

## Case study

Name: Dermot Reeve  
Sport: Cricket  
Position/role: All-rounder  
Team: Warwickshire, England



Used:  
**Cocaine, cannabis**

Consequences:  
• **Resigned** from Channel 4

Quotes:  
“**If every cricketer I knew at the time I played was banned from playing, you would not have seen very good teams out there.**”

“**I occasionally smoked marijuana at that time out of season, but it was never a problem.**”

“**I have given up cocaine for a month at a time, but I have to be honest and say that I think about it every day that I have given it up.**”

“**I want to be clean and healthy and fit for my kids and have normal highs that aren't due to cocaine. If I need professional help, I will seek it.**”

Unorthodox all-rounder Dermot Reeve was born in Hong Kong in 1963. He made his debut for England in a One Day International against the West Indies in 1991, and went on to represent England in 25 ODIs and in three Tests.

Reeve was a very successful captain of Warwickshire, and in 1994 led the team to victory in three of the four major trophies. In 1996 he was awarded an OBE for services to cricket.

In 1997 Reeve retired and took up coaching at Somerset; he has since become a familiar face on Channel 4's commentary team.

He has since confessed to a cocaine addiction and to having commentated on a Test match while under the influence of the drug. He also admitted using cannabis recreationally in the 1990s, and he claims that there was widespread use of “illegal substances” at the time.