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APPENDIX A

PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES IN SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA SANCTIONED SPEEDWAY RACING

Speedway Australia is committed to maintaining a fair, safe, and drug-free sport. Participants, Officials and Crew are responsible for ensuring that no prohibited substances are present in their system at any time while competing, participating or officiating in Speedway Australia-sanctioned activities.

Important: The presence of a prohibited substance in a driver's sample constitutes a drug and alcohol and anti doping rule violation, regardless of intent.

Changes to the Prohibited List

Speedway Australia reserves the right to amend or update the list of prohibited substances in line with regulatory, medical, and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) requirements.

- Advance notice of any changes will be published no less than ninety (90) days prior to the change coming into effect.
- Members are strongly encouraged to regularly review the prohibited substances list and related guidance.

Broad Classes of Substances Prohibited in Speedway

The following categories of substances are prohibited in Speedway, either in-competition or at all times, and may result in sanctions if detected:

1. **THC**
(Including marijuana, cannabis oil, hashish, and related products)
2. **Amphetamines**
3. **Methamphetamines**
4. **Cocaine**
5. **Benzodiazepines**
(Commonly prescribed for anxiety, insomnia, muscle relaxation, or seizure disorders)
6. **Opiates / Opioids**
(Including but not limited to opium, heroin, codeine, morphine, oxycodone)

Note: Many substances listed above may appear in prescription medications, over-the-counter medicines, or combination products, including cold and flu preparations.

Prescription & Psychiatric Medications – Important Guidance

Many psychiatric and neurological medications, including those used for:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- ADHD
- Sleep disorders
- Seizure control

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Members must not assume a medication is safe or permitted, even if:

- It is prescribed by a doctor
- It has been used previously
- It is legal in Australia

Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs)

If a member requires a prohibited substance for legitimate medical reasons, they must apply for and receive a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) before competing, unless emergency treatment applies.

A TUE may be required if:

- Your medication contains a prohibited substance
- Your dose exceeds permitted thresholds
- The substance is prohibited in-competition
- Long-term treatment is required

Failure to apply for or receive a TUE before competition may result in sanctions, even if the medication was medically prescribed.

Checking Your Medication – Your Responsibility

To assist members in making informed decisions:

- Check all medications and supplements before use
- Use official reference tools only
- Seek clarification before racing, not after a test

Global DRO is the recommended online medication checking tool, providing substance status based on the current WADA Prohibited List: [Global DRO](#)



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APPENDIX B

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR THERAPEUTIC USE OF A PROHIBITED SUBSTANCE

Under the SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA Drug and Alcohol Policy, SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA licence holders are required to have prior written approval for the use of a prohibited substance for a therapeutic purpose. All requests will be forwarded to the SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA Medical Officer for assessment before approval will be granted.

Please attach all relevant medical information that will assist in the consideration of this request.

Part A – Applicants Details

Surname:.....Given Names:.....Female Male

Address:.....

State:..... Postcode:..... Date of Birth:.....

Tel: Home ()..... Work: ().....

Mobile:

Licence holder Number:

I seek the approval of SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA for the therapeutic use of a prohibited medication. I authorise the release of medical information concerning myself to SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA for the reasonable processing of this application.

Signature: Date:
(to be signed by parent/guardian if applicant is under 18 years of age).

Part B – Medical Practitioner

Name, qualifications:

Address:.....

Email address:.....

Tel: Home ()..... Work ()..... Mobile:

Diagnosis:.....

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Part C – Medication Details

Prohibited medication:	
Dose and method of administration:	
Anticipated duration of treatment:	



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Part D – Medical Practitioner’s Declaration

I, declare the abovementioned medication/s for the above named has been/are to be administered as the correct treatment for the above named medical condition.

I also believe that the patient will not be negatively affected in such a way which may influence their ability to compete safely in speedway racing.

Signature of Medical Practitioner:..... Date:

Evidence confirming the diagnosis should be attached to this application. Details concerning all medications or treatments that have been tried.

Additional Information:

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Part E – SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA Decision (office use only)

Approved: Not Approved:

Name of SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA Medical Assessor:

Signature: Date: