

WFDF procedures to investigate a failure of comply

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1. Responsibility

The Testing Authority is responsible for ensuring that:

- a) when the possible <u>Failure to Comply comes to its attention</u>, it <u>notifies WADA</u>, and <u>instigates an</u> investigation of the possible Failure to Comply based on all relevant information and documentation;
- b) the Athlete or other party is informed of the possible <u>Failure to Comply</u> in writing and has the opportunity to respond;
- c) the investigation is conducted without unnecessary delay and the evaluation process is documented; and
- d) the final determination (i.e., whether or not to assert the commission of an anti-doping rule violation), with reasons, is made available without delay to WADA and other Anti-Doping Organizations in accordance with Code Articles 7.10 and 14.1.4.

The DCO is responsible for:

- a) informing the Athlete or other party of the Consequences of a possible Failure to Comply;
- b) completing the Athlete's <u>Sample Collection Session where possible</u>; and
- c) providing a detailed written report of any possible Failure to Comply.

Sample Collection Personnel are responsible for:

- a) informing the Athlete or other party of the Consequences of a possible Failure to Comply; and
- b) reporting to the DCO any possible Failure to Comply.

2. Process and Requirements

If further to an out-of-competition testing mission or in the course of in-competition testing mission in the course of an WFDF sanctioned event or under WFDF Testing Authority, WFDF informed by the TTD, or the relevant Sample Collection Agency that an Athlete who was selected for testing failed to comply with such testing, WFDF will proceed with investigating the matter. Any potential <u>Failure to Comply</u> shall be reported by the DCO and/or followed up the <u>Testing Authority as soon as practicable</u>. The WFDF Doping Control Panel (DCP) will investigate the case.

If the Testing Authority determines that there has been a potential Failure to Comply, the Athlete or other party shall be promptly notified in writing:

a) of the possible Consequences; and

b) that the potential <u>Failure to Comply</u> will be investigated by the <u>Testing Authority</u> and appropriate follow-up action will be taken.

Any additional necessary information about the potential <u>Failure to</u> Comply shall be obtained from all relevant sources (including the Athlete or other party) as soon as possible and recorded. If the WFDF DCP finds that a FTC has been committed the matter will then proceed following WFDF's results management procedures.

In accordance with Annex A of the ISTI the Testing Authority shall establish a system for ensuring that the outcomes of its investigation into the potential <u>Failure to Comply</u> are considered for results management action and, if applicable, for further planning and Target Testing.

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