World Flying Disc Federation - TUE Briefing:

This document informs you on the WFDF documented process for athletes to apply for a

Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).

1.) Information on the Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) application process and the Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) application form are available on the WFDF website under: http://wfdf.org/anti-doping.

2.) You can also find on that part of our website the “Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) application form” under: http://wfdf.org/files/wfdf_tue_application_form_template_2016.doc.

3.) The form seeks consent from athletes applying for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) for the provisions outlined in Article 9.2 of the WADA International Standard for Therapeutic Use Exemptions (ISTUE).

   Article 9.2 ISTUE:

   An Athlete applying for the grant of a TUE or for recognition of a TUE shall provide written consent:

   a. for the transmission of all information pertaining to the application to members of all TUECs with authority under this International Standard to review the file and, as required, other independent medical or scientific experts, and to all necessary staff (including WADA staff) involved in the management, review or appeal of TUE applications;
   b. for the Athlete’s physician(s) to release to the TUEC upon request any health information that the TUEC deems necessary in order to consider and determine the Athlete’s application; and
   c. for the decision on the application to be made available to all Anti-Doping Organizations with Testing authority and/or results management authority over the Athlete.

   [Comment to 9.2: Prior to collecting Personal Information or obtaining consent from an Athlete, the Anti-Doping Organization shall communicate to the Athlete the information set out in Article 7.1 of the International Standard for the Protection of Privacy and Personal Information.]

4.) The criteria outlining which athletes are under WFDF jurisdiction and are required to apply to WFDF for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) include all international level athletes participating in WFDF sanctioned events. The specific events for which a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) is required include all WFDF Major World Ultimate Championships particularly.

   As a notice that sets out clearly:
   (1) which Athletes coming under WFDF jurisdiction are required to apply WFDF for a TUE, and when;
   (2) which TUE decisions of other Anti-Doping Organizations WFDF will automatically recognize in lieu of such application, in accordance with Article 7.1(a) ISTUE; and
   (3) which TUE decisions of other Anti-Doping Organizations will have to be submitted to WFDF for recognition, in accordance with Article 7.1(b) ISTUE.
WFDF informs you that all TUEs issued by a NADO according to the ISTUE will be automatically recognized by WFDF and all other TUEs must be submitted to WFDF for recognition.

Article 7.1(a) ISTUE:

The International Federation or Major Event Organization may publish notice that it will automatically recognize TUE decisions made pursuant to Code Article 4.4 (or certain categories of such decisions, e.g., those made by specified Anti-Doping Organizations, or those relating to particular Prohibited Substances), provided that such TUE decisions have been reported in accordance with Article 5.4 and therefore are available for review by WADA. If the Athlete’s TUE falls into a category of TUEs that are automatically recognized in this way at the time the TUE is granted, he/she does not need to take any further action.

[Comment to 7.1(a): To ease the burden on Athletes, automatic recognition of TUE decisions once they have been reported in accordance with Article 5.4 is strongly encouraged. If an International Federation or Major Event Organizer is not willing to grant automatic recognition of all such decisions, it should grant automatic recognition of as many such decisions as possible, e.g., by publishing a list of Anti-Doping Organizations whose TUE decisions it will recognize automatically, and/or a list of those Prohibited Substances for which it will automatically recognize TUEs. Publication should be in the same manner as is set out in Article 5.3, i.e., the notice should be posted on the International Federation’s website and sent to WADA and to National Anti-Doping Organizations.]

5.) On the medication this is to inform you that only the dosage(s), frequency, route and duration of administration of as well as any conditions imposed by the Anti-Doping Organization (ADO) in connection with the Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) are approved by a formal grant of a TUE and a recognition of a TUE.

6.) You as the athlete are responsible to renew the Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) upon expiry, if necessary. Please check carefully the duration of the granted TUE and apply in time when necessary for re-newal.

For further information please contact: ed@wfdf.org.

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