

5.0 Confidentiality of Information

5.1 The collection, storage, processing, disclosure and retention of Personal Information in the TUE process by Anti-Doping Organizations and WADA shall comply with the International Standard for the Protection of Privacy and Personal Information.

5.2 An Athlete applying for a TUE shall provide written consent for the transmission of all information pertaining to the application to members of all TUECs with authority under the Code to review the file and, as required, other independent medical or scientific experts, and to all necessary staff involved in the management, review or appeal of TUEs, and WADA. The applicant shall also provide written consent for the decision of the TUEC to be distributed to other relevant Anti-Doping Organizations and National Federations under the provisions of the Code.

[Comment to 5.2: Prior to collecting Personal Information or obtaining consent from an Athlete, the Anti-Doping Organization shall communicate to the Athlete the information set forth in Article 7.1 of the International Standard for the Protection of Privacy and Personal Information.]

Should the assistance of external, independent experts be required, all details of the application will be circulated without identifying the Athlete concerned.

5.3 The members of the TUECs, independent experts and the staff of the Anti-Doping Organization involved, will conduct all of their activities in strict confidence and will sign confidentiality agreements. In particular they will keep the following information confidential:

- (a) All medical information and data provided by the Athlete and physician(s) involved in the Athlete's care.
- (b) All details of the application including the name of the physician(s) involved in the process.

Should the Athlete wish to revoke the right of any TUEC to obtain any health information on his/her behalf, the Athlete shall notify his/her medical practitioner in writing of the fact. As a consequence of such a decision, the Athlete will not receive approval for a TUE or renewal of an existing TUE.