

2008 AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC TEAM



ATHLETE WHEREABOUTS INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE 2008 BEIJING OLYMPIC GAMES

The *International Olympic Committee (IOC) Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Games of the XXIX Olympiad, Beijing 2008* (IOC Anti Doping Rules), specify a number of obligations and responsibilities for Athletes and National Olympic Committees (NOC's). This letter outlines responsibilities relevant to the Athlete Whereabouts Information requirements for the period of the Olympic Games which, according to the IOC Anti Doping Rules, is the opening of the Olympic Village for the Olympic Games in Beijing, (27 July 2008) until and including the Closing Ceremony of the Olympic Games, (24 August 2008) (Olympic Period).

During the Olympic Period, all Athletes are subject to testing anytime and any place irrespective of the date of arrival into Beijing Olympic Village. Further, all tests are considered in-competition tests and individual and/or team Whereabouts Information must be provided in order to support such testing. Failure to provide such information may constitute an Anti-Doping Rule Violation pursuant to Article 2.4 of the IOC Anti-Doping Rules.

Specifically the AOC has an obligation to submit, monitor and manage whereabouts information during the Olympic Period specifying on a daily basis the location and times where the Athlete or Team will be residing, training and competing. The required information must be provided to the IOC before 27 July 2008.

The AOC and/or individual Athletes are also required to update this information as appropriate and as necessary so that it is current at all times during the Olympic Period.

As you are aware, the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) collects Athlete's Whereabouts Information as part of its statutory responsibilities in Australia. The AOC and ASADA are working together to meet the requirements of the IOC Anti Doping Rules for the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games.

Whereabouts Requirements

Please read the following information carefully as non-compliance with the specified requirements may put you at risk of committing an Anti-Doping Rule Violation/s (ADRV) pursuant to Article 2.4 of the IOC Anti Doping Rules.

In accordance with the IOC Anti Doping Rules, Athletes are required to submit current, complete and accurate Whereabouts Information for the purposes of No Advance Notice sample collection between 27 July 2008 and 24 August 2008.

The IOC Anti Doping Rules (Clause 5.5.1) essentially specify three requirements during the Olympic Period, namely Accommodation, Competition, and Training details. Details of the Accommodation and Competition requirements will be, provided to the

IOC by the AOC assuming you are staying in the Olympic Village and arrive with the other members of your section/sport. Nevertheless, Athletes *have specific responsibilities with regards to providing 'training' information as outlined below.*

Accommodation

All Australian Athletes will be accommodated in the Olympic Village, unless granted permission to the contrary by the 2008 Chef de Mission – John Coates.

Many Athletes may not be arriving into Beijing until after 27 July 2008, or may spend a short period of time outside the Village between 27 July and 24 August 2008.

Therefore, each Athlete must keep their accommodation whereabouts up to date for their accommodation arrangement anytime within this Olympic Period.

For these reasons, Athletes should be able to be located at their specified accommodation during 'reasonable' times (this will take account of the specific training/rest patterns of Athletes in particular sports).

In-Village: Athletes will be considered to be staying in the Olympic Village by default. Athletes will be located by the AOC Medical or Administration Desk of the Australian Accommodation. Doping Control Officials will normally present to the Medical or Administration desk and will then be advised of the Room Number of the Athlete and escorted. Alternatively the Section Manager may be asked to locate the Athlete.

Out of Village: Australian Athletes that are approved to reside outside of the Olympic Village during the Olympic Period are required to seek the express permission of the Australian Chef de Mission. A condition of this permission will be that the Athlete advises specific accommodation details for the period and updates this information as appropriate and as necessary so that it is current at all times during the Olympic Period.

It is extremely important that any Athletes residing outside of the Olympic Village during the Olympic Period strictly adhere to the additional Athlete Whereabouts Information requirements of the IOC Anti Doping Rules.

Competition

Through sport entry process, the IOC will be aware of which Athletes are scheduled to compete in which events. There may be circumstances where Athletes competition schedule will change as the Games progress (eg actual players participating in particular games for Team sports or the actual make-up of relay teams in Athletics and Swimming etc) and we anticipate this will be notified through official channels. Nevertheless, for the purposes of the Anti-Doping program Athletes should specify and/or update this information during the Olympic Period.

Training

The AOC has notified the IOC that, in relation to 'training' information requirements it has interpreted Clause 5.5.1 of the IOC Anti Doping Rules to require Athletes to specify one hour of each day during the Olympic Period where they can be located for sample collection.

All Athletes are therefore required to submit this information to be compliant with the IOC Anti Doping Rules.

Irrespective of this one hour per day, Doping Control Officers can conduct tests any time on any day in the Olympic Period.

Olympic Whereabouts Solution

ASADA has developed a database into which Athletes Whereabouts Information can be submitted and provided to the IOC in accordance with the IOC Anti Doping Rules.

Athlete Whereabouts Information will be submitted online using the BK Olympic Whereabouts System (see <https://whereabouts.asada.gov.au/OlympicWhereabouts>)

This new system mirrors the regular ASADA Athlete Whereabouts Online System in all respects but has been set up specifically to address the IOC Anti Doping Rules for the Olympic Period and also to minimise disruption for ASADA RTP Athletes.

To assist Athletes, ASADA has already established accounts for all Athletes, AOC Staff and Section Managers have loaded all official Olympic Games training venues into both AWOS and the BK Olympic Whereabouts System.

ASADA will provide ongoing support to Athletes via telephone on +61 (0) 2 6222 4243 to ensure compliance with the requirements of the IOC Anti Doping Rules.

It is important that Athletes read the following information carefully as there are different requirements for Athletes to input their information based on their ASADA status.

If you are a current ASADA Registered Testing Pool (RTP) Athlete, read on
If you are not an ASADA RTP Athlete, go to the section entitled ***Athletes not currently on the ASADA RTP below***

Current ASADA Registered Testing Pool (RTP) Athletes

All ASADA RTP Athletes selected on the Team should be familiar with the Athlete Whereabouts Online System (AWOS) and compliant with their 'normal' Athlete Whereabouts information requirements for the Period 1 July to 30 September 2008 (Quarter 1 2008-09).

However, ASADA RTP Athletes that are also Team members are now advised of the additional requirements of the IOC Anti Doping Rules (ie to specify one hour of each day during the Olympic Period where they can be located for sample collection).

Leading up to the Olympic Period (ie up to midnight on 26 July 2008) all ASADA RTP Athletes that are also Team members will continue to provide information (including the additional information required under the IOC Anti Doping Rules) via AWOS.

To assist Athletes, at midnight on 26 July 2008, ASADA will duplicate the Athlete Whereabouts Information from AWOS into the BK Olympic Whereabouts System.

During the Olympic Period (ie from 27 July to 24 August 2008), ASADA RTP Athletes that are also Team members will then utilise the BK Olympic Whereabouts System (see <https://whereabouts.asada.gov.au/OlympicWhereabouts>)

For ASADA RTP Athletes...

The logon and password for the BK Olympic Whereabouts System will be identical to those used for AWOS

At the conclusion of the Olympic Period (ie from 25 August onwards), ASADA RTP Athletes will revert to using AWOS to provide Whereabouts Information to ASADA.

To assist Athletes, if an attempt is made to provide information to the 'wrong' system, the Athlete will be notified of this and directed to the alternate system logon screen.

At any time Athletes can call the ASADA Whereabouts staff on +61 (0) 2 6222 4243 (International) or 13 000 ASADA (13 000 27232) (Nationally) to assist you to meet your requirements.

Athletes not currently on the ASADA RTP

Athletes not currently on the ASADA RTP (ie non-RTP athletes) are now advised of the Athlete Whereabouts Information requirements of the IOC Anti Doping Rules (ie to specify one hour of each day during the Olympic Period where they can be located for sample collection).

Non-RTP Athletes should submit Athlete Whereabouts Information online using ASADA's new BK Olympic Whereabouts System (see <https://whereabouts.asada.gov.au/OlympicWhereabouts>) both in the lead up to the Olympic Period and during the Olympic Period.

For Non-RTP Athletes...

Logon instructions have been sent to your nominated email address by the AOC.

The first time you log on, you will be required to change and personalise your password. You should keep your password secure at all times.

Noting that the BK Olympic Whereabouts System is very similar to the ASADA Athlete Whereabouts Online System, non-RTP Athletes may wish to read the ***Athletes' User Manual for Athlete Whereabouts Online System*** available at <http://www.asada.gov.au/control/whereabouts/resources.htm>

However, recognising that Non-RTP Athletes may require additional help getting up to speed with these requirements, they will be able to call the ASADA Athlete Services Team for assistance on +61 (0) 2 6222 4243 (International) or 13 000 ASADA (13 000 27232) (Nationally).

Once Athletes are familiar with the AWOS they will be prepared to input their information into the BK Olympic Whereabouts System. This new system is now available for data input.

It is the Athletes responsibility to ensure that information has been input on or before the due date and the information is current, accurate, and complete for the duration of the Olympic Period.

Authorised Representative

To assist Athletes to ensure that Athlete Whereabouts Information is current, complete, and accurate for the Olympic Period, each Section Manager (and specified AOC staff) have been delegated as an Authorised Representative for their relevant Athletes. These individuals will be able access the BK Olympic Whereabouts System to provide Athletes with assistance (eg by updating information and to ensure that your obligations are being met).

Consequences for Non-Compliance

Failure to provide Athlete Whereabouts Information (ie Failure to Provide Information) or failure to be located for Sample Collection after being requested to provide your location, also known as a Missed Test may be considered as an Anti-Doping Rule Violation pursuant to article 2.4 of the IOC Anti Doping Rules.

Importantly, any Athlete that is unavailable for Testing on two separate occasions during the Olympic Period shall be considered to have committed an Anti-Doping Rule Violation pursuant to Article 2.4 of the IOC Anti Doping Rules.

An Anti-Doping Rule Violation occurring during or in connection with the Beijing Olympic Games may lead to disqualification of all of the Athlete's results obtained in the Olympics with all consequences including forfeiture of all medals, points and prizes.

In addition, Athletes may be declared 'temporarily or permanently ineligible for editions of the Games of the Olympiad and the Olympic Winter Games subsequent to the Olympic Games [London 2012]'.

Team Membership Agreement

All Athletes have signed the Team Membership Agreement, which amongst things, stipulates the following:

- (i) acknowledgment by an Athlete about being available for sample collection and providing accurate and up to date Whereabouts Information - clause 2(5);
- (ii) agreement by the Athlete that the AOC may collect personal information from third parties including the IOC and ASADA- clause 7.2(1);
- (iii) agreement of the Athlete that, if the IOC or ASADA provides information to the AOC, the AOC can disclose personal, health and the like information to ASADA or the IOC;
- (iv) agreement by the Athlete to abide with the AOC's Anti-Doping By-Laws- clause 15.1. The By Laws include an obligation on an Athlete to be available for sample collection.

Use of Athlete Whereabouts Information

During the logon process users will be provided with specific Privacy information.

The Athlete Whereabouts Information collected on the BK Olympic Whereabouts System will be used by the AOC, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and/or the Beijing Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (BOCOG) for the implementation, coordination, administration, monitoring and enforcement of effective anti-doping measures during the Olympic Period or to assist in resolution of potential anti-doping rule violations under the IOC Rules during and following the Olympic Period.

For the purposes of the implementation, coordination, administration, monitoring and enforcement of effective anti-doping measures, the information collected may be released in certain circumstances including but not limited to: may be made available to and disclosed to ASADA, the AOC, the IOC, WADA, BOCOG and relevant International Federations (IFs).

ASADA will decommission the BK Olympic Whereabouts System following the Olympic Period.

Reminder: Athlete Whereabouts Information for the Olympic period must be complete by 27 July 2008 and remain accurate during the Olympic Period (ie 27 July 2008 to 24 August 2008).

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