Policy Statement

Having a fair and effective anti-doping program is vital to ensure that the rights of clean athletes and the integrity of competition are upheld. USA Triathlon is opposed to the practice of doping in sport and fully supports and complies with the policies, protocols, and rules set forth by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) as the independent, non-profit anti-doping organization in the United States. Guided by their mission to preserve the integrity of competition, inspire true sport, and protect the rights of United States athletes, USADA is charged with implementing a comprehensive anti-doping program for all Olympic, Paralympic, Pan American, and Para Pan American sport, National Governing Bodies, their athletes, and events. USA Triathlon's scope of responsibility includes:

- Education for athlete and athlete support personnel
- Drug reference resources
- In-competition and out-of-competition testing
- Results management processes

In addition to USADA, USA Triathlon follows the policies and procedures of the World Anti-Doping Code, IPC Anti-Doping Code for applicable Paralympic NGBs, USADA Protocol, World Triathlon's Anti-Doping Rules and USA Triathlon’s Bylaws. Compliance with these policies and rules includes, but is not limited to, enforcing anti-doping sanctions consistent with the anti-doping language USA Triathlon has included in its bylaws and other board-approved documents.

In accordance with United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC) and USADA policies, USA Triathlon provides USADA with a list of athletes to be included in the Registered Testing Pool on a quarterly basis and/or the Clean Athlete Program on a semiannual basis, through the Clearinghouse system. The deadlines for these submissions are set by USADA.

At least six months prior to commencement of the Olympic or Paralympic Games, USA Triathlon provides USADA with a list of athletes that could reasonably be selected to represent the United States in the Games.

USADA's current anti-doping rules, policies and procedures are available on-line at the following website: www.usada.org.
When applicable, USA Triathlon provides athlete names to WADA for the testing pool. Athletes in the WADA testing pool are also required to follow the WADA protocols.

**Applicability**

It is the duty of individual members of USA Triathlon to comply with all anti-doping rules of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), World Triathlon, the USOPC including the USOPC National Anti-Doping Policy, and of USADA, including the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing (USADA Protocol) and all other policies and rules adopted by WADA, World Triathlon, the USOPC and USADA. Athlete members agree to submit to drug testing by World Triathlon and/or USADA or their designees at any time and understand that the use of methods or substances prohibited by the applicable anti-doping rules make them subject to penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification and suspension. If it is determined that an individual member may have committed a doping violation, the member agrees to submit to the results management authority and processes of USADA, including arbitration under the USADA Protocol, or to the results management authority of World Triathlon, if applicable or referred by USADA.

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