



2022 ENGLAND BOXING ANNUAL OVERVIEW OF CLEAN SPORT ACTIVITIES

A fair amount of Clean Sport/Anti-Doping activity has been done this year, with more activity in the area of the performance department but some challenges because of changes in relevant staff memberd. This report will explain that activity under the following four headings: Education; Communications; Projects and Testing.

Education

A major overhaul had been done in 2020/21 and this year it was only needed to review new developments and links to the new Prohibited list and update the EB Clean Sport/Anti-Doping education and information materials.

An update has been provided to signpost the publication of the 2022 WADA Prohibited List

In 2021 England Boxing released its anti-doping film, 'Don't cheat, don't dope, report it!' which we are still promoting and using as a centrepiece of our communication strategy for Boxing.

This is available to view on the Clean Sport/Anti-Doping pages on the EB website, the EB Facebook account and on YouTube (see

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=don%27t+cheatr+don%27t+dope). There is a shortened version on Instagram: see

https://www.instagram.com/p/COLAqQNF_3T/?utm_medium=copy_link.

This film forms the centrepiece of EB's attempts to get relevant messaging, with a specific boxing context, to members.

The Compliance Manager, who is the EB Clean Sport/Anti-Doping lead produced specific info sheets and letter for the Team Managers "Team Managers, think about clean sport" and the coaches: "Coaches, think about clean sport".

Other material highlighting clean sport was used in the Talent Pathway Handbook, the face-to-face sessions during the Induction meetings and then throughout the talent programme's training camps thereafter.

Specific workshop delivered:Youth & Junior England Squad - Induction Day

Saturday 7 May 2022, Anti-Doping Workshop delivered by the Compliance Manager, Gordon Valentine.

Gordon Valentine The Compliance Manager the Clean Sport lead retired from England Boxing this year and a new Head of Compliance and Compliance Manager have been recruited to take on the responsibilities in the area of Anti-Doping and Clean Sport.

Communications

In the 2021 report it was mentioned that we will change in future years to better and more frequently promote Clean Sport/anti-doping messaging across the organisation as set out in the EB Clean Sport Education Strategy and its implementation plan. This is still the focus, but due to changes in the EB personnel structure there is a delay in bringing these plans into further action.

The EB championships, its competitors, and the lead up to the championships will be ideal opportunities to promote the Clean Sport/Anti-Doping message. The messaging will go hand in hand with the support of the introduction of the new disciplinary framework and the promotion of the Code of Conduct that will include specific reference to clean sport and is to be introduced in 2023.

As usual, Clean Sport/Anti-Doping email communications have been sent to those athletes who were selected to represent England Boxing at the European Youth Championships, after initial discussions with them during a pre-tournament training camp. The EB 'Don't cheat, don't dope, report it!' film was also promoted among these groups.

Otherwise, a variety of different platforms have been used to send messages and information to all members about Clean Sport/Anti-Doping. These include the EB website news pages, the EB Facebook pages, Instagram and Twitter, as well in meetings between executive staff and regional and or club officials. To give a few examples,

- The reminder for the release of the 2022 Prohibited list: see https://www.englishboxing.org/news_articles/boxers-encouraged-to-study-wadas-new-prohibited-list-for-2022/
- The General article bring attention to the Anti Doping/clean sport message of England Boxing, including reference to the YouTube film EB 'Don't cheat, don't dope, report it!' An example can be find here: https://www.englishboxing.org/news_articles/boxing-is-a-clean-sport/

Testing & Results Management

There have not been any Adverse Analytical Findings (AAFs) (a positive test for a Prohibited Substance or a Prohibited Method) or any Anti-Doping Rule Violations (ADRVs) (a finding by a panel that a person has committed a breach of the anti-doping rules) by an EB member.

There have been no reports to, or information received by, the Compliance Manager of any active anti-doping investigations. It should be noted that UKAD and other regulatory bodies take the confidentiality of their investigations seriously and are unlikely to inform any NGB other than at the conclusion of an investigation.

UKAD reported 8 IBA commissioned tests on UK based Boxers, likely to include GB Boxing members, but included in the GB Boxing Programme and not under the England Boxing pathway.

In addition, 77 Out of Competition Tests were reported under GB Boxing, which again, will have included England Boxing members in the GB Boxing Programme.
