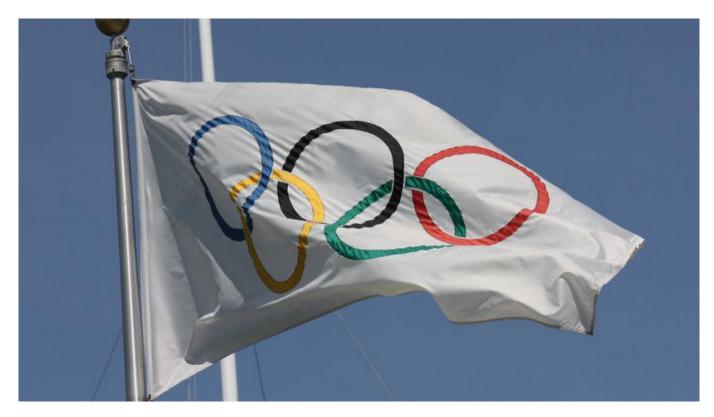


IOC Releases Neutral Logo for Russian Olympic Athletes

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The International Olympics Committee (IOC) has proposed a neutral logo for Russian athletes allowed to participate in the Games in South Korea next February.

The IOC <u>decided</u> Dec. 5 that Russia's Olympic team and officials would be barred from the Winter Games in Pyeongchang over doping allegations. Individual athletes with a clean record will be allowed to participate under a neutral flag and with a neutral uniform.

The neutral logo proposed by the IOC reads "Olympic Athlete from Russia," in plain red letters on a white background.

On Wednesday, the IOC <u>announced</u> 13 guidelines for Russian uniforms, which include the following:

- athletes may only be identified as "Olympic Athlete from Russia" or "OAR" on their uniforms
- only two colors from the Russian flag can appear at one time in the uniform
- the Russian coat of arms or national emblem may not appear
- no other national identifications can be used as design elements
- words on the uniform should be in English and in a generic font

The IOC's Review Panel will also vet each individual athlete from Russia to ensure that they are free of doping.

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