

Drug Screening Policy

Summary

This policy has been developed to mandate the presence of AED devices at all CSU athletic venues in the event of a cardiac episode of a student athlete or anyone in attendance.

Purpose

To provide emergency support to student athletes and attendees in an emergency cardiac episode.

Policy

DRUG POLICY

Columbus State University does not condone the use, sale or possession of illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia. According to NCAA regulations, athletes must sign a drug testing consent form before participating in the University athletic program. This form must be signed before the student-athlete can attend any university or team conditioning, practice, or competition. Any athlete under the age of 18 will require a parental (or legal guardian) consent on the form. Consent forms are kept on file by the Athletic Department and will be available for examination by a representative of the NCAA.

Columbus State University will conduct drug testing for student-athletes. The student-athlete may be drug tested randomly or by reasonable suspicion/just cause. An athlete may be required to be drug tested in or out of season as long as he/she is considered a student-athlete (including summer term). If eligibility has expired but the student-athlete continues to receive aid, he/she may be tested. The Athletic Department also reserves the right to test athletes who are suspected of drug use.

In addition to the testing set forth above, the NCAA may require additional drug testing during NCAA championship athletic competition. The list of banned substances can be found in the NCAA Rules Manual.

Student-athletes must notify the Athletic Training Department of ANY medication that they are taking as soon as prescribed, with a copy of the prescription.

DRUG SCREENING PROGRAM

During the academic year, student-athletes will be subjected to random drug screening. The student-athlete *may or may not* be given advanced notice of the drug testing. It will then be up to the head coach to notify the student athlete of the time and location of the drug test. The head coach has the option of giving advance notice to the student athlete if they so choose. The drug testing shall consist of the collection of a urine sample from the student-athlete under the supervision of the Head Athletic Trainer or

his/her designee. Each urine sample will be analyzed for the presence of the listed drugs. Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS) will confirm all positive results by an outside independent agency contracted by the University to provide such service. The results of the test will be returned to the Director/Associate Director of Athletics. The Director/Associate Director of Athletics will provide the test results to those listed in the appropriate disciplinary sanction.

Student-athletes are also subject to NCAA mandated drug screening pursuant to NCAA Regulations. Student-athletes should understand that the detection of any NCAA banned drugs in a student athlete's urine through NCAA mandated drug screening will keep him/her from participating in his/her sport in accordance with NCAA Regulations. This action is in addition to the disciplinary actions listed below.

SELF-REFERRAL PROGRAM

Any student athlete may refer him/herself for evaluation or counseling by contacting a coach, athletic trainer, team physician, or athletic administrator. This arrangement is called SELF-REFERRAL PROGRAM because it is strictly confidential and no team or administrative sanctions are imposed upon the student athlete who has made a personal decision to seek professional assistance. A treatment plan will be put into place and the student athlete will not be sanctioned for entry, but a student athlete testing positive after entering SELF-REFERRAL PROGRAM will be subject to the sanctions outlined elsewhere in this policy. A student athlete may not initiate SELF-REFERRAL PROGRAM after they have been informed of their participation in an impending drug test, nor can they employ SELF-REFERRAL PROGRAM following a positive test.

BANNED SUBSTANCES

Use of any of the following drugs, except as may be prescribed by a qualified physician to treat an individual's medical condition, by a member of any University intercollegiate athletic squad, whether or not such use occurs before, during, or after the season, is expressly prohibited.

Amphetamines
Barbiturates
Benzodiazepine
Cannabinoids (Marijuana)
Cocaine Metabolites
Codeine
Ephedra
Heroin
Methaqualone
Morphine
Opiates
Phencyclidine (PCP)

NCAA banned substances

Participants are reminded that pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 11.1.7, the use of tobacco products is prohibited by all game personnel (e.g., coaches, trainers, managers and game officials) in all sports during practice, competition, and supervised events.

Whereas the use of cocaine, heroin and hallucinogens have the ability to lead one to self destruction, driving while under the influence of drugs or alcohol has the ability to harm others as well as the offender. Consequently, Columbus State University reserves the right to deal appropriately with anyone determined to have operated a vehicle while impaired by drugs or alcohol. The individual will be subject to the implications of an institutional positive drug test under the department's Substance Abuse Program policies.

Positive drug profile results are reported only after confirmation by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS) analysis of the submitted specimen.

BOR Policy

N/A

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