Relevant provisions in the FIVB Medical & Anti-Doping Regulations on Whereabouts Failure:

2.4 Whereabouts Failures

Any combination of three missed tests and/or filing failures, as defined in the International Standard for Testing and Investigations, within a twelve-month period by an Athlete in a Registered Testing Pool.

5.6 Athlete Whereabouts Information

5.6.1 FIVB shall identify a Registered Testing Pool of those Athletes who are required to comply with the whereabouts requirements of Annex I to the International Standard for Testing and Investigations, and shall make available through ADAMS, a list which identifies those Athletes included in its Registered Testing Pool either by name or by clearly defined, specific criteria. FIVB shall coordinate with National Anti-Doping Organizations the identification of such Athletes and the collection of their whereabouts information. FIVB shall review and update as necessary its criteria for including Athletes in its Registered Testing Pool and shall revise the membership of its Registered Testing Pool from time to time as appropriate in accordance with the set criteria. Athletes shall be notified before they are included in a Registered Testing Pool and when they are removed from that pool. Each Athlete in the Registered Testing Pool shall do the following, in each case in accordance with Annex I to the International Standard for Testing and Investigations: (a) advise the FIVB of his/her whereabouts on a quarterly basis; (b) update that information as necessary so that it remains accurate and complete at all times; and (c) make him/herself available for Testing at such whereabouts.

5.6.1.1 FIVB may include in its Testing Pool(s) any Athlete not included in the Registered Testing Pool and require such Athlete to provide and update, either directly or through his club or National Federation, specific whereabouts information requested by the FIVB. Failure to comply with FIVB’s requirements, in addition to possible Consequences under these Anti-Doping Rules, may lead to (a) a sanction for a minor offence in accordance with the FIVB Disciplinary Regulations; (b) the Athlete’s inclusion in the Registered Testing Pool.
5.6.2 For purposes of Article 2.4, an Athlete’s failure to comply with the requirements of the International Standard for Testing and Investigations shall be deemed a filing failure or a missed test (as defined in the International Standard for Testing and Investigations) where the conditions set forth in the International Standard for Testing and Investigations for declaring a filing failure or missed test are met.

5.6.3 An Athlete in the FIVB’s Registered Testing Pool shall continue to be subject to the obligation to comply with the whereabouts requirements of Annex I to the International Standard for Testing and Investigations unless and until (a) the Athlete gives written notice to FIVB that he/she has retired or (b) FIVB has informed him or her that he/she no longer satisfies the criteria for inclusion in the FIVB’s Registered Testing Pool.

5.6.4 Whereabouts information relating to an Athlete shall be shared (through ADAMS) with WADA and other Anti-Doping Organizations having authority to test that Athlete, shall be maintained in strict confidence at all times, shall be used exclusively for the purposes set out in Article 5.6 of the Code, and shall be destroyed in accordance with the International Standard for the Protection of Privacy and Personal Information once it is no longer relevant for these purposes.

For more information: