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#### **DRUG FREE POLICY & DRUG EDUCATION**

### **PREAMBLE**

British Columbia Bobsleigh & Skeleton Association (BCBSA) is committed to the prevention of doping and drug use by athletes participating in the sports of bobsleigh and skeleton.

BCBSA has adopted Bobsleigh CANADA Skeleton's (BCS) Drug Education Policy:

- a. To protect and ensure an athlete's fundamental right to participate in doping free sport;
- b. To promote health, safety, and sense of fair play for all athletes within its programs;
- c. To complement the existing Athlete Agreement;

# **Administrative Regulations**

- 1. The responsibility of the Drug Education Policy rests with the President through the respective Program Managers, coaching staff and team physicians;
- 2. The Drug Education Policy and the World Anti-Doping Code List of Prohibited Substances will be provided to all athletes, participating in BCBSA programs, as an addendum to the athlete's handbook;
- 3. The implementation of the Drug Education Policy will improve communication between BCBSA and support Agencies;

## **Operational Procedures**

- 1. BCBSA will adopt and abide by the most recent Canadian Anti-Doping Program as distributed by the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (<a href="www.cces.ca">www.cces.ca</a>).
- 2. Each athlete participating in BCBSA camps and/or training will be provided with a copy of the Drug Education Policy and World Anti-Doping Code List of Prohibited Substances;
- 3. Each year all BCBSA athletes, coaches and support staff will attend a formal drug education presentation as coordinated by BCBSA. This presentation will include drug testing procedures and sanctions;
- 4. The administration of fair and consistent disciplinary action I response to positive drug tests, as outlined by the World Anti-Doping Association, the International Federation, BCS and BCBSA;
- 5. In the event of a positive drug test, BCBSA will immediately notify all its sponsors, the International Federation and appropriate National and Provincial agencies. A formal news release will be developed in a timely fashion upon the athlete being informed of the appropriate disciplinary action that will be enforced;

**Response to Positive Tests** 



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As Canada is a strong supporter of the World Anti-Doping Agency, BCBSA will follow the sanctions as outlined within the Code. This however, does not prevent BCBSA from invoking additional sanctions, if deemed appropriate by the BCBSA Discipline Committee.

During the period of ineligibility, no individual who has been declared ineligible may participate in any capacity in a competition or activity under the jurisdiction of BCBSA or BCS.

### Reinstatement

- 1. As a condition to regaining eligibility at the specified period of eligibility that athletes must make him or herself available for Out-of-Competition Testing by the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport;
- 2. If the athlete subject to a period of ineligibility is removed from Out-of-Competition Testing pools and later seeks re-instatement, the athletes shall not be eligible for re-instatement until the athlete notifies the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport;
- 3. Upon re-instatement, the athletes will be required to undergo a random drug test at a time determined by BCBSA. All expenses incurred for this test will be the responsibility of the athlete.