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SDRCC Dispute Resolution Secretariat Service Conditions Effective April 1, 2026

Brossard (Quebec) - Effective April 1, 2026, the conditions for accessing the services of the Dispute Resolution Secretariat of the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) will return to those in effect prior to July 30, 2025. This return is made possible through strategic budget decisions and with the support of our partners.

The services listed below will be offered at no cost, subject to the fixed case filing fees provided, where applicable, under the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Code:

- Selection of athletes and coaches to the national team within sport organizations funded under the Sport Support Program (SSP);
- Any other dispute under the Ordinary Tribunal affecting national team athletes or coaches, volunteers, staff members, officials or other stakeholders of sport organizations funded under the SSP;
- Disputes arising from the administration of the Athlete Assistance Program;
- Doping cases involving members of sport organizations funded under the SSP, as well as doping appeals involving those members (no filing fee applies to doping-related matters);
- All requests for review to the Safeguarding Tribunal permitted under the Canadian Safe Sport Program (CSSP), as well as appeals of Safeguarding Tribunal decisions arising from the CSSP.

All services that were previously offered on a fee-for-service basis will remain so, including disputes arising from sport organizations not funded under the SSP or appeals of safe sport decisions rendered by independent third parties.

“The SDRCC remains committed to offering the same level of professionalism in the delivery of its programs. We now have the resources needed to return to the conditions of access to our services that were in effect prior to July 30, 2025, while preserving the sustainability and quality of our services,” said Francis Ménard, Chief Executive Officer of the SDRCC.

About the SDRCC

The SDRCC is a not-for-profit corporation created by federal legislation and funded by Sport Canada. Its mission is to provide the sport community with a national alternative dispute resolution service and to strengthen the culture of fairness in Canadian sport by resolving disputes quickly and efficiently, and by providing expertise and assistance in this area.



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