

Angling Trust

PD02 – Anti Doping Position Statement

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ANTI-DOPING POSITION STATEMENT

The Angling Trust is committed to clean competitions and condemns, and is totally opposed to, the use of performance enhancing drugs and doping practices in angling. The Angling Trust works with UK Anti-Doping (UKAD) and the International Angling Confederation (CIPS) to ensure the integrity of our competitions and representative teams are protected. The use of performance enhancing drugs and other doping behaviour severely damages the legitimacy of angling and undermines the integrity of the sport.

The Angling Trust has adopted the UK Anti-Doping Rules with the following clarifications:

- UKAD's definition of "athlete" includes all anglers (including support personnel) who compete at any level in the sport under the jurisdiction of the NGB.
- Angling Trust considers that UKAD rules apply to all domestic competitions organised by or on behalf of the Angling Trust and to all representative (England and club) teams participating in international competitions whether in the UK or otherwise.
- Angling Trust considers that UKAD rules do not apply to non-international level competition angling organised by other parties who do not fall under the jurisdiction of Angling Trust.
- Angling Trust considers that UKAD rules do not apply to non-elite social competition angling at local club
 level, unless those clubs have specifically adopted their own adherence to UKAD rules.
- Angling Trust considers that UKAD rules do not apply to non-competitive recreational angling.

Anglers representing England and/or the Angling Trust at elite levels or participating in Angling Trust competitions must adhere to all elements of the UKAD rules, including noting substances on the WADA prohibited list and seeking Therapeutic Use Exemptions as required.

An Anti-Doping rule violation shall be considered a breach of the Angling Trust's Codes of Conduct and of the UK Anti-Doping Rules. Any such violation may lead to disciplinary action against those concerned.

The use, possession and/or trafficking of banned substances, methods or the encouragement or counselling to use banned substances, or methods; and/or taking measures to mask the use of banned substances or methods by a participant in competitions or matches over which the Angling Trust has jurisdiction is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

For further information, please refer to 'Anti-doping in Angling' on the Angling Trust web site.