

# IPF Sanctions

Dear Athletes, Coaches, and Community Members,

British Powerlifting has been formally notified by the IPF that a British athlete, Nonso Chinye, who was included in the IPF's Registered Testing Pool, has incurred three Whereabouts Violations within a 12-month period. Under Article 2.4 of the World Anti-Doping Code and IPF Anti-Doping Rules, this constitutes an Anti-Doping Rule Violation and includes a period of ineligibility.

While this situation is regrettable, British Powerlifting fully supports the IPF and WADA anti-doping framework and the consistent application of the rules that underpin clean, fair and credible sport. The whereabouts system is a fundamental part of modern anti-doping and operates on the principle of strict liability. Athletes that are included in the IPF's Registered Testing Pool and Testing Pool are individually responsible for ensuring their whereabouts information is accurate, complete and kept up to date at all times.

At the same time, British Powerlifting recognises that international-level athletes operate in a highly demanding environment, often balancing training, competition, work, travel and family commitments. We remain committed to supporting our athletes through education, guidance and clear communication around their anti-doping obligations, including their responsibilities under the whereabouts system.

We are working closely with our international athletes to reinforce expectations, improve understanding, and ensure that appropriate support structures are in place going forward. This includes proactive engagement, education around WADA and IPF requirements, and emphasising the standards of conduct expected of those representing Great Britain on the international stage.

British Powerlifting will continue to uphold the highest standards of integrity and compliance, while supporting athletes to meet their obligations and compete in a clean, healthy and transparent sport.