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United DFC Policies and Procedures Substance Use Policy

1.0 Purpose

The primary purpose of this policy is to ensure the health and safety of all United DFC Participants with respect to the appropriate use of legal substances and compliance with the province of Nova Scotia's Cannabis Control, Tobacco Control, and Liquor Control Acts. This policy recognizes that the appropriate use of legal substances, including the prescription and medical use of substances, is ultimately the responsibility of the individual.

2.0 Definitions

Athlete: Is defined as all persons who are members of or play on a soccer team or participate in soccer programs with United DFC.

Team Support Roles: refers to any volunteer specifically assigned to a United DFC team (i.e. Coaches, assistant coaches, Team Managers)

United DFC Participant: In the context of this policy, United DFC participant refers to Athletes, parents, and team staff (i.e. Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Team Managers)

3.0 Scope

This policy applies to all United DFC participants and applies during the course of all United DFC business, activities and events.

4.0 Policy Statement

United DFC prohibits the use of alcohol, tobacco, or cannabis at any unlicensed venue, event, or activity.

Anyone under the age of nineteen (19) may not use alcohol, tobacco, or cannabis at any time. This is in compliance with the province of Nova Scotia's Smoke Free Places Act, Cannabis Control, Tobacco Control and Liquor Control Acts.

The use and consumption of illegal or banned substances is prohibited at all times. Participants who do use or consume illegal or banned substances while participating in United DFC activities will be subject to



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the appropriate municipal, provincial or federal laws, statutes, by-laws, and regulations as well as the laws in the country where the activity may take place.

5.0 Procedures

Violations to this policy will be subject to the United DFC Code of Conduct and Discipline and Complaints policies.

6.0 Related, Policies, Legislation and/or Documents

Code of Conduct

Discipline and Complaints

7.0 Approval and Review

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