

SPAIN

1. Implementation of WADA AMA rules.

- WADA AMA policies almost enforced under Spanish legal rules. An important effort to disseminate information on doping is being done by the sport authorities. Spanish Aeroclub has nominated a RN to attend specifically these events.
- Airports community concerns remain but are more rational.

2. Compulsory urine toxicology screening in medical licensing examinations.

The Spanish DGAC -civil aviation authority- has made compulsory in all initial and renewal JAR aviation medical examinations to perform an urine test for Drugs of abuse [DA]. In initials 4 drugs are tested: cocaine, cannabis, opioids and amphetamines; In renewals only cocaine and cannabis

Air Sport	Type of license required	DA testing
Aerobatics Balloon Glider PPL Rotorcraft ULM	JAR FCL Class 2	Yes
Aeromodelism Hang gliding Parachute Paragliding	No medical standard is implemented	No

3. Accidents

2006 has started with 4 accidents raising serious questions on HF:

- 1 mid air collision involving 2 light aircrafts while teaching (1 instructor + 1 trainee died)
- 1 crash immediately after take-off (engine failure?)
- 1 crash due to possibly to fuel exhaustion (1 dead)
- 1 glider in final with gear not extended > closed brakes > climbed up > crashed at ? 45° (1 dead)

The first accident is being used by people lobbying for the closure of Cuatro Vientos airport in Madrid as a safety related issue that shows the "inherent risks of the activity".

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