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2026–27 NCAA Recruiting Calendar

Other Division I Sports

WOMEN'S FIELD HOCKEY

Quiet Period
DEC 20–23

Recruiting Shutdown
DEC 24 – JAN 1, 2027

WOMEN'S GOLF

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Dead Period
NOV 26–29
Thanksgiving Day through the Sunday immediately after Thanksgiving Day.

Dead Period
DEC 8–10
The official start time of the Women's Golf Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention.

Dead Period
DEC 24–27

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Recruiting Shutdown
NOV 26–29
Thanksgiving day to the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

Dead Period
DEC 1–30

Dead Period
APR 14–18 @ NOON
The day before the first day of the National Collegiate Gymnastics Championships to noon on the day after the championships.

Dead Period
MAY 11–13
The first day to last day of the coaches association convention.

Quiet Period
MAY 17–23
Monday to Sunday after the USA Gymnastics Developmental Nationals.

Dead Period
JUN 1–15

WOMEN'S ROWING

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Recruiting Shutdown
DEC 22 – JAN 2, 2027

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Dead Period
APR 7–11 @ NOON
Wednesday before the NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey Championship to noon on the Sunday after the championship game.

WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Dead Period
MAR 18–22 @ NOON
The day prior to the National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship to noon on the day after the game.

Quiet Period
APR 26 – MAY 31
The Monday prior to the American Hockey Coaches Association Convention through May 31.

MEN'S SOCCER

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Dead Period
DEC 11–14
Friday through Monday of the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship. A coaching staff member may attend an event conducted in conjunction with and in the host city of the championship.

MEN'S SOCCER (CONT.)

Quiet Period
DEC 23–25

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Dead Period
AUG 1–11

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Dead Period
DEC 16 – JAN 6, 2027

Dead Period
JUL 28–31

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Recruiting Shutdown
AUG 17–23
The third Monday in August through the following Sunday.

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Recruiting Shutdown
DEC 18 – JAN 7, 2027

Recruiting Shutdown
FEB 7–20
14 consecutive days beginning with the Sunday that is 38 days before the first day of the NCAA Division I Women's Swimming Championship.

MEN'S WRESTLING

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Recruiting Shutdown
DEC 24–26

MEN'S WRESTLING (CONT.)

Recruiting Shutdown
MAR 16–21
Tuesday through Sunday of the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships.

Dead Period
For four-year prospective student-athletes, three (3) consecutive weeks starting 21 days following the final date to provide notification of transfer.

Dead Period
JUL 26 – AUG 1
Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention.

WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

Dead Period
JUL 26 – AUG 1
Monday before the National Wrestling Coaches Association Convention through the day of adjournment of the convention.

ALL OTHER SPORTS

Dead Period
NOV 9–12
Monday through Thursday of the initial week for the fall signing date for athletics aid agreements.

EXCEPTIONS

Dead Period
NORTH AMERICAN CUP FENCING CHAMPIONSHIP
When the dead period for recruiting occurs during the North American Cup Fencing Championship, it shall be permissible for authorized coaching staff members to observe prospective student-athletes participating in that event.

Dead Period
JUNIOR OLYMPIC RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIPS
When the dead period for recruiting occurs during the Junior Olympic Rifle Championships, it shall be permissible for authorized coaching staff members to observe prospective student-athletes participating in that event.

Quiet Period
A quiet period is that period of time when it is permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts only on the member institution's campus. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts or evaluations may be made during the quiet period.

Dead Period
A dead period is that period of time when it is not permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off the member institution's campus or to permit official or unofficial visits by prospective student-athletes to the institution's campus.

Recruiting Shutdown
A recruiting shutdown is a period of time when no form of recruiting (e.g., contacts, evaluations, official or unofficial visits, correspondence or making or receiving telephone calls) is permissible.