

News Release

The Canada Revenue Agency revokes the registered status of the Canadian Amateur Football Association

Ottawa, Ontario, September 3, 2008... The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) has revoked the status of the Canadian Amateur Football Association (CAFA) as a registered Canadian amateur athletic association, effective August 30, 2008. The following notice was published in the *Canada Gazette*:

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to [...] 168(1)(d) of the *Income Tax Act*, that I propose to revoke the registration of the organization listed below under 168(2) of the *Income Tax Act* and that the revocation of registration is effective on the date of publication of this notice.

According to paragraph 168(1)(*d*) of the *Income Tax Act*, the Minister may revoke the registration of a registered charity or a registered Canadian amateur athletic association (RCAAA) where it "issues a receipt for a gift or donation otherwise than in accordance with this Act and the regulations or that contains false information."

RCAAAs are non-profit organizations that were established for the primary purpose of promoting amateur athletics in Canada on a nationwide basis. These organizations are registered as such under the *Income Tax Act* and have the authority to issue official donation receipts for income tax purposes.

An RCAAA whose registered status has been revoked can no longer issue official donation receipts for income tax purposes and is no longer a qualified donee under the *Income Tax Act*.

RCAAAs and registered charities perform valuable work in our communities, and Canadians support this work in many ways. The CRA regulates RCAAAs and registered charities through the *Income Tax Act* and is committed to ensuring that they operate in compliance with the law. When an RCAAA is found not to comply with its legal obligations, the CRA may revoke its registered status under the *Income Tax Act*.

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