

The IAAF Health and Science Department

IAAF NOTICE ON A FAST TRACK THERAPEUTIC USE EXEMPTION PROCEDURE

An International-Level Athlete* who needs to use a prohibited substance or a prohibited method for therapeutic purposes must apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) to the IAAF unless he or she already has a TUE granted at national level and the national TUE is recognised by the IAAF in accordance with the IAAF Anti-Doping Regulations and the terms of this Notice.

Since 1st January 2015, a TUE granted at national level may be recognised by the IAAF in one of two ways, either by means of a [formal standard procedure](#) or through this Fast Track TUE application procedure, according to Article 7.1(a) of the World Anti-Doping Code International Standard for Therapeutic Use Exemptions ([ISTUE](#));

Fast track TUE application procedure for glucocorticoids and insulin

The TUEs granted at national level for:

- 1. the use of glucocorticoids, or**
- 2. the use of insulin, if the insulin dependence started before the age of 16**

will be processed by the IAAF TUE Sub Commission (IAAF TUESC) without any additional procedures, provided that they comply with the following:

- that the national TUE is in conformity with the “WADA TUE Physician Guidelines” and/or Best Medical Practice
- that the national TUE has in each case been reported in ADAMS in accordance with paragraph 15.1 of the IAAF Anti-Doping Rules (and is therefore available for review by WADA). If this is the case, no further action will be required from the athlete.

Fast track procedure for other substances

If the national TUE is not for one of the substances identified above, the athlete will be required to submit a request for a TUE Fast Track procedure to the IAAF which will mean, at a minimum, sending to the IAAF at tue-application@iaaf.org

- a copy of the national TUE certificate; and
- a copy of the original TUE application form, together with all supporting materials.

Incomplete applications will be returned. Please note also that the IAAF TUESC may request from the athlete or his physician additional information, examinations or imaging studies as it deems necessary in order to consider the athlete’s request for a Fast Track procedure of the TUE.

Upon receipt of a complete request, the IAAF TUESC will decide as soon as possible and within no more than 10 days of receipt of the complete request, whether or not to recognise the TUE. In the meantime, the national TUE will remain effective.

The decision of the IAAF TUESC will be notified to the athlete in writing and will be made available to WADA and to the relevant National Anti-Doping Agency (or national organisation dealing with TUEs) via ADAMS.

* An International-Level Athlete is defined in Article 1.9 of the IAAF Anti-Doping Rules as an athlete who is in the IAAF’s *Registered Testing Pool* (which is established by the Athletics Integrity Unit and regularly updated in the Anti-Doping Section of the IAAF Website), or who is competing in an IAAF [International Competition](#).