



Modifications for *Athletes* who are *Minors*

1 Objective

To ensure that the needs of *Athletes* who are *Minors* are met, in relation to the provision of a *Sample*, without compromising the integrity of the *Sample Collection Session*.

2 Scope

Determining whether modifications are necessary starts with identification of situations where *Sample* collection involves *Athletes* who are *Minors* and ends with modifications to *Sample* collection procedures where necessary and where possible.

3 Responsibility

The *ADO* has responsibility for ensuring, when possible, that the *DCO* has any information necessary to conduct a *Sample Collection Session* with an *Athlete* who is a *Minor*. This includes confirming wherever necessary that parental consent clauses are in place when arranging *Testing* at an *Event*..

4 Requirements

4.1 All aspects of notification and *Sample* collection for *Athletes* who are *Minors* shall be carried out in accordance with the standard notification and *Sample* collection procedures unless modifications are necessary due to the *Athlete* being a *Minor*.

4.2 In planning or arranging *Sample* collection, the *ADO* and *DCO* shall consider whether there will be any *Sample* collection for *Athletes* who are *Minors* that may require modifications to the standard procedures for notification or *Sample* collection.

4.3 The *DCO* and the *ADO* shall have the authority to make modifications as the situation requires when possible and as long as such modifications will not compromise the identity, security or integrity of the *Sample*.

4.4 *Athletes* who are *Minors* may be accompanied by a representative throughout the entire *Sample* Collection Session. The representative shall not witness the passing of a urine *Sample* unless requested to do so by the *Minor*. The objective is to ensure that the *DCO* is observing the *Sample* provision correctly. Even if the *Minor* declines a representative, the *ADO*, *DCO* or *Chaperone*, as applicable, shall consider whether a third party ought to be present during notification of and/or collection of the *Sample* from the *Athlete*.

4.5 For *Athletes* who are *Minors*, the *DCO* shall determine who, in addition to the *Sample Collection Personnel*, may be present during the *Sample Collection Session*,

namely a *Minor's* representative to observe the *Sample* Collection Session (including observing the DCO when the *Minor* is passing the urine *Sample*, but not to directly observe the passing of the urine *Sample* unless requested to do so by the *Minor*) and the DCO's/Chaperone's representative, to observe the DCO/Chaperone when a *Minor* is passing a urine *Sample*, but without the representative directly observing the passing of the *Sample* unless requested by the *Minor* to do so.

4.6 Should a *Minor* decline to have a representative present during the Sample Collection Session, this should be clearly documented by the DCO. This does not invalidate the test, but must be recorded. If a *Minor* declines the presence of a representative, the representative of the DCO/Chaperone must be present.

4.7 Should a *Minor* fall within a *Registered Testing Pool*, the preferred venue for all *Out-of-Competition Testing* is a location where the presence of an adult is most likely, e.g. training venue.

4.8 The *ADO* shall consider the appropriate course of action when no adult is present at the *Testing* of an *Athlete* who is a *Minor* and shall accommodate the *Athlete* in locating a representative in order to proceed with *Testing*.