



*To the attention of:*

- *Presidents and Secretaries General of the FIBA Zones*
- *Presidents and Secretaries General of the National Federations*
- *Euroleague Basketball*
- *FIBA certified coaches*
- *FIBA certified agents*

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**IMPORTANT**

**Ref.: 2011 List of Prohibited Substances**

Dear Sir/Madam,

FIBA would like to inform you of some updates in the 2011 List of Prohibited Substances as follows:

1. In recent months, an increasing number of positive doping cases involving **Methylhexaneamine** has come to our attention. The substance which has been a source of confusion is used in nasal decongestants and dietary supplements under trade names such as "*Geranamine*" and "*Floradrene*" or commonly known as *geranium oil*. There is a risk that supplements could contain it even if the ingredients listed on the label do not appear on the List of Prohibited Substances.

Please note that, although Methylhexaneamine has been moved from the non-specified to the specified stimulants category of the 2011 List of Prohibited Substances, it remains prohibited.

2. We would also like to draw your attention to an important number of positive samples involving **Cannabis**. Please take all necessary measures to keep your players from using said substance.
3. Please be advised that **Pseudoephedrine** was reintroduced on the list in 2010 and remains prohibited in 2011.
4. With respect to Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs) please note that **Salbutamol** (maximum 1600 micrograms over 24 hours) and **Salmeterol** remain authorised when taken by inhalation but will no longer be subject to a declaration of use as this requirement has been removed from the 2011 Prohibited List and the January 2011 version of the International Standard for TUEs.

In order to avoid exceeding the urinary limit for salbutamol and salmeterol, it is of utmost importance that doctors carefully instruct all players taking these substances on how to use them correctly. Players should be reminded to follow the prescription exactly for the administration route, dosage and frequency of use, and should be explicitly warned of the possibility of an adverse analytical finding.

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All other **beta-2 agonists** (including formoterol and terbutaline) are prohibited and therefore require a TUE.

For a full list of changes in the 2011 List of Prohibited Substances and other WADA International standards please visit [www.wada-ama.org](http://www.wada-ama.org).

Please forward this circular to your team doctors and inform your players accordingly.

We count on your cooperation to inform all parties concerned and thank you in advance for your kind attention.

Yours sincerely,

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Cc: FIBA Medical Commission  
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