SPORTS WAGERING ACTIVITIES

NCAA Bylaw 10.3 prohibits conference and institution athletics administrators and coaches, as well as non-athletics staff members who have responsibilities within or over athletics departments, from participating in sports wagering activities. Sports wagering is defined to involve activities in which an item of value such as entry fee is required in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value such as a cash prize, regardless of whether those games involve professional sports or collegiate sports. As a result, participation in the fantasy sports companies’ games, including FanDuel and DraftKings, is prohibited by NCAA rules. These prohibitions are equally applicable to student-athletes.

10.3 SPORTS WAGERING ACTIVITIES: The following individuals shall not knowingly participate in sports wagering activities or provide information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition: \( (Adopted: 1/8/07 \text{ effective 8/1/07}) \)

a) Staff members of an institution’s athletic department
b) Nonathletic department staff members who have responsibilities within or over the athletic department (e.g. chancellor or president, FAR, individual to whom athletics reports)
c) Staff members of a conference office; and
d) Student-athletes.

10.3.1 Scope of Application: The prohibition against sports wagering applies to any institutional practice or any competition (intercollegiate, amateur or professional) in a sport in which the Association conducts championship competition, in bowl subdivision football and in emerging sports for women. \( (Adopted: 1/8/07 \text{ effective 8/1/07}) \)

10.3.1.1 Exception: The provisions of Bylaw 10.3 are not applicable to traditional wagers between institutions (e.g., traditional rivalry) or in conjunction with particular contests (e.g., bowl games). Items wagered must be representative of the involved institutions or the states in which they are located. \( (Adopted: 1/8/07 \text{ effective 8/1/07}) \)

10.3.2 Sanctions: The following sanctions for violations of Bylaw 10.3 shall apply:

(a) A student-athlete who engages in activities designed to influence the outcome of an intercollegiate contest or in an effort to affect win-loss margins (i.e., "point shaving") or who participates in any sports wagering activity involving the student-athlete's institution shall permanently lose all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. \( (Adopted: 1/8/01 \text{ effective 8/1/01, Revised: 1/8/07 effective 8/1/07}) \)

(b) A student-athlete who participates in any sports wagering activity, through the Internet, a bookmaker or a parlay card shall be ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition for a minimum of a period of one year from the date of the institution's determination that a violation has occurred and shall be charged with a loss of a minimum of one season of eligibility. If the student-athlete is determined to have been involved in a violation of any portion of Bylaw 10.3, the student-athlete shall permanently lose all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. \( (Adopted: 1/8/01 \text{ effective 8/1/01, Revised: 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04 for any athletics participation occurring on or after 8/1/04, 1/8/07 effective 8/1/07}) \)

10.4 DISCIPLINARY ACTION: Prospective student-athletes found in violation of the provisions of this regulation shall be ineligible for further intercollegiate competition, subject to appeal to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for restoration of eligibility (See Bylaw 10.3.2 for sanctions of student-athletes involved in violations of Bylaw 10.3). Institutional staff members found in violation of the provisions of this regulation shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in Bylaw 19.5.2.2 of the NCAA enforcement procedures, whether such violations occurred at the certifying institution or during the individual's previous employment at another member institution. \( (Revised: 1/10/90, 1/11/00; 1/8/01 effective 8/1/01, 1/8/07 effective 8/1/07}) \)