



INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING SPORT FEDERATION

The Secretary General

To the ISSF Member Federations

Munich, March 31, 2022

Requirement for ISSF Coaches Certification under the ISSF Anti-Doping Rules and the World Anti-Doping Code

Dear Colleagues,

I hope this finds you well!

ISSF is contacting you today to ask for your support in ensuring compliance with the criteria set by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) regarding the education of coaches and other Athlete Support Personnel, as well as all the responsibilities of Athlete Support Personnel under the ISSF Anti-Doping Rules.

The World Anti-Doping Code ('Code') and ISSF Anti-Doping Rules define "Athlete Support Personnel" as *any coach, trainer, manager, agent, team staff, official, medical paramedical personnel, parent or any other Person working with, treating or assistant an Athlete participating or preparing for sports competition.*

Pursuant to Article 20.3.13 of the Code and Article 17 of the ISSF Anti-Doping Rules, *ISSF shall plan, implement, evaluate and promote antidoping Education in line with the requirements of the Code and the International Standard for Education.*

In addition, Article 4.3.3 of the International Standard for Education and Article 21 of the ISSF Anti-Doping Rules provide *that Athlete Support Personnel (including coaches) have a responsibility to be knowledgeable of and comply with all anti-doping policies and rules and use their influence on Athlete values and behaviours that foster anti-doping attitudes.*

Against this background, all coaches who have already been awarded or are planning to acquire an **ISSF Coach Licence** (concerning all categories (Coach Pro, Coach, National Coach)) **must complete WADA's anti-doping course for high performance coaches on the WADA Anti-Doping Education and Learning platform ('ADEL')**.

For this purpose, the coaches must:

- 1) register for ADEL on <https://adel.wada-ama.org/learn>. Please designate ISSF as your Anti-Doping Organisation upon registration,

- 2) enrol for the High-Performance Coaches' Education Program (available in different languages),
- 3) successfully complete the Program, and
- 4) download the digital certificate received for successfully completing the Program and send it to office@issf-sports.org.

Please note that the completion of this Program is **mandatory** for coaches holding or intending to acquire an ISSF Coach License. All other Athlete Support Personnel are also strongly encouraged to complete the Program, as well as other ADEL modules and courses.

You are therefore kindly asked **to inform the coaches concerned as well as any other Athlete Support Personnel within your national federation about this requirement by forwarding this circular letter.**

Please note that in order for coaches currently holding ISSF licences to maintain or prolong their licence, the digital certificate obtained for successful completion of the Program must be received by office@issf-sports.org **by 31 December 2022** at the latest.

Applicants for new Coaches Certificates must complete the High-Performance Coaches' Education Program and send ISSF, office@issf-sports.org, with the digital certificate upon completion as a condition of their new license being issued.

We thank you for your continued respect of ISSF's anti-doping program and to your continued commitment to healthy and clean sport.

Best regards,



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