

UIPM Medical Committee Terms of Reference

Role of the UIPM Medical Committee

The role of the Medical Committee (the “MC”) is to represent the interests of the athletes.

Ethical Leadership

Members of the MC are exemplars of the UIPM’s values, acting with integrity, fairness and in the interest of the UIPM. They maintain the UIPM’s focus on building inclusion, enrichment and trust for the benefit of athletes, stakeholders and communities.

Competences of the MC

The MC is responsible for all medical questions of UIPM and for supervising compliance of UIPM Rules and Policy with WADA requirements.

The MC shall act as UIPM Medical Delegates and shall:

- a)** supervise the doping-control at UIPM World Championships and other major sports events in agreement with the Executive Board;
- b)** advise team captains who intend to administer drugs to sick or injured athletes, so that no forbidden drug is used by mistake;
- c)** be represented at the competition site, in the control station;
- d)** be represented in the laboratory if B-samples must be analysed;
- e)** propose to the Executive Board which IOC/ WADA-accredited laboratory will receive samples for analysing; **f)** inform the Secretary General if there is a report from the laboratory on suspected doping of an A-sample; **g)** take part in the elaboration of Rules which may have medical consequences;
- h)** prepare the UIPM Test Distribution Plan for adoption by the Executive Board;
- i)** prepare basic data for the Medical Rules;
- j)** report to the Executive Board on the activities carried out.

Composition and membership of the MC

The MC comprises 6 members of differing nationalities elected by the General Assembly. The elected members elect among them a Chairperson for the MC and the Therapeutic Use Exemption Commission. The Chairperson of the MC appoints two members of the UIPM Therapeutic Use Exemption Commission who are also ad-hoc members of the MC.

Quorum

The quorum for any meeting of the MC shall be four members. The members of the MC may participate in a meeting of the MC from separate locations by means of conference technology or other communication equipment which allows those participating to hear each other and be heard, and shall be entitled to vote or be counted in the quorum accordingly.

MC Procedures

Except as otherwise stated in these terms of reference, the MC shall determine its own procedures.

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MC Resolutions

The MC shall reach decisions by a simple majority of voting on the issues in question. If the numbers of votes for and against a certain proposal are equal, the president has a casting vote. Any resolution evidenced in writing or by electronic (including email) or voice recognition means, by such member or members of the MC as would have been necessary to pass such resolution had all members of the MC been present at a meeting to consider such resolution, shall be valid and effective as if it had been passed at a meeting of the MC duly convened and held, provided that notice and details of the proposed resolution have been given in advance to each member of the MC.

Conflicts of interest of individual MC members

If a member of the MC finds themselves with a conflict of interest, they shall immediately disclose this to the UIPM President and the Secretary General and where appropriate recuse themselves from any deliberations or votes of the MC concerning the relevant subject matter.

Notice of meetings

The meeting agenda and supporting documents in relation to the MC meeting shall, ideally, be circulated at least three working days prior to the MC meeting.

Documentation and Communication

Minutes of the MC are to be kept and filed by the Secretary General and held at the UIPM registered office. MC members will receive a copy of the minutes.