

As you may have read yesterday, RaceClean's efforts have resulted in another sanction. Kayle LeoGrande received an eight-year sanction for his second anti-doping rule violation after testing positive for seven prohibited substances at the 2017 Dana Point Grand Prix, an event which has supported RaceClean's efforts since the program's 2013 inception.

Since the announcement yesterday, we've received comments questioning why the sanction wasn't stronger, so we'd like to take this opportunity to educate our members regarding the governance of anti-doping.

USA Cycling does not manage anti-doping cases or determine sanctions and has no authority to do so. That is the exclusive role of USADA who itself is bound by international rules regarding sanctions. USADA's independence from an NGB like USA Cycling is critical to the integrity of the system.

USADA adheres to the WADA Code that sets forth minimum and maximum sanction lengths for anti-doping rules violations. In this case, Kayle LeoGrande was sanctioned with the maximum sanction length of eight years.

NUMBER OF TESTS

YTD 2016:125 YTD 2017: 122 Total 2016: 179 Target 2017: 200

SUPPLEMENTS RISK

It is often assumed that supplements are regulated the same way medications are and produced to the same high standards – but they are NOT! Unlike medications, supplements are regulated post-market, meaning no regulatory body evaluates contents or safety before they are sold to consumers. Click here for more information about why supplements can be risky for athletes.

USA Cycling may not add additional provisions to change the periods of ineligibility provided for in Article 10 of the WADA Code.

To understand the WADA Code in more depth, you can read it in its entirety here.

REPORT A TIP

If you suspect someone of using banned substances, leave an anonymous tip at 1-877-752-9253.

LeoGrande's test was one of the 122 we've conducted so far this year. With the fall and winter seasons still ahead of us, we expect to exceed the 179 tests we accomplished in 2016 and reach 200 tests by year's end.

We encourage our members to continue helping us as we strive for those 200 tests. Please visit the <u>Play Clean Tip Center</u> if you suspect a competitor of using performance enhancing drugs. We wanted to say thank you for the tips you've been submitting and to let you know they're taken very seriously and are one of the most effective mechanisms USADA has for targeting their efforts.

You can learn more on the <u>RaceClean webpage</u>. If you want to help us do even more for clean sport, please consider making an additional <u>donation to our cause</u>.

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