



ANTI-DOPING POLICY

OVERARCHING STATEMENT

The fencing community cherishes the values of personal honour and integrity, respect for one's opponents, officials, and spectators – qualities that have been deeply ingrained in the sport's rulebook for centuries. A crucial dimension of respect for one's opponent involves ensuring that the outcome of each fencing bout is decided on the basis of skills, mental preparation, discipline, and strategy – not illicit factors that may give competitors an unfair advantage over their peers.

The Ontario Fencing Association (the “OFA”) holds in highest regard the principles of fair play and transparency in all aspects of our sport, and particularly as they relate to illicit performance-enhancing substances (doping). The OFA is committed to promoting the environment and culture of clean sport, while balancing these considerations with objectives of procedural fairness and athletes' rights to privacy.

POLICY

1. All persons registered as OFA members and all persons participating in the OFA-sanctioned tournaments must abide by the OFA's Anti-Doping Policy.
2. The OFA abides by the Canadian Fencing Federation's (CFF) anti-doping policies as reflected in the *CFF Code of Conduct* and any other relevant rules, policies, or guidelines that the CFF may issue and/or formally uphold from time to time. The OFA also abides by the International Fencing Federation's (FIE) *Anti-Doping Rules*.

The Canadian Fencing Federation's Code of Conduct can be found at:

<http://fencing.ca/wp-content/uploads/Code-of-Conduct-Revised-Athlete-Agreement.pdf>

The International Fencing Federation's Anti-Doping Rules can be found at:

<http://static.fie.org/uploads/16/80366-29543-FIE-ADR-1-Jan-2015-ang.pdf>

3. In circumstances where the OFA is required to address the alleged, suspected, or confirmed matters related to doping within its own jurisdiction, the OFA Board of Directors or its Committee(s) may designate a person or persons with adequate professional qualifications as a Special Advisor to assist the OFA in resolving the matter in a just and reasonable manner, compliant with all applicable legislative and regulatory provisions. For clarity, the final determination of any specific courses of action in relation to the matter where a Special Advisor may be used, will be that of the OFA Board of Directors.

Recommended for approval:



Lucie Hamelin, President

Ontario Fencing Association

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Date

Approved by the OFA Board of Directors on

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