

Code of Conduct for National Competitions



THE CODE

This Code of Conduct relates to all National Competitions under the direct control of the Association to both players and officials.

The conduct of the competitors and Officials over the years has been exemplary. Those who respect and uphold the best traditions of the sport need have no fear of the introduction of a Code of Conduct but should welcome them. It is hoped that by their very introduction they prevent their application.

GENERAL CONDUCT

All Competitors and Officials must take responsibility in ensuring they are up to date with the rules, understand and adhere to them.

All Competitors and Officials must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity.

All Competitors and Officials must respect officials and publicly accept their decisions.

All Competitors and Officials should be a positive role model, treat other players and officials with the same level of respect you would expect to be shown to you.

All Competitors and Officials to use correct and proper language at all times.

All Competitors and Officials are not allowed to smoke within the Club.

All Competitors and Officials must wear appropriate clothing and footwear on the green, as per the Competitions/Club rules.

Bullying of any sort will not be tolerated.

All Competitors and Officials, who, by their standard of behaviour during the National Championships is liable to bring the game into disrepute, may be subject to disciplinary action by the Association.

Any Competitor and Official, who in the opinion of the Official/Umpire in charge at an event, subjects their opponents(s) or any other person to any physical or verbal abuse, will be warned by the Official in Charge or Umpire and may be liable to disciplinary action.

Abuse of Equipment: A Competitor and Official shall not cause wilful damage to any equipment whatsoever during the course of a game.

All Competitors and Officials must conduct themselves in an acceptable manner when not playing on the green.

Any specific instructions issued for an event will be deemed to form part of this Code of Conduct. If any instructions are ignored the competitor or official may be subject to disciplinary action.

MATTERS AFFECTING PERFORMANCE

If a Competitor and Official, in the opinion of the Official/Umpire in charge, is considered to be unfit to play or officiate in a game at any time due to the effects of drugs or alcohol, they will be ordered to leave the green and will be subject to disciplinary action.

Competitors must ensure the Director of Competitions is aware of any medication being taken prior to participating in any event. Please refer to the Anti-Doping Guidance Notes attached.

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

Critical or derogatory statements about the Association's affairs, venues for events, sponsors or the like should be made through the appropriate channels of the Association and not through the Press/ Social Media.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Where breaches of this Code of Conduct are identified, the competitor or official concerned having been informed of the alleged breach, will appear before a Disciplinary Panel who will take what action they deem appropriate to the circumstances.

Following this, a player against who a judgement has been made has the right to appeal using the EIBA Ltd Appeals procedure.

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EIBA Anti-Doping Rules

The Associations Anti-Doping Rules are:

"The anti-doping rules of the English Indoor Bowling Association Limited are the UK Anti-Doping Rules published by UK Anti-Doping (or its successor), as amended from time to time. Such rules shall take effect and be construed as rules of the English Indoor Bowling Association Limited."

For further guidance, the following websites are recommended for all Bowlers/Support Personnel:

The **UK Anti-Doping (UKAD)** website is aimed at all UK athletes. We encourage all Bowlers and Support Personnel (Club/County Officials, Umpires and Coaches) to use this website as their primary source of information when researching anti-doping:

www.ukad.org.uk/

The latest version of the **EIBA Anti-Doping Rules** can be found at:

www.ukad.org.uk/resources/document/uk-anti-doping-rules

The **World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)** website provides general anti-doping information including the World Anti-Doping Code and the Prohibited List:

www.wada-ama.org

The **Global Drug Reference Online (Global DRO)** website provides Bowlers and Support Personnel with information about the prohibited status of specific substances based on the current WADA Prohibited List:

www.globaldro.com

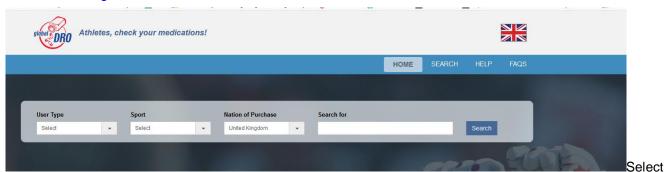
Guidance for all Playing Members of Affiliated Clubs and County Associations and their Support Personnel

If a Bowler is taking medication they are encouraged to follow the simple procedures outlined below:

Check on the Global DRO website to see whether medication is prohibited - www.globaldro.com/UK/search
ONLINE HELP

Follow these simple steps to find the status of a brand or ingredient:

Click onto www.globaldro.com/UK/search



your "User Type" (e.g., Athlete, Coach, Parent, Sports Administrator).

Select our "Sport" . Bowls

Select appropriate %Nation of Purchase+

Enter a minimum of four characters of the brand name, or the active ingredient into the %earch for+box.

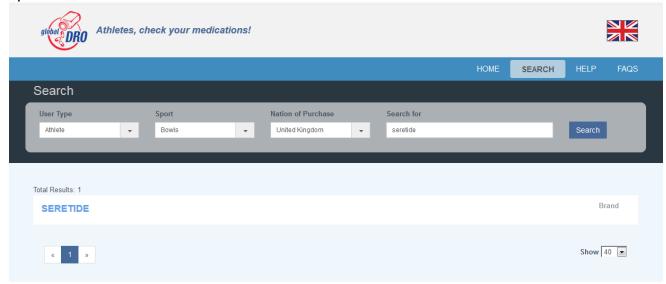
Click [Search].

Read the "Terms and Conditions" carefully. Click "I accept these terms" to continue. If you choose to not accept the conditions, you will not be allowed to proceed to the search page.



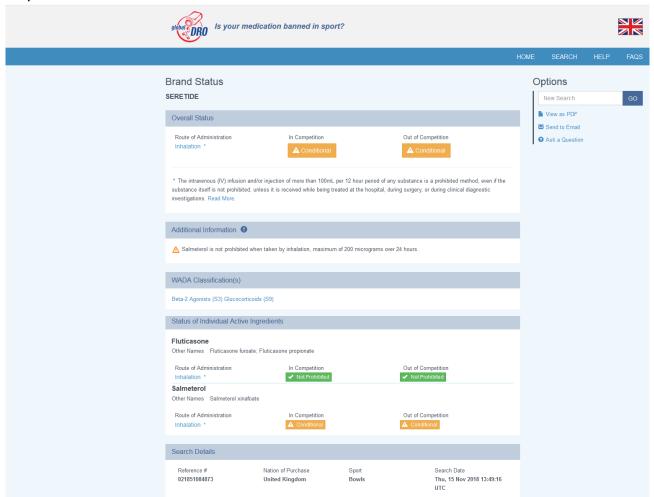


Sample Search: - Seretide



Click [View status] on the correct brand or ingredient from the list, checking that the name on the Global DRO matches that on the label. This must be an exact match.

Sample "View Status"



Print, save or email the summary page to keep for your records (or at minimum record the unique reference number).





Important information about search results:

- Always record your reference number!
- The in- and out-of-competition status will be shown for each ingredient contained in the brand.
- For brands containing multiple ingredients, always refer to the overall status listed at the top of the results page.
- Caution: Do not use the Global DRO to check supplement ingredients. See the FAQ for more information about the results of the Search www.globaldro.com/UK/search/FAQ
- Ingredients and brands will be displayed as:

Not Prohibited

No action is required apart from printing or emailing the result to the Bowler/Support Personnels email address for future reference.

Consider the %Additional Information+that is provided. If you meet these conditions, then the Medication is %Not Prohibited+:

If you DO NOT meet the conditions, please treat the Medication as being % rohibited+



ACTION REQUIRED:

The Bowler should speak with their doctor to see if alternative medication is available.

If this is not an option:

- a. If the Bowler is a member of the % ndoor Bowls National Registered Testing Pool+or % ndoor Bowls Domestic Pool+, they will be required to obtain a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) in advance of their participation in our sport.
 - Bowlers will be advised when they have been included in a testing pool.
- b. If the Bowler is not a member of a testing pool, if necessary, they can apply for a retrospective TUE after sample collection has taken place.

Full details of the TUE procedures can be found at https://ukad.org.uk/medications-and-substances/about-TUE/

PLEASE NOTE that the onus is now on all Bowlers to check their medication. It is no longer necessary to complete a Medical Declaration Form+or carry a copy of their latest Prescription, as have been the practices in the past.





All Bowlers/Support Personnel should also note the following websites:

World Anti-Doping Agency Prohibited List



Prohibited List The Prohibited List is published every year by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). . www.wada-ama.org/en/content/what-is-prohibited

100% me



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100% me is a values based programme that informs, supports and educates athletes throughout their careers by providing practical anti-doping advice and guidance to ensure they are aware of the risks and responsibilities associated with anti-doping in sport.

www.ukad.org.uk/education/athletes/100percentme/

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