

What is Whereabouts?

Whereabouts is information provided by athletes who have been included in one of DFSNZ's testing pools, to enable DFSNZ and other Anti-Doping Organisations to locate them for testing at any time.

Why have Whereabouts?

No-advance notice out-of-competition testing is one of the most powerful means of deterrence and detection of doping in sport. Having accurate Whereabouts information is essential to the effectiveness of DFSNZ's anti-doping programme, which aims protect the integrity of New Zealand sport and to protect our clean athletes.

Who must provide Whereabouts Information?

New Zealand's Sports Anti-Doping Rules, which align with the World Anti-Doping Code, allow DFSNZ to identify which athletes will be part of the Athlete Whereabouts Programme.

DFSNZ has established a Registered Testing Pool (RTP) and a National Testing Pool (NTP) for these purposes. Athletes are included in these testing pools based on criteria set by DFSNZ and in consultation with the athlete's National Sport Organisation. DFSNZ will notify you if you are included one of the testing pools.

What information is required?

As an RTP or NTP athlete, you're required to provide and maintain accurate and detailed information about your Whereabouts including:

- A primary residential address;
- Addresses for training, work and all other regular activities (including time-frames for those activities);
- Competition schedule (including dates, locations and accommodation details);
- Travel information (including destination and dates of travel); and
- Any temporary or alternative addresses (e.g. when on holiday or your partner's address).

You must provide sufficient information to enable the Doping Control Officer to locate you for testing, without providing any advance notice.

60-Minute Time Slot for RTP Athletes

If you are an RTP athlete, you are also required to specify a 60-minute time-slot, between 5am and 11pm each day, where you will be available for testing at a specified location. Select a time-slot that best fits your schedule and ensure you are available and accessible for the entire 60-minute period each day.

How do I provide Whereabouts information?

Whereabouts information must be filed quarterly (every 3 months) with DFSNZ. You do this online, by logging into the Whereabouts section of DFSNZ's website <https://athlete.drugfreesport.org.nz/> (you will be given a username and password). The dates and deadlines for each quarterly filing are listed below. DFSNZ will send you reminders you in advance of each deadline.

Quarter	Period	Filing Deadline
1	1 Jul – 30 Sept	15 Jun
2	1 Oct – 31 Dec	15 Sept
3	1 Jan – 30 Mar	15 Dec
4	1 Apr – 30 Jun	15 Mar

Can I delegate my Whereabouts responsibilities?

You can choose to have a representative, such as a team manager or parent, file your Whereabouts information on your behalf, if you wish. However, you remain accountable for the accuracy and timing of any whereabouts information (and any consequences should the whereabouts information be incorrect or incomplete).

What if I don't know my whereabouts or if my plans change?

If you don't know or are unsure of where you will be on some days in the quarter, provide as much information as you can when you file, then update it as soon as you know more.

If your plans change after you have filed your Whereabouts information for the quarter, you can log at any time to update your calendar (via PC or smartphone). The 'quick update' function in athlete whereabouts allows you to adjust your plans and advise DFSNZ of the change. It is important to update your whereabouts as soon as you are aware of any change.

If you are unable to submit online or via a smartphone, as a last resort you can phone DFSNZ on 0800 DRUG FREE (378 437) or +64 9 582 0338 from overseas and leave a message on the Whereabouts voicemail.

What happens if I don't comply?

It is very important you file the required Whereabouts information by the deadline specified and that the information you provide is accurate and up-to-date. DFSNZ will send out reminders to help you comply. The consequences if you fail to comply will depend on what testing pool you have been included in.

Registered Testing Pool Athletes

If you are an RTP athlete, failure to comply with the Whereabouts requirements without good reason, will result in Whereabouts Failures or strikes being recorded against your name. Your National Sport Organisation, International Federation and WADA will be notified of any strike recorded against you.

If you commit three (3) Whereabouts Failures within a 12-month period, this constitutes an anti-doping rule violation and if proven, you could be banned from sport for up to two years. Whereabouts Failures may be any combination of Filing Failures or Missed Tests and can be issued by DFSNZ or your International Federation.

Filing Failure:	<i>You fail to file your quarterly Whereabouts information by the deadline specified; or The Whereabouts information you provide is incomplete or incorrect.</i>
Missed Test:	<i>You are unable to be located for testing during your 60-minute time slot.</i>

National Testing Pool Athletes

If you are an NTP athlete, you will be issued with a warning letter that will be retained on your file if:

- You fail to file your quarterly Whereabouts information by the deadline specified; or
- The Whereabouts information you provide is found to be incomplete or incorrect.

Two warnings within one quarter or three warnings within 12-months will result in an automatic review of your testing pool status and you may be moved to the RTP, where the Whereabouts requirements are more demanding and the consequences for Whereabouts Failures are more severe. (Note DFSNZ has discretion to review your testing pool status at any time, according to the criteria.)

Who can access my Whereabouts information?

Your Whereabouts information is protected on a secure website and is kept strictly confidential. This information is only shared with WADA and other Anti-Doping Organisations for the purpose of testing.

Where can I get more information?

More detailed information is available on the Whereabouts section of DFDNZ's website www.drugfreesport.org.nz. If you need help filing your Whereabouts information or have any questions, you can contact us by phone at 0800 DRUG FREE (378 437) or +64 9 582 0388 or by email at whereabouts@drugfreesport.org.nz.

Remember, it is your responsibility to ensure that your Whereabouts information is filed on time, is accurate & is up-to-date!

In the case of any discrepancy between this information and the New Zealand Sports Anti-Doping Rules, the Sports Anti-Doping Rules shall prevail. A copy of the Sports Anti Doping Rules is available on the DFSNZ website.