

INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

Preventing Manipulation of Competitions

World Baseball Softball Confederation



Agenda

- What is competition manipulation?
- How it can happen?
- Risks & possible sanctions
- Meet your Athlete Ambassadors
- Code of Conduct – the 4 Key rules
- Q&A

Competition Manipulation is the same as match-fixing.

True.

Competition Manipulation only affects some sports, depending on their nature.

False.

Competition Manipulation is impossible to detect. It can only be prevented through awareness raising.

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What is
Competition
Manipulation?



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What is competition manipulation?



- **When athletes cheat** by losing on purpose or by not doing their best in a competition
- **When officials or coaches** deliberately make wrong decisions, affecting the competition or its outcome

→ **This is competition manipulation!**





How it
can happen?

Who can manipulate a competition?



Internal People

- Athletes
- Coaches
- Judges
- Referees



External People

- Agents
- Managers
- Friends & family
- Retired athletes
- Club owners
- Sponsors
- Criminals

How a fixer can approach you



Creates a
feeling of obligation

Direct approach
(gift, money, sexual favours)

Indirect approach
(family, friend, team)

Become friends
Create a bond, grooming

Identify weaknesses
Age / Income / Gambling

First manipulation
Often small and a first step
towards more serious
offences



Threats
When the target wants to quit or
does not cooperate
**YOU ARE CAUGHT IN A VICIOUS
CYCLE**

YOU are an ideal target for corruptors because...



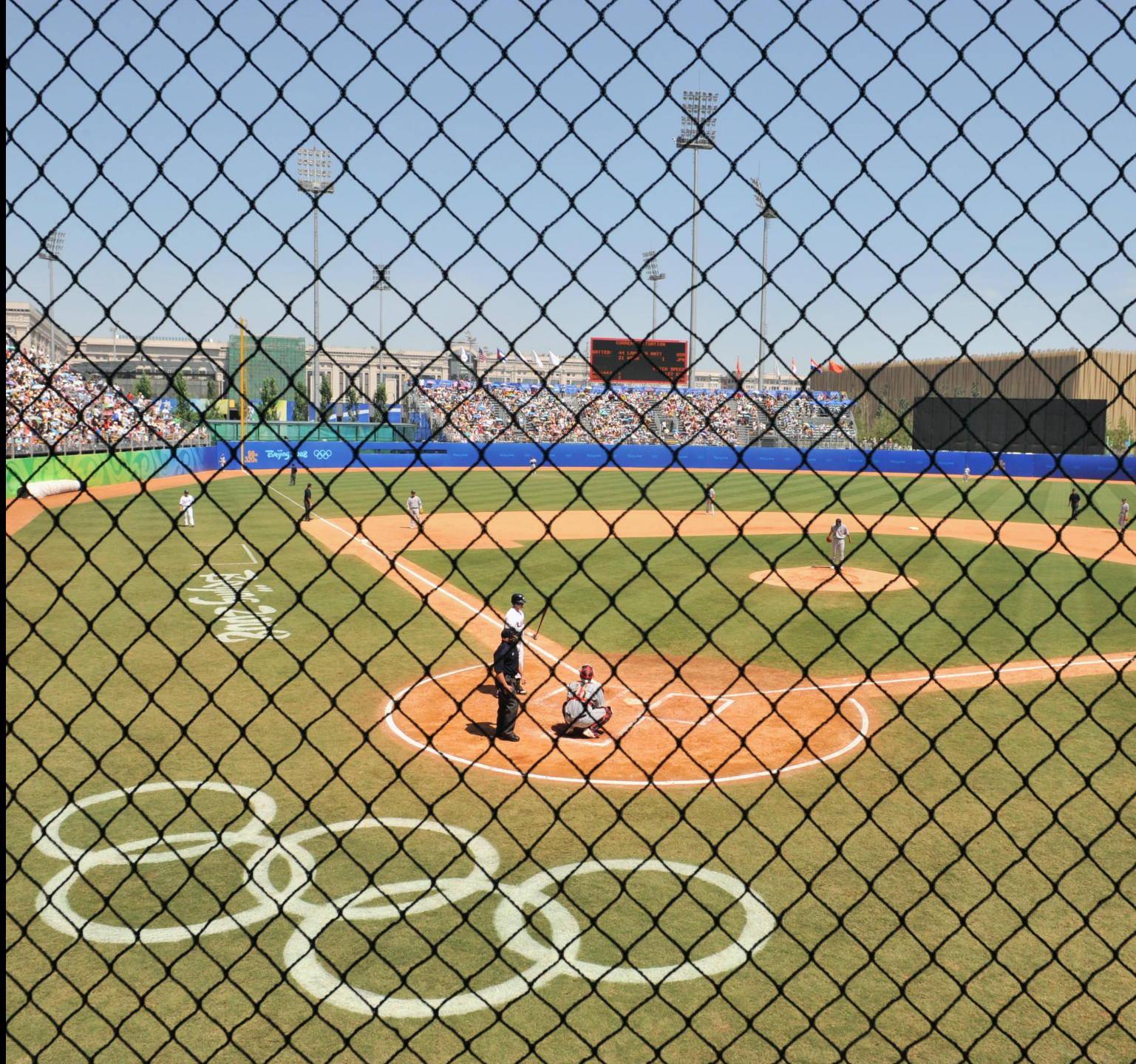
YOU are on the field of play!

YOU have **direct influence** on the **competition!**

Bets are placed on every sport.

**YOUR SPORT MAY BE AT RISK OF
COMPETITION MANIPULATION!**

Risks & Possible Sanctions



Possible Sanctions



Sports Sanction

Ban (up to life) and fine

You may get a life ban from your sport for manipulating a competition.

Criminal Sanction

Jail and fine

Competition manipulation is considered a criminal offence in a growing number of countries.

Loss of credibility

Loss of sponsors and fans.
Ruining of your personal credibility and reputation worldwide.

Cases at the Olympic Games



Olympic chiefs probe betting scandal claims

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INTERNATIONAL Olympics chiefs are now investigating the allegations of a betting scandal in the Irish squad.



Daniel Greig competes in the men's 1000m speed skating event in which he came 22nd overall. Source: Getty Images

AUSTRALIAN speed skater Daniel Greig may have created an international incident by revealing behind-the-scenes betting on the Sochi Olympic 500m speed skating event.



At the Games, an official talks to Indonesia's Greysia Poli and her coach after issuing a black card to the pair during their controversial match with South Korea. Photo: AP



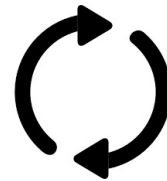
IOC reprimands British and Irish boxers for betting on Rio Olympics bouts

- Three fighters wagered on contests they were not involved in
- Olympic associations under fire for not educating competitors



A forlorn Michael Conlan reacts after losing to Vladimir Nikitin at the Rio Olympics. Photograph: Valdrin

Risk of getting involved during the pandemic



Financial challenges

Unfamiliar situations

Psychological impact

MEET YOUR AMBASSADORS AGAINST COMPETITION MANIPULATION

#MAKETHERIGHTDECISION



Giovanni
Pantaleoni,
Baseball, Italy



Ayako Rokkaku,
Baseball, Japan



Randolph
Oduber,
Baseball,
Aruba



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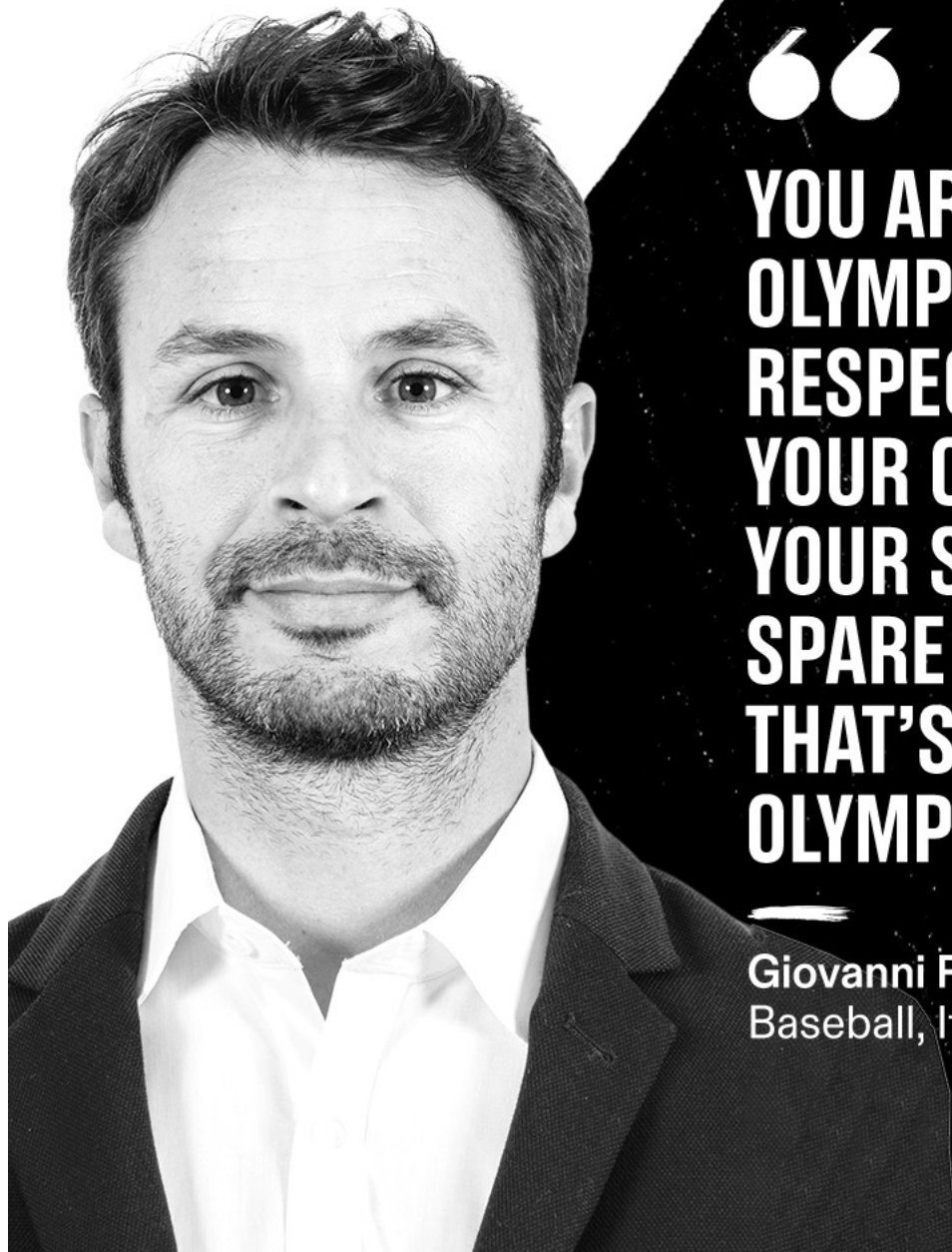
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**YOU SHOULD STRIVE
TO PERFORM TO YOUR
BEST AND IT WILL
BRING OUT THE BEST
IN YOU.**

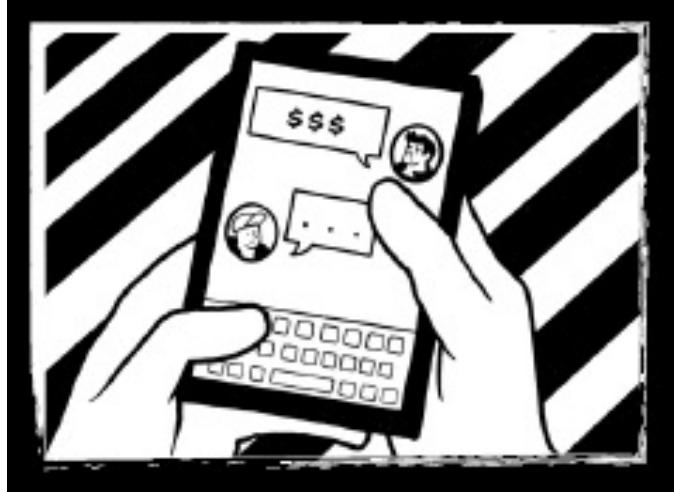
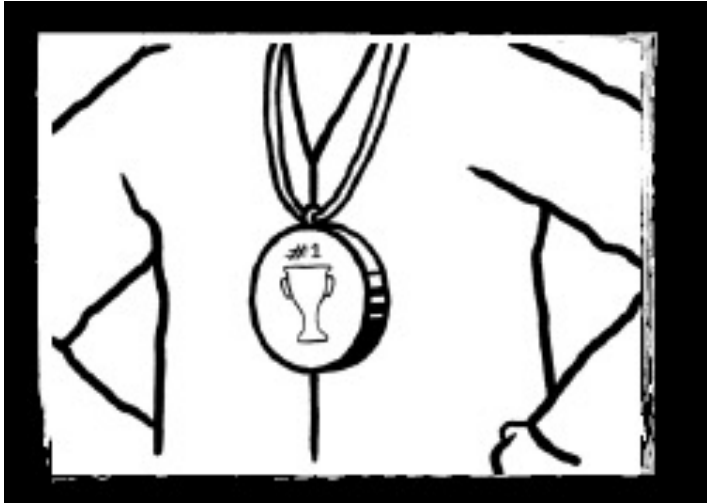
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Zambia / Norway,
Football



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**YOU ARE AN
OLYMPIAN NOW,
RESPECT YOURSELF,
YOUR OPPONENTS,
YOUR SPORT AND
SPARE NO EFFORT,
THAT'S WHAT
OLYMPIANS DO.**

Giovanni Pantaleoni
Baseball, Italy



Code of Conduct: The 4 Key Rules

CODE OF CONDUCT



DON'T FIX your competition and always do your best.

DON'T BET on your own sport or the Olympic Games.

DON'T SHARE inside information. Non-public information about your sport stays private.

ALWAYS REPORT an approach to manipulate or anything suspicious:
www.olympic.org/integrityhotline

#MAKETHERIGHTDECISION

RULE #1

DON'T FIX

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RULE #2

DON'T BET

If you are a baseball player from Europe, can you bet on baseball competitions in the Americas?

No. Athletes & officials must not bet on their own sport, even if it is in a different region.

If you were competing in softball at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, were you allowed to bet on the Tokyo 2020 volleyball events?

No. Accredited athletes and officials must not bet on any event of the Olympic Games.

If you are competing in baseball at the Asian Games, can you bet on the football events at the Asian Games?

No. Athletes & officials must not bet on any sport in a multi-sport competition that they themselves are competing in.

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RULE #3

DON'T SHARE



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Fi.Incald Great start, competition day, I've not slept a wink. Can't breathe through my nose, full of cold. Wish me luck, I'm going to need it! 🤧

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Dottie Baker

January 8 at 10:15am • 🌐



I CANNOT WAIT FOR TOMORROW! Let the games begin!
#Rio2016



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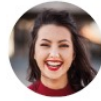


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Write a comment...





Ellise Ramos

November 17 at 1:04pm • 🌐



Let's go team, like coach said let's DEFEND!



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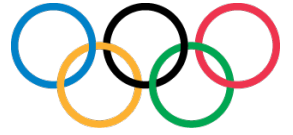


SPEAK UP!

If you witness or suspect competition manipulation, you must **report it**.

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Speak Up!



If something doesn't look right, it probably isn't!

It is **YOUR** duty to report any suspect behaviour to:

- Your club or national federation
- WBSC – your International Federation

OR THE

INTEGRITY AND COMPLIANCE HOTLINE

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100% secured and confidential

IOC Integrity and Compliance Hotline



IOC Integrity Hotline is:

- Available for anyone who would like to report suspicious activities related to competition manipulation or any breach of the OM Code PMC
- Secure and confidential platform which ensures confidentiality and anonymity
- All athletes, coaches, entourage, officials, etc. are encouraged to report any incident as early as possible

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SPEAK UP



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FURTHER PROCESS



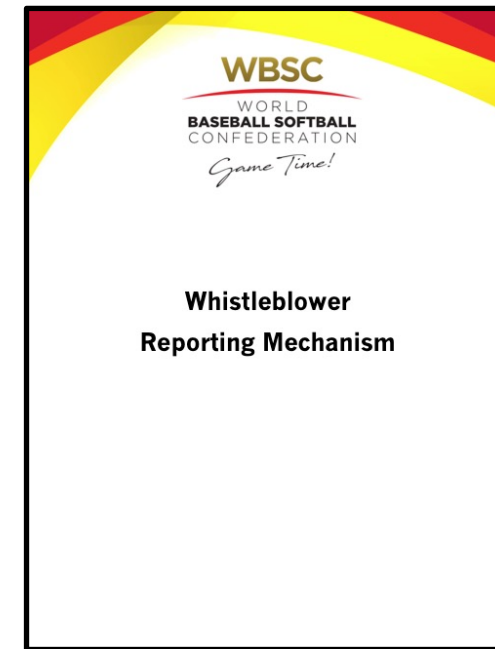
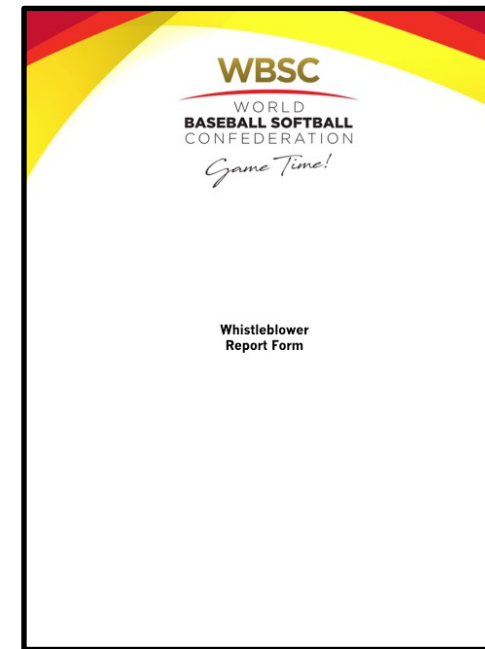
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OUTCOME

WBSC Reporting Mechanism

Reporting channels may include, in particular:

- The WBSC Integrity unit: integrity@wbsc.org
- Dedicated e-mail: whistleblowingreport@wbsc.org
- Dedicated physical address for anonymous reports;
Avenue Général-Guisan 45, Pully, Switzerland





MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION

PROTECT YOURSELF. KNOW THE RULES.

RULE #1



DON'T FIX

the competition and
always do your best.

RULE #2



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on your own sport or any event
at the Olympic Games.

RULE #3



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information about health
issues and sport tactics.

RULE #4



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Further information:

More information is available at:
athlete365.org/maketherightdecision

Got more questions?

Don't hesitate to contact us at
omunitpmc@olympic.org or integrity@wbsc.org



「Q & A」