



OCA MCADC –18th Asian Games 2018

Message from Chairman, OCA Medical Committee and Anti-Doping Commission

No needle Policy
18th Asian Games – Jakarta & Palembang , Indonesia
(18 August – 2 September 2018)

To All Asian NOC's (for attention of CDM and other appropriate persons)

The Medical Committee and Anti-Doping Commission of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA-MCADC) shall implement the "No Needle Policy" in the 18th Asian Games in Jakarta & Palembang, Indonesia , 2018. This shall not prevent the receiving of the injections for the necessary medical treatment.

It is the responsibility of each national Olympic Committee (NOC) to comply with this OCA-MCAC policy and, in particular, to ensure that:

- a. All appropriate steps are taken so that all injectable materials are stored in a central secured location, access to which is restricted to authorized medical personnel of the NOC delegations;
- b. All injections are medically justified and necessary; and
- c. Whenever an athlete representing an NOC receives an injection-whether the injection is administered by a third party or by the athlete him/herself- during the period of the Games of the 18th Asian Games – Jakarta & Palembang in Indonesia (i.e. from the date of the opening of the Athletes' Village on 4th August 2018 to and including the date of Closing Ceremony on 2nd September 2018). The attached "Injection Declaration Form" should be duly filled out and forwarded to the chairman of the OCA-MCADC no later than next day following such injection at the noon time.

Failure to so provide such "Injection Declaration Form" to the OCA-MCADC Chairman, as well as the use of injectable materials for medical treatment that is not necessary, shall be regarded as



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serious matters and may expose the NOC delegation, including the concerned athletes, to disciplinary action, additional testing and possible sanctions, as determined by the OCA Executive Board.

If the relevant NOC or International Federation also has rules in place regarding the subject matter dealt with herein, the rules of the relevant NOC or International Federation shall also apply. In the event of any conflict between such rules and the present Policy, during the period of the Games of the 18th Asian Games- Jakarta & Palembang, the OCA Executive Board shall resolve the matter.

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Attachment:

1. Injection Declaration Form