

# *Anthony Travel*

## **EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL & AWAY FROM HOME COMPETITION**

### **Away-From-Home Contests (16.7.1)**

The institution may pay the actual costs (but may not provide cash) for reasonable entertainment that takes place within a 100-mile radius of where a team plays or practices in connection with an away-from-home contest or en route to or from such a contest. It is not permissible for an institution to provide cash to student-athletes for team entertainment in conjunction with away-from-home contests, except as permitted in NCAA Bylaws 16.8.1.5 (NCAA Championships). (1/30/92 Official Interpretation).

### **Departure/Return Restrictions (16.7.2)**

It is not permissible for a team to depart more than 48 hours prior to or to remain more than 36 hours after an event or to transport the team to another area for entertainment purposes.

*Interpretations: Institution's team traveling for multi-competition or multi-day event. In a situation where the 48/36 hour limitation is applicable, an institution that is participating in a multi-competition or multi-day event (e.g., conference tournament) may depart 48 hours prior to the event's first round of competition (as opposed to 48 hours prior to the institution's first scheduled competition), and may remain 36 hours after the conclusion of the last contest (even if the institution is not participating in the last contest). (Official 6/94, and Staff 12/92).*

**Exceptions (16.7.2.1)** . The time limitations related to the provisions of travel expenses do not apply in the following circumstances:

- (a) Travel prior to and following contests in Hawaii or Alaska;
- (b) Travel prior to and following contests in the 48 contiguous states for member institutions located in Hawaii and Alaska;
- (c) Travel prior to and following regular-season competition that takes place during the institution's official vacation period during the academic year;

- (d) Travel prior to contests in NCAA championship events, NGB championship events in an emerging sport or certified postseason football games; or
- (e) Travel prior to the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame benefit game or the American Football Coaches Retirement Trust benefit game.

### **Practice Sites on Road Trips (16.8.1.1.1)**

Any practice on an extended road trip shall take place either at the competition site or on a direct route between two consecutive competition sites. It is not permissible for an institution to schedule practice sessions at other locations in order to provide entertainment opportunities for team members.

### **Competition While Representing Institution/Departure Return Restrictions (16.8.1.2 & 16.8.2.1)**

An institution may provide actual and necessary travel expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging and meals) to a student-athlete for participation in athletics competition, provided the student-athlete is representing the institution (competes in the uniform of the institution) and is eligible for collegiate competition. While representing the institution in athletics competition, expenses may only be provided if the student-athlete departs no earlier than 48 hours prior to the start, and remains no more than 36 hours following the conclusion of the actual competition. Such competition includes:

- (a) regularly scheduled intercollegiate athletics events;
- (b) NCAA championship events and NGB championship events in an emerging sport;
- (c) A certified postseason football game;
- (d) Non-collegiate open, amateur competition; and
- (e) Other institutional competition permissible under NCAA legislation, including postseason events.

## ***Interpretations:***

*Regular Season Contest:* *It is not permissible for an institution to reroute a return flight through various cities in order to accommodate student-athletes who wish to return home after the regular season contest (e.g., rerouting a flight to a specific city because a connecting flight out of that city would help the student-athlete get home). (Staff 6/94).*

*Hotel bill incidental expenses:* *A student-athlete (rather than the student-athlete's institution) would be required to pay for incidental expenses the individual incurred in conjunction with a hotel bill for one of the institution's away games, unless the expenses fall within the permissible actual and necessary expenses the student-athlete may receive for such contests. This includes prohibiting expenses incurred while studying or doing homework (e.g. phone bill for internet use). (Official 2/90).*

*Travel expenses for student-athlete remaining at site of competition after team departure.* *A student-athlete who remains at the site of an institution's regular-season competition that occurs during an institution's official vacation period may receive expenses from the institution to return to campus at any time during the vacation period. (Official 9/94).*

*Expenses for Regular-Season Competition During Vacation Period:* *It is permissible for an institution to purchase a ticket to cover any of a student-athlete's transportation expenses (e.g., expenses from home to the event and back to campus) in conjunction with regular-season competition during a vacation period, provided the student-athlete reimburses the institution the value of any portion of the trip from the campus to the student-athlete's home and back to campus for which the student-athlete has not paid. Under such circumstances, the student-athlete must reimburse the institution prior to his or her departure for the competition. (Official 11/94).*

*Travel During Vacation Period: An institution (team or individual student-athlete) traveling to a regular-season competition during the institution's official vacation period may depart for the competition either 48 hours prior to the start of the competition or at the beginning of the institution's official vacation period. Further, an institution (team or individual student-athlete) shall return to campus by the end of the institution's official vacation period or depart from the competition site not more than 36 hours following the conclusion of the event. (Staff 9/97).*

### **Exceptions (16.8.1.2.1.1)**

These travel expense restrictions do not apply in the following circumstances:

- (a) Travel prior to and following contests in Hawaii or Alaska;
- (b) Travel prior to and following contests in the 48 contiguous states for member institutions located in Hawaii or Alaska;
- (c) Travel prior to and following regular-season competition that takes place during the institution's official vacation period during the academic year;
- (d) Travel prior to contests in NCAA championship events, NGB championships in emerging sports or certified postseason football games;
- (e) Travel prior to the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame benefit game or the American Football Coaches Retirement Trust benefit game;
- (f) Travel prior to and following regular-season competition that takes place during the institution's summer vacation period; or
- (g) Travel prior to and following regular-season competition that takes place in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season and limited to not more than once every four years.

## **RECRUITING - TRANSPORTATION**

### **Air Transportation (13.6.2.3)**

The airfare for commercial transportation for the official visit may not exceed coach (or comparable) class.

**Institution's Airplane (13.6.2.3.2).** An institution may use its own airplane to transport a prospect to the campus for an official visit, provided relatives, other friends or legal guardian(s) do not accompany the prospect. Staff members and representatives of athletics interests may not accompany the prospect.

### **Transportation To/From Sites of Competition (13.6.2.5)**

A prospect may be transported to campus for an official visit from the site of his or her athletics competition or the reverse arrangement, provided only actual transportation expenses are paid, and the cost of the transportation does not exceed the cost of transportation between the prospect's home or educational institution and the institution's campus.

### **Transportation From Educational Institution (13.6.2.5)**

An institution may pay actual transportation costs for the prospect to return to his/her home after an official visit that originated at the prospect's educational institution, provided the cost of the transportation does not exceed the cost of traveling to the prospect's educational institution.

### **Visiting Another Institution (13.6.2.7)**

Two or more institutions in which the prospect is visiting may provide travel expenses provided there is no duplication of expenses, and the 48-hour visit period is observed at each institution.

### **Student-Athlete Use of Anthony Travel for Personal Travel**

Personal travel conducted in conjunction with athletics under the situations in 16.8.1.5 (bowl travel), then the student-athlete could use the travel agency (since these situations allow for athletics to arrange travel) as long as the student-athlete pays the personal expenses prior to leaving for the trip. If it's purely personal travel, it would be ok to give the student-athletes the general contact (800) number that any member of the general public or student body would get. Since the general public and student body do not have access to Anthony Travel, then our student-athletes could not have access to them, except for the 800 number.



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To: Denise Horvath  
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From: Ed Howat  
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Subject: Prospective Student-Athletes & Travel Benefits

With Anthony Travel recently coming on board, I wanted to make you and your staff aware of NCAA regulations concerning travel arrangements for prospective student-athletes (PSA). A PSA, who is making an official visit to our campus, as the result of arrangements by a Purdue University coach, is prohibited by NCAA regulations from receiving any benefits of that travel.

When our coaches request that you make arrangements for PSAs, the only option we are allowed to provide is “basic no frills” travel. Among the possible benefits that should **NOT** be provided to a PSA are:

- Seating upgrades on planes;
- Special privileges in transport (free headphones & beverages);
- Having access to special facilities (Ambassador Club, etc.);
- Receiving free airline tickets (overbooked flights).

Should a PSA be in a position to receive these or any other benefits as a result of travel arrangements made by the Purdue University Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, our athletics program would be in violation of NCAA regulations. I ask that you make those who work with you in our Purdue facility aware of these restrictions. It is the obligation of each person involved in making travel arrangements of PSAs to make certain no violations of NCAA regulations occur.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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