WFDF NATIONAL FEDERATIONS’ OBLIGATION TO COMPLY WITH THE WFDF ANTI-DOPING RULES

as of 28 May 2020

As part of the WADA Code Compliance exercise and duties, WFDF writes to inform you that WFDF is performing an audit/survey of all our member federations to ensure they have proper anti-doping rules in place.

We are asking for each of you to submit to WFDF the provisions/rules from your national-level regulations that confirm that your federation complies with the WFDF Anti-Doping Rules and that all relevant provisions of the WFDF Anti-Doping Rules apply to you, your employees, your athletes and your athlete support personnel.

These requirements are resulting from Article 20.3.2 of the World Anti-Doping Code (WADC) requiring as condition of membership that the policies, rules and programs of WFDF’s National Federations and other members are in compliance with the Code. This Article makes the incorporation of the WFDF’s Anti-Doping Rules into each of its national federation’s rules mandatory.

Among others, your obligations include:

- including in your regulations the provisions necessary to ensure that WFDF may enforce its Anti-Doping Rules against any Flying Disc Athletes - including National-Level Athletes.
- establishing rules requiring all its Athletes and each Athlete Support Personnel agree to be bound by the WFDF Anti-Doping Rules.
- cooperating will all investigations related to an anti-doping rule violation.
- conducting anti-doping education in coordination with your National Anti-Doping Organizations.

If you have provisions dealing with anti-doping already in place in your regulatory documents or statutes, we commend you. We ask you to kindly send them to IPF to confirm that they comply with these requirements. If these provisions are not in English, we kindly ask that you provide a short translation.

If you do not have such provisions in place, at minimum, you can insert a provision in your rules that accept WFDF as Testing Authority for your country explicitly and put this in prominent place in your regulatory documents or statutes until you are able to modify your existing rules to reflect your obligations under the WFDF Anti-Doping Rules, both in theory and in practice - following the WADC requirements.

Once you have included one of these passage in your regulatory documents, we ask that you send WFDF a copy of this document for approval. Because this is a formal WFDF audit/survey that has been imposed upon WFDF by the World Anti-Doping Agency for Code Compliance purposes, you are required to answer within the next 2 months and before 15 October 2020.

In this 2-month timeline, you must provide confirmation that you have fulfilled or are in the process of fulfilling this requirement and attach all anti-doping rules, or the relevant excerpt of your rules, in support.

If you require any additional assistance in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact WFDF under ed@wfdf.org with a copy to igor.jankovic@wfdf.sport.

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