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The Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) is pleased to announce that its new Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code took effect on April 1, 2006, and is available at www.adrsportred.ca.

Our rules of procedure have been revised to improve the delivery of dispute resolution services for members of the Canadian sport community. The new Code comes as the result of numerous recommendations, comments and suggestions we received from members of the legal and sport communities over the past year. We believe this new Code will allow the delivery of better services to the members of the sport community.

One of the features of the new Code is the introduction of a new service to help parties resolve their sport disputes. Resolution facilitation (RF) is one of the four dispute resolution options offered by the SDRCC, the others being mediation, med/arb and arbitration. The overall RF process ensures that communication and the interests of the parties involved take precedence over all other factors. More precisely, resolution facilitation is an assistance service that allows the parties in a dispute to communicate more effectively as they work towards reaching an agreement. The resolution facilitator is a member of the SDRCC personnel who helps the parties better understand the possibilities the SDRCC offers to resolve their dispute and guides them in its resolution.

For more information the new Code or the FR or, please consult our Web site at www.adrsportred.ca, or contact us at 1-866-733-7767 or at info@adrsported.ca.