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MEDAL REALLOCATION POLICY

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CHAPTER 1 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Article 1 Principle

1.1 The principles herein will provide athletes and teams with an outline of options to receive their medals in a way that recognises their achievements, in addition to outlining the criteria for the reallocation of medals, ranking points, awards and prizes.

1.2 The WBSC is taking every possible step to ensure fair competition and to recognise the achievements of clean athletes whose results are obtained in an honest and fair manner.

1.2.1 Firstly, by a comprehensive and robust Anti-Doping programme

1.2.2 Secondly with a targeted integrity-based education plan; and

1.2.3 Thirdly by taking every possible step to ensure that the cheating athletes are properly and swiftly handled.

CHAPTER 2 RANKING REALLOCATION PROCEDURES

Article 2 Procedure

2.1 In advance of the decision to reallocate a medal, the following steps will be taken:

2.1.1 Exhaustion of all legal remedies.

2.1.2 Athletes must return their original medals (and/or prizes, and/or awards) to obtain their new medals (and/or prizes, and/or awards).

2.1.3 All final decisions will be taken by the World Baseball Softball Confederation.

2.2 In case a team will be disqualified during or in connection with an international event under the jurisdiction of the WBSC, it may, upon the decision of the WBSC

Executive Board, lead to the disqualification of all the athlete's individual results and team results obtained in that event with all consequences, including forfeiture of all medals, ranking points, prizes, awards and potential fines.

2.3 The team will be automatically placed last in the event ranking (with no points), with the note "DSQ" near to the country name or NOC Code.

- 2.3.1 Any disqualified team will not receive any ranking points for this event.
- 2.3.2 If the 1st place team is disqualified during or in connection with an event, the 2nd place team shall move up to first place.
- 2.3.3 If the 2nd place team is disqualified during or in connection with an event, the 3rd place team shall move up to second place.
- 2.3.4 If the 3rd place team is disqualified during or in connection with an event, the fourth-place team shall move up to third place.
- 2.3.5 For the rest of the ranking, the other teams will move up in placing according to the WBSC standing system.

Article 3 Exceptions

3.1 If the team who should move up has also been disqualified, it cannot receive any benefit from the disqualification of the other teams.

3.1.1 In this case, the next team will move up in placing, according to the WBSC standing system.

CHAPTER 3 MEDAL REALLOCATION CEREMONY

Article 4 Ceremony Options

4.1 The following seven options will be proposed to each team or selected team representatives, who are then able to choose their preferred proceedings:

- 4.1.1 To have a virtual ceremony;
- 4.1.2 To have a ceremony at the pertinent National Olympic Committee HQ;
- 4.1.3 To have a ceremony at the pertinent National Federation HQ;
- 4.1.4 To have a ceremony at the next edition of the pertinent event;
- 4.1.5 To have a ceremony at any World Cup or WBSC tournament;
- 4.1.6 To have a ceremony at the WBSC HQ; or
- 4.1.7 To have a ceremony during a WBSC event (e.g., Congress, EB meeting, etc.).

4.2 Once the decision is confirmed, the WBSC will work with the National Federations (NFs) of each team, in order to provide the chosen ceremony option.

4.3 Communications of the options of the Medal Reallocation Ceremony will be provided to the teams through their NFs.

4.4 The NFs shall select one athlete that will represent the national team during the Medal Reallocation Ceremony.