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## DOPING VIOLATION

### Formal reprimand for surf life saving competitor Andrew Mosel

The Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) today welcomed Surf Life Saving Australia's (SLSA) decision to issue surf life saving competitor Andrew Mosel with a formal reprimand and no period of ineligibility from the sport after testing positive to a high concentration of salbutamol.

Primarily used in the treatment of asthma and other medical conditions, salbutamol can also have performance enhancing effects.

An in-competition sample provided by Mr Mosel on 27 February 2010 at the SLSA West Australian State Championships was found to contain salbutamol at a concentration greater than the World Anti-Doping Agency's threshold of 1000 ng/ml.

Salbutamol at such a concentration is regarded as an adverse analytical finding under the World Anti-Doping Code (the Code), unless the athlete can prove that the abnormal result was the consequence of inhaling salbutamol for therapeutic purposes.

SLSA was satisfied as to how the salbutamol entered Mr Mosel's body and that the substance was not intended to enhance his performance.

ASADA supports the decision of SLSA to exercise its right of discretion in this matter and impose a formal reprimand on Mr Mosel with no period of ineligibility for the presence and use of this substance.

In addition to the formal reprimand, the results obtained by Mr Mosel in the Men's Surf Team Final are disqualified and any medals, points and prizes awarded to him are forfeited.

This case is a further reminder to athletes to be mindful of the status of their medications under the World Anti-Doping Code. Any athlete unaware of their responsibilities are advised to seek additional information online at [www.asada.gov.au](http://www.asada.gov.au) or to call ASADA on 13 000 ASADA (13 000 27232).

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