

# EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NATIONAL FEDERATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CMAS ANTI-DOPING RULES

#### Dear National Federations,

Clean sport education is a cornerstone for clean sport. As a strategy measure, education aims to empower Athletes and others to play clean, and to encourage behaviours in line with the principles and values of clean sport. CMAS is bound by the World Anti-Doping Code to plan, implement and promote education, and it remains committed to safeguarding Athletes' health and the integrity of its sport. As part of the global anti-doping movement led by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), CMAS is also part of a collaborative worldwide movement for doping-free sport. In line with this, all CMAS National Federations (NFs), under CMAS must understand and recognize their role and put into place the rules, policies and systems necessary to fulfil their duties under CMAS Anti-Doping Rules. NFs are also accountable for providing anti-doping education in coordination with their National Anti-Doping Organisation (NADO) to ensure Athletes receive guidance on clean sport.

The International Standard for Education (ISE), adopted by WADA in 2021, outlines the mandatory education standards and is accompanied by comprehensive guidelines. The ISE states that "A key underlying principle of the International Standard for Education is that an Athlete's first experience with anti-doping should be through Education rather than Doping Control". Therefore, we must all work together to support this educational approach.

We are writing to you to thank you for your support in 2024 and to further remind you of the support available to you in clean sport education to assist you in fulfilling these responsibilities. Through CMAS's partnership and investment with the International Testing Agency (ITA) and ITA's additional activities, you and your sporting communities can naturally benefit from and take advantage of a wide range of educational opportunities and resources. We encourage you to actively engage in these programs to promote clean sport. These include:

#### 1 THE ITA PUBLIC WEBINARS

The ITA offers a 60-minute webinar series on a key clean sport topic designed for Athletes and Athlete Support Personnel. Previous sessions have included topics such as "Clean Sport 101", "A coach's role in clean sport", "Proactive Reporting: Your Questions Answered", and "What you need to know for 2025". The sessions are delivered in English, with simultaneous translation in Arabic, French, Russian and Spanish.

As a partner of the ITA, we receive this information directly and share it with you. We strongly encourage you to disseminate this to your Athletes and Athlete Support Personnel by email or at minimum by posting the social media banners prepared for you. This is an efficient and easy way to have clean sport "touch points" with your communities in 2025. Recordings of previous sessions can be found here.









#### 2. THE IF WEBINAR SERIES

The series consists of webinars covering the compulsory education topics set out in the WADA Code and the ISE. The sessions are delivered in English, with simultaneous translation in Arabic, French, Mandarin Chinese, Russian, and Spanish. Each webinar brings together subject experts who share their experiences and insights on a wide array of significant themes within the clean sport landscape. The webinars are designed to be engaging and interactive with polls, Q&A, and chat options enabled for all participants.

We will provide you details and dates of the 2025 IF Webinar Series in due course, and ask you to please invite your sporting communities to attend these important initiatives upon receipt of the information.







## 3. TAILORED WEBINAR

In 2025, one sport-specific custom webinar on clean sport education for CMAS sport community will be hosted, covering specific topics for particular target groups.

In due course, we ask for your support and promotional efforts in promoting it to the relevant sections of your community to enable them to understand and follow CMAS Anti-Doping Rules.

#### 4. EVENT-BASED EDUCATION

In 2025, one event-based education session will be delivered for CMAS sport community.

The session aims to educate Athletes, coaches, and other support personnel about anti-doping rules, and promote the values of integrity and clean sport. We ask for your support in promoting this educational initiative within your NF and to the relevant sectors of your community, including Athletes, coache,s and medical staff. Your collaboration will help ensure that all participants understand and adhere to CMAS Anti-Doping Rules, strengthening a commitment to clean competition across all levels of the sport.

Key information about the event-based education session, including date and location will be shared with you in due course by CMAS.

#### 5. THE ITA ATHLETE HUB

This website provides information on a variety of topics, supports your Athletes and Athlete Support Personnel with important administrative tasks such as advice on using ADAMS through the ADAMS & Whereabouts quick reference card and understanding the TUE process via the ITA's TUE Assistant, and gives them access to a comprehensive collection of resources and video tutorials. Also, both you and your Athletes can stay informed by checking the ITA's posts and subscribing to the ITA newsletter for the latest updates on clean sport news.

### 6. REVEAL

In addition to your direct anti-doping responsibilities, we all, as members of the sport community, have a responsibility to be proactive in supporting and keeping our sport clean. This is where proactive reporting on doping comes in. All information provided about doping or potential doping in sport is essential, no matter how big or small. REVEAL is the ITA's secure reporting platform. Any information provided is confidential and can be anonymous, and the identity of anyone who proactively reports information is protected.

To report in any language, there are three convenient options – all secure and confidential, and anonymous if preferred:

- Use the ITA's online webform platform
- Send an anonymous WhatsApp
- Send an anonymous email

If you would like further clarification or bespoke support on any educational initiatives or your anti-doping responsibilities, the ITA would be pleased to arrange a call at your convenience on behalf of CMAS. If so, please do not hesitate to contact education@ita.sport to schedule a time for a discussion.

Finally, additional support may also come from WADA's Anti-Doping Education and Learning platform (ADEL). It is freely available to anyone and hosts a range of e-learning courses, many available in multiple languages. Please encourage Athletes, coaches, medical personnel, and other support personnel to take advantage of this resource – they simply need to register for a free account.

Please note that, as already announced, the ADEL certificate acquired through the "International level Athletes course", is mandatory for all athletes competing in International CMAS Competitions. Failure to upload this certificate, or any equivalent certificate officially recognised by ITA as such, will prevent the athlete from obtaining a CMAS sport license.

As mentioned above, we of course also ask you to work with your NADO on educational programs for your Athletes, a requirement as per Article 20.3.13 of the World Anti-Doping Code, which requires you to conduct clean sport education in coordination with the applicable NADO.



Finally, a kind reminder that the 2025 Prohibited List will enter into force starting 1 January 2025, and can be accessed <u>HERE</u>. Please ensure to remind your communities that the information is disseminated to your Athletes and Athlete Support Personnel.

Please feel free to contact the CMAS Sports Committee (angel.giannakaki@sport.cmas.org) for any further information.

We hope this information is helpful and thank you for your commitment to clean sport.

Kind regards,

**CMAS**