

## **CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE PARTICIPATION OF STUDENT NEUTRAL ATHLETES (SNA) AT FISU EVENTS**

### **1. Scope**

These Conditions apply where, pursuant to a decision of the FISU Executive Committee or applicable FISU eligibility framework, a Student-Athlete participates under neutral status at a FISU event. Neutral status may arise where a Member is suspended, restricted, or otherwise subject to measures affecting participation, or where the applicable eligibility framework determines that neutrality conditions are applicable.

These Conditions are not of universal application. Depending on the applicable framework and the position of the relevant International Federation, Student-Athletes from a given country may in certain scenarios be eligible to participate under full national conditions. These Conditions govern specifically those cases where neutral status is the applicable regime.

### **2. Participation**

Student Neutral Athletes (SNAs), along with their support personnel, may participate in FISU events solely in a neutral capacity, and must avoid any conduct incompatible with that status, including any public expression of support for armed conflict. They must not represent their country, their Member, or any other national organisation. SNAs will participate in accordance with the technical and sporting regulations of the respective International Federation, subject to these Conditions and to FISU's eligibility framework, which shall prevail in the event of any conflict.

Support personnel accreditation will be granted exclusively to individuals serving in medical or technical roles, ensuring that SNAs receive the same medical, technical and logistical support as other competing Student-Athletes. Government or state officials of the relevant country will neither be invited nor accredited for FISU events in any capacity.

FISU retains absolute discretion to determine the eligibility and participation conditions for any SNA and reserves the right to make final decisions on any matters not explicitly addressed in these Conditions.

### **3. Name**

SNAs compete under the designation "Student Neutral Athlete(s)" in English, using the acronym "SNA".

### **4. Emblem**

No emblems, logos or mascots associated with the relevant country or its NUSF may be used by SNAs or their support personnel, nor displayed at any official FISU event venues. Where an emblem is required by IF regulations or the technical requirements of a sport, the FISU logo or "SNA" acronym will be used instead.

## **5. Flag**

The national flag of the relevant country, whether current or historical, is prohibited from being flown or displayed in any official venue or area under the control of FISU Organising Committees. Where a flag is required – including during medal ceremonies, protocol settings, or in-venue displays, TV/media graphics and social media – a FISU flag will be used. Spectators are also prohibited from bringing the national flag or any associated items into any official FISU venue.

## **6. Anthem**

The FISU Anthem is used exclusively in all official circumstances including opening and closing ceremonies and medal ceremonies. No other anthem will be played.

## **7. Uniforms**

Uniforms and all personal items must be completely white or unicolour unless not feasible due to IF regulations, and must not contain any national identification, any expression of support for armed conflict, any emblems of national organisations, or any expression with a political connotation. These Conditions complement each IF's sport-specific guidelines regarding authorised identifications.

## **8. Medals and Diplomas**

SNAs are eligible to receive medals and diplomas for their performances. Collective results recorded under the "SNA" designation will not be included in any FISU medal tables.

## **9. Ceremonies**

SNAs and their support personnel may participate in Opening and Closing Ceremonies of FISU events. They will march in alphabetical order among the other participating delegations, preceded by a placard displaying the acronym "SNA". A FISU flag will be carried at the head of the delegation. No individual flag bearer will be designated.

## **10. Compliance**

Any infringement of these Conditions may result in immediate disqualification from the relevant FISU event(s) and annulment of results obtained therein, as well as such further disciplinary measures as FISU may determine.