Aid Renewals

_Student-athletes must be notified in writing by July 1st as to whether their Financial Aid package is being renewed, reduced, or cancelled._

**April 11th:** 2008-2009 Financial Aid Requests are due to the Compliance Office

**April 21st-25th:** Coaches will receive scholarship offers from the Compliance Office to present to their student-athletes.

- Remember to include meal plan and housing selections on all aid requests.
- Once the period of award begins, aid may only be increased if the institution can demonstrate that such an increase is unrelated to athletics.
- Once the period of award begins, aid may not be decreased.
- Any student-athlete who received an award the previous academic year and has eligibility remaining must be notified as to the status of their aid for the upcoming academic year.

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Head Count vs. Equivalency

The NCAA considers sports to be either **Head Count** or **Equivalency** for financial aid purposes.

In **Head Count** sports, each student-athlete receiving any amount of athletics aid is considered a “counter” toward the financial aid limit for that particular sport.

In **Equivalency** sports, each team is allotted a maximum value of financial aid which may be divided amongst individual student-athletes at the coach’s discretion. In Baseball, each student-athlete receiving any athletics aid must receive at least 25% equivalency.

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Retention of Apparel & Equipment

- Over the summer vacation period, a student-athlete may retain and use equipment provided by the institution. Coaching staff members should refer student-athletes to the equipment room for such use.
- A student-athlete may retain athletics apparel (not equipment) only at the end of his or her intercollegiate participation.
- Apparel that is deemed by the institution to not be re-useable by other team members in subsequent seasons could be considered the property of the student-athlete. (Note: This is also applicable to shoes.)
- Used equipment may be purchased by the student-athlete at the same cost that any other individual would be required to pay.

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Gambling Reminder

Don’t forget that the NCAA strictly prohibits student-athletes and staff members from gambling or wagering on any sport that the NCAA sponsors.

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Student-Athlete Employment

Remember that all student-athletes must keep the Compliance Office updated on their employment status.

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Important Recruiting Calendar Reminders

**Upcoming Dead Periods:**
- **April 7-10:** Baseball, Golf, Rowing, Swimming/Diving, Tennis, Volleyball
- **April 3-10 (noon), April 14-17:** Men’s Basketball
- **April 4-17:** Women’s Basketball

**Upcoming Quiet Periods**
- **April 11-13, April 23-July 5:** Women’s Basketball

Note: It remains a Quiet Period for Football until **April 14th**.

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**Upcoming National Letter of Intent Signing Periods:**
- **April 16-May 21:** Men’s Basketball Late Period
- **April 9-August 1st:** Baseball, Golf, Rowing, Tennis, Swimming/Diving, and Volleyball Late Period
Institutional Awards

- The University of Miami may provide student-athletes with Participation Awards not to exceed $175 for underclassmen and $325 for seniors. (Note that all gift items must be included in award limitations.)
- Student-athletes may also receive awards for Special Event Participation, Championship Awards, Special Achievement Awards, and Senior Scholar Athlete Awards. Coaches should contact the Compliance Office for NCAA limitations specific to each award.

Banquets

- An institution may hold awards banquets to recognize the athletics and/or academic achievements of student-athletes.
- An institution may only provide transportation, meals, and expenses directly associated with a banquet. Entertainment expenses in connection with a banquet may not be financed by the institution.

Non-Institutional Awards

- The ACC may provide necessary expenses for a student-athlete (and his/her parent/legal guardian and spouse) to travel to receive a conference award.
- An outside organization may provide necessary expenses for a student-athlete (and his/her parent/legal guardian and spouse) to travel to a banquet in order for the student-athlete to receive an established regional, national, or international award.
- A hometown group may provide reasonable and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to return home to receive an award for athletics accomplishments.

Compliance MVP

Jeff Freeman
Assistant Women’s Soccer Coach

Jeff is always timely with his recruiting logs and Compliance forms. He always makes sure to run issues by the Compliance staff before acting.

Compliance Question

Q: May an institution use a picture of a currently enrolled student-athlete who has eligibility remaining to promote a camp or clinic?

A: No. A student-athlete’s name or picture may not be used to directly advertise or promote an institutional or privately owned camp, except in the camp counselor section of a camp brochure. (Bylaw 12.5.1.7)

Per Diem & Extended Stay Housing

Dining Halls will close May 8th after dinner.
Coaches must contact the Compliance Office to request per diem for any student-athletes remaining on campus for practice, competition, or rehabilitation.

Residence Halls will close May 10th.
Coaches must contact the Compliance Office if any members of his/her team plan to stay on campus later than that date.

For out of season sports, other than Football, remember that no practice may occur starting one week prior to final exams (Wednesday, April 23rd) through the conclusion of each student-athlete’s exams.
For sports that are in-season, all regular weekly hour limitations apply.