

**NCAA Division I Committee on Academic Performance**  
**Summary of Updates from April 2009 Meeting**

**NCAA Division I Committee on Academic Performance Policies and Procedures.**

1. The committee amended its policies and procedures related to the review of conditionally approved NCAA Division I Academic Performance Program (APP) penalty waivers to specify that the committee and waiver case staff may consider mitigating circumstances when a team's single-year NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate (APR) is below the established condition. *[Effective during the 2009-10 academic year. Policy update will be reflected in August posting of the policy and procedures.]*
2. The committee amended its policies and procedures to permit institutions to request corrections to APR data for any academic year, including academic years not included in the current multiyear APR calculation. *[Effective with the fall 2009 data collection.]*
3. The committee amended its policies and procedures to permit automated processing of adjustments for student-athletes who depart an institution to pursue professional athletics as a vocation. These automated adjustments will be reported during the data submission phase. In order for the retention point to be adjusted, the student-athlete must earn the eligibility point in his or her last term of enrollment prior to departure and the institution still must obtain supporting documentation of the student-athlete's departure to pursue professional athletics as a vocation. *[Effective beginning with adjustment requests submitted fall 2009].*
4. The committee amended its policies and procedures and granted authority to the NCAA Division I Committee on Academic Performance Subcommittee on Appeals to act on behalf of the committee regarding waivers for a student-athlete who wants to be contacted by other institutions or who wishes to transfer from an institution when his or her term is ineligible for postseason competition as a result of APP penalties for the remainder of the student-athlete's eligibility. *[Policy update will be reflected in the August posting of the policy and procedures].*

**APP Data Collection Guide.**

- The committee approved the following policies for the NCAA Division I Head Coaches' APR Portfolio:
  - a. Only coaches officially employed by a Division I institution as a head coach will be included in the database. A head coach designated as an "interim" will not be included in the portfolio for the "interim" period.
  - b. The terms "dates employed as head coach", "start date" and "end date" will be used to collect and verify employment dates.
  - c. Institutions will submit information regarding head coaches for baseball, men's and women's basketball, football and women's indoor and outdoor track and field

during the fall 2009 Academic Performance Census (APC) data collection phase. This will include names and employment dates of head coaches from 2003 to present. Submission of information for head coaches from all other sports will occur during the fall 2010 APC data collection phase.

- d. Head coaches will have the opportunity to review their employment history and single-year APR data during a designated time period, as specified by the NCAA staff. This review period is expected to occur during the fall of each year.

#### **APP Penalties Guide.**

- The committee approved editorial revisions made to the penalties guide.

#### **APP Penalty-Waiver Directive.**

- None.

#### **APR Adjustment Directive.**

- The committee amended its APR adjustment directive to stipulate that Olympic or international training, tryouts and competition must occur within one year of the student-athlete's departure from the member institution in order for lost eligibility and/or retention points to be adjusted. *[Effective beginning with adjustment requests submitted fall 2009].*

#### **APR Improvement Plan.**

- The committee established the following dates for the submission of APR Improvement Plans for the 2009-10 academic year:

<b>Team/Institution Reporting Requirements</b>	<b>Submission Deadline</b>
(1) Teams that received a conditional waiver of penalties in 2008-09.	September 30
(2) Teams with a multiyear APR below 900.	January 31
(3) Institutions requesting NCAA Division I APP Supplemental Support Fund.	January 31
(4) Teams requesting a waiver of penalty	With waiver request