

# WAIS Anti-Match Fixing Policy

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## 1. Policy

No WAIS athlete, staff, Board member and or consultant to the Institute must participate or engage, either directly or indirectly, in any Match-Fixing whatsoever in connection with any sport or event for which WAIS provides any services or support (directly or indirectly).

The conduct prohibited under this Policy may also be a criminal offence and/or a breach of other applicable laws or regulations. In Western Australia these laws refer to section 409 of the Criminal Code and section 44 Gaming and Wagering Commission Act. This Policy is intended to supplement such laws and regulations. It is not intended, and should not be interpreted, construed or applied, to prejudice or undermine in any way the application of such laws and regulations. Relevant persons must comply with all applicable laws and regulations at all times.

## 2. Purpose

To ensure the expectation of all Australians that the sport they watch or participate in is played honestly and meets the ideals of fair play and good sportsmanship.

## 3. Definitions

**3.1 Match-Fixing** involves the manipulation of an outcome by competitors, teams, sports agents, support staff, referees and officials and venue staff. Such conduct may include:

- 3.1.1** The deliberate fixing of the result of a contest, or of an occurrence within the contest, or of a points spread;
- 3.1.2** Deliberate underperformance
- 3.1.3** Withdrawal;
- 3.1.4** An official's deliberate misapplication of the rules of the contest;
- 3.1.5** Interference with the play or playing surfaces or equipment; and
- 3.1.6** Use of insider information to support a bet placed by any of the above or placed by a gambler who has recruited such people to manipulate an outcome or contingency.

**3.2 Person** means for the purposes of this Anti-Match-Fixing Policy: athletes, WAIS staff and Board members and consultants of WAIS or any such persons involved in a sport or a competition connected (directly or indirectly) to WAIS, or any other person who agrees to be bound by this Anti-Match-Fixing Policy.

#### **4. Standards**

**4.1** A Person must not, either directly or indirectly, engage in Match-Fixing including (but not limited to) any of the following conduct:

- 4.1.1** Betting, gambling or entering into any other form of financial speculation on any match or on any event connected to WAIS or any sport with which WAIS is involved;
- 4.1.2** Inducing or encouraging any other Person to bet, gamble or enter into any other form of financial speculation on any match or event connected to WAIS or to offer the facility for such bets to be placed on any sport with which WAIS is involved;
- 4.1.3** Deliberate underperformance or withdrawal including, in particular, owing to an arrangement relating to betting on the outcome of any match or event connected to WAIS;
- 4.1.4** Inducing or encouraging any player to deliberately underperform or withdraw including, in particular, owing to an arrangement relating to betting on the outcome of any match or event connected to WAIS;
- 4.1.5** For money, benefit or other reward (whether for the player him or herself or any other Person and whether financial or otherwise), providing insider information that is considered to be information not publicly known such as team or its members configuration (including, without limitation, the team's actual or likely composition, the form of individual players or tactics) other than in connection with bona fide media interviews and commitments; or
- 4.1.6** Any other form of corrupt conduct in relation to any match or event connected to WAIS or any sport with which WAIS is involved.

**4.2** A Person must promptly disclose to WAIS that he or she:

- 4.2.1** Has received an approach from another person to engage in conduct such as that described in paragraphs (4.1) – (4.1.5) of clause 2 above;
- 4.2.2** Knows or reasonably suspects that any current or former player or official or any other Person has engaged in conduct, or been approached to engage in conduct, such as that described in paragraphs (4.1) – (4.1.5) of clause 2 above; or
- 4.2.3** Has received, or is aware or reasonably suspects that another player or official or any other Person has received, actual or implied threats of any nature in relation to past or proposed conduct such as that described in paragraphs (4.1) – (4.1.5) of clause 2 above.

**4.3** For the avoidance of doubt, where a person suspects any conduct (directly or indirectly) relating to any of the matters described in paragraphs (4.1) – (4.1.5) of clause 2 above, which is prejudicial to the interests of WAIS, or any sport with which WAIS is involved, which may bring him or her or WAIS or the connected sport into disrepute, the Person must promptly disclose the suspected conduct to the Executive Director of WAIS or through the confidential information disclosure process described within the WAIS HR manual.