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# United States Olympic Committee

## Audit Division



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**Report for:**  
**National Wheelchair Basketball Association**

**Follow-up on:**  
**SafeSport Audit**

**Dated:**  
**February 9, 2018**



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Anthony Bartkowski  
Executive Director  
National Wheelchair Basketball Association, Inc.

Dear Anthony,

During the second and third quarter of 2017, Baker Tilly Virchow Krause (Baker Tilly) performed a SafeSport audit of the National Wheelchair Basketball Association (NWBA). The purpose of the follow-up review is to report on the status of recommendations from the SafeSport audit of NWBA dated October 2017. Our methodology was limited to communication with NWBA and a review of various policies provided by the organization. The Audit Division did not perform additional audit work to verify action was taken. However, SafeSport will be tested during the routine audit process going forward.

The review found that both recommendations are in process as NWBA is working to update policies and ensure all required individuals are compliant. The USOC will continue to follow-up on both recommendations.

We thank you and your staff for assisting in the follow-up review.

Sincerely,

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## SafeSport Follow-up Report

National Wheelchair Basketball Association

Follow-up Status	Recommendation	Management Response	Follow-up Action
In Process	NWBA must update all applicable SafeSport-related documentation and administrative materials to define and specifically prohibit the six types of prohibited misconduct identified in the Athlete Safety Standards.	We agree with the condition and recommendation and will respond to the USOC with a detailed plan to ensure compliance with the current NGB Athlete Safety Policy.	NWBA is in the process of revising its SafeSport policy.
In Process	NWBA must require that individuals it formally authorizes, approves, or appoints (a) to a position of authority over, or (b) to have frequent contact with athletes complete criminal background checks and education and training requirements in a timely manner and before they have contact with athletes to provide assurance that they are educated on the requirements of the Athlete Safety Standards. NWBA must consistently track and verify criminal background checks and education and training requirements are met for all required individuals. NWBA should review the testing results and require all necessary individuals to complete the necessary requirements (i.e., criminal background check and/or education and training).	We agree with the condition and recommendation and will respond to the USOC with a detailed plan to ensure compliance with the current NGB Athlete Safety Policy.	NWBA is working to implement a process to ensure all required individuals complete SafeSport education and background checks before they have contact with athletes.