

The Irish Sports Council Anti-Doping Testing 2012



Whereabouts Failures

- **Filing Failure** - when an RTP athlete fails to submit their Whereabouts Filing by the specified deadline, or submits inaccurate or incomplete information
- **Missed Test** - when an RTP athlete is unavailable during the entire specified 60-minute time slot indicated by the athlete on their Whereabouts Filing
- **Unsuccessful Attempt** - is not a Whereabouts Failure but occurs when an RTP athlete is not at the location specified on their Whereabouts Filing, which is outside of the specified 60-minute time slot.

Sport	Filing Failure	Missed Test	Unsuccessful Attempts
Quarter 1	Number: 10	Number: 1	Number: 30
	Athletics Ireland 2 Rowing Ireland 1 Canoeing Ireland 1 Irish Wheelchair Association Sport 1 Irish Sailing Association 2 Tennis Ireland 1 CPSI 2 Horse Sport Ireland 1	Irish Wheelchair Association Sport 1	Athletics Ireland 7 Irish Amateur Boxing Association 4 Canoeing Ireland 1 Cycling Ireland 6 Swim Ireland 5 CPSI 1 Irish Wheelchair Association Sport 3 Rowing Ireland 3
Quarter 2	Number: 4	Number: 2	Number: 37
	Irish Amateur Boxing Association 3 Irish Blind Sports 1	Irish Amateur Boxing Association 2	Athletics Ireland 7 Irish Amateur Boxing Association 15 Cycling Ireland 4 Swim Ireland 2 Canoeing Ireland 2 CPSI 1 Irish Wheelchair Association Sport 1 Irish Squash 2 Triathlon Ireland 3

	Number: 2	Number: 0	Number: 9
Quarter 3	Irish Amateur Boxing Association 2		Athletics Ireland 5 Cycling Ireland 2 Canoeing Ireland 2
	Number: 2	Number: 0	Number: 19
Quarter 4	Cycling Ireland 2		Athletics Ireland 3 Irish Amateur Boxing Association 6 Canoeing Ireland 2 Cycling Ireland 4 Irish Squash 1 Triathlon Ireland 2 Swim Ireland 1
Total	18	3	95

National Testing Pool | Team Sports

Down 29%

	Unsuccessful Attempts
Gaelic Athletic Association	8
Football Association of Ireland	3
Irish Hockey Association	1

Intelligence Programme

The Irish Sports Council Anti-Doping programme has evolved to become more intelligence-led. The ISC is part of the iNADO Expert intelligence group and is receiving and analysing intelligence information received from other NADOs as well as other partners. All high-risk Irish athletes are now on the Biological Passport programme.

Memorandum of Understanding with Irish Medicines Board

The Irish Medicines Board and the Irish Sports Council signed a Memorandum of Understanding that will formalise the sharing of information and intelligence in an effort to protect Irish athletes and to combat the illegal use of medicinal products. In recent years the two state agencies have co-operated and shared intelligence in the area of anti-doping. This Memorandum of Understanding places this relationship on a formal basis and signals that it will have a more prominent role in the general battle against doping in sport.

New Partners

The Irish Sports Council has also established new partners in their efforts to strengthen their intelligence programme. These new partners include the Department of Agriculture, the Garda National Drugs Unit, the Irish Pharmaceutical Healthcare Association and the Turf Club.

Research

In 2012 the Irish Sports Council co-supported a research project at the Institute of Biochemistry in Cologne. The outcomes of the research project will be formally published at the Annual Cologne Workshop on Doping Analysis at the end of February. The project established a new strengthened analysis technique for the identification of long-term stanozolol metabolites allowing for a significantly more sensitive test for this substance. The method has already proven to have been highly successful though the Council is not in a position at present to discuss any details as there are some disciplinary procedures currently in process. A similar new technique for the detection of other long-term steroid metabolites resulted in the retrospective detection of five anti-doping rule violations arising from the re-analysis of samples retained from the Athens Olympics.