



BC Athletics Safe Sport Resources, Policies, Rules, Processes, Contact Information

BC Athletics through Individual Members, Member Clubs, Parents/Guardians, Supporters, Board of Directors and Staff believes that all participants involved in Athletics (Track & Field, Road & Cross Country Running; Marathons/Ultras, Race Walking, Trail/Mountain Running) at whatever level and in whatever role have the right to take part in a safe and secure environment.

Whether Training, Competing, Officiating, Coaching, Administrating or Supporting - individuals must feel that they can do so free from abuse, harassment, discrimination or fear of reprisal.

BC Athletics, Athletics Canada, viaSport British Columbia and the Governments of British Columbia and Canada have Laws, Rules, Policies, Processes and Resources in place to help guide clubs and individuals to insuring a positive and safe environment for all involved.

BC Athletics is committed to a Safe Sport Environment and working with you to make your experience in Athletics a positive one.

Please find below information and links for:

- Resources
- Policies and Rules
- Processes
- Contacts
- Education and Training

Resources:

- [Responsible Coaching](#) – which has links for:
 1. Parents
 2. Sport Organizations
 3. Coaches
 - Where there is information on:
 - [Rule of Two](#)
 - [Background Screening](#)
 - [Ethics Training](#)

- [Government of British Columbia – Sport Safety](#)
- viaSport – [Safe Sport Resources](#)
- [Athletics Canada Safe Sport](#) initiative, policies and process supported and approved by Athletics Cd Prov/Terr Branch Members.
- [Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada](#) – tools and information to help prevent and resolve disputes at the highest levels of the Canadian sport system. Note the guidelines on the following from the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre (SDRCC)
 1. [Guide to Administrative Fair Play](#)
 2. [Team Selection](#)
 3. [Selection Criteria for Major Events in Sports \(Guidelines and Tips\)](#)
 4. [Carding](#)
- [Canadian Sport Hotline](#) – 1-888-83SPORT (77678) - Are you aware of a suspected incident of abuse, harassment, discrimination or bullying? Do you have questions and/or concerns regarding this incident? The Canadian Sport Hotline is there to provide you with advice, guidance and resources on how to proceed/intervene appropriately in the circumstances.



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- **Policies, Constitution, By-laws, Rules, Operating Procedures**
 1. [BC Athletics Policies on Equity - Access - Fair - Play](#)
 2. [BC Athletics Policy on Drugs in Sport](#)
 3. [BC Athletics Spectator Code of Conduct](#)
 4. [Constitution and By-laws - updated and approved October 16, 2019](#)
 5. [Operating Policies, Procedures, Rules, Regulations](#)
 6. [BC Athletics Appeals/Dispute Process](#)
 7. [BC Athletics Privacy Policy \(all sections\)](#)
 8. [BC Athletics Privacy Statement and Personal Information Protection: Summary](#)
 9. [BC Athletics Website and Publications Policy](#)
 10. [BC Athletics Risk Management Policy and Criminal Records Check Requirements](#)
 11. [BC Athletics Codes of Conduct](#)

12. [Officials Code of Conduct](#)
13. [BC Athletics Policy on Harassment \(abridged\)](#)
14. [BC Athletics Policy on Harassment \(complete\)](#)
15. [Criminal Records Check \(CRC\)](#) BC Athletics requires that a CRC be done every 5 years (extended from 4 yrs at the BCA Brd Mtg of Jan 25/20) for all Coaches, Officials, Club and Provincial Association Directors and BC Athletics staff. Note: Members requiring a CRC must have it completed within 2 months of initiating the CRC.

- **Process**

1. [BC Athletics Discipline: Complaints, Hearing and Appeals Process](#)

- **BC Athletics Contacts are:**

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Athletics Canada

5. [Athletics Canada Rules and Bylaws](#)
6. [Contact the Commissioner's Office](#)
7. [Athletics Canada Code of Conduct \(Page 49\)](#)
8. [Updates to Athletics Canada's Code of Conduct](#) (Approved at 2018 Annual General Meeting)

Presentations/Education/Training

1. Please contact BC Athletics to discuss options and resources for presentations on Safe Sport. We can work with the Club(s) and connect you to the appropriate agencies who are trained to deliver/present information and training on Safe Sport.

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