WHEREABOUTS WHAT? WHY? HOW?



WHEREABOUTS: REGISTERED TESTING POOL (RTP)

What is whereabouts?

Whereabouts information is used by the AIU to locate athletes outside of competition periods for no-notice anti-doping tests. These tests are central to the AIU Testing Programme.

What is the RTP?

The World Athletics RTP is a group of elite athletes who are subject to regular out-of-competition tests and are responsible for providing whereabouts.

Being an RTP athlete supports that:

- You respect your sport
- You want to protect your reputation, and the reputation of your sport and your proud nation
- You respect your status as a role model
- RTP athletes are the world's best, you are one of them this is a great achievement!
- You are contributing to creating a level playing field where every athlete can feel confident that the person you are competing against has gone through similar testing programmes as you
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What information is needed?

To allow us to test you out-of-competition, you must provide the following information on a quarterly basis and for each day of the quarter:

- Overnight accommodation address
- Training information and locations
- Competition schedule
- Regular personal activities such as work or college
- A 60-minute time slot at a specific location where you must be available for the entire 60-minute time slot
- Information should be detailed and precise (advisable to use GPS coordinates, pictures, hotel details including room number) to enable Doping Control Officers (DCOs) to locate you for no-notice testing
- You must inform the AIU **immediately** when any of the above information changes



Good whereabouts practices:

- Update your whereabouts as soon as your circumstances change, even if you are competing, training or travelling
- Include home address/overnight accommodation
- Set up an alert before your 60-minute time slot
- Inform your hotel reception or facility security about your need to be available for testing
- Do not rely on a DCO contacting you by phone before concluding a test attempt and make sure that you are present and available in the location you have indicated for your entire 60-minute time slot

Who can file whereabouts:

- Ideally it should be you, as you are best placed to know where you are going to be and when
- You can ask your coach or manager to file whereabouts for you but, if you do, keep in mind that **you** will be held responsible for their failures and mistakes

Ways to submit your whereabouts:



What qualifies as a whereabouts failure:

- Missing deadlines for submission of whereabouts information
- Failing to file complete or accurate whereabouts information
- Missing a test during your 60-minute slot
- Failing to update your whereabouts information as soon as your circumstances change

Consequences of not submitting whereabouts:

- Ban from sports for up to two years
- Disqualification of results
- Financial losses
- May impact your social status

Who can use your whereabouts and test you:

- Athletics Integrity Unit
- Your NADO
- Any other NADO with authority (for example, if you are residing or competing in a foreign country)

Additional information:

- Inform us when you retire, are injured, pregnant, for us to adapt our testing
- You cannot refuse testing. Refusal = a 4-year ban. As soon as you are aware a DCO is there to test you, you must comply
- If you have any issues in accessing your ADAMS account, send an e-mail immediately to whereabouts@athleticsintegrity.org in English

Important dates:

- Notification of inclusion on the RTP
- Quarterly deadlines 15 March, 15 June, 15 September, 15 December
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