



# F.A.C.T. INVESTIGATIONS

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The enforcement staff supports schools and individuals who play by the rules and are committed to integrity. NCAA investigations protect the common interests of schools and the Association’s enduring values. When potential violations are discovered, schools and individuals are obliged to cooperate by disclosing all relevant information to enforcement staff or committee representatives.

## BYLAWS

NCAA members propose and adopt bylaws.

## INVESTIGATION & PROCESSING

The enforcement staff investigates alleged violations of those bylaws and presents its findings to the Committee on Infractions (COI).

## OUTCOME & APPEAL

The COI, made up of qualified individuals from NCAA schools and the public, concludes whether violations occurred and whether penalties are appropriate. The COI decision is reviewed by the Infractions Appeals Committee, also made up of qualified individuals from NCAA schools and the public.



## COMPLIANCE

Each NCAA school has an obligation to monitor and control its athletics programs, its representatives and its student-athletes to assure compliance with the Constitution and bylaws of the Association.

## NON-COMPLIANCE

Each NCAA school has an obligation to report all instances of noncompliance to the Association in a timely manner.

## EXEMPLARY COOPERATION

Exemplary cooperation by an NCAA school or involved individual may be a mitigating factor when determining any penalties. Exemplary cooperation may include identifying individuals, documents and other information pertinent to the investigation; expending institutional resources to expedite a thorough and fair collection and disclosure of information; or bringing additional violations to the attention of the enforcement staff.

## FAILURE TO COOPERATE

Failing to cooperate with the NCAA enforcement staff, Committee on Infractions (COI) or Infractions Appeals Committee may result in an independent allegation and be considered an aggravating factor when determining any penalties. Institutional representatives or involved individuals may be asked to appear before a hearing panel of the COI at the time the allegation is considered.