

Declaration of non-compliance of the Organisation Camerounaise de Lutte contre le Dopage dans le Sport (Cameroon NADO)

Relevant consequences and impact requiring action by stakeholders

On [11 March 2024](#) the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) issued an all-stakeholder communication confirming that the Executive Committee (ExCo) followed the recommendation of the Compliance Review Committee (CRC) to place Cameroon NADO on the 'watchlist', giving an additional four months to correct outstanding non-conformities. This deadline of 11 July 2024 passed without the non-conformities having been corrected to the satisfaction of the CRC and the Cameroon NADO did not dispute WADA's allegation of non-compliance. Consequently, the Cameroon NADO is now declared non-compliant with immediate effect, and the signatory consequences listed in the ExCo decision (see below) apply immediately.

While WADA will monitor the implementation of the consequences imposed on this National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO), this document aims to draw your attention to the fact that under Code Article 24.1.9, other Signatories to the Code must recognize and implement these consequences in full. Signatories should be aware that these consequences are not the same as for other cases of non-compliance (e.g., the Court of Arbitration for Sport [decision](#) in the case of the Russian Anti-Doping Agency).

Please refer to the following for more information on the relevant consequences and their potential impact on your organization.

As recommended by the CRC and approved by the ExCo on 11 March 2024, the consequences applied to this NADO in accordance with the Code Article 24, and Article 10 and Annex B of the [International Standard for Code Compliance by Signatories](#) (ISCCS), are the following:

1. The Cameroon NADO loses its WADA privileges until reinstatement. This includes:
 - a. In accordance with the relevant provisions of WADA's Statutes, the Cameroon NADO's representatives are ineligible to hold any WADA office or any position as a member of any WADA board or committee or other body (including but not limited to membership of WADA's Foundation Board, ExCo, Standing Committees, and any other committee);
 - b. Cameroon is ineligible to host any event organized or co-hosted or co-organized by WADA;
 - c. The representatives of the Cameroon NADO are ineligible to participate in any WADA Independent Observer Program, WADA Outreach Program or other WADA activities; and
 - d. The Cameroon NADO will not receive any WADA funding (either directly or indirectly) related to the development of specific activities or participation in specific programs.

Guidance Note: WADA will monitor and implement this set of consequences.

2. The Cameroon NADO's representatives shall be ineligible to sit as members of the boards or committees or other bodies of any Code Signatory (or its members) or association of Signatories until the Cameroon NADO is reinstated.

Guidance Note: Signatories and related associations are asked to ensure immediately that any relevant NADO or government representatives, as defined in the Code, that are current members of any relevant board, committee or body, are removed from that position for the relevant period. If a Signatory or related association is unsure of how to apply this consequence, please contact us at compliance@wada-ama.org (e.g., [Regional Anti-Doping Organizations](#), [Associations of Summer Olympic International Federations \(ASOIF\)](#), [Alliance of Independent recognized Members of Sport \(AIMS\)](#), [Association of IOC Recognized International Sport Federations \(ARISF\)](#), [International University Sports Federation \(FISU\)](#), [Comité international des Jeux de La Francophonie \(CIJF\)](#), [Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa \(ANOCA\)](#)).

3. Cameroon will not be awarded the right to host regional, continental or world championships, as well as other events organized by Major Event Organizations, until the Cameroon NADO is reinstated.

Guidance Note: Signatories cannot award the right to host *inter alia* regional, continental or world championships to Cameroon during its period of non-compliance. Events already allocated to the Cameroon NADO may take place. This does not apply to the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

In addition, to the extent that an event organized by a Major Event Organization that is not a Signatory is within a Signatory's sphere of responsibility, that Signatory has the obligation to enforce this consequence in respect of that event. If a Signatory is unsure of how to apply this consequence, please contact us at compliance@wada-ama.org.

If the Cameroon NADO has not met the conditions of reinstatement described above within twelve months of the imposition of the consequences of non-compliance (5 August 2025), the following additional consequence shall be automatically imposed on this NADO:

1. Cameroon's flag will not be flown at regional, continental or world championships, as well as other events organized by Major Event Organizations (including the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games) until the Cameroon NADO is reinstated.

Guidance Note: This consequence shall be limited to official display of flags by the event organizer in the venue/arena/stadium where e.g., a regional, continental or world championships is taking place, whether those displays are for the duration of the event or for a specific part of the event such as medal, opening or closing ceremonies or other protocol elements.

In addition, to the extent that an event organized by a Major Event Organization that is not a Signatory is within a Signatory's sphere of responsibility, that Signatory has the obligation to enforce this consequence in respect of that event. If a Signatory is unsure of how to apply this consequence, please contact us at compliance@wada-ama.org.