

2025 AMG Anti-Doping Policy

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Policy Objective

This policy is to ensure competition during the Australian Masters Games (AMG) is fair and conducted under the rules set out by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), Sport Integrity Australia (SIA) and the relevant sport.

Policy Key Principles

- AMG acknowledges and adopts 'The Code' set out by WADA and administered by SIA in reference to doping activities in sport.
- Any substance used for the purpose of performance enhancement is banned.
- AMG recognises some substances which are classified as performance enhancing by recognised authorities may be used by people in the Masters age groups as medically prescribed substances.
- AMG encourages all athletes to take responsibility for their own anti-doping education.

Procedures/Processes

- The anti-doping policy of each sport included in the AMG program is the applicable document by which all competitors and their supporters must abide by.
- The SIA website provides both excellent 'E-Learning' and 'Check Your Substances' resources to support competitor and supporter needs.
- Any individuals who are currently banned from sport due to doping violations will not be permitted to enter any sport at the AMG.
- There may be random drug testing at sports events during the AMG. If a participant tests positive for a performance enhancing substance, they will be disqualified from participating in the AMG unless it is proven that they are taking this as medication prescribed by a physician for a medical condition.
- Participants who are believed by Sport of Games officials to be under the influence of alcohol or other recreational drugs will not be permitted to participate or officiate in AMG competitions.

Related Documentation

- Sport - go to your sport's (National Sporting Organisation) website for its current Anti-Doping Policy
- SIA - <https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/resources/check-your-substances-global-dro>
- WADA - www.wada-ama.org/ for 'The Code' and 'The Prohibited List'

Related Policies

- AMG Competitor Code of Behaviour Policy
- AMG Registration Terms and Conditions of Entry Policy