



Procedures for collection, processing, assessment and usage of information (intelligence) for anti-doping purposes

In order to obtain, assess and process anti-doping intelligence from all available sources, so that it can be used to help developing an effective, intelligent and proportionate TDP and/or planning of Target Testing and/or forming the basis of investigation for a possible ADRV, the International Pole Sport Federation (IPSF) has developed the following procedure:

1. Gathering of anti-doping intelligence

Main External Sources

- WADA Speak Up! – The IPSF has a link on its website www.polesports.org for the WADA Whistleblowing program (<https://speakup.wada-ama.org/>)
- Media - general information received through social media and press
- UKAD Anti-Doping news
- WADA Website

Main Internal Sources

- APMU reports/comments – recommendations by our APMU experts after analysis of athletes' steroidal passports received via ADAMS
- Emails – information received through our antidoping email account anti-doping@polesports.org or our general email account info@polesports.org.
- Medical Commission Medical and Sample Collection Authorities – via mission reports/incidents reports
- National Federations
- Athletes and Athletes' entourage

All intelligence captured or received must be handled securely and confidentially (stored in a password protected file), so that sources of intelligence are protected, and the risk of leaks or inadvertent disclosure is properly addressed.

2. Assessment and analysis of anti-doping intelligence

Depending on the type of gathered information/intelligence, analytical or non-analytical, it will be assessed for relevance, reliability and accuracy, and analyzed by the UK AD or by the IPSF, respectively. UKAD/IPSF will further seek advice/guidance of WADA Intelligence Team and/or external specialists, where appropriate.

3. Intelligence outcomes: Investigation

The purpose of the investigation is to achieve one of the following: either 1) to establish any possible violation/involvement in a violation; or 2) to develop evidence that supports the initiation of an antidoping rule violation proceeding in accordance with Code Article 8. Investigations are done closely following section 12 of ISTI.



3.1 Analytical Intelligence

Analytical intelligence is used to conduct OOC and/or IC Target Testing, Long-Term Sample Storage and/or to assist in developing, reviewing and revising the Test Distribution Plan, by UKAD and in accordance to ISTI Section 4. Intelligence is also shared with relevant NADOs, via ADAMS and email, if the intelligence relates to Athletes under their jurisdiction. No information will be provided to a NADO that is declared non-compliant or if the information received includes any doubt on the NADO concerned. Analytical intelligence can also be used to create targeted intelligence files to be referred for investigation in accordance with Section 12.0 of the ISTI.

3.2 Non-Analytical Intelligence

Non-analytical intelligence can be used by the IPSF Anti-Doping Coordinator to: 1) request UKAD to conduct Target Testing and/or to develop or review the Test Distribution Plan in accordance to ISTI Art.4.; 2) liaise with the legal department to conduct further investigation and determine whether an anti-doping rule violation by an Athlete is established, and whether the Athlete Support Personnel or other Persons may have been involved in that violation, in accordance with the ISTI Section 12 and the Code Art. 20. Intelligence is also shared with relevant NADOs, via ADAMS and email, if the intelligence relates to Athletes under their jurisdiction, and/or law enforcement and/or other relevant regulatory or disciplinary authorities, if the intelligence suggests the possible commission of a crime or regulatory offence or breach of other rules of conduct.

When there is reasonable cause to suspect that an anti-doping rule violation may have been committed, the IPSF will notify WADA of the opening of an investigation into the matter in accordance with Code Article 7.6 or Code Article 7.7, as applicable. Thereafter, the IPSF shall keep WADA updated on the status and findings of the investigation upon request.

