



NC State University **THE WOLF REPORT** February 2009

Permissible Callers—Prospective Student-Athletes

13.1.3.4.1 Institution Coaching Staff Members—General Rule:

All telephone calls made to and received from a prospective student-athlete (or their parents/legal guardians and coaches) must be made and received by the head coach, one or more of the assistant countable coaches, or an academic advisor about academic issues.

Exception: Prior to signing an NLI, the following staff members may receive or return telephone calls from a prospective student-athlete:

- Chancellor, Faculty Athletics Rep, Director of Athletics, Senior Woman Administrator: There is no restriction to what they are allowed to discuss, and any returned call counts as a phone call for the week/month.
- Compliance Coordinators: The call must be related to compliance issues, but this does not count towards the phone call limit.

13.1.3.1.6 Application of Telephone Call Limitations:

Once NC State reaches its applicable limit on telephone calls to a prospective student-athlete, additional phone calls cannot be initiated. This includes leaving a voicemail message after reaching the applicable telephone call limit.

Time Period for Telephone Calls

General Rule: Telephone calls to a prospect (or their parents/legal guardians) may not be made before July 1 following the completion of their junior year in high school. Staff members (who are allowed to make telephone calls) are limited to one call per week. A week is defined as Sunday to Saturday.

Exception:

- **Men’s Basketball:** One phone call per month after June 15 of the PSA’s sophomore year of high school. Two phone calls per week beginning August 1 prior to the PSA’s senior year in high school. Only one phone call per week is allowed to two-year and four-year college prospects.
- **Women’s Basketball:** One call in April of their junior year on or after the Thursday following the Women’s Final Four. One call in May of their junior year. Once call between June 1-20 of their junior year. One call between June 21-30 of their junior year. Three calls in July following their junior year. One call per week thereafter.
- **Football:** One call between April 15-May 31 of the PSA’s junior year. No additional calls until September 1 of their senior year. One call per week thereafter. Unlimited calls may be made to seniors during a contact period (check with compliance to make sure it is a contact period)

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Reminders...

Monthly Paperwork: Compliance paperwork is due on the 10th of each month. This includes practice logs, and all official visit paperwork for the previous month.

Official Visits: Please use the most recent Official Visit forms, available on the Compliance website or in the Compliance Office. Remember, a transcript, test scores, and verification of registration with the Eligibility Center prior must be obtained prior to approval.

Phone Call Limitations: Exceptions for All Sports

Letter-of-Intent Initial Signing Date Exception:

- Permissible callers may make unlimited phone calls on the initial signing date and the two days immediately following.
- Football Coaches may make unlimited phone calls 48 hours before and after 7:00 am on the initial signing date.

Off Campus Contact Exception:

- Permissible callers may make unlimited phone calls to a prospect on the day a permissible, in-person, off-campus contact occurs.

After National Letter of Intent Signing:

- Following the calendar day on which the prospect signs an NLI, there are no limits on the number of telephone calls placed by the institution.

Official-Visit Exception:

- Permissible staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to a PSA during the five days immediately preceding the PSA's official visit to NC State.
- If more than one phone call per week occurs using this exception and a scheduled visit is canceled due to circumstances beyond the control of the PSA or NC State (e.g., canceled by the PSA or due to weather conditions), the Compliance Office must report this to the ACC. However, this is not considered an institutional violation and it does not affect the PSA's eligibility.

Who Exactly is a Countable Coach?

11.7.1.1.1 Countable Coach: An athletics department staff member must count against coaching limits as soon as the individual participates (in any manner) in the coaching of the team in practice, games or organized activities directly related to that sport, including any organized staff activity directly related to the sport.

Noncoaching Activities (Bylaw 11.7.1.1.1):

Institutional staff members involved in noncoaching activities (e.g., administrative assistants, academic counselors) do not count in the coaching limitations as long as they:

- Are not identified as coaches
- Do not engage in any on- or off-field coaching activities (e.g., attend meetings involving coaching activities, analyzing videotape or film involving the institution's or an opponent's team)
- Are not involved in any off-campus recruiting

****Someone who is a noncoaching staff member or a volunteer coach should not be receiving or making phone calls to a PSA.****

Exception: A noncoaching staff member may make or receive phone calls from a PSA the day after the PSA signs an NLI (Bylaw 11.7.1.2.2).

If you have questions about phone calls... please contact the Compliance Office!