



**WADA**

# Implementation of the 2015 World Anti-Doping Code

## **Practical steps to be taken by all signatories following the adoption of the 2015 World Anti-Doping Code**

- Code signatories do not need to sign a new Code acceptance form.
- Following the November 2013 World Conference, the first step for all signatories is incorporation of the Revised Code provisions in their policies, statutes, legislation or rules.
  - ▶ *To facilitate this task, WADA will provide all signatories with Model Rules based on the 2015 Code and International Standards.*
  - ▶ *For signatories that have already adopted rules in line with the 2009 Code, red-lined comparisons between the Model Rules based upon the 2009 Code and the Model Rules based upon the 2015 Code will be provided to help signatories identify the provisions to be edited.*
  - ▶ *WADA will provide signatories any specific, individualized assistance and guidance that might be needed in this process.*
  - ▶ *The 2015 Code and International Standards come into force on January 1, 2015, thereby signatories are strongly encouraged to take the appropriate steps to amend their policies, statutes, legislation or rules in 2014 to ensure that all revised documents enter into force on that date.*

- The second step to be taken by all signatories following the November 2013 World Conference is the implementation of an anti-doping program based on the new regulations each signatory will draft and formally adopt, as per above.
  - ▶ *Signatories should devote sufficient resources to implement such programs.*
  - ▶ *Special focus should be put on the need to develop and implement an effective, intelligent and proportionate Test Distribution Plan, in light of the applicable provisions set forth in the 2015 Code and the International Standard for Testing and Investigation.*
  - ▶ *To assist signatories in this second step of the compliance process, WADA will provide Guidelines and Protocols based on the 2015 Code and International Standards.*
  - ▶ *WADA will provide signatories any specific, individualized assistance and guidance that might be needed in this process.*
  - ▶ *Signatories are strongly encouraged to undertake all necessary preliminary activities in 2014, to ensure implementation of anti-doping programs compliant with the 2015 Code and International Standards at the start of 2015.*

## **General considerations on Code compliance**

- To ensure efficiency in the harmonized fight against doping in sport and fairness for the Athletes, compliance with the Code is mandatory for all Code signatories.
- The Code assigns WADA the responsibility of monitoring compliance with the Code by its signatories. WADA is also required to report formally to its Foundation Board on stakeholder Code compliance.