

**UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA LEVEL 3 & 4 VIOLATION SUMMARY
(Violations Reported July 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020)**

Level	Sport	Type	Description of Violation	Action	Date
Level III	MFB	Impermissible Social Media Activity (NCAA Bylaws 11.3.2.5 and 13.10.2)	Staff member inadvertently (but impermissibly) retweeted a recruiting service news writer's social media post indicating that a prospective student-athlete had verbally committed to the University of Georgia. The staff member also impermissibly added text to the retweet.	The involved staff member was prohibited from making telephone contact with any prospective student-athlete for 14 calendar days following discovery of the violation. All institutional staff members were prohibited from making telephone contact, sending recruiting materials (per NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1), or sending permissible electronic transmissions (per NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1.5) to the prospective student-athlete involved in the violation for the 30 calendar days following the first permissible date for phone calls with the prospect - September 1.	8/26/2019
Level III	MTE	Impermissible Participation (NCAA Bylaw 12.7.3.1)	Student-athlete participated in two practices prior to signing the required NCAA Drug Testing Consent Form.	Institution provided rules education to sport staff.	9/12/2019
Level III	TRK	Impermissible Recruiting Inducement (NCAA Bylaw 13.2.1)	A prospective student-athlete received an impermissible decorated bag (containing permissible snacks) while on an official visit to the institution.	Institution provided rules education to sport staff.	10/10/2019

Level III	MFB	Impermissible Recruiting Inducement (NCAA Bylaw 13.2.1)	Prospective student-athletes impermissibly received discounted or cost-free institutional apparel on three occasions between March 2017 and January 2019.	(1) A reduction in official visits by four for the 2019-20 year; (2) A three-week prohibition on unofficial visits; (3) A reduction in evaluation days by three in fall 2019 and nine in spring 2020; (4) Ceased recruitment of all involved prospective student-athletes; (5) A two-year prohibition on the recruitment of football prospects at one of the high schools where involved prospects attended; (6) Reorganization of the football recruiting staff; (7) Limited postgame locker room access to only a select number of prospects who are accompanied by institutional personnel; (8) Enhanced bookstore policies and NCAA rules education for bookstore employees by January 1, 2020; (9) A rules education session will be provided to all head coaches of the institution's sports programs during the 2019-20 academic year; (10) The institution's equipment operations will undergo an external review during the 2019-20 academic year and a bi-annual audit thereafter; and (11) A financial penalty of \$10,000.	10/11/2019
Level III	MBB	Impermissible Advertisement of Student-Athlete (NCAA Bylaw 12.5.2.1)	Men's basketball staff members posted a workout video that included student-athlete images to social media and impermissibly tagged a commercial entity.	The institution removed the posts and provided rules education to the men's basketball staff.	10/22/2019
Level III	MFB	Impermissible Recruiting Inducement (NCAA Bylaw 13.2.1)	A prospective student-athlete obtained a hooded sweatshirt from a current student-athlete's room during a recruiting visit.	The institution provided rules education to the student-athletes involved and all student-athletes in the sport. The prospective student-athlete repaid the value of the benefit to a charity.	10/25/2019

Level III	MFB	Impermissible Recruiting Contact (NCAA Bylaw 13.1.1.1)	A coaching staff member inadvertently made an impermissible recruiting contact with two junior prospective student-athletes at their high school when the prospective student-athletes approached the coaching staff member in the front lobby of the school and engaged in a limited dialogue.	The institution prohibited the involved institutional staff member from participating in any off-campus recruiting duties for 15 calendar days immediately following a determination that a violation occurred. The institution prohibited in-person contact (on-campus) with the prospects by any staff member for 30 days immediately following a determination that a violation occurred. The institution reduced the total number of permissible off-campus contacts with the involved prospects by two.	10/30/2019
Level III	MFB	Impermissible Advertisement of Student-Athlete (NCAA Bylaw 12.5.2.1)	A commercial entity's social media account posted a picture of a student-athlete wearing their products. The student-athlete granted the commercial entity permission to use his photo without knowing how the photo would be used. No compensation or items of value were provided to the student-athlete.	The institution secured the removal of the picture on the same day that it was posted. The institution provided rules education to the student-athlete involved and all student-athletes in the sport.	10/30/2019
Level III	WSO	Impermissible Recruiting Materials (NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1.6)	A soccer staff member provided prospective student-athletes official visit recruiting materials in an impermissible bound format.	The institution provided rules education to the women's soccer staff.	11/8/2019
Level III	WGY	Impermissible Benefit (NCAA Bylaw 16.11.2.1)	A student-athlete impermissibly accessed a field suite with a former student-athlete during the first half of a home football game at no cost.	The student-athlete provided restitution for the value of the benefit. The institution provided rules education to the student-athlete involved.	11/15/2019

Level III	WSB	Impermissible Benefit (NCAA Bylaw 16.11.2.1)	An institutional staff member impermissibly provided student-athletes with \$15 of post-travel "meal money" after arriving home from a team building trip. Such "meal money" is only permissible to provide following travel to actual competition.	The institution required the student-athletes to repay the \$15 benefit for donation to a charity. The institution will provide a letter of admonishment to the involved staff member.	11/15/2019
Level III	WEQ	Impermissible Endorsement of Non-Institutional Athletic Event (NCAA Bylaw 11.3.2.7)	An institutional staff member impermissibly posted a social media message indicating that a coach would be attending a non-institutional athletics event involving prospects.	The institution removed the social media post and provided rules education to the relevant department and sport staff.	12/19/2019
Level III	WGY	Impermissible Benefit (NCAA Bylaw 16.11.2.1)	A representative of athletics interest impermissibly purchased meals at a restaurant (at a value of less than \$25 each) for three women's gymnastics student-athletes.	The institution provided rules education to the representative of athletics interest and student-athletes involved. The representative is prohibited from: (1) accessing the gymnastics locker room at any time without a staff escort; (2) accessing the gymnastics competition area during a meet without a staff escort; (3) making contact with student-athletes outside an athletics department function without an institutional staff member present.	1/27/2020
Level III	WGO	Impermissible Recruiting Materials (NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1)	A coach impermissibly directed, via email, a prospective student-athlete's coach to pass a message along to a prospective student-athlete prior to the first permissible date for electronic correspondence.	The institution may not provide additional recruiting materials (including questionnaires and general correspondence, but not camp brochures) to the prospective student-athlete involved in the violation until 60 days following the first permissible date for distributing recruiting materials.	1/30/2020