

NCAA GUIDE TO RULES COMPLIANCE

Frequently Asked Questions About Initial Eligibility

- **Why do I need to be registered and be certified?** If you intend to participate in Division I or Division II athletics as a freshman in college you must register and be certified as eligible by the NCAA Eligibility Center (www.eligibilitycenter.org)
- **When should I register?** You should register with the eligible center whenever you decide you would like to participate in athletics as a college freshman. Although you can register late, you may face delays that will prevent you from practicing and competing.
- **How do I register?** You will need to obtain registration materials from your high school guidance counselor. These materials include a student-release form and a red brochure entitled, "Making Sure You Are Eligible to Participate in College Sports."
- **What if I have attended more than one school?** If you have attended multiple high schools since ninth grade, each school will need to send your official transcripts to the eligibility center.
- **Are standardized test scores required?** Qualifying test scores are required for participation at both Division I and Division II institutions. If you intend to participate at a Division I school, your scores must be sent to the eligibility center directly from the testing agency. If you intend to participate at a Division II school, the test scores may be taken from your official high school transcript.
- **How can I arrange for my scores to be sent directly from the testing agency?** An easy way to accomplish this is when you register to take the ACT or SAT. Just mark the code 9999 so that the eligibility center will be one of the institutions receiving your scores.
- **What will the clearinghouse provide to those institutions that are recruiting me?** The eligibility center will send your eligibility status to any Division I or Division II institution that requests it, provided that you have given permission on your student-release form for the institution to receive that information.