



Proposal Number: 2010-46

Title: RECRUITING -- TRYOUTS -- TRYOUT EXCEPTIONS -- HIGH SCHOOL, PREPARATORY-SCHOOL AND TWO-YEAR COLLEGE CONTESTS -- CONDUCTED BY INSTITUTION OR SPONSORED WITH AN OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION

Intent: To revise the requirements by which a high school, preparatory school or two-year college athletics contest or match, conducted by a member institution or sponsored jointly with an outside organization and held on the campus of a member institution, shall not be considered a tryout, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend 13.11.3, as follows:

13.11.3 Tryout Exceptions.

[13.11.3.1 through 13.11.3.3 unchanged.]

13.11.3.4 High School, Preparatory School and Two-Year College Contests. ~~Regularly scheduled high~~ **High** school, preparatory school and two-year-college athletics contests or matches, conducted by a member institution or sponsored jointly with an outside organization and held on the campus of a member institution, shall not be considered tryouts, provided the following conditions are met [see Bylaw 13.2.2-(c) for restrictions related to the provision of awards at such contests]:

(a) **Team Sports.**

(1) The opportunity to participate in the event is not limited to specific ~~prospective student-athletes or~~ educational institutions and all ~~individual prospective student-athletes or~~ educational institutions in a specific geographical area are eligible to compete (limited only by number, by institutional classification or on the basis of some objective standard of performance);

~~(b) The event appears on the schedules of prospective student-athletes' educational institutions; and~~

~~(c)~~ **(2) Each participant represents his or her educational institution in the event (no nonscholastic team representation); and** ~~The event is conducted by a national sports federation of which the NCAA is a member or it has been approved prior to the season by the appropriate state or national authority.~~

(3) No financial compensation (e.g., transportation, expenses, guarantee, percentage of income) from the event may be provided to the educational institutions.

(b) **Individual Sports.**

(1) The opportunity to participate in the event is not limited to specific prospective student-athletes or educational institutions and all individual prospective student-athletes or educational institutions in a specific geographical area are eligible to compete (limited only by number, by institutional classification or on the basis of some objective standard of performance);

(2) A participant may compete as an individual or may represent his or her educational institution or a nonscholastic team; and

(3) No financial compensation (e.g., transportation expenses, guarantee, percentage of income) from the event may be provided to an individual, educational institution or nonscholastic team.

~~13.11.3.5 High School, Preparatory School and Two-Year College Practice and Competition. The regular or emergency use of a member institution's facilities by a high school, preparatory school or two-year college athletics team for its normal practice activities (conducted solely by its coaches) or for regularly scheduled high~~



~~school, preparatory school or two-year college contests (conducted solely by those participating institutions) shall not be considered tryouts, provided the following conditions are met:~~

~~(a) The competition is approved by the appropriate state or national authority; and~~

~~(b) The member institution and representatives of its athletics interests are not involved in any way in the invitation or selection of participating schools or individuals.~~

[13.11.3.6 through 13.11.3.11 renumbered as 13.11.3.5 through 13.11.3.10, unchanged.]

Source: Big 12 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Recruiting

Rationale: The legislation related to hosting high school, preparatory school, or two-year college contests and practices has remained largely unchanged for decades. The current legislation includes requirements (e.g., competition must appear on each institution's schedule) that are difficult to monitor or confirm for many sports. The requirement that such competition be approved by a state or local governing body is not applied in a consistent manner and is more appropriately a concern left to the involved educational institutions. The cultures and concerns of team versus individual sports are different and should be addressed separately. Unattached competition and representation of nonscholastic teams would be permitted in individual sports. The basic requirement that the contests are high school, preparatory school and two-year college contests or matches is an appropriate safeguard. Such competition, as a matter of course, would only occur at times during which high schools, preparatory schools and two-year colleges could permissibly participate. Bylaw 13.11.3.5 is unnecessary because Bylaw 13.11.3.2 already addresses the issue of activities occurring on an institution's campus when the activities are conducted by individuals other than athletics staff or boosters.

Budget Impact: None.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): None.

Position Statement(s)

Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet: The cabinet supports the proposal and agrees with the sponsor's rationale, but notes the potential to further simplify the application of the exception.

History

Jun 29, 2010: Submit; Submitted for consideration.

Sep 29, 2010: Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet, Recommends Approval

Oct 26, 2010: Sponsor modified proposal (1) to remove the requirement that the head coach of each participating team (for team sports) confirm in writing that the event occurs during the season in which the educational institutions may compete pursuant to the rules of the local, state, or national authority governing the sports programs of the educational institutions; and (2) for individual sports, to remove the requirement that event has been approved by the applicable state or national governing body.

Jan 13, 2011: Leg Council Init Review, Adopted; Pending Possible Board of Directors Review

Jan 15, 2011: Adopted, Override Period; No Action Taken by the Board of Directors



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Jan 16, 2011: Adopted, Override Period; Start of Override Period

Mar 16, 2011: Adopted, Override Period; End of Override Period; (Number of Override Request = 1)

Mar 16, 2011: Adopted; Adopted - Final