PREMIER SPORTS

WHEREABOUTS POLICY 2026

Effective June 1, 2026



USADA

CLEAN SPORT PROGRAM

1 General Principles

The *Premier Sports Whereabouts Policy* ("Whereabouts Policy") is based upon the relevant provisions of the *Premier Sports* Anti-Doping Policy (the "*Premier Sports* ADP") and the *World Anti-Doping Code International Standard for Results Management*. *International Standards* may be used to interpret this Whereabouts Policy, unless there is a conflict, in which case this Whereabouts Policy shall prevail. All *Athletes*[1] designated by agreement with the client/relevant *Sports Organization* for inclusion in the *Premier Sports Registered Testing Pool* ("*Premier Sports RTP*") must comply with the requirements in this Whereabouts Policy.

2 *Premier Sports Registered Testing Pool*

The *Premier Sports RTP* is comprised of *Athletes* subject to *Testing* by *USADA* as identified in the *Premier Sports* ADP (under the heading "Scope and Application of the Policy") who are selected by USADA in coordination with the relevant *Sports Organization* and thereby required to file whereabouts information as described in this Whereabouts Policy. The *Premier Sports RTP* may also include: (1) any *Athletes* who are returning from retirement and who are required to return to the *Premier Sports RTP* pursuant to Article 5.7 of the *Premier Sports* ADP or (2) certain *Athletes* who are serving a period of *Ineligibility* for a *Premier Sports* ADP violation and whom *USADA* determines must provide whereabouts to facilitate *Out-of-Competition Testing*. Once notified of their inclusion, *Athletes* remain in the *Premier Sports RTP* until they receive written notice from *USADA* that they have been removed from the *Premier Sports RTP*.

3 Whereabouts Obligations

As part of their whereabouts obligations, **all** *Athletes* in the *Premier Sports RTP* must:

a. At the time of admission to the *Premier Sports RTP* and annually thereafter, complete the *USADA* online education module or an alternative education program provided or approved by *USADA*;

b. At the time of admission to the *Premier Sports RTP*, and quarterly thereafter, fully and accurately complete and timely submit their whereabouts filing;

c. Immediately upon learning that any information in a previously provided whereabouts filing is incomplete, inaccurate, or has changed, communicate such changed information to *USADA* by updating the whereabouts filing or submitting a change of plan; and

d. Provide daily accessibility for *Testing* during the precise times and at the precise locations specified on the *Athlete's* whereabouts filing for the entire periods designated by the *Athlete* on the *Athlete's* whereabouts filing.

[1] Capitalized and italicized terms have the meaning set forth in the Definitions Section of the *Premier Sports* ADP.

4 Whereabouts Filings

Up to date whereabouts information that must be provided by *Athletes* in the *Premier Sports RTP* as required by the *Premier Sports* ADP and this Whereabouts Policy includes:

a. A complete mailing address where correspondence and notices involving anti-doping matters may be sent to the *Athlete*;

b. An email address where correspondence and notices involving anti-doping matters may be sent to the *Athlete*;

c. The *Athlete's* primary phone number;

d. The name and detailed contact information for any representative designated by the *Athlete* and authorized to receive correspondence (but not testing notification) on the *Athlete's* behalf, if applicable;

e. Details of any disability that may affect the procedure to be followed in conducting a *Sample* collection session;

f. Confirmation of the *Athlete's* consent to the sharing of their whereabouts filing and other anti-doping information with a *Sports Organization* and other *Anti-Doping Organizations* ("*ADOs*");

g. The *Athlete's Competition* schedule for the quarter, including the name and address of each location where the *Athlete* is scheduled to compete during the quarter and the date(s) on which the *Athlete* is scheduled to compete at such location(s);

h. For each day during the quarter, the full address of the place where the *Athlete* will be residing (*e.g.*, home, temporary lodgings, hotel); and

i. For each day during the quarter, the name and address of each location where the *Athlete* will train, work, or conduct any other regular activity, as well as the usual timeframes for such regular activities.[2]

[2] The *Athlete* must provide sufficient information to enable a Doping Control Officer to find the location, to gain access to the location, and to find the *Athlete* at the location without advanced notice. For example, declarations such as "running in Rocky Mountain National Park" are insufficient.

5 *Whereabouts Failures*

The failure by any *Athlete* in the *Premier Sports RTP* to comply with this Whereabouts Policy by failing to timely, accurately, and completely provide required whereabouts information and/or for being unavailable for *Testing* due to inaccurate information provided on the whereabouts filing may result in a *Whereabouts Failure*. Pursuant to the *Premier Sports* ADP, any three *Whereabouts Failures* within a rolling 12-month period will result in an Anti-Doping Policy Violation ("ADPV") under Article 2.4 of the *Premier Sports* ADP.

Also, the fraudulent Failure to Comply with whereabouts requirements could result in an ADPV pursuant to *Premier Sports* ADP Article 2.3 for evading *Sample* collection or *Premier Sports* ADP Article 2.5 for *Tampering* or *Attempted Tampering* with any part of *Doping Control*.

USADA may combine *Whereabouts Failures* declared by any *Code Signatory ADO* for purposes of declaring an ADPV under Article 2.4 of the *Premier Sports* ADP. *USADA* may also take into consideration *Whereabouts Failures* declared by any *Sports Organizations*. Therefore, for example, if an *Athlete* received two *Whereabouts Failures* from *USADA* and one *Whereabouts Failure* from any *Signatory ADO* or *Sports Organization* during a 12-month period, the *Athlete* may be considered to have committed an ADPV and be subject to a presumptive sanction of between six months and one year *Ineligibility* for a first offense.

Whereabouts Failures committed by the *Athlete* prior to retirement, as described in the *Premier Sports* ADP, may be combined, for purposes of *Premier Sports* ADP Article 2.4, with *Whereabouts Failures* committed by the *Athlete* after the *Athlete* again becomes available for *Out-of-Competition Testing*. Stated differently, the 12-month period is tolled while the *Athlete* is retired or not available for *Out-of-Competition Testing*. For example, if an *Athlete* committed two *Whereabouts Failures* in the six months prior to their retirement, then if they commit another *Whereabouts Failure* in the first six months in which they are again available for *Out-of-Competition Testing*, that amounts to a *Premier Sports* ADP Article 2.4 ADPV.

6 Results Management

When reviewing whether a *Whereabouts Failure* or an ADPV has occurred based on circumstances related to an *Athlete's* whereabouts and/or whereabouts responsibilities and when prosecuting any *Whereabouts Failure, USADA* will apply the standards set forth below.

Whereabouts Failures

i. When making a whereabouts filing, it is the *Athlete's* responsibility to ensure that they provide all required information accurately and in sufficient detail to enable the *Athlete* to be located by *USADA*, or *USADA's* designee, for *Testing* on any given day in the quarter. *USADA* will rely on this information to conduct *Testing* in accordance with the purpose of the *Premier Sports* ADP and expects that *Athletes* will be available at the specific times and locations designated on their whereabouts filings. Therefore, under the *Premier Sports* ADP and this Whereabouts Policy, the following are the ways in which *Athletes* in the *Premier Sports RTP* may be subject to a *Whereabouts Failure*:

   (a) Failure to submit a completed whereabouts filing by the specified deadline;

   (b) Failure to promptly update a whereabouts filing upon learning that information on the whereabouts filing has changed, will change, or is otherwise no longer accurate;

   (c) Providing insufficient information on a whereabouts filing or update to enable the *Athlete* to be located for *Testing*; and

   (d) Failure by the *Athlete* to make themself available for *Testing* due to the *Athlete* providing inaccurate information on their whereabouts filing.

   An Athlete may receive a *Whereabouts Failure* for each occurrence of one of the foregoing failures, subject to Paragraph 6(a)(iv)(1).

ii. If *USADA* suspects a Whereabouts Failure, *USADA* will confirm that the *Athlete* is in the *Premier Sports RTP*, was notified of their inclusion and responsibility to make whereabouts filings, and that the Doping Control Officer made a proper and valid attempt.

iii. Next, *USADA* will confirm that the *Athlete* failed to comply with at least one of the applicable whereabouts requirements set forth in Paragraphs 4(a)-(i).

iv. The *Athlete* should be sent initial notice of an apparent *Whereabouts Failure* no later than fourteen (14) days from the date of the discovery of the *Whereabouts Failure*. The initial notification letter will invite the *Athlete* to provide an explanation to *USADA*, within fourteen (14) days of the date of the initial notification letter, regarding why no whereabouts filing was filed or why incomplete or inaccurate information was submitted. The relevant *Sports Organization* will be copied on this correspondence.

   (a) An *Athlete* shall not be held responsible for subsequent *Whereabouts Failures* which occur before the *Athlete* is provided with this initial notice.

(b) After notice is received, the *Athlete* will be responsible for subsequent *Whereabouts Failures*, including *Whereabouts Failures* that relate to the same kind of conduct involved in the prior *Whereabouts Failure* after the deadline specified in the notice (which must be within 48 hours after receipt of the notice) to file or correct the whereabouts filing.

v. *USADA* staff will review any written response received from an *Athlete* and conduct further investigation, if necessary, to determine whether it is appropriate to declare a *Whereabouts Failure*.

(a) The *Athlete's Whereabouts Failure* must be at least negligent. For these purposes, the *Athlete* will be presumed to have committed the failure negligently upon proof that they were notified of the requirements yet did not comply with them. That presumption may only be rebutted by the *Athlete* establishing that no negligent behavior on their part caused or contributed to the failure.

(b) Examples where *USADA* would **not** find it appropriate to declare a *Whereabouts Failure* include family emergencies (and the emergency was ongoing at the time of the *Whereabouts Failure*), instances where valid attempts to file by the *Athlete* were unsuccessful, or other circumstances where the *Athlete* was not at fault for their failure to comply with this Whereabouts Policy.

vi. Provided no additional investigation is necessary, the *Athlete* should be sent notice of *USADA's* final decision within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the *Athlete's* response. This correspondence will also be made available to the relevant *Sports Organization*.[3]

vii. At all times, *USADA* will make every effort to adhere to and strictly enforce the timelines set forth in Paragraphs 6(a)(iv), (vi), (vii) and (xii); however, the departure from the timelines shall not invalidate or otherwise prevent *USADA* from declaring a Whereabouts Failure pursuant to the process outlined above.

Hearing

No *Athlete* shall be disciplined for having three *Whereabouts Failures* within a 12-month period or for providing fraudulent information in their whereabouts filing, for evading *Sample* collection, *Tampering* or any other violation of this Whereabouts Policy without having been offered an opportunity to request a full evidentiary hearing in accordance with Article 8 of the *Premier Sports* ADP.

[3] Copies of USADA's final decision letter will be sent to the relevant *Sports Organization* at the same time it is sent to the Athlete.

7 Effective Date

This Whereabouts Policy is effective as of June 1, 2026, and shall not apply retroactively to matters pending before that date.

8 Amendments

This *Premier Sports* Whereabouts Policy may be amended from time to time by *USADA*. Unless otherwise indicated, all amendments shall be effective no earlier than thirty (30) days after publication on the *USADA* website (https://www.usada.org/premier-sports/), with the precise effective date (and version) to be indicated in Section 7, above. It is each *Athlete's* responsibility to regularly check the *USADA* website to ensure that they are consulting the most up-to-date version of this and other anti-doping related policies.

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