POLICY OBJECTIVE/AIM

This policy is to ensure competition during the Australian Masters Games (AMG) is fair and conducted under the rules set down by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) and the relevant sport.

POLICY KEY PRINCIPLES

- AMG acknowledges and adopts “The Code” set down by WADA and administered by ASADA in reference to doping activities in sport.
- Any substance used for the purpose of performance enhancement is banned.
- The AMG recognises some substances which are classified as performance enhancing by recognised authorities may be used by people in the Masters age groups as medically prescribed or therapeutic substances.
- AMG encourages all athletes to take responsibility for their own anti-doping education.

PROCEDURES/PROCESSES

- The anti-doping policy of each sport included in the AMG program is the applicable document by which all competitors and their supporters must abide.
- The ASADA website provides both excellent ‘E-Learning’ and a ‘Check Your Substances’ resources to support competitor and supporter needs.
- Any individuals who are currently banned from sport due to doping violations will not be permitted to enter any sport at the AMG.
- There may be random drug testing at sports events during the AMG. If a participant tests positive for a performance enhancing drug they will be disqualified from participating in AMG unless it is proven that they are taking this as medication and is prescribed by a physician for a medical condition.
- Participants in AMG should continue to take all medications as prescribed by their doctor.
- Participants who are believed to be under the influence of alcohol will not be permitted to participate or officiate in AMG competitions.

POLICIES & SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Sport - go to your sport’s (NSO) website for its current Anti-Doping Policy
- ASADA - www.asada.gov.au/ for E-Learning and a ‘Check Your Substances’

OTHER RELATED AMG POLICIES

- AMG Competitor Code of Behaviour Policy
- AMG Registration Terms and Conditions of Entry Policy