Training Expenses

Prospective student-athletes may accept funding or training expenses from an outside source (e.g., team, neighbor, business), provided the money is tied directly to competition or for practice in preparation for the specific competition. However, the funds may not exceed your costs to attend and train for the competition.

Prospective student-athletes may also accept funds for training or actual and necessary expenses (e.g., coaching, apparel, transportation, lodging) from their national governing body, Olympic Committee or a governmental entity.

A professional sports agent or a representative of an institution’s athletics interest (booster) may not provide training expenses, funding or benefits of any kind to a prospective student-athlete.

Certifying Training Expenses Legislation Compliance

The Eligibility Center requires the following to certify compliance of training expenses legislation:

- The name of the company or entity that provided the funding;
- Any documents you or your family signed as part of receiving the money;
- The amount of money and the dates in which the money was received; and
- A detailed explanation of how the money was used.

NCAA rules may be different based on division, sport and/or timing (pre- or post-enrollment). If you have questions regarding your amateur status or NCAA legislation, contact the athletics compliance office at the NCAA institution recruiting you or the NCAA’s public and legislative line at 877-262-1492.

Note

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