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Performing Enhancing Drugs Policy

(1.0) Introduction

Baseball BC believes in fostering a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment for participants. Performance enhancing drugs are detrimental to the health and welfare of athletes, create an unfair competitive advantage, and accordingly, have no place in sport. Baseball BC accepts, adopts, and adheres to the Canadian Anti-Doping Program and the designated authority and policies of the Canadian Center for Ethics in Sport.

(2.0) Education of Athletes

Baseball BC will provide educational opportunities related to the use of performance enhancing drugs as a standard component of high-performance programming.

Athletes who are selected to the Baseball BC Canada Cup team will complete a mandatory educational component on performance enhancing drug use.

(3.0) Respect of Suspensions

Baseball BC will respect any penalty enacted pursuant to a breach of the Canadian Anti-Doping Program, whether imposed by the World Anti-Doping Agency, Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport, Baseball Canada, or any other sport organization. Baseball BC may impose further sanctions under its discipline policy.

(4.0) Participant Responsibilities

Athletes and their parents/guardians are responsible for ensuring compliance with this policy. Individuals shall familiarize themselves with the Canadian Centre for Ethic in Sport's drug classification booklet (https://cces.ca/prohibited-list), which provides examples of banned and permitted substances.

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(5.0) Adult Responsibilities

This section applies to adult participants and organizers at events directly sanctioned by Baseball BC. Adult participants and organizers, includes but is not limited to, coaches, umpires, league officials, association staff, volunteers, and members of the Board of Directors.

Any adult participant or organizer who has reason to believe that an athlete is using performance enhancing drugs shall report the matter to the chief executive officer. The chief executive officer will consider the information provided by the adult and shall contact the athlete's parents/guardians. The chief executive officer, based on the totality of the evidence, will determine whether the matter should be referred to the discipline committee for review. An adult participant or organizer who withholds information about athlete performance enhancing drug use, is subject to discipline.

Any adult participant or organizer who is found to have encouraged an athlete to take performance enhancing drugs shall be suspended for a minimum of two years and may be referred to the RCMP or local police, as required.