

CLEAN SPORT REPORT 2022-23 SEASON

CLEAN SPORT EDUCATION STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

As part of our commitment to ensuring our athletes can compete in a clean and level competition environment, IHUK continue to deliver Clean Sport Education in line with our published Strategy. which has been signed-off by UK Anti-Doping as part of their compliance process.

This strategy guides us in delivering education packages to our elite athletes and athlete support personnel; in line with the regular review process, we will be revisiting it over the off-season to ensure that it remains fit for purpose and looking at our new delivery priorities.

EDUCATION

In line with our education strategy, we require that all our athletes attending world championship events complete appropriate clean sport education at least every other year; this process began in January of 2022.

We have continued to demonstrate good engagement from athletes this year, as shown by the following completion rates:

U18 Men	100%
U20 Men	100%
U18 Women	100%
Senior Women	100%
Senior Men	96%

This year we rolled out the education package to the U16 Men and Women' squads; this was not a component of the Education Strategy, and thus we have not formally monitored compliance. Of note, we will have a cohort of athletes attending the Winter Youth Olympics under the Team GB banner, who will be required to complete Major Games Education.

We recognise the efforts and support of the team managers in this process and look forward to similar levels of engagement for the remaining squads moving forward.

UKAD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK

2022 saw the implementation of the UKAD Assurance Framework. This is a key governance process and enables us as a governing body to demonstrate our commitment to the principles and processes of Clean Sport.

I am pleased to confirm that UKAD have now accepted our evidence in all areas of the Framework and have "signed-off" IHUK as fully compliant.



TESTING

IHUK are always pleased to welcome the UKAD testing team to our activities; we recognise that testing is a key element of the clean sport process, allowing our athletes to demonstrate their commitment and compliance to the principles and practice of clean sport.

Completed UKAD test numbers are shown below:

	Out -of-competition	In-competition	Totals
2022-23	37	28	65
2021-22	53	28	81
2020-21	21	24	45
2019-20		4	4
2018-19	26	32	58

An additional 16 tests were undertaken by IIHF in relation to World Championship competitions.

UKAD testing has traditionally been focussed on the Elite League and Senior Men's programme; we welcome the ongoing programme out-of-competition testing, and the extension to other parts of the sport

ANTI-DOPING RULE VIOLATIONS

4 ADRVs were reported by UKAD during the period of this report, as below:

Athlete	Elite League	Elite League	EIHA	NIHL 1
Level				
Rule	Presence of a	Presence of a	Breach of conditions	Presence of a
Violation	Prohibited Substance	Prohibited	of previous	Prohibited
		Substance	suspension	Substance
Substance	Cannabis	Cocaine	Not applicable	Morphine,
involved				Oxycodone
Date of	26 September 2021	30 March 2022	11 August 2020	5 December 2021
offence				
Date of	21 June 2022	26 July 2022	27 March 2023	18 May 2023
decision				
Sanction	3-month suspension	3-month	18-month	2-year suspension,
imposed	from June 2022	suspension from	suspension, to	to commence 10 th
		March 2022,	commence 17 th June	August 20222
		reduced to 1 month	2022	
		in line with UKAD		
		"Substances of		
		Abuse" policy		

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