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## Doping violation

### Outrigger canoeist Lisa Roberts receives three-month sports ban for cannabis

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The Australian Outrigger Canoe Racing Association's (AOCRA) decision to impose a three-month ban on outrigger canoeist Lisa Roberts for the presence of a prohibited substance was today acknowledged by the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA).

ASADA collected an in-competition sample from Ms Roberts on 14 May 2011 at AOCRA's National Marathon Championships held at Mooloolaba. The sample returned a positive result for a metabolite of cannabis.

Cannabis is classified as a specified substance on the World Anti-Doping Agency's (WADA) Prohibited List, where bans can range from a minimum of a warning to a maximum of four years' ineligibility in the case of aggravated doping.

Ms Roberts' ban means she is ineligible to participate, as an athlete or support person, in any sports that have a WADA compliant anti-doping policy until 16 March 2012.

Any athletes unaware of their responsibilities are encouraged to seek additional information online at ASADA's website [www.asada.gov.au](http://www.asada.gov.au)

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