Anti-Doping Policy

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Definitions

**Athlete**
Any Person (including any Recreational Athlete) who competes at any level in the sport under the jurisdiction of British Rowing. For purposes of Article 2.8 and Article 2.9 of the UK Anti-Doping Rules, an Athlete is any Person (including any Recreational Athlete) who participates at any level in any sport under the authority of any Signatory, government or other sports organisation accepting the Code.

**Coach**
Any coach working with an Athlete participating in or preparing for sports competition.

**Athlete Support Person**
Any team manager, team support staff (sport scientist, doctor, physiotherapist, S&C coach etc.), agent, official, parent or any other Person working with, treating or assisting an Athlete participating in or preparing for sports competition.

**Participant**
Any Rower or Athlete Support Person.

**Person**
A natural Person or an organisation or other entity.
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1.0 The anti-doping rules of British Rowing are the UK Anti-Doping Rules published by UK Anti-Doping Limited (or its successor), as amended from time to time. Such rules shall take effect and be construed as rules of British Rowing. In becoming a member of British Rowing, all members agree to comply with the rules of British Rowing which includes agreement not to engage in any doping related activity. The UK Anti-Doping Rules can be found at https://www.ukad.org.uk/anti-doping-rules

2.0 UK Anti-Doping (UKAD) is responsible for the implementation and management of the UK’s National Anti-Doping Policy and their mission is to protect the right of athletes to compete in clean sport. UKAD ensure sports bodies comply with the World Anti-Doping Code by working with sports bodies to deliver education and information, carry out testing, undertake intelligence management and prosecute anti-doping rule violations.

3.0 British Rowing in collaboration with UKAD support all members in understanding their responsibilities through the provision of Clean Sport education and information.

4.0 The UK Anti-Doping rules shall apply to and shall bind all Athletes, Athlete Support Personnel and other Persons under the jurisdiction of British Rowing. Those to whom these Rules apply include:

   4.1 All athletes, coaches and athlete support personnel and other persons who are members of British Rowing and/or other affiliated organisations;
   4.2 All athletes, coach, athlete support personnel and other persons participating in such capacity in events, competitions and other activities organised, convened, authorised or recognised by British Rowing;
   4.3 All coaches, athlete support personnel and other persons working with, treating or assisting an athlete participating in a professional or sport capacity;
   4.4 All athletes, coaches, athlete support persons and other persons taking part in rowing with any of the home nations (including any clubs, teams, associations or leagues); and
   4.5 Any other athlete, coach, athlete support personnel or other person who by virtue of a membership, contractual arrangement or otherwise, is subject to the jurisdiction of British Rowing for purposes of anti-doping, whether or not such person(s) is or are resident in the UK.

5.0 Athletes, Coaches, Athlete Support Personnel and other Persons must accept these rules as a condition of participation and shall be bound by them. It is the personal responsibility of each
athlete and athlete support personnel to acquaint him/herself and comply with the British Rowing Anti-Doping Rules.

6.0 All athletes as set out in (4.0) are subject to drug testing. For the purposes of the UK Anti-Doping Rules, consent of a parent or guardian to the testing of a minor is deemed to follow automatically from the fact that the minor has been permitted by their parent/guardian to participate in rowing. Any minors participating in rowing, therefore, may be subject to drug testing.

7.0 All Athletes, Athlete Support Personnel and other Persons must cooperate fully with any anti-doping investigations or proceedings, whether conducted by UK Anti-Doping or any other competent body. Failure to do so without acceptable justification may be treated as misconduct under British Rowing’s Anti-Doping Policy and may be sanctioned accordingly.

8.0 In the event that a person who is subject to British Rowing’s jurisdiction commits an act of misconduct that relates to anti-doping but does not amount to a violation of the UK Anti-Doping Rules, British Rowing may bring disciplinary proceedings against that person for such misconduct under British Rowing’s Code of Ethics, Behaviours and Conduct and they may be sanctioned accordingly.

9.0 Should an athlete not on UK Anti-Doping’s National Registered Testing Pool or Domestic Testing Pool wish to retire from competition, and no longer be subject to anti-doping responsibilities, they should provide the following information to confirm their retirement:

9.1 Full name, date of birth, current club;
9.2 The date of retirement;
9.3 These details must be accompanied by the athlete’s signature and send from the athletes verified email address.

Links
For more information about Anti-Doping visit www.ukad.org or https://www.britishrowing.org/about-us/governance/cleansport/ or email cleansport@britishrowing.org

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