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To make a contribution towards Nation Building and Healing of our land, South Africa, and the Transformation of our Society, through the Development of Athletics, from Grassroots to the highest levels of Excellence

To	ASA Members
From	ASA Office
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ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

Dear ASA Members

CIRCULAR 15 OF ASA 2017 (02/07) – TEST RESULTS FROM DRUGFREE SPORT (SAIDS)

In accordance with IAAF and ASA Rules and regulations all races listed on the ASA National and Provincial Fixtures should adhere to the principles of eligibility.

One of these principals eligibility are that all athletes participating in events listed on the ASA National and Provincial Fixtures List should not have an unfair advantage, e.g. athletes should not use illegal substances to enhance their performance during competitions.

In this regard, the South African Institute for Drug Free Sport (SAIDS) are tasked to monitor athletes participating in ASA National and Provincial Events.

To ensure their credibility, SAIDS will independently select which athletes, and in which events, they would like to conduct testing. SAIDS will then contact the Competition Director to provide a facility where the testing can be done in a private and secured environment.

In the case of National Events, ASA will know if testing was done by SAIDS and will follow up if there is a delay in declaring the test results by SAIDS.

In provincial events, ASA may not know that SAIDS have tested athletes participating in a provincial event. It is therefore important that Event Organizers notify the relevant provinces of tests that has been done on athletes in their event.

It is also important that when SAIDS do release Test Results, the detail of such results will be treated as confidential and the detail of the results will not be released to either the Province or the Event organizer.

ASA will only notify the Province in which athletes were tested, if the athletes in the relevant race were declared free of substance abuse.

It is the duty of the ASA Province to notify the relevant Event Organizer, and instruct the Event Organizer to honour payment to athletes and teams in accordance with the incentives published on their event marketing material.

ASA will not entertain communication from Event Organizers, or any other individuals, related to tests been conducted by SAIDS tests to Events Organizers.

Athletics greetings

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