



Weekly Wolf Report

NC State's Compliance Updater for Staff

Playing & Practice Season

Wednesday, September 29

News

In the off-season, only two hours of the eight hours that may be required of student-athletes can be skill instruction with a coach present (Bylaw 17.1.6.2). Prior to September 15 and after the day that is seven days before the institution's first day of final exams in the fall semester (in sports other than football), only four student-athletes may be present at any one time during these skill instruction sessions (Bylaw 17.1.6.2.3).

Points of Interest

What Counts in 20 hours of Countable Athletically Related Activity (CARA)?

practice, competition, required weight training or conditioning, individual workouts, meetings with coaches initiated or required by coach, on-field/floor/court activities, setting up offensive and defensive alignments, visiting the competition site in Cross Country & Golf, discussion or review of game films

Logging Practice Hours – ACS Helpful Hint: Rather than using the check boxes next to the athlete's names under the CARA tab, from the athlete list page, check off the athletes that practiced together, choose "Log Hours" from the Functions drop down, click go, then input the hours for those athletes showing. This will avoid accidentally entering hours for athlete(s) who you did not mean.

Violations in the News: Eastern Michigan University officials announced Monday that their women's basketball team was involved in four major multiple NCAA violations in the 2009-2010 season. The university self-reported these violations to the NCAA and suspended the head coach for a month without pay. Several other assistant coaches received letters of reprimand and one is suspended indefinitely. The bulk of the violations concern practice hours. According to the university's report to the NCAA, practices exceeded the daily four-hour limit, sometimes lasting as long as six hours if players watched film. The head coach told university officials she was under the impression that countable hours did not begin until actual skill instruction began. In their interviews with compliance personnel, players said they routinely arrived at practice at 1:15 p.m. By the time practice, conditioning, and film study ended, players told university officials that it was often 7:30 or 8 p.m. before they left. The report also indicates that players were instructed to lie by one of the assistant coaches and felt like they had been "put in the middle."

Take Action

The next compliance education and professional development session will be Monday, Oct. 11 @ 11:00am in the WB auditorium. This will be a large group meeting at which one member of each sport staff is required to attend.

The topic of this meeting is *Relevant Recruiting* and the focus is on general and specific bylaws governing official visits (including information about the Eligibility Center), unofficial visits, recruiting services, recruiting materials, and the NLI. Attention will be paid to new regulations and emphasis placed on the processes and procedures that NC State follows to ensure compliance in these areas.