

For the attention of:

- All FMNs - All CONUs

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## **ANTI-DOPING**

## Collaboration between the FIM and the International Testing Agency (ITA)

Dear National Federations, Dear Continental Unions,

We are pleased to inform you that the FIM has established a new collaboration with the International Testing Agency (ITA) in the framework of our anti-doping measures. This is an important development in our ongoing efforts to maintain the integrity and fairness of our sport.

Faced with the constant evolution of anti-doping standards and regulations, the FIM recognizes the importance of remaining at the forefront in maintaining trust and credibility towards anti-doping issues. By working together with ITA, who is renowned for its expertise in sport, the FIM pursues its commitment to maintain anti-doping standards, in line with the highest requirements clean and true.

From now on, international riders submitted to the FIM Anti-Doping Code will receive official notifications regarding anti-doping issues from ITA, on behalf of the FIM, and no longer from the FIM as it was the case previously. These notifications will provide them with important information regarding anti-doping procedures. It is crucial that they comply with any instructions provided by ITA to ensure coordination and adherence to anti-doping standards.





## Highlights of the collaboration between the FIM and ITA:

## ITA will organise, manage, conduct and handle the following activities on behalf of the FIM:

- In and Out of Competition Testing
- Whereabouts Information Management: Riders included in a Registered Testing Pool are required by the ITA to provide whereabouts information, detailing their locations for potential doping controls. Additionally, if a rider fails to provide accurate whereabouts information or is not available for testing at the specified time and location (whereabouts failures), they will be notified by the ITA.
- Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs): Riders who may require prohibited substances for legitimate medical reasons will apply and send their TUE to the ITA for review by the ITA TUE Committee.

The collaboration between the FIM and ITA is effective immediately. Our respective teams are already working together to implement the transition.

We believe that this collaboration with ITA represents a significant step forward in our collective efforts to ensure that our sport remains clean, fair, and true to its values.

We encourage all our National Federations and Continental Unions to spread this information among their affiliated riders and teams.

We remain at your disposal should you require any further information (Mrs. Evelyne Magnin, FIM International Medical Commission & Anti-Doping Coordinator: evelyne.magnin@fim.ch).

Yours sincerely,

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