

Athlete Support Personnel (ASP) Rights & Responsibilities

Guardians of Integrity: ASPs in Clean Sport

- ▶ Every Individual, including Athlete Support Personnel (ASP), bears the responsibility to uphold the integrity of clean sport. The Anti-Doping Rules are applicable to all, The Anti-Doping Rules are applicable to all, reminding us not to let a single misstep derail a promising sporting journey
- ▶ Whether you serve as a coach, doctor, physiotherapist, or parent/guardian, you form an integral part of an athlete's support system. Athletes rely on your expertise, guidance, and support to navigate their sporting journey. Through collaborative efforts, we can empower athletes to make informed choices regarding clean sport, thereby reducing the risk of both intentional and inadvertent doping.
- It is imperative for all ASP to be well-versed in essential anti-doping practices and available tools to safeguard the integrity of athletes.
- ▶ While this responsibility is particularly crucial for sports medicos and nutritionists, who must maintain confidence in their practice and advice to athletes consistently, all ASP are bound by certain aspects of the World Anti-Doping Code, reflecting both rights and responsibilities.

Athlete Support Personnel Rights

Athlete support personnel and other persons rights under the Code include:

- Right to a fair hearing, before an independent hearing panel
- Right to appeal the hearing decision
- Rights regarding data protection, according to the ISPPPI and any local applicable law



Athlete Support Personnel Responsibilities

Athlete support personnel and other persons responsibilities under the Code include:

- Using their influence on athlete values and behaviors to foster clean sport behaviors
- Knowing and complying with all applicable anti-doping policies and rules
- Cooperating with the athlete doping control program
- Cooperating with NADA's investigating Anti-Doping Rule Violations (ADRVs)
- Informing the relevant IF and/or NADO if they have committed an ADRV in the last 10 years
- ▶ Refraining from possessing a (prohibited substance or method)*, administering any such substance or method to an athlete, trafficking, covering up an anti-doping rule violation (ADRV) or other forms of complicity and associating with a person convicted of doping (prohibited association). These are ADRVs applicable to athlete support personnel under Article 2 of the World Anti-Doping Code and NADA's Anti-Doping Rules.

Please NOTE: * Unless the athlete support personnel can establish that the possession is consistent with a TUE granted to an athlete or other acceptable justification. Acceptable justification would include, for example, a team doctor carrying prohibited substances for dealing with acute and emergency situations.



Significance of ASP's Rights & Responsibilities in WADA Code

- Understanding their rights and responsibilities enables ASPs to effectively navigate their roles within the anti-doping framework.
- Defining responsibilities ensures that ASPs are held accountable for their actions, promoting ethical behavior and maintaining integrity.
- Awareness of their responsibilities ensures ASPs provide athletes with accurate information and support, thereby protecting their well-being and sporting careers.
- ASPs play a critical role in preserving the integrity of sports; awareness of their rights and responsibilities is instrumental in upholding anti-doping standards.
- Awareness of rights and responsibilities ensures ASPs adhere to legal requirements, reducing the risk of inadvertent rule violations.
- ▶ By fulfilling their responsibilities, ASPs build trust with athletes, sports organizations, and regulatory bodies, creating a positive and supportive environment for clean sport.

