

## Section 6 –

### Terms and Conditions for the International Carding Scheme for Athletes & National Governing Bodies of Sport

#### **6A - Athletes agree to**

##### *The Scheme:*

- Comply with and be bound by the Terms and Conditions of the Scheme.
- Co-operate and abide by any Sport Ireland decision relating to the scheme.

##### *Engagements:*

- Publicly represent, if required, the NGB and/or Sport Ireland in the media and through a limited number of public appearances. This expectation is outlined in the National Sports Policy 2018-2027.
- Comply with the NGB athlete agreement with regard all services (e.g. medical).
- Undergo a medical review as required with the Head of Medicine or Head of Rehab at Sport Ireland Institute.
- Actively and positively engage with the Athlete Lifeskills and Advisory Service of the Sport Ireland Institute

##### *Debrief Process:*

- Participate in Sport Ireland's Tokyo debrief process. Athletes who do not qualify for the Games are required to participate in an alternative review process.
- Sport Ireland has the expectation that athletes engage with debriefs on regular basis with their performance director and coach.

##### *Athlete Conduct:*

- Conduct himself/herself at all times in an appropriate manner and display a positive approach and co-operative behaviour towards his/her NGB, Sport Ireland and fellow athletes. Athletes should not behave in a manner which is likely to bring their respective sport, NGB or Sport Ireland into disrepute.

*Performance:*

- Follow their competition and training programme as agreed with the NGB and as laid out in the application form.
- Adhere to the performance benchmarks as laid out by the Performance Director for 2020.
- Participate in the National Championships of their sport unless otherwise agreed in exceptional circumstances with NGB.
- Maintain amateur/eligibility status to compete for the NGB through which an investment under the scheme was allocated.

*Anti-Doping:*

- Comply with any service support guidelines of the National Governing Body and Sport Ireland Institute
- Comply with and be bound by the Irish Anti-Doping Rules.
- Know the substances and methods which have been included in the Prohibited List (as may be amended from time to time) and to take responsibility to make sure that any substance ingested by the Athlete does not violate the Irish Anti-Doping Rules.
- Participate in the National Sports Anti-Doping Programme and undertake, as required, anti-doping testing, including the taking of a blood or urine sample, in competition and/or out of competition.
- Understand that a refusal by the athlete to submit to a test will have the same consequence as if the athlete had tested positive.
- Provide Sport Ireland, by the specified dates, an accurate and complete whereabouts filing in the format and detail required by Sport Ireland on a quarterly basis throughout the year.
- Update their whereabouts filing as required so that it is up to date and accurate at all times.
- Comply with the contents of their whereabouts filing.
- Supply accurate contact details to Sport Ireland. Addresses supplied via the application form will be made available to the Anti-Doping Unit for the purposes of implementing the anti-doping programme, and Sport Ireland Institute in relation to their various athlete programmes.
- Agree to complete Sport Irelands anti-doping eLearning by 31st of March 2020 <https://elearning.sportireland.ie/login/index.php>

## **6B NGBs agree to comply with Sport Ireland in the following areas**

### *Performance:*

- Sport Ireland or an NGB (Transition Sports) may withhold from an athlete a quarterly instalment of the annual financial support payable to that athlete under the Scheme where the evaluation by the NGB has determined that the athlete has:
  - Not performed satisfactorily or achieved the benchmark performances as agreed with the NGB
  - The athlete is no longer integrated in the High Performance Programme
  - The athletes daily training environment is no longer considered suitable to maximise the performances of the athlete
  - The athlete is no longer considered to be of podium or final potential in 2020 & 2024 Olympic / Paralympic Games

### *Anti-Doping*

- Sport Ireland may withhold from an athlete a quarterly instalment of the annual financial support payable to that athlete under the Scheme where an alleged Whereabouts Failure has been recorded against that athlete, regardless of the anti-doping organisation that has recorded the alleged Whereabouts Failure.
- **A Whereabouts Failure** is either a Filing Failure or a Missed Test. If the athlete fails to submit each required whereabouts filing by the specified timeline or makes a whereabouts filing that is not accurate and complete, that failure is a Filing Failure. If the athlete is not available for anti-doping testing at the location during the sixty-minute time slot specified for that day in their whereabouts filing and has not updated their whereabouts filing to provide an alternative time slot or location for that day, that failure is a Missed Test.
- Investment allocations under the Scheme shall stand suspended from the date Sport Ireland notifies an athlete of a possible anti-doping rule violation, other than an anti-doping rule violation involving a Specified Substance as defined in the Irish Anti-Doping Rules. The suspension shall last until the date of final determination that an anti-doping rule violation has or has not been committed.
- Where the final determination is that an anti-doping rule violation has not been committed, the suspended investment allocations shall be remitted to the athlete.

- Where the final determination is that an anti-doping rule violation has been committed but the period of ineligibility has been eliminated, the suspended investment allocations shall be remitted to the athlete.
- Where the final determination is that an anti-doping rule violation not involving a reduced sanction for Specified Substances has been committed and a period of ineligibility has been imposed on the athlete, all investment allocations will be withheld by Sport Ireland, the NGB and any other sports organisation concerned during the period of ineligibility and the athlete shall not be entitled to access to services under the Scheme for the duration of the period of ineligibility.
- Where an athlete who has received an investment allocation under the Scheme fails to comply with the Terms and Conditions, Sport Ireland may:
  - (a) Withhold investment allocations from, or refuse to provide funding to that athlete.
  - (b) Demand a refund of any investment provided under the Scheme to that athlete and recover, as a simple contract debt in any court of competent jurisdiction, from that athlete any such refund due and owing to Sport Ireland
  - (c) Make such determination in relation to the application of the Scheme to the athlete concerned, as Sport Ireland shall consider appropriate in all the circumstances.

*Data Processing:*

- Transitions Sports NGBs will be required to agree new data processing agreement with Sport Ireland in line with current data protection regulations.

## Section 7 A: Athletes Declaration

### I declare, consent and agree that:-

- I have received, read and understand the contents of this Application Form (including the excel file section) and the International Carding Scheme Guidelines.
- I have received, read and consented (as per Data Privacy Notice) to the processing my information in relation to the International Caring Scheme.
- I consent and agree to comply with and be bound by all the provisions of the International Carding Scheme including the Terms and Conditions of the International Carding Scheme for High Performance Athletes as set out in this Application Form and in the Guidelines.
- I have read and understand the Irish Anti-Doping Rules.
- I consent and agree to comply with and be bound by all the provisions of the Irish Anti-Doping Rules including the disciplinary process provided for in the Irish Anti-Doping Rules and in that regard I submit to the jurisdiction of the Irish Sport Anti-Doping Disciplinary Panel and the Irish Sport Anti-Doping Appeal Panel and agree to be bound by any decision of either panel and to comply with any sanction imposed upon me pursuant to the Irish Anti-Doping Rules.
- I agree to complete Sport Ireland's anti-doping eLearning by 31st of March 2020 <https://elearning.sportireland.ie/login/index.php>
- To the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing particulars as completed in this Application Form (including the excel file section) are true and accurate.
- Tax details as required by Sport Ireland will be supplied.

### I hereby consent to:-

- the information contained in this application form (including the excel file section); and/or
- any results of tests conducted on me as part of the International Carding Scheme; and/or
- any information/data accruing in respect of me as a result of Sport Ireland's anti-doping programme being retained and used/disclosed by Sport Ireland for the purposes of promoting and enforcing the anti-doping programme and generally for the purposes of Sport Ireland under the Sport Ireland Act 2015.

Signed (no electronic signatures)		Date	
<b>If the applicant is under 18 years on 31st December 2018, a parent or guardian must countersign the application form.</b>			
Signed		Parent/Guardian/Carer	Date

## Section 7 B: NGB Declaration

### I certify that:-

- To the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing particulars as completed in this Application Form are true and accurate.
- The athlete named in this Application Form has achieved the carding criteria as required under the category for which he/she has been recommended.
- In view of the foregoing, the applicant's application under the International Carding Scheme meets with the approval of this organisation.
- Agree to the terms and conditions that pertain to NGB management of the scheme, where an NGB has been given responsibility for the scheme.
- This organisation agrees to abide by the Terms and Conditions of the International Carding Scheme for High Performance Athletes as set out in Section 6 of this Application Form.

Signed by		Position	
NGB		Date	