



REPORT

Welcome to our second RaceClean Monthly Report. I hope you found our first update to be helpful and informative. If you missed it, just look for it on the [RaceClean webpage](#).

We were pleased to receive such positive feedback from so many of you following our first monthly report. We also heard questions and concerns, and I'll do my best to address those in this report. Before I do that though, I want to remind you that the season is just now getting underway. As we get further along in the year, the monthly testing numbers will increase.

We read each response last month. In many cases, there were similar or repeat questions. I thought it might be useful to share my responses to the following frequently asked questions.

Is doping really a problem in amateur cycling?

We strongly believe it is, for two reasons. First, we have credible evidence doping occurs in amateur cycling including multiple sources of anonymous survey data, as well as results from existing amateur testing (which has a higher rate of positives than in the pro ranks). Such evidence is supported by academic research, which has found doping can be significant in amateur sport because the desire to succeed can be just as high as for professionals but with limited risk detection. Secondly, we know our membership is outraged by

NUMBER OF TESTS

February 2016: 6

February 2015: 0

YTD 2016: 15

YTD 2015: 6

Target 2016: 135

Total 2015: 45

CHECK YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS

USADA makes it easy to ensure you're competing within the rules. Call [USADA's Drug Reference Hotline](#) at 719-785-2000 (option 2) to check your medications against the prohibited list.

REPORT A TIP

If you suspect a fellow racer of using performance enhancing drugs, leave a tip! All tips are anonymous and help determine WHO and WHERE RaceClean tests in the future.

doping because it was the most common issue cited when our new CEO, Derek Bouchard-Hall, requested feedback from members. These are the reasons USA Cycling is taking action!

Call the [PlayClean Tip Line](#) at 1-877-752-9253 to leave your tips.

Will USAC report where tests occur?

At this time, we have decided to not report the specific events where testing occurs, as doing so could facilitate the prediction of testing patterns. The primary goal of the program is deterrence which is maximized by not knowing when or where testing may occur.

Will you publish positive tests?

Yes, we WILL publish positive tests when we receive results, which takes 6-8 weeks. We will report the positive tests on the [RaceClean webpage](#), so check there for results as early as the end of March.

Medical marijuana use is increasing. How will this be handled?

In 2016, USADA created a Marijuana FAQ that answers a great deal of questions our members have about in-competition marijuana testing. The FAQ is located [here](#). We strongly encourage our affected members to reference this FAQ and to contact USADA at 719-785-2000 if they have any additional questions not answered by the FAQ.

Do national championship & national calendar events count as amateur?

Yes. However, RaceClean surcharges are not spent on national championship testing. USADA funds the testing of both elite and amateurs at national championship events. At national calendar events however, RaceClean surcharges may be used to extend testing to amateurs at events where USADA is already present testing elites. By extending testing to amateurs at events where USADA already has traveled, we achieve more testing for your surcharge dollars by saving on travel and logistics. Additional races not on any calendar will also be added throughout the year and paid for by RaceClean surcharges. For clarity, only those amateur tests paid for through RaceClean surcharges are counted in the RaceClean testing numbers - USADA funded amateur testing numbers are not included in this count.

How will you know if RaceClean is working?

We plan on monitoring the impact of our program with the help of the Anti-Doping Committee we are forming, which will be asked to provide an

evaluation of our efforts. After the program is well underway, we expect to re-run previously completed anonymous surveys to determine if we are changing behaviors and attitudes. We will of course modify our efforts based on such feedback.

That's it for this month. If you have questions or suggestions, I welcome your feedback!

Warm regards,

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