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Section of Procedures	Page #	Amendment Description
Header	Page 1	Added note to clarify use of ‘2020’ when referring to the Games.
Section 1 (table)	Pages 1-2	Added for clarification: “e.g.” (meaning “for example”) for Medical, Administrative and Technical Personnel
2.16	Page 2	Added for clarification: Successfully complete the appropriate U.S. Center for SafeSport’s online training module(s) by stated deadline.
2.17, 2.22, 2.24, 2.26 and 2.28	Page 3	Extended from 12 months to 24 months to compensate for the postponement of the Games.
2.20	Page 3	Replaced URL
Sections 3 and 6	Pages 3-4	Edit due to staff changes: All 2020 Olympic Games Staff will be recommended by the Chief of Sport Performance Vice President of Elite Athletics for approval by the CEO of USA Cycling.
Section 4	Page 4	Removed “to be”
Section 4: Removal	Page 4	Added: No longer able to meet the required criteria in Section 2 at the time of the Games.
Section 8: Date of Nomination	Page 5	Nomination date changed from “March 15, 2020” to: January 15, 2021 for Medical Staff March 15, 2021 for non-Medical Staff
Throughout	All pages	Updated all references of “USOC” to reflect name change to “USOPC”

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Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
NGB/HPMO/PSO President or CEO/Executive Director	Rob DeMartini		12/03/2020
USOPC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Carmen Small		Dec. 2, 2020

* If the USOPC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.

* Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that he/she has read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Selection Procedures being submitted by the NGB/HPMO/PSO, he/she may submit those reasons in writing to his/her Sport Performance Team.

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Attachment A USOPC Sports Medical Games Requirements

PURPOSE

The USOPC has developed medical requirements to ensure the safety of athletes during Games (Olympic, Paralympic, Pan American and Para Pan American, etc.). This policy addresses equipment requests and minimum standards for all NGBs and medical providers attending games.

POLICY

1. Requests

NGBs **must identify medical support requests to the USOPC Sports Medicine department**. These requests must specify any supplies, equipment, and other medical support provided at the Games. Anti-doping concerns or comments should also be identified. Collected information will be reviewed by the USOPC Managing Director of sports medicine who will then identify and communicate the level of support to be provided by USOPC Sports Medicine. Any changes to the requested sports medicine support should be immediately forwarded to USOPC Sports Medicine. In cases where medical services or materials are not identified, the USOPC cannot guarantee support for additional or late requests because of time, budget and other factors.

2. NGB Health Care Providers

NGBs must nominate and allocate Games credentials to NGB identified health care provider(s) to support the NGB sports medicine needs during the games. Any potential NGB medical provider who *could* be nominated to provide services must be identified by the NGB no later than the due date for the respective Games Long List. Additionally, all NGB medical providers must meet the criteria as identified in the NGB's approved Additional Officials Selection Procedures, along with the additional criteria outlined below.

The medical staffing list will include anyone who will potentially be credentialed by the NGB and/or use a day pass to provide services at an Olympic/Paralympic Village or a High Performance Training Center. Health care providers must meet minimum qualification standards which are identified below by their specialty without exception. NGBs must ensure their identified medical staff can meet these standards prior to advancing their nomination for a Games credential or day pass access. If the provider is not licensed in the United States, they may be ineligible to be credentialed. In order to meet expected standards of care and mitigate risk management issues, selected provider(s) **must** meet the below minimum qualifications in addition to the Selection Procedures criteria to provide medical services at games. These qualifications include:

- 1) Meet all criteria identified in the USOPC Volunteer Program Application for specific specialty (Attachments located at www.teamusa.org/medicalvolunteer). On occasion, specific supporting documentation will be requested at the discretion of USOPC Sports Medicine.
- 2) Successfully pass a medical credential review and criminal background check at or above USOPC standards with the National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI)
- 3) Review of the venue emergency action plan with USOPC Sports Medicine staff prior to the first scheduled practice or event.
- 4) Complete required Medical Team Education Modules addressing Anti-Doping, Safe Sport and/or other prerequisite training.

Appendix: Location of criteria:

- Athletic Trainer Qualification Criteria – located at www.teamusa.org/medicalvolunteer
- Physical Therapist Qualification Criteria - located at www.teamusa.org/medicalvolunteer
- Doctor of Chiropractic Qualification Criteria - located at www.teamusa.org/medicalvolunteer
- Physician Qualification Criteria - located at www.teamusa.org/medicalvolunteer
- Massage Therapist Qualification Criteria - located at www.teamusa.org/medicalvolunteer

Attachment B



USA Cycling Code of Conduct Agreement
For
U.S.A. Cycling Team Athletes, Olympic Games Team Members, Coaches and Support Staff

USA Cycling Code of Conduct

The standards set forth in the USA Cycling Code of Conduct (Code) and the Athlete Protection Policies (APP) are mandatory and must be followed by all Athletes, Coaches, Clubs, Committee Members, Independent Contractors, Local Associations, Mechanics, Officials, Program Managers and Directors, Race Directors, Soigneurs, Team Managers and Directors, USA Cycling Board of Directors Members, USA Cycling Employees, Volunteers, and all other USA Cycling Licensees and Participants (collectively, “any participant held accountable by this Code”). The Code and APP are intended to be comprehensive and easily understood, but they are not intended to be exhaustive or complete.

In some instances, the Code and APP deal fully with the subject covered. In other cases, however, when the subject addressed is more complex, the SafeSport Committee will provide additional guidance in making interpretations, determinations, and adjudications. Our Code and APP operate in tandem with the policies and procedures of our organization, our staff and with all applicable U.S. and foreign laws and regulations. Where differences exist, because of local customs, norms, laws and regulations, we require the use of the highest standard of behavior or the most restrictive requirement which applies.

Section 1. USA Cycling grants membership to individuals and groups. The membership may, therefore, be withdrawn or denied after appropriate due process by USA Cycling at any time where USA Cycling determines a member or prospective member's conduct is inconsistent with the mission of the organization or the best interest of the sport and those who participate in it.

In order to assist all members to better serve the interests of those who participate in cycling, USA Cycling has adopted this Code of Conduct.

Section 2. Any member or prospective member of USA Cycling may be sanctioned under the racing rules, fined, suspended, denied membership, censured, placed on probation, or expelled from USA Cycling after being afforded the right to a hearing under the USA Cycling Administrative Grievance Policy, if such member violates the provisions of the USA Cycling Code

of Conduct, set forth in Section 3 below, or aids, abets or encourages another person to violate any of the provisions of the USA Cycling Code of Conduct.

Section 3. The following shall be considered violations of the USA Cycling Code of Conduct:

(a) Violation of anti-doping provisions as established by UCI, WADA, USADA or the USOPC. (WADA code located at the following address – <https://www.wada-ama.org/en/what-we-do/the-code>)

(b) The illegal possession, transportation or distribution of drugs or the possession, transportation or distribution of any substances listed on the recognized list of banned substances from WADA or USADA.

(c) Violation of the UCI's Cycling Regulations 'Ban on Injections'. (Located at the following address - http://www.uci.ch/mm/Document/News/Rulesandregulation/16/26/69/13con-E_English.PDF)

(d) Any violation of the USA Cycling APP. (Located at the following address - <http://www.usacycling.org/athlete-protection-policies.htm>)

(e) Conviction of, imposition of a deferred sentence for, or any plea of guilty or no contest at any time, past or present for (i) any felony, (ii) any offense involving use, possession, distribution or intent to distribute illegal drugs or substances, or (iii) any crime involving sexual misconduct.

(f) Discrimination in violation of USAC Bylaw D or Section 220522(a)(8) of the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act, which requires USA Cycling provide an equal opportunity to amateur athletes, coaches, trainers, managers, mechanics, administrators, and officials to participate in amateur athletic competition, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identification, or national origin.

(g) Any non-consensual sexual contact or advance or other inappropriate sexually oriented behavior or action directed towards any member.

(h) The use of illegal drugs or illegal performance enhancing techniques.

(i) Providing alcohol or tobacco or other substances to any participant under 21 years of age by any participant held accountable by this Code.

(j) The abuse of alcohol in the presence of an athlete under the age of eighteen (18), by an athlete, coach, official, trainer, soigneur, or a person who, in the context of cycling, is in a position of authority over that athlete.

(k) Consumption of alcohol by an athlete under 21 years of age regardless of the legal drinking age established by the current state or country of tenancy.

(l) Excessive alcoholic consumption while on USA Cycling business or drinking of alcohol and then driving while on USA Cycling business.

(m) Physical, sexual, or emotional abuse, as referenced in the APP, of an athlete by any party held accountable by this Code and the APP.

(n) Any act of fraud, deception, or dishonesty in connection with any USA Cycling-related activity.

(o) Any non-consensual physical contact, obscene language or gesture, or other threatening language or conduct directed towards any person in connection with any USA Cycling-related activity.

(p) Any intentional damage to private or public property while at a cycling event, race venue, or damage to USA Cycling property.

(q) Failure of any member who is a party to or witnesses any violation(s) contained in the above stated USA Cycling Code of Conduct to report the specific violation to USA Cycling immediately.

(r) Any misconduct that constitutes a criminal offense punishable by one year or more in prison, regardless of whether the individual was convicted, or any criminal offense that directly involves the sport of cycling or a cycling event.

Section 4. Alleged violations of the USA Cycling Code of Conduct must be reported to USA Cycling's Risk Protection Manager.

Acceptance of Terms and Conditions of the USA Cycling Code of Conduct Agreement

I certify that I have read all terms and conditions and fully understand, accept, and agree to be bound by them.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____