

CAS DECISION APPLICATION – RUSSIA (Feb/2022)

Following the CAS decision relating to WADA vs RUSADA, the IOC adopted a coordinated approach with the IPC and the IFs for the period until 19/Dec 2022. For sake of clarification, the operative award of the decision is in Appendix 1 of this document.

World Triathlon is strictly implementing and respecting the rules in place.

This includes, but not limited to:

- Uniform;
- Ceremonies (flags, anthems);
- Start list/results;
- Possible penalties;
- Different application for Elite and U23 athletes even they are competing together;
- Etc.

The current rules which are for coaches, teams and athletes are:

- Representing Russia, wearing uniforms with RUS and using the national anthem of Russia for: World Triathlon Para Series, World Triathlon Cups, World Triathlon Para Cups, Continental Triathlon Championships, Continental Triathlon Cups, and World Triathlon Championships for Age-Group, U23 and Junior categories.
- Representing the Russian Triathlon Federation (RTF), wearing the appropriate uniform design approved in the Elite Triathlon or Elite Multisport Catalogues with RTF as country code instead of RUS, and using as national anthem the musical score from Pyotr Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No.1 for : World Triathlon Championship Series (Elite), World Championships for Elite and Para categories (U23 category also in case they are competing together with Elites).

NATIONAL ANTHEMS:

Both national anthems can be found here:

https://www.triathlon.org/about/download_file/sport_presentation_audio_files

- Russia-National Anthem
- Russia 2021 Elites – Tchaikovsky – Piano Concerto no 1 - Opening

MEDAL CEREMONY FLAGS:

For the World Triathlon Championship Series (Elite) and World Championships, World Triathlon will provide the 'RTF' flags for medal ceremonies.

START LISTS / RESULTS:

Russian athletes will appear with the country code 'RTF' and with the Russian Triathlon Federation flag on the official results on www.triathlon.org for the following events: World Triathlon Championship Series (Elite), World Championships for Elite and Para categories (U23 category also in case they are competing together with Elites)

SANCTIONS:

Sanctions possible in case of violation of above rules:

Appendix K of the World Triathlon Competition Rules:

GENERAL	
RULES	PENALTIES
16. Wearing a different uniform than the one presented in the check-in, either in competition or in the award ceremony;	- Warning and amend - If not corrected: DSQ
17. Wearing during the competition or the award ceremony a uniform which doesn't meet the Competition Rules;	- DSQ

Articles 16 and 50 of the World Triathlon Constitution allow World Triathlon to take any disciplinary measures against any Athletes, Athlete Personal Support or Representatives of the Russian Triathlon Federation in the event there is any breach with the rules as set above:

Article 16:

Any Ligue (sub-national federation), club, organisation (LOC), athlete, coach, agent, staff, technical official and other official, affiliated with or licensed by Members (National Federation) are affiliated or licensed to World Triathlon and must always respect the Constitution as well as the Rules, Regulations and Codes.

Article 50:

The role of the World Triathlon Tribunal (hereinafter "Tribunal") is to safeguard the integrity and fairness in the sport of Triathlon. It achieves this goal by investigating and prosecuting any breach of the Constitution, Rules, Regulations and Codes, and by deciding on cases brought to it and on appeal.

Relevant sections of the operative part of the arbitral award delivered by CAS on 17 December 2020 in the matter WADA v. RUSADA (CAS 2020/O/6689)

"4. [...]

d. Subject to the provisos set out below, the flag of the Russian Federation (current or historical) may not be flown or displayed in any official venue or area controlled by a Signatory or event organiser appointed by the Signatory at any of the following events during the two-year period:

- i. The Olympic and Paralympic Games (winter or summer);*
- ii. Any World Championships organised or sanctioned by any Signatory.*

For these purposes, a "World Championship" is any event or one or more of a series of events that determines the world champion for a particular sport or discipline in a sport, but does not include qualifying events.

The provisos to this order are:

- iii. This order does not require a Signatory to prevent spectators from bringing the flag of the Russian Federation (current or historical) into official venues of an Olympic Games, Paralympic Games or any World Championships venue;*
- iv. This order does not require a Signatory to prevent the flag of the Russian Federation (current or historical) from being displayed (if necessary) for the identification of Russian nationals who are technical officials or technical delegates at the Olympic Games, Paralympic Games or any World Championships;*
- v. A Signatory cannot be deemed non-compliant with this order unless the Signatory knowingly permitted the flag of the Russian Federation (current or historical) to be let fly or displayed in official venues or areas under the Signatory's control at a specified event.*

e. Any Athlete from Russia and their Athlete Support Personnel may only participate in or attend any of the following events during the Two-Year Period, on the conditions set out below.

The specified events are:

- i. The Olympic and Paralympic Games (winter or summer);*

- ii. *Any World Championships organised or sanctioned by any Signatory.*

For these purposes, a "World Championship" is any event or one or more of a series of events that determines the world champion for a particular sport or discipline in a sport, but does not include qualifying events.

The conditions are:

- iii. *The Athlete/Athlete Support Personnel shall not be subject to suspension, restriction, condition or exclusion imposed by a competent authority in any past or future proceedings which remains in force at the time of the specified event.*
- iv. *Russian Athletes/Athlete Support Personnel shall participate in a uniform to be approved by the relevant Signatory which shall not contain the flag of the Russian Federation (current or historical), or any national emblem or other national symbol of the Russian Federation. If the uniform contains or displays the name "Russia" (in any language or format), the words "neutral athlete" (or an equivalent) must be displayed in English in a position and size that is no less prominent than the name "Russia". For the avoidance of doubt, the uniform may contain the colours of the flag of the Russian Federation (current or historical) (collectively or in combination).*
- v. *Subject to order (iv), Russian Athletes/Athlete Support Personnel shall not display publicly the flag of the Russian Federation (current or historical), the name "Russia" (in any language or format), or any national emblem or other national symbol of the Russian Federation, including without limitation, on their clothes, equipment or other personal items or in a publicly visible manner at any official venues or other areas controlled by the Signatory or its appointed Event organiser.*
- vi. *The Russian national anthem (or any anthem linked to Russia) shall not be officially played or sung at any official event venue or other area controlled by the Signatory or its appointed event organiser (including, without limitation, at medal ceremonies and opening/closing ceremonies).*

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