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**IRONMAN AGE-GROUP ATHLETE STEVENSON SANCTIONED
FOR ANTI-DOPING RULE VIOLATION**

TAMPA, Fla. (May 23, 2017) – Today, the IRONMAN® Anti-Doping Program announced that Australian age-group athlete Scott Stevenson tested positive for a prohibited substance and has received a four-year suspension. Mr. Stevenson’s positive sample was collected out-of-competition and he will receive credit for the period of his Provisional Suspension which began on September 25, 2016.

Stevenson’s sample tested positive for the presence of an androstareinedion and its metabolite(s) and for testosterone, which was confirmed by Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometry (IRMS) analysis. The use of any exogenous Anabolic Androgenic Steroid, including testosterone, is prohibited at all times under IRONMAN Anti-Doping Rules consistent with the World Anti-Doping Code and the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List.

All results-management proceedings and sanctions applied under the jurisdiction of the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Program are determined in accordance with the WADA Code and the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Rules. IRONMAN’s investigation was conducted in cooperation with the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority. Mr. Stevenson was subject to out-of-competition testing as a qualifier for the 2016 IRONMAN® World Championship. Mr. Stevenson did not have a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).

“All age-group athletes who accept qualifying slots to the IRONMAN World Championship are provided specific notice regarding the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Program, including what their rights and responsibilities are,” said Kate Mittelstadt, Director of the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Program. “We will continue our outreach and education efforts and urge all athletes to consider the medications, treatments and supplements they are using. By working proactively with their doctors and the anti-doping authorities they can understand the risks and consequences if they do not apply for, or qualify for, a Therapeutic Use Exemption or choose permitted alternatives.”

As a result of this sanction, Mr. Stevenson was and is ineligible to participate in any IRONMAN-affiliated competition or any events organized by any other WADA Code Signatory for a period of four years beginning September 25, 2016, the date his Provisional Suspension began. All of Mr. Stevenson’s results from August 4, 2016 (the date of his test) onward are disqualified.

To learn more about the IRONMAN Anti-Doping program, visit www.ironman.com/triathlon/organizations/anti-doping.aspx. For more information on the IRONMAN brand and global event series, visit www.ironman.com. Media-related inquiries may contact press@ironman.com.

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About IRONMAN Anti-Doping Program

As a private corporation conducting triathlon events, IRONMAN is the first private, non-federation sports company to formally adhere to the World Anti-Doping Code. The IRONMAN Anti-Doping Rules are adopted and implemented in conformance with the responsibilities of IRONMAN under the Code, and are in furtherance of IRONMAN’s continuing its efforts to protect and promote clean sport and the integrity of IRONMAN racing. As part of the www.ironman.com website, IRONMAN has included an Anti-Doping section. Downloads of rules, policies and forms, sanctions, as well as educational resources and links are available to all participants and the public through this site. Anti-Doping is a key component of IRONMAN’s IAMTrue™ outreach initiative focused on ensuring that athletes know and understand their

rights and responsibilities and the IRONMAN Competition Rules. The WADA List of Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods is available at www.wada-ama.org/en/prohibited-list.

About IRONMAN

A Wanda Sports Holdings company, IRONMAN operates a global portfolio of events that includes the IRONMAN® Triathlon Series, the IRONMAN® 70.3® Triathlon Series, 5150™ Triathlon Series, Iron Girl®, IRONKIDS®, six of nine International Triathlon Union World Triathlon Series races, road cycling events including the UCI Velothon Majors Series, mountain bike races, premier marathons and other multisport races. IRONMAN's events, together with all other Wanda Sports Holdings events, provide more than 680,000 participants annually the benefits of endurance sports through the company's vast offerings. The iconic IRONMAN® Series of events is the largest participation sports platform in the world. Since the inception of the IRONMAN® brand in 1978, athletes have proven that ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE® by crossing finish lines at the world's most challenging endurance races. Beginning as a single race, IRONMAN has grown to become a global sensation with more than 260 events across 44 countries. For more information, visit www.ironman.com.

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