

In the matter of the Canadian Anti-Doping Program;

**And in the matter of an anti-doping rule violation by Brendan Hagerman asserted by the
Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport;**

File Outcome Summary

Summary

1. The Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) conducted an In-Competition Sample collection session on August 2, 2022, in Carp, ON.
2. Mr. Brendan Hagerman (“the Athlete”) was selected for Doping Control. The Sample provided by the Athlete returned an Adverse Analytical Finding (AAF) for Amfetamine and Cocaine, both non-specified Prohibited Substances.
3. Following receipt of the CCES’ Notice of Charge, asserting an anti-doping rule violation (ADRV) for the presence and Use of the Prohibited Substances Amfetamine and Cocaine, the Athlete signed an Early Admission and Acceptance Form thereby admitting the ADRV, waiving his right to a hearing and accepting all applicable Consequences.

Jurisdiction

4. The CCES is an independent not-for-profit organization incorporated under the federal laws of Canada that promotes ethical conduct in all aspects of sport in Canada. The CCES also maintains and implements the CADP, including providing anti-doping services to national sport organizations and their members.
5. As Canada’s national anti-doping organization, the CCES is in compliance with the World Anti-Doping Code (Code) and its mandatory International Standards. The CCES has implemented the Code and its mandatory International Standards through the CADP, the domestic rules which govern this proceeding. The purpose of the Code and of the CADP is to protect the rights of Athletes to fair competition.
6. The Athlete is a member of Softball Canada. According to Part C, Rule 1.3 of the CADP, the CADP provisions apply to all members of, and participants in the activities of, sport organizations adopting it. The CADP was adopted by Softball Canada on November 4, 2020. Therefore, as a member of Softball Canada and/or as a participant in Softball Canada sport activities, the Athlete is subject to the Rules of the CADP.

Doping Control

7. On August 2, 2022, the CCES conducted an In-Competition Doping Control session in Carp, ON. Testing was conducted on softball athletes as part of the CCES’ domestic test distribution plan, all pursuant to the CADP.
8. The Athlete was notified for Doping Control and, together with the doping control officer (DCO) from the CCES, completed the Sample collection process. The Athlete’s Sample code number was 4622778.

9. On August 5, 2022, the Athlete's sample was received by the INRS Centre Armand-Frappier Santé Biotechnologie (INRS), a World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) accredited laboratory for analysis, in Laval, QC.

Results Management

10. The AAF was reported to the CCES by the INRS on August 25, 2022. The certificate of analysis indicated the presence of Amfetamine and Cocaine.
11. Amfetamine and Cocaine are both classified as a non-specified Prohibited Substances on the 2022 WADA Prohibited List.
12. The CCES commenced an initial review into the Athlete's AAF and issued a notification of a potential ADRV on August 30, 2022.
13. On August 31, 2022, the CCES imposed a Provisional Suspension on the Athlete.
14. On September 14, 2022, the CCES formally issued a Notice of Charge, asserting an ADRV against the Athlete for the presence and Use of Amfetamine and Cocaine.
15. Having assessed all information provided by the Athlete, the CCES asserted a 4-year period of Ineligibility in accordance with Rules 10.2.1.1 of the CADP.

Confirmation of Violation and Sanction

16. In accordance with CADP Rule 10.8.1, which was specifically referenced within the Notice of Charge, the CCES informed the Athlete on September 14, 2022, that should he exercise his option to sign the Early Admission and Acceptance Form, he would receive a one (1) year reduction in the four (4) year period of Ineligibility asserted by the CCES.
17. On October 4, 2022, the Athlete submitted an Early Admission and Acceptance Form thereby admitting the ADRV, waiving his right to a hearing and accepting all applicable Consequences.
18. Therefore, the sanction for this violation is a three (3) year period of Ineligibility which commenced on August 31, 2022, (the date a Provisional Suspension was imposed on the Athlete) and concludes on August 30, 2025. Further, in accordance with CADP Rules 10.1 and 10.10, any competitive results obtained by the Athlete, from date of Sample collection, must be Disqualified.
19. The CCES now considers this case closed.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario this 24th day of October 2022.



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