

## **Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUE)**

### **Information concerning the procedures to follow for the periods preceding and during the Olympic Games in Beijing**

#### **A. Period preceding the Olympic Games**

In case of medical necessity, any athlete eligible to take part in the Olympic Games in Beijing must be in possession of a TUE in conformity with the international standards, delivered by the International Federation concerned.

In accordance with the standards, these exemptions must also be forwarded by the IF concerned to:

- The athlete's NOC
- The athlete's national anti-doping organisation
- WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency)
- The IOC Medical Commission (IOC MC), for eligible athletes

The exemptions will have to be sent to the IOC-MC by 6 July 2008 at the latest, and, when necessary or appropriate, accompanied by the athlete's medical file to permit the IOC TUE Committee to confirm if necessary, the medical condition necessitating the TUE.. The documents must be sent in one of the IOC's two official languages (French or English). In the event that the IOC TUE Committee considers that the exemption is not in compliance with the International Standard for TUE, it will inform the IF concerned and WADA, which will then have the possibility to review the decision if it so wishes, in accordance with the provisions of the Code.

#### **B. Period of the Olympic Games (from 27 July to 24 August 2004 inclusive)**

During the period of the Olympic Games, the IOC will be considered as an anti-doping organisation, in accordance with the terms of the World Anti-Doping Code, with the corresponding responsibilities in terms of TUE. Consequently, from 27 July and until 24 August 2008 inclusive, all TUE requests from an athlete will have to be made using the standard form and in accordance with the usual rules of the IOC MC (and a copy to the IF concerned for information). The decisions of the IOC TUE Committee will be forwarded to the athlete, the IF concerned, the athlete's NOC CMO and WADA.

#### **C. Abbreviated Therapeutic Use Exemptions Request**

This procedure concerns:

- beta-2 agonists by inhalation.
- corticosteroids administered by inhalation or by injection (intra-articular, periarticular, peritendinous, epidural, intradermal) require an Abbreviated Therapeutic Use Exemption

An on-line aTUE form will be available prior to the Games and the doctor submitting will receive a prompt acknowledgement of receipt.

Topical preparations when used for dermatological (including iontophoresis/phonophoresis), auricular, nasal, ophthalmic, buccal, gingival and perianal disorders do not require any form of Therapeutic Use Exemption

##### **C.-1 Abbreviated Therapeutic Use Exemptions for Use of Beta-2 Agonists by Inhalation**

- Procedure **before the period of the Olympic Games**

Use of beta-2 agonists by inhalation (salbutamol, salmeterol, formoterol and terbutaline) during the period of the Olympic Games must be the subject of an Abbreviated TUE in accordance with the principles laid down by the corresponding standards. For this specific period, this exemption

must be recognised by the IOC TUE Committee.

Use of beta-2 agonists by inhalation (salbutamol, salmeterol, formoterol and terbutaline) during the period of the Olympic Games must be the subject of an Abbreviated TUE in accordance with the principles laid down by the corresponding standards. For this specific period, this exemption must be recognised by the IOC TUE Committee. To obtain an approval, this exemption will have to satisfy the conditions set out by the IOC on its web site

[http://www.olympic.org/uk/medical/intro\\_uk.asp](http://www.olympic.org/uk/medical/intro_uk.asp).

Applications must be submitted via the on-line application form at [www.olympic.org/atue](http://www.olympic.org/atue) and will be reviewed by an independent expert asthma panel prior to approval or rejection.

➤ Procedure **during the period of the Olympic Games**

During the Games, the circumstances are no different that before the Games except for two issues

- a) Athletes can be tested in Beijing if necessary
- b) An athlete developing asthma during his period in Beijing should attend the nearest Polyclinic for spirometry prior to administering an inhaled beta 2 agonist
- c) During the period of the Olympic Games, any file refused by the IOC TUE Committee may be the subject of a request by the athlete, at his/her own cost, to the WADA TUE Committee, which will give its response within 48 hours of receiving the complete file.