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DOPING VIOLATION

Bodybuilder Jeffrey Capozzo receives two-year sports ban

The Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) today acknowledged the decision by Australasian Natural Bodybuilding (ANB) to impose a two-year ban on bodybuilding competitor Jeffrey Capozzo for the presence and use of methylhexaneamine and sibutramine.

The prohibited substances were detected in a sample ASADA collected in-competition from Mr Capozzo at the ANB North Queensland titles in Townsville on 3 October 2010.

Mr Capozzo's ban means he is ineligible to participate, as an athlete or support person, in any sport that has adopted the World Anti-Doping Code until 24 April 2013.

The results obtained by Mr Capozzo at the event are also disqualified and any medals, points and prizes awarded to him are forfeited.

Methylhexaneamine and sibutramine are classed as S6 stimulants on the World Anti-Doping Agency's Prohibited List and are prohibited in-competition.

Generally, stimulants act directly on the central nervous system to speed up parts of the brain and body. They can increase alertness and reduce fatigue in athletes.

Any athletes unaware of their responsibilities are encouraged to seek additional information online at ASADA's website www.asada.gov.au

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Media note: Cases involving other athletes who have tested positive to methylhexaneamine are ongoing. Due to ASADA's strict legislative requirements, ASADA will not discuss these other positive test results (including identifying the athletes or sports involved) until the matters are concluded.

