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- NOC Medical Liaison Officers (via relevant NOC)
- International Winter Sports Federations on Olympic Programme
- Youth Olympic Games Organising Committees
- National Anti-Doping Organisations (via relevant NOC)
- World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)

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- Court of Arbitration for Sport
- Association of International Olympic Winter Sports Federations (AIOWF)
- International Testing Agency
- IOC Members

Lausanne, 10 July 2023

IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the 4th Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024

Dear Madam,

Dear Sir,

A. IOC Anti-Doping Rules

Please find attached a copy of the *IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* (the “**IOC Anti-Doping Rules**”), which are based on the WADA “Model Major Events Organisations Anti-Doping Rules” pursuant to the 2015 World Anti-Doping Code with 2019 amendments (the “**Code**”). A copy of these IOC Anti-Doping Rules, as well as the Code currently in force, can also be found, in English and French (available shortly), on both the IOC website <http://www.olympic.org/medical> and the WADA website <http://www.wada-ama.org>.

Please note that all italicised terms contained in this letter have the same meaning as in the IOC Anti-Doping Rules.

Although it is your responsibility to study the contents of such IOC Anti-Doping Rules, we wish to bring the following points to your specific attention:

I. Roles and responsibilities

1. The IOC delegated some of its responsibilities related to the implementation of the *Doping Control* in relation to the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* to the International Testing Agency (the “**ITA**”) in accordance with the Code and the IOC Anti-Doping Rules. This delegation includes without limitation, test distribution planning, therapeutic use exemptions (“**TUEs**”) and results management.

Notwithstanding the above, the IOC, as the Signatory to the Code, remains responsible from a Code compliance perspective for all aspects of *Doping Control* conducted by the ITA or other third parties on the IOC’s behalf at the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*

2. While the IOC remains the *Testing* authority for all *Athletes* entered to participate in the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* and is the results management authority, in practice, the ITA will carry out *Testing* activities and conduct results management processes on behalf of the IOC.

To the extent an anti-doping rule violation is asserted, the ITA will file an application with the Anti-Doping Division of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (“**CAS Anti-Doping Division**”) in the name of the IOC. We inform you that the CAS Anti-Doping Division will not be present on site during the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*.

II. *Doping Controls during the Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*

3. During the *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, all *Doping Controls* conducted by the ITA will be carried out in compliance with WADA’s *International Standards* in addition to the IOC Anti-Doping Rules.

The *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* is defined as “the period commencing on the date of the opening of the Youth Olympic village for the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, namely, 15 January 2024, up until

and including the day of the closing ceremony of the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, namely, 1 February 2024”.

The *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* includes “*In-Competition*” (i.e. “the period commencing at 11.59 p.m. on the day before a *Competition* in which the Athlete is scheduled to participate through to the end of such *Competition* and the Sample collection process related to such *Competition*”) and “*Out of Competition*” (i.e. any period that is not “*In-Competition*”) periods. Please note however that, pursuant to the Code, WADA may approve, for a particular sport, an alternative definition for the “*In-Competition*” period if an *International Federation* provides a compelling justification that a different definition is necessary for its sport; and upon such approval by WADA, the IOC will follow the alternative definition for that particular sport. Please refer to the respective *International Federation* anti-doping rules for further details.

4. During the *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, all *Athletes* shall be subject to *Doping Controls* initiated by the ITA at any time or place with no advance notice required to be given to the *Athletes*.
5. *Anti-Doping Organisations* wishing to carry out *Doping Controls* on the *Athletes* within their authority during the *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* are invited to contact the ITA to coordinate *Testing*. This also applies to the period prior to the *Athletes* having validated their Youth Olympic identity and accreditation cards for the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* and subsequent to the *Athletes* having finished their final competitions at the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*.

III. *Therapeutic Use Exemptions*

6. We remind you that an *Athlete* has to request a *TUE* prior to taking any substance that is included in the *Prohibited List*. This procedure is explained in further detail in the IOC Anti-Doping Rules.

The Anti-Doping Administration & Management System (“**ADAMS**”) is the preferred and recommended way to apply for *TUEs* in relation to the *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*.

IV. International Federation's Participation in CAS Anti-Doping Division's Procedure

7. To the extent that an *Athlete* is accused of having committed an anti-doping rule violation, the *International Federation* is encouraged to delegate its first-instance authority to adjudicate sanctions arising out of anti-doping rule violations occurring at the occasion of the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* to the *CAS Anti-Doping Division* and in doing so, accept the *CAS Anti-Doping Division Rules* to apply to any doping-related procedure. Upon request, the *International Federation* shall participate in the *CAS Anti-Doping Division* procedure in order to help ensure that the sanctions imposed by *CAS Anti-Doping Division* are as provided in the applicable rules of the relevant *International Federation*.

B. Whereabouts Information

With respect to whereabouts information, *Athletes* and their respective National Olympic Committees (**NOCs**) are requested to ensure that they understand their obligations under the IOC Anti-Doping Rules, in particular as detailed in Article 5.6 of the IOC Anti-Doping Rules.

In order to protect clean *Athletes* and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the fight against doping for the *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, it is required that all *Athletes* currently included in a whereabouts system provide sufficient details (such as the Youth Olympic village where they are staying, block and room number in such Youth Olympic village, place of training, accommodation information for *Athletes* not staying in the Youth Olympic village), so that they can be easily located from the date of the opening of the Youth Olympic village up to and including the date of the Closing Ceremony of the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*.

ADAMS will be used to access whereabouts information. To the extent needed, the assistance of NOCs will be requested by the ITA to help locate *Athletes* and also to ensure *Athletes* realise the importance of full compliance with whereabouts requirements. In specific cases, the relevant *International Federation* or *National Anti-Doping Organisation* may be asked to include *Athletes* in their formal whereabouts system.

In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the ITA by e-mail (antidoping_games@ita.sport).

C. The Prohibited List

The *Prohibited List*, applicable during the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024, will be the WADA *Prohibited List 2024*. It will be available on the WADA's website and also on the IOC's website. All *Samples* collected by the ITA in the scope of the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* will be screened for all *Prohibited Substances* and all *Prohibited Methods* referred to in the *Prohibited List 2024*.

D. Resolving pending cases involving possible violations of anti-doping rules

Every effort made by the *National Anti-Doping Organisations*, the *International Federations* and the *NOCs* will be appreciated to ensure that pending cases involving possible violations of anti-doping rules committed by *Athletes or Athlete Support Personnel*, who might participate in the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, are resolved before the *Athletes* take part in their first competitions at the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* and before the *Athlete Support Personnel* validates their Youth Olympic identity and accreditation cards for the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*.

E. NOC Contact Person for anti-doping-related matters

The ITA will be provided with the list and contact details of the Chefs de Mission of all *NOCs*, which will be used for anti-doping related communication to *NOCs* upon the occasion of the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*. Should you wish to appoint a specific person, please provide the name and the contact details (email address and mobile phone number) of the person from your *NOC* whom the ITA can contact by email (antidoping_games@ita.sport), not later than 30 November 2023.

F. International Federation Contact Person for anti-doping-related matters

It is requested that all *International Federations*, whose sport is on the programme for the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, to forward to the ITA by e-mail (antidoping_games@ita.sport), no later than 30 November 2023, the name and the contact details (e-mail address and mobile phone number) of the person whom the ITA can contact from the relevant *International Federation* regarding anti-doping-related matters upon the occasion of the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*.

For the *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, the ITA will provide the relevant organisations (including the *NOCs* and *International Federations*) with online access to a secure helpdesk application named ADCOM that will facilitate

efficient and confidential communication with the ITA. This will be the standard channel for addressing anti-doping related questions, issues or possible non-compliance observed on the ground. Each organisation will be asked in the coming months to provide a list of users who will be authorised to register tickets in the application.

G. Intelligence-sharing and whistleblowing platform

All stakeholders are strongly encouraged to share with the ITA any available doping-related intelligence relevant to *Athletes* or other *Persons* involved in the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, both before and during the *Period of the Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*, preferably via ADCOM or, if not possible, through a dedicated email address (antidoping_games@ita.sport) or other suitable channels.

Furthermore, we inform you that you can use the ITA's dedicated secure whistleblowing platform, REVEAL (www.reveal.sport), which also covers doping-related intelligence reports relating to the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024*. All *Athletes*, coaches, medical personnel and other *Persons* involved in the *Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024* may use REVEAL as an encrypted channel of communication for sharing any whistleblowing or intelligence information related to doping information or suspicions. Any report may be submitted in complete anonymity.

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Please ensure that the documentation and information referred to in this letter is forwarded to all persons linked to your organisation who have a need to know such documentation, in particular to the *Athletes*, coaches and medical personnel.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl.: IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the 4th Winter Youth Olympic Games Gangwon 2024