

**Tennessee Technological University
Policy No. 965**



**Sports and
Athlete Agents**

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I. Purpose

This policy provides information to student-athletes and their families regarding agents, as well as State of Tennessee agent laws and NCAA legislation regarding agents.

II. Review

This policy will be reviewed every three years or whenever circumstances require review, whichever is earlier, by the Director of Athletics or the Faculty Athletics Representative, with recommendations for revision presented to the Athletics Committee, Administrative Council and University Assembly.

III. Definition:

The State of Tennessee's definition of an Athlete Agent is found in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-2102 (2), Athlete Agent Reform Act of 2011.

IV. Policy/Procedure

- A.** Tennessee Tech requires all agents to complete and submit an [Agent Registration Form](#) before contacting any student-athlete.
- B.** Current student-athletes are not prohibited from having contact with an agent; however, all in-person meetings are required to be held in Tennessee Tech athletic facilities with permission received from the Head Coach and Director of Compliance or Director of Athletics.
- C.** All correspondence received by the student-athlete or Department of Athletics from agents or financial advisors will be directed to the Head Coach.
- D.** Tennessee Tech encourages all student-athletes to be open and honest regarding communications dealing with a possible future in professional athletics and to use the Compliance Office as a resource to ensure proper NCAA and Tennessee Tech procedures are followed.
- E.** The Department of Athletics is responsible for educating student-athletes and coaches about the NCAA rules regarding use of agents, and will provide guidelines and educational materials as a reference for student-athletes.

V. Interpretation

The President or his/her designee has the final authority to interpret the terms of this policy.

VI. Citation of authority for policy

T.C.A. § 49-8-203(a)(1)(E); TTU Policy 003 (Board Reservation and Delegation of Authority);
NCAA Bylaw 12, OVC Bylaw 3

Approved by:

Athletics Committee:	2016-11-1
Administrative Council:	2017-2-22
University Assembly:	2017-4-19