

Scottish Rowing Overview of Anti-Doping Activities – 2021 Calendar Year

Scottish Rowing continues to be committed to the principles of Clean Sport and this report provides an overview of the anti-doping activities carried out during the 2021 calendar year.

Clean Sport Education Strategy and Implementation Plan

Scottish Rowing has worked in partnership with British Rowing and Welsh Rowing to develop a new Clean Sport Education Strategy that is aligned across the home nations. Supported by an Scotland specific implementation plan, the strategy will guide Scottish Rowing's approach to Clean Sport and will be made available on the Scottish Rowing website early in 2022.

Education

All athletes and coaches from the Scottish Rowing Performance Programme received Clean Sport education (delivered online due to the pandemic) in January 2021, with additional education provided by British Rowing to those athletes in the GB Rowing Team trials process.

Clean Sport education opportunities for the wider rowing community were also made available through the British Rowing webinar series.

Scottish Rowing notified all staff, supported athletes, performance coaches and practitioners and partner programmes of the new Prohibited List (coming into effect on 1 January 2022).

Compliance

Scottish Rowing has provided evidence against all of the UKAD Assurance Framework requirements and expects to be fully compliant by the end of March 2022.

Communications

Scottish Rowing continues to be pro-active with its anti-doping communications. The Scottish Rowing website is updated regularly with the latest Clean Sport guidance and contacts for members, whilst Scottish Rowing uses its social media channels to disseminate best practice and key info throughout the year, including supporting UKAD's Clean Sport week in May 2021.

Anti-Doping Rule Violation

Scottish Rowing was disappointed to report an Anti-Doping Rule Violation (ADRV) at the start of the year by an indoor rower and Scottish Rowing member. The individual had competed at the World Rowing Indoor Championships in Paris, France, in February 2020 and had been tested in competition on behalf of World Rowing. The presence of terbutaline, clenbuterol and exogenous testosterone were detected in the sample provided. World Rowing was responsible for the results management of the case and the final decision. The individual was issued with a 4-year ban from sport.

Scottish Rowing worked with British Rowing, UK Anti-Doping (UKAD) and World Rowing on this case and produced external communications which were published on the Scottish Rowing website and social media channels.

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