

OUT-OF-COMPETITION TESTING

Testing authorities acknowledge that a number of substances that influence athletic performance can be administered during training and may not be detectable in raceday testing. Out-of-competition testing is therefore part of BHA's robust anti-doping strategy that aims to detect and deter use of Prohibited Substances including performance-enhancing drugs. Out-of-competition testing, which can be random or intelligence-led, is strictly unannounced.

Blood samples are generally taken from those horses selected for Out-of-competition testing, although other samples may be taken such as urine or hair. As for other regulatory samples an 'A' and 'B' sample is collected, which are sent to LGC laboratory, near Newmarket, for analysis.