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Policy on Eligibility-Male Practice Players

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Related Policies:

Additional References:

A. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that accurate eligibility records are maintained in the office of compliance in regards to male practice players being involved with one of the sponsored women’s programs.

B. Scope:

This policy applies to all women’s teams that wish to have male practice players.

C. Key Word(s) & Phrases:

NCAA Bylaw 17.02.9 Male Student-Athletes Practicing with Women’s Teams. A male student-athlete who engages in practice activities with a women’s team is subject to all applicable playing and practice seasons regulations set forth in this section (e.g., daily and weekly hour limitations, required days off). (Adopted: 1/14/08 effective 8/1/08)

NCAA Bylaw 14.1.10 Eligibility for Male Students or Male Student-Athletes to Practice with Women’s Teams. A male student or male student-athlete (see Bylaw 17.02.9) may engage in practice sessions with women’s teams under the following conditions: (Adopted: 5/5/09)

(a) Male students who practice with an institution’s women’s team must be certified in accordance with all applicable NCAA eligibility regulations for practice (e.g., enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies, sign a drug-testing consent form, included on the institution’s eligibility list, certify insurance coverage of medical expenses per Constitution 3.3.4.13). A male student who practices with an institution’s women’s team is not required to have his amateurism status certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. (Revised: 7/26/11, 7/24/12 effective 8/1/13)

(b) It is not permissible for an institution to provide male students financial assistance, which includes room and board, tuition and fees, and books, in return for practicing with the women’s team.

(c) It is not permissible for an institution to provide male students awards and benefits set forth in Bylaw 16.
(d) It is not permissible for an institution to provide male students room and board to remain on campus during a vacation period to participate in practice sessions with a women's team.
(e) It is not permissible for a male student or male student-athlete who is serving an academic year in residence as a non-qualifier to participate in practice sessions with a women's team.
(f) It is permissible for an institution to provide practice apparel to male students for the purpose of practicing with a women's team.

D. Policy & Procedures:

A male practice player will be added to the active roster with a completed Change of Roster Form with the approval of the Director of Athletics. Freshman male practice players must be certified as a Qualifier to practice beyond the 45-day temporary certification period and Upperclassmen need to be within their 10th full-time semester and must maintain a 2.0 GPA. All male practice players must be enrolled as full-time students and must adhere to the eligibility requirements established by the NCAA and Cheyney University Athletic Department.