



Purpose of Report

Below is a summary of the proposed changes in the BCU Anti-Doping Rules – March 2008. These changes are in accordance with the ICF Anti-Doping Rules Revised Version February 2008 and are approved by UK Sport

Summary

Note: deletions are marked by ~~strikethrough~~ text and additions are marked by underline text.

Article 1: Scope and Application

1.1 Introduction

1.1.2 The British Canoe Union is a member of and subject to the jurisdiction of the International Canoe Federation. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between these Rules and the anti-doping rules of the International Canoe Federation, the anti-doping rules of the International Canoe Federation Revised Version ~~May 2007~~ February 2008 shall prevail.

1.5 Commencement, Validity and Amendment

1.5.1 These Rules shall come into full force and effect on ~~22nd September 2007~~ 8th March 2008. They shall not apply retrospectively to matters arising prior to that date; provided, however, for the avoidance of doubt that any offence found to have been committed under rules in force prior to that date shall be taken into account as a prior doping offence when applying the sanctioning provisions set out at Article 10 of these Rules.

Article 11: Consequences To Teams

- 11.1 Where more than one member of a ~~(Canoe Polo)~~ Team Sport has been notified of a possible Doping Offence under Article 7 of these Rules in connection with an Event, the team shall be subject to Target Testing for the Event.
- 11.2 If more than one team member in a ~~(Canoe Polo)~~ Team Sport is found to have committed a Doping Offence during the Event, then the rules of the International Canoe Federation or (in default thereof) of the organiser of the Event may provide that the team shall be subject to Disqualification or other disciplinary action. In addition, misconduct charges may be brought against the team or its management under the disciplinary rules of the British Canoe Union or other applicable rules.
- 11.3 If any member of a Flatwater (Sprint Racing) K2, C2, K4 C4, Canoe Slalom C2 or Team, Wild Water Racing C2 or Team, Marathon Racing K2, C2, Canoe Polo Team is found to have committed a violation of these Anti-Doping Rules during an Event, the athletes composing that particular team shall be Disqualified from the Event with all resulting consequences including forfeiture of any medals, points or prizes.

Appendix: Definitions

Anti-Doping Panel:

With effect from 1st April 2008 the Anti-Doping Panel referred to within Article 8 will be the National Anti-Doping Panel (NADP). The NADP and supporting tribunal administration services is operated by an independent service provider called Sports Resolution.

Recommendations

That the BCU Board approves these changes.