

MEDICAL LIAISON REPORT 2018

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The calendar of all international events is always very busy during the last two years and even 2018 does not deny this trend. Many were anti-doping controls with considerable commitment of means and costs on the part of the Organizing Committees.

There are some news regarding the new WADA regulation (wada-ama.org) and those who have entered the website have noticed that it is under review that will lead to its new drafting planned for the year 2021.

Another important chapter concerns alcohol tests. The alcohol has been removed from the prohibited substances since the beginning of the current year by the WADA, but as regards the whole family of the archery, during the World Archery World Congress held in Mexico City in the autumn of 2017, on a proposal of the board has been voted unanimously to keep the test for alcohol valid in our discipline and therefore the rules so far followed in all national and international events remain valid. That said, please note that all the Organizing Committees, if they do not have testers for such controls and forms, can request them from the WAE secretariat when they will accept to organize an event.

I think it is very important to make a clarification regarding the forms. These are made up of multiple copies. Leaving aside the copies that go to the athletes and laboratories, which are the responsibility of the doctors who carry out the checks, remains a copy that must be delivered to the World Archery Europe. The WAE will then forward to WA the amount of their competence.

In case I have to be present on the field, I will proceed to withdraw what was foreseen personally. Otherwise I think it should be the Technical Delegate to take on this task and send the envelopes to WAE. Some times, unfortunately, we noticed a failure to respond to the above, creating problems in the normal procedures of knowledge and privacy.

The Biological Passport for the Athlete, another important chapter in the fight against doping and presented for some years, may be viewed on the WADA website, to which reference should be made for further details of the case, given that the length and particularity of the topics is out of the analysis here.

I would also like to point out that in the current year, the number of positive controls has been below the previous year, and hopefully for the future, this

number can be reset, considering that for the new regulations only the Athlete is responsible for the law.