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# FACT SHEET

## Anti-Doping Rule Violations and Sanctions

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### Anti-Doping Rule Violations

Play it straight,  
know your eight.

Anti-Doping Rule Violations apply to athletes and support personnel

#### ANTI-DOPING HOTLINE

1800 020 506

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#### STAMPOUT DOPING

1800 645 700

### What are the eight Anti Doping Rule Violations (ADRV)?

1. The presence of a prohibited substance or its metabolites or markers in an athlete's bodily specimen.
2. Use or attempted use of a prohibited substance or method
3. Refusing, or failing without compelling justification, to submit to sample collection after notification as authorized in applicable anti-doping rules, or otherwise evading sample collection.
4. Violation of applicable requirements regarding athlete availability for out-of-competition testing, including failure to provide required whereabouts information and missed tests (which are declared based on reasonable rules)
5. Tampering, or attempting to tamper, with any part of doping control
6. Possession of a prohibited substance and/or method
7. Administration or attempted administration of a prohibited substance or prohibited method to any athlete, or assisting, encouraging, aiding, abetting, covering up or any other type of complicity involving an anti-doping rule violation or any attempted violation.
8. Trafficking in any prohibited substance or method

### Anti-Doping Rule Violation Hearings

- > If ASADA determines that you have committed an ADRV, you will have the opportunity to refer the decision to an independent hearing tribunal.
- > Hearings will be held in accordance with your sport's anti-doping policy.
- > ASADA may present the case to the Hearing body where the sport has referred to ASADA the power to do so. ASADA will inform the tribunal of a recommended sanction, however this will be a recommendation only and the tribunal will make the final determination regarding sanction.
- > If an athlete or support person elects not to take their matter to the relevant sport tribunal, the sport will apply a sanction in accordance with its Anti-Doping Policy.
- > ASADA does not conduct the hearings. The hearings are conducted by an independent panel appointed by consent of both the athlete and ASADA. The result of the hearing will be publicly available, though the hearing process itself is confidential.
- > The legal concept of strict liability exists in elite sport. Athletes are responsible for any prohibited substance found in their body regardless of how it came to be in their system.

### Sanctions

Anti-Doping Rule Violation	First Offence	Subsequent Offence/s
Presence of a prohibited substance	2 year ban.	Life ban.
Possession	2 year ban.	Life ban.
Trafficking	4 year ban.	Life ban.
Exceptional Circumstances	A minimum warning or 1 year ineligibility.	2 years for a second offence and a life ban for a subsequent offence.