Get Recruited as a Long Snapper

General Long Snappers Recruiting Information

- Size of a collegiate Long Snapper will vary by coach preference and their special teams (i.e. a bigger sized kid for schools that require a snapper to block after snapping vs. a taller, quicker long snapper for schools that want their athlete to be the first one down the field).
- Snap time (moment a long snapper moves the ball to when the punter catches it) should be .75 or better.
- D1 programs prioritize a snap time that is .75 or better. Though, slower but more consistent snappers are also prioritized in the recruiting process. Comparing 2 long snappers, if 1 snaps a .7 and the other snaps a .78 but is more accurate, the coach will take him every time.
- For more information, visit the Long Snapping Player Reference Page: https://longsnap.com/division-one-college-snappers/

Highlight Video Tips

- Include an intro with your name, state, height, weight, grad year, GPA and contact info.
- You should have footage of you snapping with shoulder pads on.
- Provide continuous tape with 10 straight snaps for punt and 10 straight snaps for field goals/point after touchdown to demonstrate consistency.
- Include footage of you blocking and running down field, especially if you’re applying to a school with a blocking scheme. Show them your footwork going up against another player.
- If you are looking at programs with a scheme that allows you to snap and run, make sure you can get a wide angle of you running 40 yards down field and breaking down for a tackle.
- Length of film should not be more than five minutes long.

Additional Recruiting Tips to Know

- Jumpstart your game plan to get recruited to play in college by focusing on creating highlight film, attending college camps and position specific camps, and researching/generating a list of target schools.
- Being proactive and getting on a coach’s radar is key. Sending film and an introductory email is a great start.
- Unless you are ranked in the top 10 or position as the number 1-20 long snapper in the country, recruiting is going to start later in high school.
- Going to college camps should be your main focus during sophomore and junior summers.
- College Special teams’ camps are a great way to not only see the campus, but also snap in front of college coaches.
- Going to big D1 Special Teams camps will give the snapper an opportunity to snap in front of smaller coaches, since bigger schools invite coaches from mid-level schools in the area to attend.
- Attend sport-specific camps (such as Rubio Long Snapping Camps) and work with knowledgeable staff.

For an overview of Football recruiting guidelines please see the backside of this sheet.
Football Recruiting Calendar

**Dead period:** No in-person contact with coaches; coaches and recruits can communicate via all digital communication channels
- **Division 2:** Dec. 14 (7 am) – Dec. 16 (7 am), 2020; Jan. 11–13, 2021; Feb. 1 (7 am) – Feb. 3 (7 am), 2021

**Quiet period:** Talk to college coaches on their campus but no in-person contact off the college campus
- **Division 1 FBS:** Sept. 1 – Nov. 28, 2020; Dec. 13, 2020; Jan. 8–10, 2021 (only National Service Academies); Jan. 31, 2021; March 1 – April 14, 2021; All days in April & May not used for an athletic or academic evaluation; June 1–27, 2021; July 25 – July 31, 2021
- **Division 1 FCS:** Sept. 1 – Nov. 28, 2020; Dec. 13, 2020; Jan. 31, 2021; Feb. 5 – April 14, 2021; June 1 – July 31, 2021

**Division 2:** June 1 – start of recruit’s first scheduled football practice; March 9 – May 31, 2021 (except for evaluation period dates)

**Evaluation period:** Coaches can watch a game/practice or visit a recruit’s school but no in-person communication off the college campus
- **Division 1 FBS and FCS:** Coaches have 42 evaluation dates during Sept., Oct., & Nov.; April 15 – May 31, 2021 (except for Memorial Day and Sundays)
- **Division 2:** During the recruit’s football season, starting with the first scheduled practice; Nov. 1–30, 2020; April 15 – May 31, 2021 (four weeks designated by school as an evaluation period, excluding Memorial Day and Sundays)

**Contact period:** All communication is fair game
- **Division 1 FBS and FCS:** Nov. 29, 2020 – Dec. 12, 2020; Dec. 13–19, 2020 (national service academies only); Jan. 15–30, 2021; During these periods recruit can have 6 in-person, off-campus contacts with college coaches, can’t meet with a coach more than once/week
- **Division 2:** Dec. 1, 2020 – March 8, 2021 (except for dead period dates)

Football Recruiting Rules

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