

## Recruiting Regulations

According to NCAA Bylaw 13.02.10 “Recruiting is any solicitation of a prospect or prospect’s relatives (or legal guardians) by an institutional staff member or by a representative of athletics interests for the purpose of securing the prospect’s enrollment and ultimate participation in the institution’s athletics program.”

According to NCAA Bylaw 13.02.3 a contact consists of “any face-to-face encounter between a prospect or the prospect's parent, relative or legal guardian(s) and [a Marist staff member] or an athletics representative during which any dialogue occurs in excess of an exchange of a greeting.” Also, any face-to-face meeting that is prearranged or that occurs at the prospect’s school or at any competition or practice site, involving the prospect or the prospect’s team, regardless of the conversation that occurs, is a contact. Therefore, only Marist College coaches who have passed the NCAA Recruiting Examination may be involved in the recruitment process for any sport.

According to NCAA Bylaw 13.02.9, a prospective student-athlete (prospect) is a “student who has started classes for the ninth grade. In addition, a student who has not started classes for the ninth grade becomes a prospective student-athlete if the institution provides such an individual (or the individual’s relatives or friends) any financial assistance or other benefits that the institution does not provide to prospective students generally.”

With these definitions in mind, here are some basic do’s and don’ts of NCAA recruiting regulations to keep in mind:

**YOU MAY NOT** make any on- or off- campus contacts, including written and telephone communications, to a prospect or the prospect's family. If a coach has a recruit at an athletic event, you should not approach the coach until the prospect and family have gone elsewhere. If a prospect approaches you off campus regarding the Marist athletic program, explain that NCAA rules prohibit you from discussing the program. Suggest to the prospect that he or she should contact the head coach of the sport for information.

**YOU MAY NOT** become directly or indirectly involved in making arrangements to receive money or financial aid of any kind for a prospect, or the prospect's family or friends.

**YOU MAY NOT** provide room, board or transportation of any kind or any other benefit to a recruited student-athlete during the period of the individual’s eligibility including the summer prior to initial enrollment.

**YOU MAY NOT** pay or offer to pay registration fees for summer sports camps for a prospect.

**YOU MAY NOT** make contact with a prospect and his or her family on an official visit to Marist.

**YOU MAY NOT** provide cash or the use of an automobile to a prospect or student host on his or her official visit to Marist.

**YOU MAY NOT** transport, pay or arrange for payment of transportation costs for a prospect, family or friends at ANY time.

**YOU MAY NOT** contact an enrolled student-athlete at another institution for the purpose of encouraging transfer to Marist College and participation in our athletic program.

**YOU MAY NOT** contact the prospect's coach, principal or counselor for the purpose of evaluating the prospect. This includes visiting a prospect's institution to pick up film/videotape or academic transcripts.

**YOU MAY NOT** entertain a prospect and/or relatives and friends of a prospect at any site, either on- or off-campus.

**YOU MAY NOT** provide tickets at no or reduced cost to any Marist home or away athletic or non-athletic event for prospects, their relatives or friends. Only the Athletic Department can provide complimentary admissions to prospects and only for HOME events.

**YOU MAY NOT** pay or arrange for transportation for a prospect and/or relatives and friends of a prospect to visit campus. While it is permissible for a friend or neighbor to transport a high school or community college student who is NOT an athlete to the campus, NCAA regulations prohibit that activity for a prospect.

**YOU MAY NOT** entertain high school, prep school or junior college coaches at ANY time. This includes providing transportation for these coaches at ANY time or reimbursing them for expenses they may have incurred in transporting a prospect to visit Marist.

**YOU MAY** have a telephone conversation with a prospect ONLY if the prospect initiates the call. However, you are not permitted to have a recruiting conversation with the prospect and the call cannot be prearranged by a institutional staff member.

**YOU MAY** attend high school and junior college athletic events at which prospects are participating. You simply cannot have any contact with the prospect or his or her parents or relatives.

**YOU MAY** continue established family relationships with friends and neighbors. Contact with sons or daughters of these families is permitted as long as they are not made for recruiting purposes and are not initiated by Marist's coaching staff members.

**YOU MAY** send newspaper clippings or other information about prospects to the Marist coaching staff. This includes offering assistance to members of the Marist coaching staff who are recruiting in your community.

**YOU MAY** discuss summer employment arrangements with a prospect after he or she has SIGNED a National Letter of Intent with Marist. Please make sure you first check with the Marist Athletic Department first.