



INTERNATIONAL BOBSLEIGH & SKELETON FEDERATION

## IBSF Code of Conduct for Athletes

*This Code of Conduct must be signed by the athlete in order to obtain an IBSF license and compete or train in IBSF events.*

By signing this Code of Conduct (Code) I agree to abide by the Code and I acknowledge that I have read it and fully understand it and the responsibilities and expectations it places on me.

### 1. IBSF Rules, Regulations and Procedures

I am fully aware, conscious and understand and accept all IBSF Rules and the international rules that IBSF fully adheres to. I accept that my participation at any event which is part of the IBSF calendar is subject to my acceptance of all IBSF rules applicable in connection with such event.

I therefore agree to be submitted to such rules, regulations and procedures and to the jurisdiction of the bodies which are in charge of applying them.

### 2. IBSF Sports

I am fully aware and conscious of the potential risks caused by speed and gravitational forces involved in bobsleigh/skeleton activities be it during training or competition. I recognize that there are risks linked with the attempt to achieve competitive results which requires me to stretch my physical abilities. I also know and accept that the risks factors include environmental conditions, technical equipment, and atmospheric influences as well as natural or manmade obstacles. I am further aware that certain movements or actions cannot always be anticipated or controlled and therefore cannot be avoided or prevented through safety measures.

I am medically and physically fit to do the sport of bobsleigh or skeleton. Consequently, I know and accept that when I engage in such activities, my physical integrity and, in extreme cases, even my life may be at risk.

I will conduct and be responsible for my own inspections and safety checks of the facility and my equipment. I will immediately notify the jury of any safety concerns I may have. I am fully aware of all aspects of my equipment and take full responsibility for all equipment that I use or intend to use, especially in regard to IBSF rules and safety. I agree that it is not the responsibility of the organizer to inspect or supervise my equipment. I understand that I am responsible for the choice of the appropriate equipment and of its condition, for the speed at which I race and for the selection of my line through the course.

I will keep and maintain the equipment of IBSF, should I be provided with any, during its usage in a good state of repair, normal wear and tear excepted.

### 3. Integrity, Ethics, Anti-Doping, Corruption and Manipulation of Sports Competition

I am aware of the IBSF Code of Ethics, have read it and will abide by it. I refrain from any form of harassment, abuse bullying or mobbing. I will take no action which is intended, or would



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reasonably be expected, to harm the reputation of the IBSF or the sports of bobsleigh or skeleton, or individual athletes or which would reasonably be expected to lead to unwanted or unfavorable publicity to the IBSF or the sports of bobsleigh or skeleton or individual athletes.

I reject any form of doping and comply with the IBSF Anti-Doping Rules, the World Anti-Doping Code, and the International Standards issued by WADA, as amended from time to time, and support its programs.

I will not accept any form of bribery and will take resolute and appropriate action against any form of cheating or corruption in sport. I refrain from any form of betting or promotion of betting activity on IBSF events and will not provide any information that could be used for betting. I am fully aware of the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions and my responsibilities and duties thereof.

#### **4. Responsibility and Release**

I understand that I may be found personally liable to third parties for damages arising from bodily injury or property damage they may suffer as a result of an occurrence linked with my participation in training or competition. I am aware of the risks and have the appropriate insurance that will cover me in any case of loss, damage, injury or accident.

I will respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and behave accordingly. I will respect the environment that I do my sport in and will not in any way hinder others from performing at their best.

I will abide by all IBSF rules and regulations and the international rules that IBSF fully adheres to. I will fully cooperate with any IBSF investigation and make myself available to any IBSF hearing. I will report any other athlete, athlete support personnel, official or member of my entourage that is breaking IBSF rules to the IBSF Jury or other IBSF official.

To the extent permitted by the applicable law, I release IBSF, my National Federation, and the organizers and their respective members, directors, officers, employees, volunteers, contractors and agents from any liability for any loss, injury, or damage suffered in relation to my participation in IBSF sanctioned competition or training.

If I am under the age of 18 years, I acknowledge that this Code is for my benefit and my competing is conditional upon my parents or guardians providing the signed acknowledgement.

#### **5. Dispute Resolution and Sanctions**

I am aware that any breach of this Code whether intentional or unintentional, by omission or by act can result in me being disciplined by the IBSF.

Complaints made under this Code will be made in writing to the IBSF Ethics Committee (IBSF Secretary General must also be sent any complaint) who will in accordance with the published



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Rules of Procedure make recommendations on sanctions if warranted to the IBSF Executive Committee.

Sanctions for breaking the Code include but are not limited to a warning, fine, removal from a race or training, and/or a temporary or permanent ban from IBSF events.

If a dispute arises between the IBSF and me, or any third party involved in bobsleigh or skeleton I will use the appropriate IBSF appeal and dispute resolution channels, and I acknowledge that ultimately Swiss law and Court of Arbitration for Sport CAS in Lausanne, Switzerland, will be the final arbitrator of any dispute.

Family Name/Given Name:

Date of Birth:

Nation:

Signature:

Date: