

# New South Wales Lacrosse

## Drugs and Alcohol Policy



### **Position Statement**

New South Wales Lacrosse Inc (NSWLI):

1. recognises all lacrosse players' right to participate in doping-free sport and supports the promotion of health, fairness and equality for all athletes;
2. condemns the use of prohibited substances, the possession of prohibited substances and any actions that assists, encourages, aids or abets the violation or attempted violation of anti-doping policies; and
3. supports harmonised, coordinated and effective anti-doping programs at international and national levels with regard to the detection, deterrence and prevention of doping.

### **Recognition of NADO's**

NSWLI recognises the roles of the Australian Sports Commission and the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (and any other relevant authorities approved in time), classified as Australia's National Anti-Doping Organisations (NADO's), including:

1. adopting and implementing anti-doping rules and policies;
2. cooperating with other relevant organisations;
3. directing the testing of athletes and management of test results; and
4. promoting anti-doping education and research.

### **Education**

NSWLI:

1. recognises the importance of information and education as measures to counter violations or attempted violations of anti-doping policies;
2. recognises, supports and will as far as practicable cooperate with the education initiatives of Australian NADO's; and
3. will disseminate information from Australian NADO's and the NSW Government to our members as and when it is appropriate.

### **Role of NSWLI**

NSWLI will:

1. act in accordance with the *Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Act (2006)* and the *Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Regulations (2006)*;
2. adhere to this anti-doping policy as well as the policies of the NSWLI national parent body;
3. recognise, support and cooperate with the education initiatives of Australian NADO's and the NSW government; and
4. provide the NSW government with a copy of this policy upon request.

### **Testing**

Unless otherwise advised by the NSW Government, NSWLI will not undertake testing of athletes for our local competitions due to the limited resources of the organisation. However, any bans imposed on athletes who represent NSWLI at an international or national event as a result of negative test results will be endorsed by NSWLI for our local competitions.