National Letter of Intent

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Welcome to Ocean State University
MEET THE FUTURE ORCAS!

First Day of NLI Signing
NLIs signed with Ocean State University during the early signing period (November 2013).

- Pick N. Roll signed his NLI on November 13 at 10:00 a.m. His parent signed on November 20. His parent did not note the time of signing.
- Tee Shot signed her NLI on November 13. Her parent refuses to sign. Tee is 18 years old.
- Side Out signed her NLI on November 13 at 7:30 a.m. with Ocean State. She also signed her NLI on November 13 at 11:00 a.m. with Deep Sea State. The NLI with Deep Sea State was entered by the conference office first.

Are these NLIs VALID or INVALID?
First Day of NLI Signing

**VALID:** NLI meets the 7-day signing deadline. PSA and parent do not have to sign the NLI and aid agreement on the same day. The time is only necessary if on the first signing date.

**INVALID:** Must have a parent or legal guardian signature. Cosigner request will not be approved for parent’s refusal to sign. PSA could sign only the athletics aid agreement if the institution does not require a parent or legal guardian signature for a student 18 or older.

**VALID:** Ocean State NLI. **INVALID:** Deep Sea State NLI.
The time on the NLI determines which NLI was signed first, not the first entry in the NLI database.

Press Release
Ocean State University is excited to announce the addition of Pick N. Roll - men's basketball, Tee Shot - women's golf and Side Out - women's volleyball.

On November 13 at 10:05 a.m., Ocean State announced the signing of Pick N. Roll. Pick appears in the Starfish Gazette at his signing celebration shaking hands with Rip Tide, Ocean State basketball coach.

On November 13, Ocean State announced the signing of Tee Shot on the Orca website.

On November 13, Ocean State and Deep Sea State both announced the signing of Side Out.

Any Violations?

Press Release

If Ocean State received the NLI and athletics aid agreement at 10:05 a.m. without Pick N. Roll's parent signature, the NLI is invalid but the athletics aid agreement may be valid if Pick is 18 years old and the institution allows the aid agreement to be signed without a parent or legal guardian signature.

In this case, the signing announcement could be made verifying a signed athletics aid agreement.

The coach could not appear in a photo with Pick at his signing celebration.
Press Release

Ocean State could announce the signing of the athletics aid agreement if permitted by the institution’s policy for a parent or legal guardian signature when the PSA is 18 years old.

Ocean State and Deep Sea State could both announce the signing of Side Out since both received signed NLIs and athletics aid agreements.

Institutions do not need to wait for an NLI to be declared valid by the conference office to announce a PSA’s signing.

Conference Office Submission

Bea N. Compliance submits all NLIs signed in November to their conference, Ocean-11.

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NLI Report
Bea N. Compliance checks the NLI Reports after NLIs are entered by the conference.

NLI Recruiting Ban
Ocean State coach sends congratulatory notes to all PSAs who did not sign NLIs with Ocean State.

Is this communication a violation of the NLI Recruiting Ban?

NLI Recruiting Ban
It is understandable that a coach from another institution, due to the relationship established during the recruiting process, may want to call or send a note to congratulate the PSA for signing his or her NLI.

This exchange is permissible but must be timely following the date of signing and must not be more than a congratulatory dialogue.
NLI Recruiting Ban

- Ocean State places one of Seaport State’s NLI signees on their complimentary ticket list to attend a home basketball game.

- Penalty Stroke signed an NLI with Maritime College in February 2013. Penalty did not enroll for the 2013-14 academic year. He enrolled at a two-year college. Ocean State had recruiting contact with Penalty in March 2014.

- Ace, a tennis PSA, signed an athletics aid agreement in November 2013 for the 2014-15 academic year with Back Bay Tech. Ocean State has been recruiting Ace since November and sent Ace an NLI in April.

Are these NLI Recruiting Ban violations?

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NLI RECRUITING BAN VIOLATION

Ace, a tennis PSA, signed an athletics aid agreement in November 2013 for the 2014-15 academic year with Back Bay Tech. Ocean State has been recruiting Ace since November and provided Ace with an NLI to sign in April.

PERMISSIBLE RECRUITMENT

NLI Recruiting Ban

REMINDERS:

- All NLI member institutions and conferences must cease contact with the NLI signee and his or her family members once the PSA signs NLI.

- Any contact in excess of an exchange of a greeting would result in an NLI Recruiting Ban Violation regardless of the conversation. The conversation does not have to result in a recruiting discussion for a violation to occur.

- If communication is initiated by the NLI signee, the coach is obligated to ask if the student has signed an NLI and proceed to inquire with the compliance office to see if an NLI has been signed. The coach should cease communication until it is determined by the compliance office regarding the student’s NLI status.

- If a sibling of an NLI signee is also a PSA, all communication by other coaches recruiting the sibling must be specific to the sibling and not the NLI signee.

NLI Recruiting Ban Violations are reported to the NLI Office.
Midyear Enrollees

Side Out is a volleyball PSA graduating high school in December 2013 and enrolling at Ocean State spring 2014.

Wish Bone is a football PSA graduating high school in December 2013 and enrolling at Ocean State spring 2014.

Sand Wedge is an international PSA graduating high school in December 2014 and enrolling at Ocean State spring 2015.

Could these midyear enrollees have signed 2014-15 NLIs?

Midyear Enrollees

Side Out is a volleyball PSA graduating high school in December 2013 and enrolling at Ocean State spring 2014. Permitted to sign 2014-15 NLI in November 2013 with athletics aid for 2014-15 and spring 2014 (Division I only).

Wish Bone is a football PSA graduating high school in December 2013 and enrolling at Ocean State spring 2014. Not permitted to sign 2014-15 NLI since football signing starts in February.


Let Me Out!

Pick N. Roll’s mother passed away so he wants to attend college in his hometown to take care of his brother.

Tee Shot decides Ocean State is too far from her west coast home.

Side Out wants to start talking to other schools.

Now what?
Let Me Out!

Pick N. Roll is provided a COMPLETE RELEASE. He is not subject to the NLI penalty and the NLI Recruiting Ban is no longer in effect.

Tee Shot is NOT granted a complete release (NO RELEASE). She will have to serve one academic year in residence and will lose a season of competition. Tee is permitted to practice and receive athletics aid at the next NLI member institution.

Since Side Out attended Ocean State for the spring semester, she would need permission to contact per NCAA rule. The NLI Recruiting Ban is not applicable. Side Out is still subject to the NLI penalty for not attending Ocean State for one academic year. Practice and athletics aid at the next NLI member institution is permissible.

Let Me Out!

Tee Shot changes her mind and wants to stay on the east coast to attend Ocean State.

- Because Ocean State did not release Tee, Ocean State must honor the athletics aid agreement.

Summer

Tee Shot attends Ocean State’s summer term and receives athletics aid. After many divots and hooks, Tee Shot changes her mind once again and returns home to attend college.

- Tee triggered the definition of a four-year transfer. She needs to request an NLI release and the NCAA one-time transfer exception. The NLI Recruiting Ban is not longer applicable.
2014-15 Academic Year

Wide Out quits the team after two days of preseason practice.

Alley Oop does not enroll at Ocean State.

Charity Stripe is a nonqualifier. Ocean State wants to file a waiver but Charity will not sign the paperwork.

Scissor Kick delays enrollment to take an additional core course at prep school to meet initial eligibility standards.

Clay Court enrolls at a two year college.

Grand Slam was asked to delay enrollment because the coach over signed.

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What is the NLI status?

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2014-15 Academic Year
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NLI is BINDING
NLI is NULL and VOID if discovered Ocean State’s coach told Hole to not complete the initial eligibility process.

2015-16 Orca Recruits

- Two-year college transfer will graduate in May 2015. Has a valid NLI on file signed in senior year of high school.
- International student attending college full-time in Costa Rica.
- Signed with Bay State in May 2014. Did not enroll Fall 2014.
- Signed with Seaport State in November 2013. NLI was declared null and void.
- Signed athletics aid agreement on August 1 with Maritime College.

Will these recruits be permitted to sign with Ocean State?

2015-16 Orca Recruits

Two-year college transfer in second year. Will graduate in May 2015. Has a valid NLI on file signed in senior year of high school.
Permissible to sign NLI. Must graduate from the two year college.

International student attending college full-time in Costa Rica.
4-4 transfers are not permitted to sign NLI.

Signed with Bay State in May 2014. Did not enroll Fall 2014.
Has a binding NLI. NLI Recruiting Ban in effect. Not permitted to sign NLI.

Signed with Seaport State in November 2013. NLI was declared null and void.
Permissible to sign NLI.

Signed athletics aid agreement on August 1 with Maritime College.
Aid agreement is not binding on the PSA. Permissible to sign NLI with another institution.