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Summary of changes to Tennis Anti-Corruption Program (TACP) and Tennis Anti-Doping Programme (TADP) 2026

TACP 2026

Listed below are the substantive changes to the TACP taking effect in 2026, effective 1 January 2026. A downloadable PDF of the TACP can be found <u>here</u>, alongside a digital version from 2 January 2026.

Coverage extended during a hiatus *TACP B.9*

Where a Covered Person returns to the sport from a hiatus, they are now deemed to have remained bound by the TACP for an additional 12 months in the interim.

This is subject to an exception, during that additional period, to the prohibitions against betting on tennis, promoting betting, sharing inside information (to the extent it forms part of legitimate media coverage), sponsorship/endorsement by tennis betting operators, and associating with suspended persons in a professional or sport-related capacity.

Substantial Assistance criteria

TACP B.31

A Covered Person may qualify for a reduction in their sanction under the TACP if they provide assistance that results in the discovery or establishing of a Corruption Offense. This rule now requires that they disclose *all* known information about sport integrity rule violations (including Anti-Doping Rule Violations under the TADP) and fully cooperate with the ITIA investigation and any ensuing disciplinary proceedings (including by giving evidence at a hearing if requested to do so).

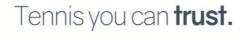
Accreditation misuse

TACP D.1.c and D.1.l

It is a Corruption Offense under the TACP to misuse accreditation. The rules have been amended to specifically prohibit enabling another individual to access restricted areas and loaning or transferring accreditation documentation.

TADP 2026

Listed below are the substantive changes to the TADP taking effect in 2026, effective 1 January 2026. A downloadable PDF of the TADP can be found here, alongside a digital version from 2 January 2026.



Disciplinary offense

TADP 7.15

The TADP includes a disciplinary offense for misconduct towards doping control personnel. This rule has been amended to clarify that this rule covers conduct that a reasonable person would find to be ill-disciplined, improper, derogatory, violent, threatening, abusive, indecent and/or insulting (including aggressive words or actions).

The Independent Tribunal has also been granted discretion to impose a Provisional Suspension pending resolution of cases involving allegations of violence, threat, abuse and/or indecency, taking into account the safety and wellbeing of the victim of the alleged conduct and the risk of harm to any other person and/or the reputation of tennis.

Prohibition against participating in a professional league while suspended under the TADP *TADP 10.14.1*

Under the WADA Code, persons suspended under the TADP are not allowed to participate in a professional league (in any sport). This term has been defined to mean, in the tennis context, an Event comprising multiple stages and/or Competitions and/or a series of Events which are (a) professional, meaning only professional players participate and prize money is awarded based on performance; and (b) played in a league format, meaning there is a round-robin or group stage within the tournament, culminating in the awarding of a championship, either at the end of the round-robin or group stage or following a subsequent playoff stage.

TACP and TADP 2026

The following change has been implemented across both the TACP and TADP, effective 1 January 2026.

Provisional Suspension to prevent procedural delays

TACP F.9 and TADP 7.16

Provisional suspension rules have been adapted to allow for more flexibility in cases impacted by player welfare concerns. When an individual has withdrawn from proceedings in a TADP or TACP case on mental health grounds, a provisional suspension may now be applied in cases where the integrity of the sport may otherwise be undermined.

In cases where a provisional suspension has been imposed exclusively due to ongoing delay on mental health grounds, the provisional suspension is exempt from publication.

