

Doping

Explanatory document on the IOC list of prohibited substances and prohibited methods 2001

1. Beta 2 agonists

The IOC Medical Commission is concerned by the large increase in the number of athletes whose doctors notified the intended use of an inhaled, permitted beta 2 agonist at the Olympic Games in Sydney. In future Olympic Games, athletes who request permission to inhale a permitted beta 2 agonist will be assessed by an independent medical panel.

For many years, the most appropriate method of confirming the presence of asthma in an athlete and his/her need for treatment with an inhaled beta 2 agonist has posed problems. In 2001, the IOC Medical Commission will con-

duct a workshop during which experts will examine and recommend the most practical manner to confirm that an athlete has asthma and/or exercise induced-asthma and has the need to inhale a beta 2 agonist.

To reduce the number of athletes inhaling two (a short acting and a long acting) preparations, inhaled formoterol is permitted with notification prior to competition. Pending the development of a quantitative test in urine to determine cut-off levels for terbutaline, this beta 2 agonist has been removed from the category permitted with prior notification and is no longer available for athletes subject to doping controls.

2. Blood doping

The definition of blood doping as stated in the Olympic Movement Anti-Doping Code is included in the list.

3. Glucocorticosteroids

Glucocorticosteroids administered by local or intra-articular injection remain permitted, but International Federations may require written notification of such injection.

4. Expanded list of examples

Bupropion: is added on this list as a prohibited stimulant.

Aromatase inhibitors*: are added to the list and are prohibited in males only.

Olympic Quiz

Olympic Games Candidate Cities

Answers

1. Beijing (China); Istanbul (Turkey); Osaka (Japan); Paris (France); Toronto (Canada).
2. Bangkok (Thailand); Cairo (Egypt); Havana (Cuba); Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia); Seville (Spain).
3. Paris (France) in 1900 and 1924; London (Great Britain) in 1908 and 1948; and Los Angeles (United States of America) in 1932 and 1984.
4. Los Angeles has been a candidate 10 times, followed by these cities that have bid seven times: Athens (Greece); Buenos Aires (Argentina); Rome (Italy); and Detroit (United States of America).
5. Buenos Aires and Detroit. Budapest (Hungary) and Lausanne (Switzerland) have bid six times without being selected.
6. Montreal (Canada); Helsinki (Finland); and Minneapolis (United States of America). Montreal and Helsinki have hosted the Games of the Olympiad but not the Olympic Winter Games. Minneapolis has never hosted an Olympic Games.
7. Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Philadelphia, San Francisco, St. Louis.
8. Germany. Five different German cities have made bids for the Olympic Games: Berlin (1908, 1916, 1936, 2000), Cologne (1936) Frankfurt (1936), Munich (1972), and Nuremberg (1936).
9. St. Louis (United States of America) in 1904; Antwerp (Belgium) in 1920; Munich (Germany) in 1972; and Seoul (Korea) in 1988. St. Louis and Antwerp did not bid so much as they were chosen in a different time and era.
10. Chicago (United States of America) in 1904 stepped aside in favour of St. Louis. In 1908, Rome was the original choice, but eventually turned down the Olympics, which were eventually hosted by London. In 1976, Denver (United States of America) was chosen to host the Olympic Winter Games, but turned them down after a citizen's referendum expressed concerns over the environmental impact of the sites.