

Tarawera Ultra - Anti-Doping Policy and Statement

As a privately-owned event and a major event in the sport of trail ultra-running globally, we are working hard to ensure our sport remains clean of performance-enhancing drugs. To this end, race management is in regular communication with Drug Free Sport NZ regarding anti-doping programmes. From these communications, we have taken the following steps:

1. Race management reserves the right to drug test any athlete competing in this event – from the time of registration to the completion of the event. Agreement to submit to drug testing is a condition of entry. Any testing will be conducted in a manner consistent with the requirements of the World Anti-Doping Code including the WADA Prohibited List. (See link below for more information on those requirements.)
2. No athlete that is currently serving a sanction for violating sports anti-doping rules may enter the Tarawera Ultramarathon.
3. No athlete that was issued a sanction between 1 January 2014 and 31 Dec. 2019 for violating sports anti-doping rules may enter the Tarawera Ultramarathon until 1 Jan. 2022.

Race management will disqualify the entry of any athlete violating (2) or (3) who attempts to enter these events.

Race management will provide anti-doping education to our participants, in conjunction with Drug Free Sport NZ. Considerable resources for athletes, coaches and support staff is on the Drug Free Sport NZ website: drugfreesport.org.nz