

Amendment of Art. 12 IBU ADR¹

12. Sanctions and Costs Assessed Against Member Federations

12.1 The IBU has the authority to withhold some or all funding or other non-financial support to member federations that are not in compliance with these Anti-Doping Rules.

12.2 Member federations are obligated to reimburse the IBU for all costs (including but not limited to laboratory fees, hearing expenses and travel) related to a violation of these Anti-Doping Rules committed by an athlete or other person affiliated with that member federation.

12.3 The IBU shall take the following additional action against member federations:

12.3.1 If two athletes or other persons affiliated with the same member federation are declared ineligible for more than six months by the IBU Anti-Doping Hearing Panel for having committed, within a 12-month period, an Anti-Doping Rule violation (hereinafter "ADRV"), the IBU shall reduce by two (2) the applicable start quota (including Wild Cards) of that member federation for the subsequent competition season in the highest competition series (WCH – WC series; IBU Cup – OECH – SB WCH series; Junior Cup – OEJCH – YJWCH series) for which the athletes or persons declared ineligible had been registered.

12.3.1.1 The reduction of the applicable start quota shall also be applicable for Olympic Winter Games (OWG) if they take place during the subsequent competition season.

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12.3.1.2 Relay competitions are not affected by the start quota reduction.

12.3.1.3 The reduction of the start quota may be imposed on the male gender or female gender only or equally on both genders, depending on the gender of the athletes or persons who have been declared ineligible.

12.3.1.4 In addition the IBU may ban officials from that member federation from participation in any IBU activities for a period of up to two years (2) and/or fine that member federation in accordance with the IBU Disciplinary Rules.

12.3.1.5 The IBU may refrain from sanctioning the member federation concerned if that member federation establishes that it bears no Fault or Negligence (within the meaning of Art. 10.4 of the WADA-Code) and could not reasonably avoid by all means the ADRV.

12.3.2 If three or more athletes or other persons affiliated with the same member federation are declared ineligible for more than six months by the IBU Anti-Doping Hearing Panel for having committed, within a 12-month period, an ADRV, the IBU shall increase the start quota reduction as defined in 12.3.1 to two subsequent competition seasons (including OWG if they take place in the two subsequent competition seasons).

12.3.2.1 In addition the IBU may ban officials from that member federation from participation in any IBU activities for a period of up to three years (3) and/or fine that member federation in accordance with the IBU Disciplinary Rules.

12.3.3 If six or more athletes or other persons affiliated with the same member federation are declared ineligible for more than six months by the IBU Anti-Doping Hearing Panel for having committed, within a 12-month period, an ADRV, the IBU shall suspend that federation's membership for a period of 2-4 years, depending on the seriousness of the ADRV and the lack of care of that federation.

12.3.4 In the event that a member federation has failed to make diligent efforts to keep the IBU informed about an athlete's whereabouts after receiving a request for that information from the IBU, the IBU may fine the member federation an amount in accordance with the IBU Disciplinary Rules per athlete in addition to all costs incurred by the IBU in testing that member federation's athletes.