Tokyo 2020 Pre-Games Anti-Doping Program

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TOKYO 2020 ANTI-DOPING PROGRAM

The IOC has delegated to the ITA the independent management of the Tokyo 2020 anti-doping program.

The ITA is therefore working hand-in-hand with the IOC and the Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee to put together a robust and efficient program to protect the integrity of the Games and allow athletes to compete in a healthy and fair environment.

In the lead up to the Games, the focus has been on:

• Setting out the roles and responsibilities of the IOC, the Tokyo 2020 Organizing Committee and the ITA for the implementation of the program
• Informing all NOCs, IFs, athletes and athlete support personnel on the process and details of the program
• Issuing -through a dedicated ITA Expert Group- testing recommendations to all anti-doping organisations worldwide to ensure that athletes going to Tokyo are subject to a fair and harmonised testing program ahead of the Games
• Implementing a centralised long-term storage program to store in a dedicated ITA facility samples collected on athletes going to Tokyo to deter from the use of prohibited substances and allow for the reanalysis of samples over the next 10 years
• Extending IOC’s testing jurisdictions to 2 months prior to the start of the Games to fill any testing gaps should athletes not be properly tested by their organisation (NADO and IF)
• Establishing, in cooperation with all 33 Summer Olympic Federations, for the first time ever, Sport Specific Protocols addressing the requirements, specificities and logistical elements of the testing program at the Games for each sport
• Re-designing the Games-time testing program to meet the COVID-19 requirements set by the IOC and the Japanese authorities, ensuring appropriate procedures to protect the health and safety of athletes and doping control personnel.
Recommendations shared with International Federations and National & Regional Anti-Doping Organisations

TIMELINE OF THE TOKYO 2020 PRE-GAMES INITIATIVES

MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

As of 3 March 2021, the recommendations have resulted in:

- More than 2,400 tests on individual athletes
- More than 400 tests on team sports
- 6,000+ controls already planned in the coming days/weeks
PRE-GAMES INITIATIVES: OVERVIEW

Around 1’500 recommendations
7 sports
Implemented over 1 month

Around 3’500 recommendations
7 sports
Implemented over 5 months

Around 26’000 recommendations
33 sports
Implemented over 6 months

6’352
Selected individual athletes, between 1 and 6 doping control(s) recommended per athlete

124
Selected teams, between 7 and 33 doping controls recommended per team
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The measures jointly implemented by the IOC and the ITA for Tokyo 2020 represent the most extensive Pre-Games anti-doping efforts ever implemented ahead of an Olympic Games.

COVID-19 is still significantly impacting the ability for anti-doping organisations to test athletes efficiently. It is therefore paramount that all organisations cooperate closely with one another to maximise efforts.

With the support of the World Anti-Doping Agency, all organisations should endeavor:

• To follow the testing recommendations issued by the ITA Tokyo 2020 Pre-Games Expert Group
• To make good use of the IOC’s financial support to store free of charge samples collected on athletes who will compete in Tokyo
• To cooperate closely with the ITA ahead of the Games and during the Games to protect the integrity of the event and offer all athletes a level-playing field