



Basketball Wales

Anti-Doping Policy

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Position Statement

Basketball Wales condemns, and is totally opposed to, the use of performance enhancing drugs and doping practices in the sport of basketball and fully supports the position of the International Olympic Committee, the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), UK Anti-Doping and FIBA against the use of banned substances and methods. An Anti-Doping rule violation shall be considered a breach of the Basketball Wales Code of Ethics and Conduct and of the UK Anti-Doping Rules. 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 tournaments, competitions, events or fixtures over which Basketball England has jurisdiction is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

Procedure for Testing

Any player competing in Basketball Wales competitions may be tested. Doping Control Officers (DCOs), authorised by UK Anti-Doping will attend matches at random and unannounced. The DCOs will liaise with the match officials to obtain a copy of the scoresheet. They will draw at random two players from each team (i.e. any player who appears on the scoresheet). This will be done at half-time in the game using tokens that are sealed into envelopes which are then opened at the team benches 5 minutes before the end of the game. Team managers may attend the draw. These players will be required to undertake doping tests after the match in line with UK Anti-Doping procedures. Full details on testing procedures and results management are available on the UK Anti-Doping website.

Checking Your Medication

All players can check the status of branded medications or ingredients using the Global Drug Reference Online.

Therapeutic Exemptions

A Therapeutic Use Exemption is a means by which a player can obtain approval to use a prescribed prohibited substance or method for the treatment of a legitimate medical condition. Any player in either a Welsh Age Group Squad or Senior Great Britain Squad should advise all medical personnel of their obligation to abide by the UK Anti-Doping rules and that any medical treatment received must not violate these rules. When prescribed a substance or method, athletes should find out whether the medication is prohibited by checking the Global DRO. If the medication is not prohibited, athletes can start using the prescribed medication or treatment