

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1571

Decision of ISU Disciplinary Commission

The ISU filed on March 5, 2009 with the ISU Disciplinary Commission a Complaint against Ms. Claudia Pechstein, a Speed Skater from Germany, for an alleged Anti-Doping Rule violation.

Following a full hearing and consideration of the alleged Anti-Doping Rule violation, the ISU Disciplinary Commission has, on July 1, 2009, taken the following decision:

- 1. Claudia Pechstein is declared responsible for an Anti-Doping violation under Article 2.2 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules by using the prohibited method of blood doping.*
- 2. The results obtained by Claudia Pechstein in the 500 m and 3'000 m races at the World Allround Speed Skating Championships on February 7, 2009, are disqualified and her points, prizes and medals forfeited.*
- 3. A two years ineligibility, beginning on February 9, 2009, is imposed on Claudia Pechstein.*
- 4. The Deutsche Eisschnelllauf-Gemeinschaft e.V. shall pay to the ISU the costs to be determined.*
- 5. Each Party bears its own costs of proceedings and expenses.*

The present decision is subject to appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, Lausanne, Switzerland, within 21 days upon receipt of the decision, in accordance with Article 24, paragraph 12 and Article 25 of the ISU Constitution and Rule 13.2.1 and 13.6 of the ISU Anti-Doping Rules.

The decision of the Disciplinary Commission is published in full on the ISU website.

Milano,
July 3, 2009
Lausanne,

Ottavio Cinquanta, President
Fred Schmid, Director General