

Meeting Report: IF Anti-Doping Symposium 27th-28th of March 2007, Lausanne

Participants See attached file

Issues that were discussed

1. Development since the last Symposium

- The project concerning a common office to serve the smaller IFs is in stand by.
- Code Compliance: IFs have filled the compliance questionnaire. In 2008 also compliance reporting and the IFs with lacks will be contacted.

2. Review of the World Anti-Doping Code

- The sanctions for Doping offences are tougher but yet more flexible. For major offences there can be up to four years ineligibility, but also substantial assistance can for example reduce the period to one year.
- The Disqualifications in team sports will still be harmonised.

The final draft of the Code will be sent to all stakeholders in November 2007.

All the IFs are to implement the new Code 31st of December 2008.

3. Management of TUE process

WADA has developed three tools to help manage the TUE process:

- TUE Guidelines: A tool to support the administrative management of TUE process. Public February 14th 2007.
- Medical information to Support the Decisions of Therapeutic Use Exemption Committees (IFF: Medical Committee): A tool to help decision making for TUECs. Public April 5th.
- Adams: An electronic management tool, which allows online management of TUE requests, as well as receipt of online notifications by the relevant recipients.

4. WADA education activities

Educational activities are mandatory in the new WADA Code.

5. Update of ADAMS implementation

- Athletes' whereabouts: The web-based functionality allows athletes to enter their information from anywhere in the world, which is important for maximizing the surprise effect and the efficiency of unannounced out-of-competition testing.
- Information clearing house: The clearinghouse where all data is stored, in particular lab results, TUE authorization and anti-doping rule violations.
- Doping Control Platform: An essential tool for managing a doping control program, both in- and out-of-competition testing. ADAMS can be used to plan, coordinate, and order tests, as well as managing test results.
- TUE Management: ADAMS allows for online management of TUE requests, as well as online notification of those involved in the process.

Issues for the IFF

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Medical Committee:

The IFF now has a Medical Committee with 1+ 4 members.

The Independent doping review panel:

The IFF Disciplinary Committee acts as the Independent Doping review panel until a panel is established.

Implementing ADAMS:

The IFF could test ADAMS in the TUE management process and follow up the development.

Special questions for teams sports:

There are still a lot of issues that are yet open regarding team sports (whereabouts, testing pool, disqualification of results). The IFF to participate in the meetings with other team sports in order to be aware of the future development.

Code implementation:

The implementation of the new Code also effects other IFF regulations.