

IRONMAN AGE-GROUP ATHLETE JUAN ANTONIO GOMEZ GONZALEZ ACCEPTS SANCTION FOR ANTI-DOPING RULE VIOLATION

Gomez Gonzalez serving a four-year sanction

TAMPA, Fla. (August 27, 2019) – Today, the IRONMAN® Anti-Doping Program announced that Spanish age-group athlete Juan Antonio Gomez Gonzalez accepted a four-year sanction for an anti-doping rule violation after testing positive for a prohibited substance. Gomez Gonzalez's positive sample was collected in-competition at the 2019 IRONMAN® 70.3® Marbella triathlon.

Gomez Gonzalez's sample tested positive for clenbuterol, which is in a class of anabolic agents prohibited at all times under IRONMAN Anti-Doping Rules and consistent with the World Anti-Doping Agency Prohibited List.

All results-management proceedings and sanctions applied under the jurisdiction of the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Program are determined in accordance with the WADA Code and the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Rules. In accordance with Article 10 of the WADA Code, Gomez Gonzalez's period of ineligibility began April 27, 2019, the date of his out-of-competition test. As a result, Gomez Gonzalez has been disqualified from all competitive results obtained on and subsequent to April 27, 2019, including results from 2019 IRONMAN 70.3 Marbella. He had been previously provisionally suspended and will remain ineligible to participate in any IRONMAN® or IRONMAN® 70.3® competition or any other event organized by any WADA Code Signatory for the four-year period of ineligibility.

"This case is the result of information sharing between the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Program and the Spanish National Anti-Doping Agency, Agencia Española de Protección de la Salud en el Deporte (AEPSAD)," said Kate Mittelstadt, Director of the IRONMAN Anti-Doping Program. "When we can share information and coordinate efforts within the anti-doping community, our collective ability to target our testing and detect doping is significantly increased. This result is proof of that, and we thank AEPSAD for their collaboration."

To learn more about the IRONMAN Anti-Doping program, including the WADA Prohibited List and the risks associated with supplement use, visit www.ironman.com/triathlon/organizations/anti-doping.aspx.

For more information on the IRONMAN brand and global event series, visit <u>www.ironman.com</u>. Media-related inquiries may be sent to <u>press@ironman.com</u>.

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