

# SOLICITATION POLICY

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A chapter may:

1. Promote the services of that Chapter, via US mail or e-mail by the President and/or Secretary for the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee of the Chapter. Copies of the chapter's letter/package promotions must be sent to the District Director, the Division President and the TASO Executive Director.
2. The chapter president, secretary or assignment secretary may contact coaches/athletic directors by telephone or in person (by appointment only) for the legal promotions of services. A member of the Board of Directors or Executive Committee may substitute for the president or secretary; however other members are prohibited from direct or indirect contact of coaches/athletic directors.
3. Provide a roster of the members of that chapter that reflects the classification, years of experience and potential conflicts of each member or crew. Occupation, place of employment and years of playoff experience is also acceptable. A photo roster book is permissible.
4. Provide the assignment policies and procedures of the chapter for individuals or crews.
5. A Chapter may hold one pre-season meeting for members AND coaches for schools the chapter serves. The goal of this meeting is to create a consistent understanding of how specific rules will be enforced and the upcoming season's Points of Emphasis.
  - Both Chapter leadership and local coaches' leadership will provide presenters
  - Food and soft drinks may be provided. The cost sharing agreements should be agreed to in advance
  - Beer and wine may be provided but must not be served by the Chapter. A third-party caterer must be used to control consumption.
  - The meeting shall be open to all chapter members and coaches
  - Discussion topics may include, but are not limited to:
    - a. Varsity games/match assignment procedure.
    - b. Sub-varsity games/match assignment procedures.
    - c. Scrimmage assignments availability and compensation
    - d. Rules discussions.
    - e. Procedure for reviewing game films/videos and rules questions
    - f. Rules Misapplication process
    - g. Allow the attendance of a coaching association liaison at regularly scheduled meetings. This is not a violation and is encouraged by the UIL.
6. Dates the above contact is allowed:

BASKETBALL:	APRIL 1- SEPTEMBER 1	VOLLEYBALL:	JANUARY 1 - AUGUST 15
BASEBALL:	JULY 1 - JANUARY 1	SOCCER:	MAY 1 - DECEMBER 1
FOOTBALL:	JANUARY 1 - AUGUST 15	SOFTBALL:	JULY 1- JANUARY 1
WATER POLO:	JANUARY 1 – JULY 15		

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An individual member SHALL NOT:

1. Influence, request or communicate, directly or indirectly (except to confirm game/match time or location by e-mail only), with a coach, athletic director, assigning authority or an athletic governing body to enhance the opportunity for ones' assignments in contest which are assigned by any TASO Chapter.
2. Give, accept or exchange any gift, favor or thing of monetary value or personal gain for possible assignment of any official to a game/match.
3. Discredit the ability or performance or criticize the assignment of another official or team of officials to gain the opportunity of assignment for his/herself or another member.
4. An individual member, or chapter designated representative, SHALL NOT criticize, or censure the ability, performance or assignment of another chapter.

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