



ATHLETICS POLICY REGARDING USED APPAREL AND EQUIPMENT

The University's general policy on surplus property mandates that items be disposed of in a uniform and equitable manner to protect the interests of the University and the taxpayers of the State of Nebraska. In certain situations, the Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance may grant waivers to the general policy. Athletic uniforms, apparel, and equipment with a value of \$500 or less fit the circumstances for exemption.

The first circumstance is safety. Much of the athletic equipment identified as surplus is no longer safe to use in athletic competition. As a result, it has no value other than as salvage. The second circumstance is the condition of the items. Although not unsafe, wear and tear has reduced these to no value other than as salvage. The third circumstance is that the items are unique (they have a player's name on them) and so cannot or will not be re-used. Under any of the circumstances, Athletics must always comply with NCAA guidelines.

Apparel

A student-athlete may retain athletic apparel items, such as T-shirts, Shorts, Warm-up tops, Game uniforms, and Travel Sweats at the end of the individual's collegiate participation. Apparel items that are not reusable by other team members in subsequent seasons (subject to the discretion of the Equipment Room staff) are considered the property of the involved student-athlete.

Disposable items, such as Socks, Jocks, Towels, Sports Bra, Compression Shorts, and Gloves are considered the property of the student athlete.

Equipment

Equipment items, such as Helmets, Shoulder Pads, Shoes/Skates, Game Balls, Bats that the institution does not plan to use in subsequent seasons may be purchased by the student-athlete for its "Fair Market Value".

Equipment items that the institution does not plan to use in subsequent seasons may be donated to bona fide youth and non-profit organizations (including UNO Alumni Booster Clubs) in accordance with NCAA rules. The items are provided "as is" and the organization should acknowledge that the University is not responsible after the transfer. Such donations shall be approved by the Athletic Director.

Equipment items deemed unsafe must be destroyed or made unusable before they are released. As an example, helmets that are not safe should have their linings removed leaving only the shell, which could be donated to a non-profit for fund raising purposes.

Equipment items meeting any of the above circumstances may be used by the athletic department for gifts or promotions.

Athletics will keep an accounting of all such equipment item dispositions.