

Athlete's declaration 18/19

Surname: _____ First name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Address: _____

Club: _____

Referred to hereinafter as the athlete

1. The undersigned athlete abstains from all forms of doping.

Doping is considered, among other things, to be the presence of a prohibited substance in a sample provided by the athlete. Doping is also considered to be the use or attempted use of a prohibited substance or a prohibited method according to the doping list issued by Antidoping Switzerland¹, the Swiss anti-doping agency.

An exhaustive list of violations of anti-doping rules can be found in the *Doping-Statut* of Swiss Olympic².

2. The doping list is updated annually. The athlete undertakes to keep himself regularly informed of the contents of the doping list³. He is aware that ignorance of the current doping list does not exclude him from the sanctions imposed for violations of anti-doping rules.
3. The athlete declares that he consents to doping controls carried out by the competent anti-doping organisations, namely by Antidoping Switzerland, at competitions and out of competition. The carrying out of these controls is in accordance with the *Ausführungsbestimmungen zum Doping-Statut*⁴.

Any athlete who refuses to submit to or withdraws from a doping control or frustrates the purpose thereof or tries to engage in such behaviour is committing a violation of anti-doping rules and will be subject to the same sanctions as he would be in the event of a positive result.

4. The athlete who is a member of a testing pool declares that he agrees that specific regulations of the *Doping-Statut* and its *Ausführungsbestimmungen* concerning whereabouts, therapeutic use exemptions and withdrawal apply to him.

The athlete acknowledges in particular that it is his duty to make details of his whereabouts available to Antidoping Switzerland. The athlete is aware, however, that he is fully responsible for the fact that all data supplied is complete, true and is received in good time by Antidoping Switzerland. **Failure to comply with the duty to report whereabouts may, in the event of a repeat occurrence, be considered to be a violation of anti-doping rules and be sanctioned accordingly.**

¹ The doping list of Antidoping Switzerland is based on that of the World Anti-Doping Agency.

² The *Doping-Statut* can be viewed at <http://www.antidoping.ch>.

³ The current doping list can be viewed at <http://www.antidoping.ch>.

⁴ The *Ausführungsbestimmungen zum Doping-Statut* are based on the Standards of the World Anti-Doping Agency and can be viewed at <http://www.antidoping.ch>.

5. The athlete, in the event of a contravention of anti-doping rules, is subject to sanctions in accordance with the governing statutes and regulations of Swiss Olympic, Antidoping Switzerland, the Swiss Handball Federation and the International Handball Federation. He declares that he is familiar with these⁵.

The following sanctions in particular, which may be applied in conjunction with one another, may be imposed on the athlete.

- **Suspension, which may be for a limited period or (in the event of a repeat occurrence) for life**
- **Fines**
- **Disallowance of prizes**
- **Warning**
- **Publication of the decision of Swiss Olympic's Disciplinary chamber for doping cases**

If more than two members of a team have committed a violation of the anti-doping rules, the Swiss Handball Federation may impose also a sanction on the team (e.g. forfeit defeat, deduction of points).

6. **The athlete acknowledges the exclusive jurisdiction of Swiss Olympic's Disciplinary chamber for doping cases to pronounce judgement on violation of anti-doping rules as the court of first instance** and expressly submits to its authority to pass judgement.
7. The decisions of the Disciplinary chamber for doping cases may be appealed against before the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). The decision of this body is final. **The athlete submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of CAS as the appeals authority in the context of an independent court of arbitration**, to the exclusion of State courts. The provisions of the Code of Sports-related Arbitration apply at the CAS⁶.

Where no agreements have been made to the contrary, proceedings before CAS will be held in German, French or Italian. In the event of the parties being unable to agree upon a language, CAS will decide the language of the proceedings. The arbitrators appointed by the parties must be included on the appropriate CAS list and must not in any way have been involved in the proceedings of first instance.

Place / Date: _____

Signature of athlete: _____

Signature of legal representative (in the case of minors): _____

⁵ The corresponding rules can be viewed at <http://www.swissolympic.ch>, <http://www.antidoping.ch>, <http://www.handball.ch> and <http://www.ihf.info>.

⁶ This can be viewed at <http://www.tas-cas.org>.