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Bull’s eye the ISSF iPod on doping

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Doping

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And last but surely not least…!

**ISSF SHOOTING WORLD CUP**

The ISSF Shooting World Cup was the LOCOG Test Event for shooting. It took place from the 17th–29th of April at this year’s Olympic venue: the Royal Artillery Barracks.

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**YOU ARE INVOLVED!**

The Olympics are around the corner and everyone must play their part!

Keeping sport clean, and trying to catch cheaters in the process, has become a never ending and far-reaching battle. Indeed, everyone involved in sport is involved when it comes to anti-doping.

The Rules in place in the course of the London Olympic Games

The International Olympic Committee has drafted and issued the IOC Anti-Doping Rules which will be in effect in the course of the 2012 Summer Olympics. The IOC has established and adopted its 2012 Olympics IOC Anti-Doping Rules in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code, expecting that, in the spirit of sport, it will contribute to the fight against doping in the Olympic Movement. They are complemented by other IOC documents, International Standards addressed throughout the Rules and the anti-doping rules of the relevant International Federations and National Olympic Committees.

In the ISSF’s preparations for the Olympics and in order to allow our IPD readers to become better acquainted with some important elements of the IOC Anti-Doping Rules, we provided a summary of some pertinent aspects of the IOC Anti-Doping Rules for all ISSF athletes and member federations to acknowledge earlier this year, here is a reminder about some of these.

**DOPING CONTROL AND RESULTS MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The IOC shall have the right to conduct or cause to conduct Doping Control during the Period of the London Olympic Games, and is responsible for the subsequent handling of such cases.

**IN-COMPETITION TESTING PERIOD:**

The Period of the London Olympic Games, is defined as “the period commencing on the date of the opening of the Olympic village for the London Olympic Games, namely, 16 July 2012 up until and including the day of the closing ceremony of the London Olympic Games, namely, 12 August 2012”.

**NO ADVANCE NOTICE TESTING:**

All athletes participating at the London Olympic Games shall be subject, during the period of the London Olympic Games, to doping control initiated by the IOC at any time or place, with no advance notice. All doping controls shall be deemed to be in-competition for purposes of the WADA Prohibited List, and therefore may include testing for all prohibited substances and all prohibited methods referred to in the List.

**REMININDERS**

Of course, every individual involved with the ISSF has an obligation to take care that no shooter is implicated in an anti-doping rule violation in the course of the Olympic Games. Therefore, the following reminders are offered to all:

- Obtain all necessary TUE’s well before the Games
- Please check the expiry date of your current TUE with ISSF if you have a TUE in place
- In the event that an athlete needs an emergency TUE during the Games period, a TUE application can be submitted to the IOC TUE Committee on site.

- Ensure that all whereabouts information is correct and updated;

- Get acquainted with the IOC Anti-Doping Rules prior to going to London in order to know and understand their rights and responsibilities. Read in conjunction with the Code and the International Standards, this will ensure that you are all well informed and that all potentially preventable anti-doping rule violation may be avoided.

- Abstain from using any prohibited substances, preparations, supplements and medications prior to and during the 2012 London Olympics.

It is of utmost importance that our sport, shooting-sport, is spared the many negative repercussions associated with any positive finding that may arise in the course of the London Summer Olympic Games. So… get involved!

**LET’S KEEP ALL OUR SHOOTERS AND OUR SPORT CLEAN IN LONDON!**

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