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**To:** Affiliated Federations  
Council and Commission Members  
Organisers of World Championships  
National Rowing Magazines  
FISA Partners



### **Circular No. 3 of 2006**

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Subjects covered in this Circular include the following:

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#### **1. Experimental Progression System for World Cups 25 + Entries**

Based on the recommendation from the Competitive Commission, FISA will experiment with a different progression system for 25 and more entries at the Rowing World Cup regattas this year. This was discussed at the World Rowing Forum at the end of last year. The issue is to make a better system which leads to two semi-finals rather than the three semi-finals in the current system. If the experiment goes well, FISA will consider modifying the official progression system for the World Championships. Please see the attachment.

#### **2. REPEATED - 2009 FISA Extraordinary Congress Bids**

The 2006 FISA Ordinary Congress will select the venue of the 2009 Extraordinary Congress. Interested member federations are invited to indicate their interest to FISA Headquarters as soon as possible. A bid questionnaire will then be forwarded to interested federations. The reason for advancing this issue is the difficulty in booking hotels enough in advance.

### 3. 2005 Anti-Doping Survey

FISA's survey of all doping tests undertaken in rowing in 2005 is presented below. A total of 64 National Federations responded to this year's survey and show a total of 3'098 tests conducted in the sport of rowing. Those Federations not responding to this survey may be subject to sanctions by the FISA Executive Committee.

	In Competition	Out of Competition	Total Tests	Positive Tests
FISA/WADA other international events	108	207	315	1
Reported by Nat Federations	1000	1783	2783	5
Total	1108	1990	3098	6

Announcements of decisions on positive cases:

#### International Testing:

1. BUL-Bulgarian rower Milka Manchorova (Tancheva) tested positive for the prohibited substance EPO following an out-of-competition test in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. She received a two year ban from FISA.

#### National Testing:

1. EGY- Egyptian rower Mohamed Abd El Moaty tested positive for Norandrosterone at an out-of-competition test in Egypt. He received a two year ban from his national federation.
2. ITA – Italian rower Valentina Galmarini tested positive for the banned substance Hydrochlorothiazide at an out-of-competition test in Italy. She received an eight month suspension from her national federation.
3. POR-Portuguese rower Ana Micaele Simoes tested positive for Norandrosterone at an in competition test in Portugal. She was suspended for 6 months by her national federation.
4. POR-Paulo Alexandre Santos Parente tested positive for Norandrosterone and an elevated T/E ratio at an indoor rowing competition as part of a "Rowing in Jail" programme. He was suspended from further competition.
5. CHN-Chinese rower Zhou Huihua tested positive for the substance morphine at an in-competition test in China. She was disqualified and received a ban for two years.

#### **4. Changes in National Federations**

Since the publishing of the 2006 Directory, we have received the following changes from the National Federations:

**BUL** - New President: Svetla Otzetova  
New Secretary General: Tsvetomir Evlogiev  
New email address: [rowing\\_bg@abv.bg](mailto:rowing_bg@abv.bg)

**DOM** New President: Samuel Melo

**ESP** New General Secretary: Vicente Pacheco

**MAR** Secretary General: Abdelhafid El Ouartassi  
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**MKD** President: Nikola Rilkoski  
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**MYA** New President: Chit Khaing  
New Secretary General: Pe Win

#### **5. 2005 Insert pages for the FISA Rule Book**

The 2005 insert pages for the FISA Rule Book are now available for sale. As well, the new Event Regulations booklet is available. Please contact the official FISA Merchandiser for your continent.

**6. 2007 and 2008 Joint Commissions Meeting Bids**

Applications are now sought from federations interested in hosting this meeting to be held 8 to 11 March 2007 and 6 to 9 March 2008. Details of the facilities and services required are available from FISA.

Yours sincerely,



Denis Oswald  
President



Matt Smith  
Executive Director

Attachments