

## **University of Maine at Machias Athletic Participation Requirements - Transfer Eligibility**

Once a member of the University of Maine at Machias Athletic staff is contacted by a prospective student-athlete previously identified with another institution, the University of Maine at Machias must notify the previous institution of the initial contact.

1. A student previously identified with an institution of higher learning (two- or four-year), who then transfers to a member college or university must complete the Official NAIA Transfer Player Eligibility Statement, and the institution must mail this statement to the Eligibility Chair prior to the student participating.
2. A student becomes identified with an institution upon enrolling in twelve (12) or more institutional credit hours at a single institution in any given term and attending any regularly scheduled class (summer session not included). Anyone transferring after this time becomes a transfer student regardless of whether the student participated in intercollegiate athletics.
3. If a student identified with an institution officially withdraws from that institution within 21 calendar days following the official opening date of classes as stated in the institutional catalog and RETURNS and becomes identified with the same institution (without becoming identified at another institution), the student shall not be charged with a term of attendance for the term in which the student withdrew.
4. If a student becomes identified at an institution and officially totally withdraws from that institution within 21 calendar days and subsequently becomes identified at an NAIA institution after remaining out of school for at least two full consecutive semesters, two full consecutive trimesters or three full consecutive quarters following the term of withdrawal, the term shall not be counted in application of the 9/24/36 institutional credit-hour rule. The term shall be charged as a term of attendance with respect to the 10 semester, 12 trimester, or 15 quarter limit. However, the transfer rule shall apply and the term shall be counted in application of the 9/24/36 institutional credit-hour rule if the athlete participated during the 21 days.
5. If a student identified with an institution officially withdraws from that institution after attending any class during a normal school term and then transfers and becomes identified with another institution, the student shall be charged with a term of attendance (and zero hours credit) for attending any class before withdrawing.
6. A transfer student who has been suspended (or its equivalent) from any institution of higher learning must establish residency of two full semesters, two full trimesters, or three full quarters of attendance at the NAIA institution or until the institutional suspension period at the suspending institution has been terminated, whichever is shorter, before intercollegiate participation at an NAIA institution shall be permitted.
7. Attendance during a summer session or in a non-term (enrolled in fewer than twelve credit hours) does not count toward satisfying the 16-week residence requirement.
8. Trimester System: A student transferring to an institution using the trimester system may meet the residency requirements by enrolling in any regular trimester and establishing 16 calendar weeks (112 calendar days) of residence.