



Scottish Squash
Anti-Doping Activity Report
2022 – 2023 Squash Season

Once again, Scottish Squash is working to ensure that the organisation is 100% compliant and that we are doing all that we can to support athletes and athlete support staff in relation to anti-doping.

The following report provides an overview of the anti-doping activity being delivered by Scottish Squash.

- We have continued our strong relationship with **sportscotland**, where Kevin Ferguson is the **sportscotland** Governing Body lead for anti-doping. Here we have once again also benefitted from the skills and experience of Sarah Gandon, anti-doping advisor and trainer. Sarah will lead the forthcoming training for athletes and support staff aligned to the SSL education strategy and to the anti-doping assurance framework.
- Scottish Squash has listened carefully and followed the leadership of UKAD. Here the team has been excellent in raising the awareness of the Board and the Executive Team in aligning to the assurance framework, providing resources and training, guidance and mentoring and placing the sport in the best possible position to meet our anti-doping outcomes and be a clean sport.
- In July 2022 the performance athletes at Scottish Squash were engaged in anti-doping education and training through CGS, in preparation for the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham. It involved players and support staff from the performance team.
- The squash performance staff shared communications from UKAD and from WSF around anti-doping education and training, lists of banned substances, TUEs, Testing protocols and other key topics.
- Throughout 2022 and into 2023, Maggie Still, CEO, continued as the overall anti-doping lead for SSL. Paul Bell remained the UKAD implementation lead in relation to working with the players and support staff, and Garry McKay will be the UKAD lead in relation to policies, procedures, risk management and general communication.
- Jennifer McCartney remained as the Scottish Squash Board Lead for anti-doping. Jennifer attended the UKAD Board lead training along with Maggie in 2022.
- Athlete and athlete support personnel contracts were updated to ensure compliance with anti-doping. They were aligned to athlete and coach Codes of Conduct. Anti-doping policies and procedures have been reviewed and aligned to the sports disciplinary and grievance procedures.
- Scottish Squash are working through the Education Strategy and implementation plan which has been reviewed favourably, with comments by UKAD, implemented from 1st April 2022 and to be reviewed in April 2023. Maggie linked with UKAD and other sports and attending training and support sessions to develop a 'best fit' plan for the sport of Squash.
- Paul Bell has completed the UKAD Information Gathering for testing. No out of competition testing was delivered to Scottish Squash athletes in 2021.

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