



**motorcyclesport scotland**

Scottish Auto Cycle Union

Supplementary Regulation – Anti-Doping

## Anti Doping Statement

The FIM is a signatory of the World Anti Doping Authority Code (WADA) therefore obliging all affiliated member nations to adhere to the detail of the WADA code.

The National Governing Body for motorcycle sport in the eyes of United Kingdom Anti Doping (UKAD) is the ACU therefore all Scottish riders should follow the guidance in the current [ACU Handbook – National Sporting Code](#) Chapter 9, **Anti-Doping, Medical and Alcohol**, under the guidance of the FIM Anti-Doping Policy. The ACU nominates a group of riders to WADA each year as part of the testing pool linked to the whereabouts systems (ADAMS).

However random tests can also be called for at major events at any time. These and targeted tests can be requested by any organisation be it the ACU, FIM or WADA at any time. Guidance from **sportscotland** suggests that athletes who compete on the wider international stage whether they are part of the ADAMS system or not should be prepared as best they can.

The Board of the SACU recommend that riders regularly competing at a UK or International level ensure that if they are taking any regular prescribed medication that appears on the WADA List of Prohibited Medications such as Asthma Medication, medication treating injuries etc that they carry a doctor's letter containing notes on the current medication and routine dosages.

Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUEs) certificates are only issued to athletes on the ADAMS System following consideration by senior medical staff belonging to the international governing body, in our case the FIM.

Anti-doping penalties are specifically dictated by WADA. In the event of an anti-doping rule violation, the SACU follows the sanctions set out in Article 10, **Sanctions on Individuals**, of the [WADA Code](#). The appeals process can be found in Chapter 10, **Discipline and Arbitration Code**, of the ACU Handbook – National Sporting Code.

Please note – The ban for a first violation can now be FOUR years instead of two depending on the severity of the offence.

The FIM have a RIDE TRUE programme running through Motorcycle Sport. The Ride True documentations can be found here: [FIM Ride True](#)

The most recent WADA Prohibited List can be found here: [2023 List of Prohibited Substances and Methods](#)

## Athlete Retirement from Motorcycle Sport

An athlete can choose to retire from sport at any time. If an athlete officially retires, they undertake not to be involved in sport under any capacity whatsoever and will not be subject to Testing. If currently serving a ban, any remaining period will be put on hold. No refund will be given for a SACU licence if an athlete retires.

Should an Athlete not on the National Registered Testing Pool or Domestic Testing Pool wish to retire from competition, they must do so formally by contacting the SACU Office and providing the following information:

- Identifiable details – full name, licence number, date of birth, sport discipline, current club
- The date of the retirement
- Written statement to confirm retirement (this should be signed or sent from the verified email address on file with the SACU)

An athlete can return from retirement at any time.