

**NEW SOUTH WALES  
DEPARTMENT OF SPORT AND RECREATION**

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**ANTI-DOPING POLICY**

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## **1. POSITION STATEMENT**

The New South Wales (“NSW”) government:

- (a) recognises all athletes’ right to participate in doping-free sport and supports the promotion of health, fairness and equality for all athletes participating in sport [and recreation];
- (b) condemns the use of prohibited substances, the possession of prohibited substances and any action that assists, encourages, aids or abets the violation or attempted violation of anti-doping policies;
- (c) supports harmonised, coordinated and effective anti-doping programs at international and national levels with regard to the detection, deterrence and prevention of doping; and
- (d) expects all NSW State Sporting Organisations (“SSOs”) to develop and/or adopt anti-doping policies and practices in accordance with this policy and the policies of their national parent bodies (if applicable).

## **2. RECOGNITION OF NADOs**

The Australian Sports Commission and the Australian Sports Anti Drug Authority are recognised as Australia’s National Anti-Doping Organisations (“NADOs”).

The NSW government recognises the roles of Australia’s NADOs, including:

- (a) adopting and implementing anti-doping rules and policies;
- (b) cooperating with other relevant organisations;
- (c) directing the testing of athletes and management of test results; and
- (d) promoting anti-doping education and research.

## **3. EDUCATION**

The NSW government:

- (a) recognises the importance of information and education as measures to counter violations or attempted violations of anti-doping policies;
- (b) recognises, supports and will as far as practicable cooperate with the education initiatives of Australian NADOs; and
- (c) expects all NSW SSOs to support the education initiatives of the Australian NADOs and the NSW government by the dissemination of information to their members.

## **4. STATE SPORTING ORGANISATIONS**

The NSW government expects all NSW SSOs to:

- (a) act in accordance with the *Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Act (2006)* and the *Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Regulations (2006)*); and

- (b) adhere to this anti-doping policy; and
- (c) recognise, support and cooperate with the education initiatives of Australian NADOs and the NSW government.

In addition, the NSW government requires each NSW SSO in receipt of funding from the NSW government to:

- (d) adhere to, and enforce as necessary, the anti-doping policy developed and/or adopted by the SSO's national parent body (if applicable); and
- (e) provide the NSW Government with a copy of their anti-doping policy upon request.

## **5. SANCTIONS**

The NSW government:

- (a) endorses and will recognise sanctions imposed by relevant sporting bodies on their members for anti-doping violations;
- (b) expects NSW SSOs to recognise and uphold sanctions imposed on their members by their national parent body;
- (c) reserves the right to reduce or withdraw any financial or other assistance provided by the NSW government to any NSW SSO which has breached this policy.

The NSW government will not act as an avenue of appeal for any individual or SSO subject to a sanction imposed under an anti-doping policy.

## **6. DEFINITIONS**

- (a) Unless the context suggests or requires otherwise the NSW government recognises the definitions set out in the *Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Act (2006)* and the *Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Regulations (2006)*.

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