

Self-Declaration of Conformity

The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) hereby declares that the ISO/IEC 17043:2023 standard "Conformity assessment — General requirements for the competence of proficiency testing providers" is applied for the WADA External Quality Assessment Scheme (EQAS).

WADA's EQAS is an integral part of WADA's anti-doping laboratory monitoring activities. A satisfactory laboratory performance in the EQAS is a mandatory requirement for obtaining and maintaining WADA accreditation and WADA approval for the analysis of Athlete Biological Passport (ABP) samples. The EQAS is intended to evaluate laboratory proficiency to improve test results uniformity; and, to provide educational opportunities for the WADA-accredited and ABP-approved laboratories.

The WADA EQAS Management System (MS) and operations underwent a thorough process of development, improvement and evaluation over a period of more than two years, including: several internal audits; an assessment against ISO/IEC 17043 requirements by two independent external auditors; and a WADA audit of the subcontracted EQAS Samples Provider.

As a result, WADA hereby declares that:

- its EQAS is in conformity with the requirements of the ISO/IEC 17043:2023 standard "Conformity assessment General requirements for the competence of proficiency testing providers"; and
- within the framework of this self-declaration, this conformity will continuously be reviewed and evaluated.

Date of self-declaration: 20 December 2023

Date of next review: December 2025

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