



British Rowing Statement

British Rowing are disappointed to learn of the anti-doping violation committed by Christopher Bailey at the 2022 World Rowing Virtual Indoor Championships* earlier this year. In response to the statement released by World Rowing, [Violation of Anti-Doping Rules by Christopher Bailey at the 2022 World Rowing Virtual Indoor Championships](#), British Rowing support the suspension.

Mr Bailey was selected for in-competition testing and his sample was found to contain presence of *Drostanolone and its metabolite 3 α -hydroxy-2 α -methyl-5 α -androstane-17-one*, which is prohibited at all times in accordance with the 2022 WADA Prohibited List.

As the results management authority, World Rowing decided to suspend Mr Bailey from all rowing competitions and activity for four years until 24th April 2026. He is also disqualified from any results obtained at the 2022 World Rowing Virtual Indoor Championships.

During the period of ineligibility Christopher Bailey will be suspended from taking part in any rowing activities, taking up a membership, or competing in any rowing events recognised, organised or convened by British Rowing or any other national governing body of sport.

British Rowing takes a very strong view on anti-doping and encourages all rowers, including indoor rowers, to ensure they fully understand the anti-doping rules and take every action to ensure their participation in rowing is clean.

More information on Clean Sport can be found [here](#).

*Christopher Bailey competed at the 2022 World Rowing Virtual Indoor Championships as a competitor from Great Britain. He is not a British Rowing member and has no connection with GB Rowing Team.