## PLAYERS SECTION IV - WITHDRAWALS AND RETIREMENTS

## 7. Consecutive Withdrawals

## a. Definition

Subject to the requirements and restrictions in sub-Section b below, if a player withdraws by any method from a WTA Tournament for a medical illness or a musculoskeletal injury that warrants medical evaluation or medical treatment ("Medical Condition"), she may withdraw from the next WTA Tournament(s) in which she has entered without using any additional Excused Withdrawals or Prize Money Withdrawals or paying any additional Late Withdrawal fines as long as she withdraws before the Qualifying Sign-In deadline ("Consecutive Withdrawal").

## b. Requirements and Restrictions

- If the player's initial withdrawal occurs on site at any WTA Tournament, then she must meet the withdrawal requirements in Section IV.A.2 above.
- ii. If the player's initial withdrawal does not occur on site at a WTA Tournament, then in addition to the withdrawal requirements in Section IV.A.1 above, she must:
  - (a) meet with an accredited physician for an evaluation and assessment of the Medical Condition:
  - (b) within ten (10) days of her initial withdrawal:
    - submit to WTA Sport Sciences and Medicine a WTA Medical Information Form, which must be written in English and completed by an accredited physician, indicating the nature of the Medical Condition and verifying that she is unable to play in the Tournament;
    - (ii) attach copies of the records of the clinical visit to the physician, including the physician's notes/documentation and all relevant laboratory tests in English; and
    - (iii) personally sign the Medical Information Form warranting that she was unable to play in the Tournament from which she withdrew; and
  - (c) provide a suitable quotation, in WTA's reasonable discretion, about her inability to play in the initial Tournament from which she withdrew and authorize the WTA to publicly release the quotation and the basis for her withdrawal.