

RESOLUTION FACILITATION REQUEST

The undersigned parties wish to initiate a resolution facilitation process as offered by the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (**SDRCC**). This resolution facilitation process is governed by the following:

1. Role, Responsibilities and Powers of the Resolution Facilitator (RF)

- a) The RF is an impartial third party who does not represent any of the parties involved in the dispute.
- b) The role of the RF is to help the parties negotiate a voluntary settlement of the issues in dispute by creating conditions that allow them (i) to share their views on the situation, (ii) to communicate to each other their respective issues and expectations, (iii) to look for a range of possible solutions to those disclosed issues and expectations, (iv) to negotiate effectively, fairly and equitably, (v) to agree on a settlement that responds to their needs and expectations. Finally, the RF will help the parties understand alternative resolution processes offered by the SDRCC should the resolution facilitation process not lead to an agreed settlement.
- c) The RF does not offer legal advice and has no duty to assert or protect the legal rights of any party, to raise any issue not raised by the parties themselves or to determine who should participate in the resolution facilitation process contemplated by this request. The RF has no duty to ensure the enforceability or validity of any agreement that would potentially be reached by the parties.
- d) The RF is responsible for the sequence of events of the resolution facilitation process. As such, and if he/she deems it appropriate, he/she can proceed by way of a meeting involving all the parties together (plenary) and/or by way of private meetings with each party (caucus).

2. Roles, Responsibilities and Powers of the Parties

- a) The parties voluntarily enter into the resolution facilitation process in an attempt to resolve a dispute. The signing of this request is evidence that the parties intend to conduct this resolution facilitation in an honest and forthright manner and to make a serious attempt to resolve the dispute.
- b) The parties acknowledge that the primary responsibility for resolving the outstanding issues rests with them and not with the RF.
- c) The parties agree to disclose all information, including any necessary financial information, which is pertinent to the issues subject to this resolution facilitation process.
- d) The parties can request the RF to meet with them privately (caucus). The information thereby disclosed will be considered by the RF as confidential unless the party who has disclosed it expressly allows the RF to communicate it to the other party/parties.

3. Confidentiality

- a) The meetings between the RF and the Parties shall be confidential and without prejudice.
- b) The RF, the Parties, their representatives and advisors, the experts and any other Persons present during the resolution Facilitation shall not disclose to any third party any information or document given to them during the Resolution Facilitation, unless required by law to do so.

- c) The RF may not be called as a witness and the Parties undertake not to compel the RF to divulge records, reports or other documents, or to testify in regard to the Resolution Facilitation in any arbitral or judicial proceedings, including proceedings before the SDRCC, unless required by law to do so.
- d) The RF shall not produce a report of the discussions between the Parties. All written and oral statements and settlement discussions made in the course of the Resolution Facilitation shall be confidential and will be treated as having been made without prejudice and cannot be disclosed to a Panel except:
 - i. As set out in Subsection 4.3(f) [of the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code]; or
 - ii. When all Parties consent to communicate certain information or documents to the Panel, such as an agreed statement of facts or a statement defining the scope of the Arbitration.

4. Costs of the Resolution Facilitation Process

- a) There will be no fee charged for the services of the RF.
- b) Except for the costs outlined in Subsection 3.9(e) and Section 3.10 of the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code, all other costs will be the responsibility of the Parties.

5. Settlement

- a) If the Parties reach a settlement or agreement during the Resolution Facilitation process, a document evidencing the terms of the settlement should be prepared and signed by the Parties. A copy of the settlement agreement shall be submitted to the SDRCC.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed the request:

Signed by _____ representing _____	
(print name)	(name party)
on _____ in _____.	
(date)	(city, province)
_____	_____
Signature	Email address

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on _____ in _____.	
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