

Official

Ref: FOI-192

[REDACTED]  
Sent via email only to:

[REDACTED]  
24 May 2018

Dear [REDACTED]

1. Thank you for your email of 24 April 2018, in which you requested information from UK Anti-Doping ('UKAD') under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'). Specifically, your request was as follows:

*I would like to know the number of individuals banned for administration or attempted administration of banned substances, or administration or attempted administration of substances via banned methods, to minors in each year since 2009.*

2. You have requested details of individuals who have been found to have committed an Anti-Doping Rule Violation pursuant to Article 2.8 of the UK Anti-Doping Rules, which provides as follows:

*The following constitutes an Anti-Doping Rule Violation:*

*Administration or Attempted Administration to any Athlete In-Competition of any Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method, or Administration or Attempted Administration to any Athlete Out-of-Competition of any Prohibited Substance or any Prohibited Method that is prohibited Out-of-Competition, unless the Athlete establishes that the Administration or Attempted Administration was consistent with a TUE granted in accordance with Article 4.*

3. Your request was for details of Article 2.8 violations for the period 2009 to present that involved administration of a Prohibited Substance or Method to minors. We note that UKAD was formed in December 2009, therefore we have taken your request to be for the period from December 2009 to present. For the avoidance of doubt, the term "minor" has been interpreted as any person under the age of 18.

4. We confirm that UKAD only holds details of anti-doping rule violations in cases where i) UKAD had results management authority, ii) UKAD has consented to delegate aspects of its results management authority to a particular body (i.e. the Football Association, the Rugby Football Union and the English Cricket Board) and iii) where UKAD has been given notice of a violation by another Anti-Doping Organisation ('ADO') (e.g. if another ADO has prosecuted an ADRV against a UK athlete).
5. In light of the above, UKAD can confirm that, based on the information UKAD holds, the response to your question is zero.
6. UKAD would otherwise like to draw your attention to the information regarding Anti-Doping Rule Violations that is available on our website. Details of current sanctions are available here: <https://www.ukad.org.uk/anti-doping-rule-violations/current-violations/>. Details of historical sanctions (which are anonymised) are available here: <https://www.ukad.org.uk/anti-doping-rule-violations/historical-sanctions/>.

## Conclusion

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7. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Pat Myhill, Director of Operations, UK Anti-Doping, Fleetbank House, 2-6 Salisbury Square, London EC4Y 8AE. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any further communications.
8. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "UK Anti-Doping".

**UK Anti-Doping**