

FIB Anti-Doping Annual Report

During the 2024/25 season, the FIB continued to implement its Anti-Doping programme in line with the World Anti-Doping Code and related International Standards.

1. Testing and Results Management

The testing plan for the 2024/25 season was implemented in accordance with the approved planning and risk assessment.

The following results were achieved:

- A total of 46 urine samples were collected from Testing Pool 3
- 20 In-Competition (IC) and 26 Out-of-Competition (OOC) tests
- 11 female and 35 male athletes from 6 countries
- In line with the TDSSA, the testing programme included 3 ERA samples and 5 GHRF samples.
- Steroid profiles were also checked and included in each athletes biological passport, for future testing comparisons
- Two WADA-accredited laboratories were used for sample analysis
- All 46 samples returned negative results

2. Current Sanctions

Of the two athletes (KAZ and RUS) who were sanctioned in 2023 for the use of prohibited substances, the Russian athlete will soon complete his 2,5 years sanction, which expires at the end of March 2026.

In the case of the Kazakh athlete, due to his retirement, should he wish to return to competition, Article 5.6.2 of the FIB Anti-Doping Regulations would apply.

3. Anti-Doping Education

The FIB Anti-Doping Education Programme was launched during the 2024/25 season as a pilot initiative. Already in its first year, the programme produced encouraging results.

From five countries competing in the Senior World Championship A Group submitted a total of 207 certificates, confirming the completion of recognised anti-doping education activities.

Building on these positive experiences and in the interest of further strengthening clean sport culture, the FIB introduced mandatory completion of ADEL (or accepted equivalent NADO education programmes) as of September 2025.

This requirement initially apply to athletes participating in the A Group, and their designated support personnel.

4. Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs)

During the 2024/25 season, a total of 13 Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) decisions were issued by NADOs from three different countries.

In accordance with the applicable regulations, these TUEs were automatically recognised by the FIB for the purposes of international-level competition.

5. Website

At the end of 2024, the FIB launched a new official website, which includes a dedicated Anti-Doping section.

This section was developed to be more comprehensive, user-friendly and informative, with particular attention paid to ensuring alignment with the current WADA rules and requirements.

The website serves as an important communication and education tool, supporting athletes and support personnel by providing clear, accessible and up-to-date Anti-Doping information.

6. Anti-Doping Committee

The FIB Anti-Doping Committee (ADC) was established in the second half of 2025 and currently operates with three members:

- Hakan Nyberg – Chair
- Dr. Axel Lust – Member
- Peter Rönnerfalk – Member

The Committee held its first online meeting towards the end of 2025, during which members were introduced to the FIB Anti-Doping Rules and the WADA regulatory framework, and discussed the Committee's role and responsibilities within the FIB's anti-doping system.