provisions to be amended; they must fall between the provisions of the circularized amendment and the current provisions.

**November 1**: Deadline for resolutions and all amendments-to-amendments to be received in the national office. No amendments-to-amendments sponsored by the membership may be submitted after this date. The Presidents Council and Board of Governors are authorized to submit further amendments-to-amendments at the Convention if it deems such action necessary.

**November 15**: Mailing and posting of the Official Notice of the Convention. This publication includes all Division II proposed legislation, Board of Governors sponsored legislation, resolutions and the properly submitted amendments-to-amendments.

**January 23-26, 2019**: NCAA Convention. All delegates have the opportunity to download the NCAA Events app prior to arriving at the Convention. The NCAA Events app contains the most up-to-date meeting schedule and other helpful Convention information.

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LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP

[Note: Pursuant to Constitution 5.3.12, all amendments shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August following adoption by the Convention; however, if a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date prior to the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Further, all amendments with an effective date other than the first day of August following the Convention, will contain in the rationale statement reasons for such effective date. Those proposals that receive the required vote to carry an immediate effective date and that are adopted, become effective upon adjournment of the Convention.]

[Note: In the following proposals:

• Those letters and words that appear in *italics* and *strikethrough* are to be deleted;
• Those letters and words that appear in **bold** and *underlined* are to be added; and
• Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division II legislation.]
Recruiting

No. 1-1 RECRUITING -- SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- INSTITUTION'S SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS -- DEFINITION -- FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL -- ELIMINATION OF TIMING RESTRICTIONS -- PROHIBITION OF STUDENT-ATHLETE EMPLOYMENT AT INSTITUTIONAL CAMPS AND CLINICS DURING THE LEGISLATED WINTER BREAK

Intent: To eliminate the timing restrictions for football and basketball camps and clinics; further, to prohibit student-athlete employment at an institutional camp or clinic during the legislated winter break.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.12, as follows:


[13.12.1.1 unchanged.]

13.12.1.1 Football and Basketball. An institution's football or basketball camp or clinic may be conducted only during an institution’s summer vacation period. [D]

[13.12.1.2 through 13.12.1.5 unchanged.]

13.12.2 Employment at Camp or Clinic.

[13.12.2.1 unchanged.]

13.12.2.2 Student-Athletes.

[13.12.2.2.1 unchanged.]

13.12.2.2.2 Employment in Own Institution's Camp or Clinic. A member institution (or employees of its athletics department) may employ its student-athletes as counselors in camps or clinics, provided the student-athletes do not participate in organized practice activities other than during the institution's playing season in the sport (see Bylaw 17.1.1). [D]

13.12.2.2.1 Exception - Winter Break. A student-athlete may not be employed at an institutional camp or clinic during the winter break (See Bylaw 17.02.18).

[13.12.2.3 through 13.12.2.4 unchanged.]

13.12.2.5 Athletics Staff Members. A member institution’s athletics staff member may be involved in sports camps or clinics unless otherwise prohibited in this section. [D]

[13.12.2.5.1 unchanged.]

13.12.2.5.2 Other Noninstitutional Privately Owned Camps/Clincis. An institution’s athletics department personnel may serve in any capacity (e.g., counselor, guest lecturer, consultant) in a noninstitutional, privately owned camp or clinic, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admission to any individual who has started classes for the ninth grade). In the sports of football and basketball, participation in such camps/clinics is limited to the institution’s summer vacation period. [D]

[13.12.2.5.2.1 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.02.18, as follows:

17.02.18 Winter Break. The winter break shall be a seven-consecutive-calendar-day period from December 20 through December 26. When December 20 falls on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday, the winter break shall be a seven-consecutive-calendar-day period that begins on the following Monday. When December 20 falls on a Monday, the winter break shall be a seven-consecutive-calendar-day period that begins on the following Tuesday. During the winter break, a student-athlete may not be employed at institutional camps and clinics, may not participate in any countable athletically related activities and may not participate in any voluntary athletically related activities on campus unless the facility is open to the general student-body. (See Figure 17-4.)

Source: Great Northwest Athletic Conference and East Coast Conference

Effective Date: Immediate
Rationale: Football and basketball should not be treated differently than other sports in hosting and participating in camps and clinics. Restricting football and basketball camps to an institution's summer-vacation period prevents football and basketball coaches at quarter institutions from working some camps and clinics if a quarter institution's summer-vacation period begins and ends later than a semester institution. Additionally, a quarter institution's summer-vacation period may not align with high school summer-vacation periods and may affect the number of camps and clinics that could be hosted or attended by a quarter institution or its staff. Finally, amending the legislation to specify that student-athletes may not be involved with institutional camps and clinics during the legislated winter break period is consistent with Division II's "Life in the Balance" philosophy because it ensures that student-athletes will have time away from campus during the winter break. The immediate effective date will permit institutions to hold institutional camps and clinics during spring 2019.

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Eligibility

No. 1-2 ELIGIBILITY -- OUTSIDE COMPETITION, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY -- ADDITIONAL APPLICATION OF OUTSIDE-COMPETITION REGULATIONS, SPORTS OTHER THAN BASKETBALL -- COMPETITION AS INDIVIDUAL/NOT REPRESENTING INSTITUTION -- EXCEPTION - MEDICAL SERVICES

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete competing as an individual/not representing the institution may receive medical services from their institution’s medical personnel at a competition site.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.02.10, as follows:

14.02.10 Intercollegiate Competition. Intercollegiate competition occurs when a student-athlete in either a two-year or a four-year collegiate institution:

[14.02.10-(a) through 14.02.10-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Competes and receives expenses (e.g., transportation, meals, room or entry fees) from the institution for the competition (See Bylaw 14.7.3.4-(c)-(1) for an exception for medical services for a student-athlete competing unattached); or

[14.02.10-(d) unchanged.]

[14.02.10.1 through 14.02.10.2 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.7.3.4, as follows:

14.7.3.4 Competition as Individual/Not Representing Institution. It is permissible for a student-athlete to participate in outside competition as an individual during the academic year in the student-athlete’s sport, provided the student-athlete:

(a) Is academically and athletically eligible for intercollegiate competition;

(b) Represents only himself or herself in the competition; and

(c) Does not engage in such competition as a member of or receive expenses from an outside team.

(1) Exception - Medical Services. A student-athlete competing as an individual may receive medical services from their institution’s medical personnel (e.g., athletic trainer, team physician) at a competition site.

[14.7.3.4.1 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.02.8, as follows:

17.02.8 Intercollegiate Competition. Intercollegiate competition occurs when a student-athlete in either a two-year or a four-year collegiate institution:

[17.02.8-(a) through 17.02.8-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Competes and receives expenses (e.g., transportation, meals, room or entry fees) from the institution for the competition (See Bylaw 14.7.3.4-(c)-(1) for an exception for medical services for a student-athlete competing unattached); or

[17.02.8-(d) unchanged.]

[17.02.8.1 unchanged.]

Source: Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: Current legislation does not permit a student-athlete competing unattached to receive expenses from an outside team, including the institution. Student-athletes who are competing unattached and require medical attention before, during or after an event should not be restricted from receiving medical services from their institution’s medical staff who may also be present at the event. These student-athletes should be permitted to receive medical attention from individuals who have prior knowledge of their body and previous injuries. This proposal aligns with the health and safety priorities of the NCAA. The immediate effective date will allow student-athletes to receive medical services from their institution’s medical personnel at events during spring 2019.
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Playing and Practice Seasons

No. 1-3 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- WEEKLY HOUR LIMITATIONS - OUTSIDE OF PLAYING SEASON -- SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL -- FOUR HOURS OF TEAM ACTIVITIES

Intent: In sports other than football, to permit a student-athlete to participate in a maximum of four hours of team activities as part of the permissible eight hours of countable athletically related activities that may occur outside the playing season during the academic year.

Bylaws: Amend 17.1.6.3.1, as follows:

17.1.6.3.1 Sports Other Than Football. In sports other than football, outside of the playing season during the academic year, only a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be permitted, as follows:

(a) In winter championship sports, a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, of which not more than two four hours per week may be spent on team activities, as follows:

[17.1.6.3.1-(a)-(1) through 17.1.6.3.1-(a)-(3) unchanged.]

(b) In spring championship sports, from September 7 or the institution's fourth day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier, through the day before the institution's declared start date of the nonchampionship segment, a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, of which not more than two four hours per week may be spent on team activities;

(c) In fall championship sports, from the beginning of the institution's second term of the academic year (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester) through the day before the institution's declared start date of the nonchampionship segment, a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, of which not more than two four hours per week may be spent on team activities;

(d) In National Collegiate Championships sports, from the beginning of the institution's academic year through the day before the institution's declared start date of practice, a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, of which not more than two four hour may be spent on team activities; and

(e) Following the institution's final contest or date of competition in the segment that concludes with the NCAA championship, a student-athlete is prohibited from engaging in countable athletically related activities for a 14-consecutive-calendar-day period. Between the end of the 14-consecutive-calendar-day break period or the end of the nonchampionship segment, and one week prior to the beginning of the institution's final examination period, a student-athlete's participation in weight training, conditioning and/or team activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, of which not more than two four hours per week may be spent on team activities. For the first permissible date of activities outside of the playing season, refer to the sport-specific legislation.

Source: Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2019

Rationale: Under current legislation, outside of the playing season during the academic year in sports other than football, a student-athlete may participate in weight training, conditioning and team activities for a maximum of eight hours with no more than two hours of team activities per week. According to the 2015 GOALS study, of the 6,700 Division II student-athletes surveyed, only 11-percent of male student-athletes and 20-percent of female student-athletes preferred devoting less time in their schedules to athletic activities. Nearly half of Division II student-athletes indicated they preferred spending more time in organized off-season practices or workouts, while only about 15-percent indicated they preferred spending less time in organized off-season practices or workouts. This proposal will increase the permissible time for team activities, but not increase the overall permissible time for countable athletically related activities outside of the playing season during the academic year.

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No. 1-4 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – FOOTBALL – OUT-OF-SEASON ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES -- SPRING PRACTICE – 36-CONSECUTIVE CALENDAR DAYS

**Intent:** In football, to amend the spring practice period to permit 15 practice sessions within a period of 36-consecutive calendar days, omitting vacation and examination days officially announced on the institution’s calendar and days during which the institution is closed due to inclement weather.

**Bylaws:** Amend 17.10.8, as follows:

17.10.8 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the playing season, except for the following:

[17.10.8-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Spring Practice. Fifteen postseason practice sessions (including intrasquad scrimmages) and the spring game are permissible. An institution is not required to count as one of its 15 designated days any day during which countable athletically related activities are limited solely to required conditioning activities and/or review of game film. Practice sessions must meet the following conditions:

1. All practice sessions must be conducted within a period of 29-36-consecutive calendar days, omitting vacation and examination days officially announced on the institution’s calendar and days during which the institution is closed due to inclement weather.

[17.10.8-(b)-(2) through 17.10.8-(b)-(9) unchanged.]

[17.10.8 unchanged.]

**Source:** Great Lakes Valley Conference and Great Midwest Athletic Conference

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Rationale:** Current legislation permits 15 practice sessions in 29-consecutive calendar days. To complete 15 practices in a 29-day period, teams schedule four to five practices per week. Adding seven additional days to the spring practice period will allow institutions to conduct three practices each week instead of four. Fewer practices per week could reduce fatigue and provide additional time for student-athletes to recover from injuries. Additionally, extending the spring practice period by seven days will provide institutions the ability to make scheduling adjustments for spring break, inclement weather, and situations where multiple sports teams are using the same facilities and field(s). For example, an institution's football, lacrosse, men's soccer, women’s soccer, and field hockey teams may all use the same field(s) during the spring practice period. Conducting fewer practices per week during the spring practice period also promotes student-athlete well-being and is consistent with Division II's "Life in the Balance" philosophy. The immediate effective date will provide institutions with an additional seven days during the 2019 spring practice period.

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Request for Interpretation

Member institutions and conferences are encouraged to contact primary contact persons, and if necessary, to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation before Convention. Interpretations related to the proposed legislation in this IPOPL may be requested via electronic mail to the primary contact persons. When submitting such a request, please include the proposal number in question, your institution’s name and your title. All resulting interpretations will be distributed prior to the conference meetings held in conjunction with the Convention.