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# **Cincinnati Athletics Introduces Clear Bag Policy for All Venues**

Fans can bring one approved clear bag and one small clutch or wallet to events at Nippert Stadium and Fifth Third Arena

**CINCINNATI** – The University of Cincinnati Athletics Department announced on Thursday it will initiate a clear bag policy for all events, including football games at Nippert Stadium and all events at Fifth Third Arena, effective immediately.

The policy will be in effect for high school graduations starting May 11.

The policy will be similar to those already in place at other venues across the city, including at Paul Brown Stadium and TQL Stadium, and enhance the public safety presence at Nippert Stadium and Fifth Third Arena.

#### **Cincinnati Athletics Clear Bag Policy**

Fans will be able to bring one clear bag – either a one-gallon Ziploc-style bag or a clear bag tote <u>no larger than 12" x 6" x 12"</u> – <u>AND</u> a small clutch bag or wallet that is roughly the size of a hand (<u>no larger than 4.5" x 6.5"</u>) into Nippert Stadium or Fifth Third Arena.

This policy will allow entry gates to move more efficiently on game days.

Non-approved bags include backpacks, camera cases, oversized purses and other large bags.

#### A FULL LIST OF APPROVED BAGS AND NON-APPROVED CAN BE FOUND HERE

### Fans can purchase approved clear bags, here:

- University of Cincinnati Bookstore: Clear Stadium Tote
- Fanatics: Cincinnati Bearcats Clear Reusable Bag

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The University of Cincinnati Department of Athletics competes at the highest level of intercollegiate athletics with the vision to reach *Next Level Success* for all 18 varsity teams and more than 500 student-athletes. The Bearcats have a proud athletics history, winning eight national championships and 117 conference titles. The Cincinnati men's basketball team is among the 15 winningest programs all-time, while the football team became the first American Athletic Conference program to compete in the College Football Playoff in 2021. Olympic gold medalist volleyball player Jordan Thompson, NBA Hall of

Famer Oscar Robertson and Major League Baseball legend Sandy Koufax are among the several luminaries who have competed as Bearcats.

UC student-athletes collectively posted a 3.387 overall GPA in the fall of 2021 with 78 percent earning spots on the Honor Roll.

Under the leadership of Director of Athletics John Cunningham, and supported by more than 150 full-time staff members, UC Athletics' mission is to *connect* our community, *enhance* our university and *impact* the lives of student-athletes as they prepare to change the world on and off the field.

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