



# Guidelines for the Conduct of the Athletes' Entourage

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## Preamble

It is the responsibility of each sports organisation to establish appropriate regulations to govern an athlete's Entourage. These regulations, which apply *mutatis muntandis* to private and professional entourages, should reflect the minimum standards set out below.

### 1. Definition

The Entourage comprises all the people associated with the athletes, including, without limitation, managers, agents, coaches, physical trainers, medical staff, scientists, sports organisations, sponsors, lawyers and any person promoting the athlete's sporting career, including family members.

### 2. General Principles

The Entourage must respect and promote ethical principles, including those contained in the Olympic Charter, the IOC Code of Ethics and the WADA Code.

The Entourage must, in accordance with such principles, always act in the best interests of the athlete.

Minors must be given special care and consideration.

Members of the Entourage should be adequately qualified to work in their area of expertise, through licenses, certificates or diplomas, particularly when such are proposed by the IF and any national sport organization.

### **3. Integrity**

The Entourage shall act in good faith and demonstrate the highest level of integrity, in particular respecting the following principles: Avoid conflicts of interest.

Fight against any form of bribery and take resolute and appropriate action against any form of cheating or corruption in sport.

Reject any form of doping; Comply with the WADA code and support its programs

Refrain from any form of betting or promotion of betting activity on the athlete's sport

Refrain from any form of harassment

Refrain from any abuse of a position of influence

### **4. Confidentiality**

The Entourage must respect confidentiality, including the content of their contract/relationship and personal information.

The Entourage must protect any inside information, , such as any non-public information obtained by the person by the virtue of his/her position within the athlete's entourage, within the framework of the regulations of the sports' organisation concerned.