

Medical Review vs Retroactive TUE

Medical Review – CCES

<https://cces.ca/medicalreview>

[Medical-Review-application.MG-NOV-1.-2018.pdf \(cdnmastersweightlifting.org\)](https://cdnmastersweightlifting.org/Medical-Review-application.MG-NOV-1.-2018.pdf)

Retroactive TUE – CCES

<https://cces.ca/therapeutic-use-exemptions>

Medical Review and Retroactive TUE are similar:

Both are initiated after an athlete's sample results in an "Adverse Analytical Finding".

The athlete is expected to declare the need of medication(s) with prohibited substances (or prohibited methods) at the time of sample collection.

The application form needs to be accompanied by a medical report that explains/justifies the need for the medication and also specifies that there is no alternative treatment that does not include prohibited substances/methods.

If granted, they are only valid for the one competition.

For CMWFHCM athletes:

If they compete nationally, the medical review process will apply.

For provincially sanctioned competitions, the CCES will oversee the process (because Weightlifting Canada is part of the CADP and provincial organizations are part of Weightlifting Canada)

For competitions sanctioned by the CMWFHCM, our ADC oversees the process (because we are not part of the CADP)

If they compete internationally, they need to follow IWF-Masters regulations

For athletes that cannot obtain a TUE from their National Anti-Doping Agency (i.e the members of the CMWFHCM), IWF-Masters requires a retroactive TUE application to be submitted 30 days before the competition.

CMWFHC Anti-Doping Policy

3.04 MEDICAL REVIEW

3.04.1 DEMAND FOR PROVIDING

A Medical Review application will be requested by the CMWFHCM-ADC and considered retroactively should an athlete's sample produce an Adverse Analytical Finding for a prohibited substance or method.

3.04.2 CRITERIA FOR GRANTING EXEMPTION BASED ON MEDICAL REVIEW

A Medical Review will only be granted by ADC and its consultants for a medically justified reason and under the following circumstances:

- The athlete could experience a significant impairment to health if the prohibited substance or prohibited method were to be withheld in the course of treating an acute or chronic medical condition;
- The use of the prohibited substance or prohibited method would produce no additional enhancement of performance other than that which might be anticipated by a return to a state of normal health following the treatment of a legitimate medical condition; and
- There is no reasonable therapeutic alternative or any alternative is inefficient.

MEDICAL REPORT:

Evidence confirming the diagnosis shall be attached and forwarded with this application. The medical information must include a comprehensive medical history and the results of all relevant examinations, laboratory investigations and imaging studies. Copies of the original reports or letters should be included when possible. Evidence should be as objective as possible in the clinical circumstances. In the case of non-demonstrable conditions, independent supporting medical opinion will assist this application.

WADA maintains a series of guidelines to assist physicians in the preparation of complete and thorough TUE applications. These TUE Physician Guidelines can be accessed by entering the search term "Medical Information" on the WADA website: <https://www.wada-ama.org>. The guidelines address the diagnosis and treatment of a number of medical conditions commonly affecting athletes, and requiring treatment with prohibited substances.