



Board of Trustees University Athletics Committee

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Constitution 2.1: "Institutional Control"

*It is the responsibility of each member institution to **control** its intercollegiate athletics program in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Association. The institution's president or chancellor is responsible for the administration of all aspects of the athletics program, including approval of the budget and audit of all expenditures.*

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Constitution 6.1.1: "President or Chancellor"

A member institution's president or chancellor has ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program and the actions of any board in control of that program. The term "president or chancellor" refers to the individual with primary executive authority for an institution and does not include an individual who has executive responsibility over a system of institutions.

As a member of the Board of Trustees:



You cannot be involved in the recruiting process.

"Recruiting contacts on or off campus between a member of the institution's board of governors (or regents) and a prospective student-athlete are not permissible."

As a member of the Board of Trustees continued:



You cannot provide benefits to a prospect, their parent, or other family members.

UK Recruiting Philosophy-

A historical perspective.



1. NCAA Major Infractions Case
University of Colorado, Boulder (2002)
2. NCAA Recruiting Task Force Established in February 2004.
3. UK Recruiting Task Force.

UK Recruiting Philosophy



"The University of Kentucky will recruit prospective student-athletes who have demonstrated the academic ability to be successful in college; the character to be a positive representative of the University and the athletic ability to excel against SEC and NCAA competition. Recruiting plans and goals will include a commitment to the recruitment of minority and female student-athletes. The coaches, administrators and student-athletes who represent the University of Kentucky during the recruiting process will do so with honesty, dignity and class. The Director of Athletics and, when possible, the President of the University will be active participants in the recruitment of quality student-athletes. All coaches, administrators and student-athletes will abide by the letter and intent of applicable recruiting rules and regulations as mandated by the NCAA, SEC and University of Kentucky. All representatives of the University of Kentucky will advocate the positive attributes and advantages of their institution and its intercollegiate athletics program and shall avoid making any negative statements concerning any other institution. At the conclusion of the recruiting process, whether or not he/she selects UK to continue their education, the recruit and his/her family should be left with a positive impression of their experience with the University of Kentucky."

UK Institutional Philosophy



"The University of Kentucky is committed to providing prospects, which have been recruited by the coaching staff or have expressed an interest in attending the institution, with a first class experience to our campus. The official and unofficial visit policies and procedures have been designed to ensure the prospect has a knowledgeable and quality visit in a safe environment."

What is an Official Visit?



Bylaw 13.02.16.1: Official Visit.

An **official visit** to a member institution by a prospective student-athlete is a **visit** financed in whole or in part by the member institution

Official Visits continued....



*Bylaw 13.6.2.2: Number of Official Visits—
Prospect Student-Athlete limitation.*

A prospective student-athlete may take a maximum of five expense-paid visits to Division I institutions, with not more than one permitted to any single institution. This restriction applies regardless of the number of sports in which the prospective student-athlete is involved. *(Revised: 1/12/04, 10/28/11)*

Official Visits continued....



Bylaw 13.6.2.6: Number of Official Visits—Institutional Limitation.

The total number of official visits a member institution may provide prospective student-athletes in the following sports on an annual basis (August 1 through July 31) shall be limited to:

- (a) Football -- 56.
- (b) Basketball -- 12.
- (c) Baseball -- 25.

What is an Unofficial Visit?

Bylaw 13.02.16.2: Unofficial Visit.



An unofficial **visit** to a member institution by a prospective student-athlete is a **visit** made at the prospective student-athlete's own expense. The provision of any expenses or entertainment valued at more than \$100 by the institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall require the **visit** to become an **official visit**, except as permitted in Bylaws 13.5 and 13.7.

A few examples of UK Official Visit Policies:



- UK will provide current student-athletes in that sport with NCAA, SEC, and UK rules education prior to the arrival of any recruit that a student-athlete hosts.
- All student hosts will be required to affirm that neither they nor the recruit will participate in any gaming, gaming devices, wagering, or gambling activities during the visit.

UK Official Visit Policies continued...



- The student host, prospect and coaching staff will be informed of permissible entertainment activities:
 - Attending a UK home athletics event in the recruit's sport or another sport;
 - Bowling, laser tag, roller skating, and/or movie; or
 - Attending Keeneland Horse Racing Track (when attending the track, no wagering will be permitted).



ASK BEFORE YOU ACT:

NCAA rules can sometimes be difficult to maneuver and interpret, so we avoid violations when people ask before they act. If the rule prevents us from doing what we want to do, there are exceptions to many rules, and waivers can sometimes be submitted to the NCAA.

CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE!



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