

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
DRUG CONTROL & ANTI-DOPING

A. GENERAL POLICY

As a member National Governing Body (NGB) of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) and as a member federation of the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF), USA Shooting (USAS) is obligated to adhere to the anti-doping rules of the USOC and ISSF. In addition, USOC Bylaw Chapter XXIII, Section 2(G) provides that, as a condition of membership in the USOC, each NGB shall comply with the procedures pertaining to drug testing and adjudication of related doping offense of the independent anti-doping organization designated by the USOC to conduct drug testing. The USOC has designated the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) as that organization. The current anti-doping rules of the USOC, ISSF and USADA are available at the offices of USA Shooting or on line at: www.usantidoping.org (USOC and USADA).

B. ATHLETE RESPONSIBILITY

It is the responsibility of each athlete member of USAS to comply with the anti-doping rules of the ISSF, USOC and USADA. It is the responsibility of each athlete member of USA Shooting to submit, without reservation or condition, to in-competition and out-of-competition doping controls conducted by either the ISSF or USADA. (Out of competition doping controls by USADA take place at USA Shooting elite-level camps, training sessions at USOC facilities, or no advance notice any time for athletes designated by USA Shooting and USADA for inclusion in USA Shooting's no advance notice testing pool.

C. NO ADVANCE NOTICE TESTING PROGRAM

The no advance notice (NAN) testing program is a very important part of the anti-doping program. Athletes identified as likely candidates to participate in international competition and all National Team members are designated for NAN testing. NAN testing is oriented toward performance enhancing substances and does not include typical over the counter medications for common colds, flu and so forth. It is most important that athletes keep USADA current on training/competition activities, travel schedules and contact information. The ramifications of not being available for NAN testing are severe.

D. AUTHORITY

Pursuant to USOC Bylaw Chapter XXIII, Section 2(G), the management of positive and elevated test results (post October 2, 2000) for NGB athletes has become the responsibility of USADA. Any inconsistent provisions elsewhere in USAS are hereby superceded. USAS will, without further process, enforce and publish any sanction communicated to USAS by USADA resulting from adjudication of a doping control under the USADA Protocol.

