



# NEWS RELEASE

## U.S. CYCLIST, WILLIAMS, ACCEPTS TWO-YEAR SUSPENSION FOR DOPING VIOLATION

**Colorado Springs, Colo. (December 3, 2009)** -- USADA announced today that Kenneth Williams, an athlete in the sport of cycling, has tested positive for a prohibited substance and has accepted a suspension for his anti-doping rules violation.

A urine sample collected at the Masters National Championships from Williams by USADA on August 21, 2009, resulted in an adverse analytical finding, for an Anabolic Agent, which is prohibited under the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing and the rules of the Union Cycliste Internationale, both of which have adopted the World Anti-Doping Code (Code) and the World Anti-Doping Agency Prohibited List.

Mr. Williams admitted using an Anabolic Agent and accepted a two-year period of ineligibility for this anti-doping rule violation. Mr. Williams' two-year period of ineligibility began on September 21, 2009, the date he accepted a provisional suspension.

As a result of the doping violation, Williams has been disqualified from all competitive results achieved on and subsequent to July 27, 2009, the date upon which he admits using the prohibited Anabolic Agent, including all results achieved at the Masters National Championships in August 2009, and including forfeiture of any medals, points, and prizes.

In an effort to aid athletes, as well as all support team members such as parents and coaches, in understanding the rules applicable to them, USADA provides comprehensive instruction on its website on the testing process and prohibited substances, how to obtain permission to use a necessary medication, and the risks and dangers of taking supplements as well as performance-enhancing and recreational drugs. In addition, the agency manages a drug reference hotline, conducts educational sessions with National Governing Bodies and their athletes, and proactively distributes a multitude of educational materials, such as the Guide to Prohibited Substances and Methods, easy-reference wallet cards, periodic newsletters, and protocol and policy reference documentation.

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