

Amendment proposal to the WT Anti-Doping Rules

- Proposed amendments

The proposed amendments below are focused on the main changes. Changes in grammar that do not have major impact on the definition or scope of the rules has been omitted. For more details, please refer to the proposed amendments in full the appendices.

Article 12. Sanctions and Costs Assessed Against MNAs	
12.3 - 12.4 - 12.5 - 12.6	
Current	Proposed
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<p>[NEW ADDITION]</p>	<p>which WT demands such payment. If the MNA fails to pay within such deadline, it shall be prevented from entering any affiliated Athletes under the National Flag in WT Events until it has paid the due amount in full.</p> <p>12.6 Should three or more violations of these Anti-Doping Rules sanctioned by WT or any other Anti-Doping Organizations (Ex. NADOs, WADA, IOC, etc..) and / or any MNA have been committed by Athletes or other Persons affiliated to the MNA within a 12-month period, the WT shall have the power to:</p> <p>a) impose a Suspension on the MNA of a period of up to (4) years; and/or b) fine the MNA as follows: b-1) for 3 violations up to 50,000 USD; b-2) for 4 violations up to 100,000 USD; b-3) for 5 violations up to 150,000 USD; b-4) for 6 violations up to 200,000 USD; b-5) for 7 violations up to 250,000 USD; b-6) for 8 violations up to 300,000 USD; b-7) for 9 or more violations up to 500,000 USD, to be paid within 6 months from the receipt of WT decision. If the MNA fails to pay the fine within such deadline, and the suspension under point (a) is not imposed, a period of Suspension of two years, or, if earlier, until the fine is settled in full, shall be automatically imposed on the MNA concerned. For the avoidance of doubt, the fine remains due to WT after the period of Suspension of the MNA has been served; and/or c) ban all or any officials from the MNA concerned for participation in any WT activities for a period of up to two years.</p> <p>[Comment to Article 12.6: if WT considers that a violation of these Anti-Doping Rules is severe (due to the number of violations, the substances involved, the level of fault of the perpetrators, the fact that the violations were committed by Athlete Support Personnel, etc.), then an appropriate period of Suspension should always be imposed, without prejudice to the imposition of any other additional sanction under this Article 12.6]</p>
<p>Rationale for amendment(s)</p>	<p>The standards of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and International Olympic Committee (IOC) in the fight against doping are becoming higher year by year and the resources invested from WT are constantly increasing. The regime of sanctions proposed will have a deterrence effect, increase WT image and leading role in the fight against doping, and will allow us to invest the resources into WT Anti-Doping Programme. In case of Anti-Doping Rule Violation, in particular when repeatedly occurring, we will have instrument to recover expenses which are now fully paid by WT.</p>

	WT should commit to use those eventual financial sanctions to conduct more testing, more investigations, educational activities
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Article 16. INCORPORATION OF WT ANTI-DOPING RULES AND OBLIGATIONS OF NATIONAL FEDERATIONS	
16.6	
Current	Proposed
[NEW ADDITION]	16.6 MNAs shall take all measures within the scope of their powers to implement these Anti-Doping Rules and ensure that their affiliated Athletes, Athlete Support Personnel and other Persons comply with them.
Rationale for amendment(s)	Same rationale as 12.