Penalties for Level III/Secondary Violations Each Year
A Level III/Secondary violation is isolated or limited in nature, can be inadvertent in nature, and only provides a minimal recruiting, competitive or other advantage.

95% Level III/Secondary cases result in penalties
Cases are not made public, but members can find a summary of violations in Requests/Self-Reports Online (RSRO)

Coaching Suspensions Since August 1, 2013

25 Division I Level III Head Coach Suspensions

175 Other Head and Assistant Coach Suspensions

Types of violations include:*
- Early scholarship offers
- Game-day simulations
- Exceeding the allowable number of contacts with a prospect
- Off-campus contact with a prospect during a dead recruiting period
- Personalized recruiting aids
- Collective phone call and text violations

Types of violations include:*
- Impermissible off-campus contacts with prospects (e.g., "bumps")
- Allowing ineligible student-athletes to compete
- Allowing student-athletes who have not been certified by the Eligibility Center to compete
- Providing impermissible extra benefits
- Impermissible communication with potential transfer student-athletes

*Depending on the facts of the case, these violations can be processed as Level I or II/major violations.
Recruiting Penalties for Level III/Secondary Violations

46 percent of all Level III/Secondary violations are recruiting violations

99% of all Level III/Secondary cases involving recruiting result in penalties

Types of penalties include:
- Reducing the number of contacts with a certain prospect
- Reducing the number of evaluations with a certain prospect
- Prohibiting contact (in-person, telephone, written, etc.) with a specific prospect or all prospects for a period of time
- Reducing the recruiting-person days, evaluation days, contact period or evaluation period
- Limiting the number of coaches who can recruit off campus
- Suspension of head and/or involved coach for one or more games

Financial Penalties
A financial penalty is standard for Level III/Secondary violations involving student-athletes competing while ineligible or before eligibility certification.

Divisions I and III Fines
Money goes to the Student Assistance Fund

Division II Fines
Money is donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation

Since January 1, 2015  *Financial penalty went into effect August 1, 2015

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Cases Processed by Division

5,109 Cases
3,643 Division I
1,149 Division II
317 Division III

Five Most Common Types of Violations

1. Recruiting - 2,350
2. Playing and practice seasons - 634
3. Awards, benefits and expenses for enrolled student-athletes - 625
4. Academic and general eligibility requirements - 558
5. Amateurism and eligibility - 456

Six Sports with the Most Violations

Women’s Basketball - 15%
Men’s Basketball - 18%
Baseball - 34%
Women’s Volleyball - 12%
Women’s Soccer - 11%
Football - 10%

These numbers represent the six sports most frequently involved. The enforcement staff handles violations for all sports.