

**PROPOSALS FOR RULES CHANGES OF
JUMPING RULES 2025**

10 October 2025

Dear National Federations,

Please find below a summary of the proposed changes to the Jumping Rules together with the corresponding explanations, the comments received as well as the reasoning for accepting or not accepting each proposal.

In the following document you will find 2 sections as follows:

- A. [Proposed Rules changes to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025;](#)
and
- B. [Proposed Rules changes that have been rejected or deferred to a future Rules revision.](#)

Attached you will find the newly structured Jumping Rules. The principles set out in the memo have been adopted as specified; however, the Jumping Rules may contain slightly revised wording. Additional amendments have been made throughout to ensure consistency and eliminate duplication.

Sincerely,



Todd Hinde,

Jumping Director

A. PROPOSED RULES CHANGES TO BE VOTED AT THE FEI GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2025

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 200 GENERAL Art. 200.6.3 Art. 211 WATER JUMP, WATER JUMP WITH VERTICAL AND LIVERPOOL Art. 211.3 Art. 229 RECORDING THE TIME Art. 229.1 Art. 254 PARTICIPATION, AGE AND NUMBER OF HORSES Art. 254.1.1 Art. 256 DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE Art. 256.1.8 Art. 256.3.1 Art. 280 VETERINARY EXAMINATIONS, HORSE INSPECTIONS AND PASSPORT CONTROL Art. 280.2.2 Art. 280.3.2 Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Art. 6 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 6.1 Art. 6.6
Explanation for Proposed Change
To include the reference to Continental Games where missing.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 200.6.3 For expenses at other FEI Championships, FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, Longines League of Nations™ Finals and Olympic Games see the specific rules for these Events. Expenses at Regional Championships and Continental and Regional Games are left to the discretion of the OC. Art. 211.3 At Olympic, Continental and Regional Games, FEI Championships, CSIOs and CSIs the landing side of the water jump must be defined by a lath, at least six centimetres in width and not exceeding eight centimetres, covered with a bed of contrasting coloured plasticine about one centimetre thick. This plasticine must be replaced each time a Horse touches it. Several spare laths must be provided together with extra plasticine so that a lath, which has been marked by a Horse, may be replaced at any time. Art. 229.1 Each Competition at an Event must be timed by the same system or by means of the same type of timing equipment. FEI-homologated timing equipment is compulsory for all Olympic, Continental and Regional Games, FEI Championships, FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, CSIOs and CSIs unless circumstances warrant an exception to be authorised by the FEI Jumping Director. In all instances, the timekeeper is required to record the number of the Horse and the time taken to complete the round by the means of an electronic timing system. The time must be recorded to the one-hundredth of a second. Art. 254.1.1 Horses entered for Olympic Games, World Championships and FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals must be at least nine years of age. Horses entered in Senior Continental Championships, Continental and Regional Games and Regional Championships must be at least eight years of age. As an exception, Horses may be entered in Regional Games and Regional Championships from the age of seven years, providing the height of obstacles in these Regional Games and Championships does not exceed 1.40 1.45 m.

Art. 256.1.8

Athletes shall wear the official clothing of their NF in the Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™ Competition at CSIOs and in all stages of competition (team and individual) at Regional, **Continental** and World Championships and, subject to the approval of each relevant national Olympic Committee, during the Competitions at Olympic, Continental and Regional Games. Should an NF not have official clothing, the Athlete(s) of such NF shall be entitled to dress in accordance with JRs Art. 256.1.5 or 256.1.6, as applicable, subject to the provisions of JRs Art. 256.3.

Art. 256.3.1

At all Events, except **Continental**, Regional and Olympic Games under the patronage of the IOC (see Olympic Regulations for Equestrian Events at Olympic Games), Athletes may wear clothing and use equipment which identify the manufacturer, the Athlete's sponsor(s), the Athlete's team sponsor(s), the NF's sponsor(s), the Athlete's nation, and/or the Athlete himself, but only under the specific conditions set forth below:

Art. 280.2.2

At FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, World Championships and Continental Championships for all Categories and **Continental and** Olympic Games, a second Horse Inspection will be scheduled prior to the start of the Individual Final Competition.

Art. 280.3.2

At FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, Longines League of Nations™ Finals, World and Senior Continental Championships and **Continental and** Olympic Games, sufficient Horses must normally be sampled to ensure that the following samples are available for analysis:

Annex IX, Art. 6.1

At Regional, **Continental** and Olympic Games, Athletes may take part in Jumping from the year in which they reach their 18th birthday. However, Athletes may take part in Regional Games and Regional Championships for Seniors from the year in which they reach their 16th birthday, providing the height of obstacles in the initial round of Competitions of these Games and Championships does not exceed **1.40 1.45 m**.

Annex IX, Art. 6.6

Once an Athlete has taken part in a **World or Continental** Championship Competition for Seniors or in **Regional, Continental** and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, they can no longer go back to a Championship for Young Riders **or Juniors** in Jumping. ~~However, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate in a Championship for Juniors or in a Championship for Young Riders even if they have previously participated in Regional Games and/or Regional Championships for Seniors, providing the height of obstacles in the initial round of Competitions of the Regional Games/Championships does not exceed 1.40 m.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - For the sake of clarity, we propose to add the same wording that is used in the Eventing Rules: This provision does not apply to championships for young horses.

New proposed wording:

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Resp. new: 293.3.1

Once an Athlete has taken part in a World or Continental Championship Competition for Seniors or in Continental and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, they can no longer go back to a Continental Championship for Young Riders **or Juniors** in Jumping. **This provision does not apply to championships for young horses. [...]**

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, if a Junior competes in a Senior Championship, it means they are turning 18 during the year of the Championship, and therefore they will no longer be Juniors the following year. It is agreed to include the Young Horse exception.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 292.3 Additional requirements applicable to Young Riders and Juniors

292.3.1

Once an Athlete has taken part in a World or Continental Championship Competition for Seniors or in Continental and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, they can no longer go back to a Championship for Young Riders or Juniors in Jumping. However:

292.3.1.1

a Junior, from the year in which they reach their 14th birthday, may take part in the same year in both the Championship for Juniors and in certain international Competitions for Seniors on the occasion of a CSIO and a CSI (see JRs Art 205).

292.3.1.2

the participation of a Young Rider or a Junior in a Continental Championship in one Discipline for Young Riders or Juniors does not exclude the same Athlete from participating with another Horse in a Continental Championship for Seniors in another Discipline, if the Athlete has reached the appropriate age.

292.3.1.3

the participation of an Athlete in a World Championship Competition for Young Horses in Jumping does not exclude the same Athlete from participating in a Championship Competition for Young Riders or Juniors in Jumping.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art.200.6.2.1.1 Reimbursement of Travel Costs

Explanation for Proposed Change

The part "Proposed travel plans must be submitted to the Official for approval before bookings are made" is usually never done, should be the other way around.

Officials should make the arrangements but the OC accept before booking.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Officials should be offered a convenient travel solution, where total travel time and number of stops are minimised. Proposed travel plans must be submitted to the ~~Official~~ **OC by the Officials** for approval before bookings are made. For non-stop flights with a duration of six or more hours, Business Class must be offered. In any case individual air travel arrangement can be made between the OC and the Official, e.g. a higher per diem for travelling Economy Class.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 279.2.1 Reimbursement of travel costs

Officials should be offered a convenient travel solution, where total travel time and number of stops are minimised. Proposed travel plans must be submitted to the OC by the Officials for approval before bookings are made. For non-stop flights with a duration of six or more hours, business class must be offered. In any case individual air travel arrangement can be made between the OC and the Official, e.g. a higher per diem for travelling in economy class.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art.200.6.2.2
Explanation for Proposed Change
Remove the provision, OC is always paying for officials.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
FEI appointed Officials whose travel Expenses are to be paid by the OC shall be appointed with the agreement of the OC.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
FEI appointed Officials whose travel Expenses are to be paid by the OC shall be appointed with the agreement of the OC.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
IRL NF
Article Number – Article Name
New Suggestion as a guideline. (Art.201)
Explanation for Proposed Change
The warmup arena is a very dangerous environment for all Stakeholders. Whilst the CS has the authority to limit the number of horses in the warmup arena, there should be stricter rules.
1. The use of Mobile Phones for watching videos of the round whilst riding should be forbidden. 2. No rider should ride at more than a trot between warmup fences. This area should be an area of safety for Grooms, Trainers & Stewards. 3. No one should be allowed to stand behind a fence, acting as a human guide pole. This is extremely dangerous, and I have seen many accidents.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
<i>Safety in the warmup is paramount.</i> <i>1. The use of Mobile Phones for watching videos whilst riding is forbidden.</i> <i>2. No rider is allowed to ride at more than a trot between warmup fences. This area is an area of safety for Grooms, Trainers & Stewards.</i> <i>3. No one is allowed to stand behind a fence, acting as a human guide pole.</i>
Comments Received by 26 August 2025

IRL NF - The IRL NF wish to add a comment on the FEI Feedback to note that this cannot be controlled by the officials in the absence of a rule. The IRL NF ask that the FEI reconsider this proposal.

Same proposed wording:

Safety in the warmup is paramount.

1. *The use of Mobile Phones for watching videos whilst riding is forbidden.*
2. *No rider is allowed to ride at more than a trot between warmup fences. This area is an area of safety for Grooms, Trainers & Stewards.*
3. *No one is allowed to stand behind a fence, acting as a human guide pole*

FEI Feedback

Initially rejected, but following the latest comments received, it has been decided to clarify the use of mobile phones in the warm-up arena.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 207.3.1

Mobile phone devices, other electronic communication devices, and earphones may never be used by an Athlete while mounted in the Warm-Up Arena during a Competition. Failure to comply with this Article will incur a Warning in accordance with JRs Art 261.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

PAEC, BRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 201 Arenas and Schooling Arenas & Practice Obstacles

Explanation for Proposed Change

Use of Placing/Ground Poles in the Schooling Area:

When the schooling area is sufficiently large and at least four practice obstacles are built, riders and trainers should be permitted to use placing or ground poles as part of their warm-up procedure. These poles help improve and enhance overall performance during preparation. The ample space allows for safe and effective use of these poles without hindering the flow of the schooling area or interfering with other riders.

However, when the schooling area is smaller in size and only two practice jumps are available, riders and trainers must refrain from using placing or ground poles. In these situations, the limited space would not allow for safe or efficient use of additional equipment, and their presence could potentially disrupt the warm-up environment.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

5.2 Placing poles:

If there is enough space placing poles may be used and placed on the ground not closer than 2.50m on the take-off side of a vertical obstacle not exceeding 1.30m in height.

A placing pole may be used on the landing side not closer than 2.50m when the obstacle is jumped at the trot or 3m if jumped at the canter. Any pole placed approximately 6m or more from an obstacle on either side is not considered a placing pole and is therefore allowed to be used at both verticals and oxers.

Poles on the ground as described above may not be used during the warm-up for a competition **if there are fewer than four warm up obstacles offered in the practice ring.**

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

CAN NF – About new article 242.4.4

Guide poles (i.e. parallel poles perpendicular to the obstacle standards on the take-off side) may be used during the warm-up for a Competition to guide a Horse in a straight line to the obstacle.

Does not mention landing side. Is it the intention that no guide poles are permitted on the landing side of an obstacle?

New article 242.4.5

Placing poles and V poles are not permitted in the Warm-Up Arena.

Does not mention, any pole placed approximately 6.0 m or more from an obstacle on either side or on both sides is not considered a placing pole and is therefore allowed to be used with both verticals and oxers.

Does this indicate that 6m poles on the ground are now permitted during warm up?

New article 243.3.3

Athletes may train their Horses in gymnastic exercises using placing poles on the ground, but obstacles used for this purpose may not exceed 1.30 m in height. Rapping is strictly prohibited (see JRs Art 265.1.1). Training exercises consisting of a line of obstacles in succession without a stride in between (in-out/bounce exercises) are permitted if there is sufficient space. For these exercises a maximum of three obstacles with a height not exceeding 1.00 m may be used; minimum distance between obstacles is 2.50 m, maximum distance is 3.00 m.

Word "vertical" changed to "obstacle"

Does this intend that bounce exercises can use both/either verticals or oxers?

FEI Feedback

Accepted, new wording adjusted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 242.4.5 *Guide poles (i.e. parallel pole(s) perpendicular to the obstacle standards on the take-off or landing side) may be used during the warm-up for a Competition to guide a Horse in a straight line to and from the obstacle.*

242.4.6 *Placing Poles, V poles, and any poles placed approximately 6.0 m or more from an obstacle on either side or on both sides (which, for the avoidance of doubt, are not considered Placing Poles), are not permitted in the Warm-Up Arena.*

New article 243.3.3 *Athletes may train their Horses in gymnastic exercises using Placing Poles on the ground, but obstacles used for this purpose may not exceed 1.30 m in height. Training exercises consisting of a line of obstacles in succession without a stride in between*

(in-out/bounce exercises) are permitted if there is sufficient space. For these exercises a maximum of three verticals with a height not exceeding 1.00 m may be used with a minimum distance between verticals of 2.50 m and a maximum distance of 3.00 m. For the avoidance of doubt, spread obstacles may not be used for in-out/bounce exercises.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IRL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art 201. Arena, Schooling Areas and Practice Obstacles.

Explanation for Proposed Change

201.6. Combinations are permitted as long as there is enough space and if they are built with correct distances. The OC must provide the material.
When training areas are crowded Athletes may only use single obstacles.

This should be part of subsection 5. A very clear distinction should be made between Training/Schooling v Warm-up.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

201.5.4 Combinations are only permitted during training sessions, (with the exception of a Six-Bar Competition).

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Accepted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 242.4.13

Combinations are not permitted during the warm-up for any Competitions, except for Six Bar Competitions.

New art. 243.3.4

Combinations are permitted in the Training Arena if there is sufficient space and they are built with correct distances. When Training Arenas are crowded Athletes may only use single obstacles.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art.201.3 The Schooling Areas

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification needed to make the difference between Warm-up Arena et Schooling Arena.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Competition Arena: an arena where the competition takes place.

Warm up arena: an arena designated for competition warm up. An arena becomes a warm up arena a minimum of 30 minutes prior to the competition. Based on the number of entries and the number of fences in the arena, the Chief Steward may increase the amount of warm up time prior to competition. The warm up period ends at the conclusion of the competition.

Schooling arena: an arena designated for the exercise and schooling of horses outside of competition warm up and / or time.

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 241 / 242 / 243

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJOC

Article Number – Article Name

New art. 242 & 243 Obstacles in Warm-Up Arena (242) & Training Arena (243)

Explanation for Proposed Change

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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

IJOC - Revision Category: Inconsistency

Whereas it is stated in the Art. 243.3.1 that "There must be a minimum of one vertical and one spread obstacle in the Training Arena." There is no such provision in the article 242 for the Warm-Up Arena.

To avoid any inconsistency, we propose to add the same sentence to the warm up article 242 as well and to change the numbering of the following paragraphs accordingly to 242.4.2 - 242.4.12

New proposed wording:

« 242.4.1 There must be a minimum of one vertical and one spread obstacle in the Warm-Up Arena. »

FEI Feedback

This provision was omitted in the new draft; it is agreed that it will be added.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 242.4.2

There must be a minimum of one vertical and one spread obstacle in the Warm-Up Arena. The ground has to be in proper condition for the training of Horses. When there are many Athletes and sufficient space, additional obstacles should be provided. All obstacles must be constructed in the usual manner and provided with red and white flags. However, the flags may be replaced by tape or paint in order to provide a white and a red top to the wings or uprights.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art.202.1 ACCESS TO THE ARENA AND PRACTICE OBSTACLE
Explanation for Proposed Change
Article to be removed as never used
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1. — Athletes on foot may only be admitted once to the arena before each Competition and this includes Competitions with jump-off(s). Entry into the arena will be prohibited by means of a notice "Arena Closed" placed at the entrance or conspicuously in the middle of the arena. Permission to enter the arena will be given by the Ground Jury ringing the bell and by displaying a notice "Arena Open". An announcement must also be made over the public address system. However, in Competitions over two rounds with different courses, Athletes may inspect the course before the second round. 2. — The OC of an Event where facilities for exercising are severely limited, may, with the agreement of the Ground Jury, give special permission for the arena to be used for exercising at specified times. 3. — If the schooling areas are inadequate or cannot be used, a practice obstacle which is not part of the course must be placed in the arena. In all other circumstances, facultative or practice obstacles are not allowed in any Competition. In certain special competitions (including but not limited to the Six Bar or Puissance Competition) the Ground Jury may decide that the Athletes remaining in the Competition must stay in the arena after the first or second jump-off. In this case, the Ground Jury must allow a practice obstacle in the arena. 4. — The practice obstacle must be a spread obstacle not exceeding 1.40 m in height and 1.60 m in spread or a vertical obstacle not exceeding 1.40 m in height, provided with red and white flags and should not be numbered. These dimensions may not be altered during the course of the Competition. Only two attempts at this obstacle are allowed. Jumping or attempting to jump this practice obstacle more than twice entails a fine in addition to the possible Disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.3 and 240.2.6). — Jumping the practice obstacle in the wrong direction may incur disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.7). — The Athlete is allowed 90 seconds maximum to make these attempts, counted from the time the Ground Jury rings the bell. — A knock down, Refusal or run-out count as an attempt. If there is a Refusal at the first attempt with a knock down or displacing of the obstacle, this obstacle is to be reset and the Athlete is allowed to make a second and final attempt. The time taken to reset the obstacle is neutralised. — The Ground Jury must give the signal to start the round after the Athlete has made their attempt(s) or after 90 seconds. After the sound of the bell, the Athlete who has attempted only once, is allowed the second attempt but they must cross the starting line in the correct direction within 45 seconds; failure to do so will start the time of the round (see JRs Art. 203.1.2). 5. — Athletes may not jump or attempt to jump any obstacle in the arena during a parade before the Competition. Failure to comply with this paragraph may incur Disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.4). 6. — A prize winner may only jump an obstacle for the benefit of the press with the permission of the Ground Jury, provided it does not form part of a subsequent round. This practice should not be encouraged.
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1. ~~— Athletes on foot may only be admitted once to the arena before each Competition and this includes Competitions with jump-off(s). Entry into the arena will be prohibited by means of a notice "Arena Closed" placed at the entrance or conspicuously in the middle of the arena. Permission to enter the arena will be given by the Ground Jury ringing the bell and by displaying a notice "Arena Open". An announcement must also be made over the public address system. However, in Competitions over two rounds with different courses, Athletes may inspect the course before the second round.~~
2. ~~— The OC of an Event where facilities for exercising are severely limited, may, with the agreement of the Ground Jury, give special permission for the arena to be used for exercising at specified times.~~
3. ~~— If the schooling areas are inadequate or cannot be used, a practice obstacle which is not part of the course must be placed in the arena. In all other circumstances, facultative or practice obstacles are not allowed in any Competition. In certain special competitions (including but not limited to the Six Bar or Puissance Competition) the Ground Jury may decide that the Athletes remaining in the Competition must stay in the arena after the first or second jump-off. In this case, the Ground Jury must allow a practice obstacle in the arena.~~
4. ~~— The practice obstacle must be a spread obstacle not exceeding 1.40 m in height and 1.60 m in spread or a vertical obstacle not exceeding 1.40 m in height, provided with red and white flags and should not be numbered. These dimensions may not be altered during the course of the Competition. Only two attempts at this obstacle are allowed. Jumping or attempting to jump this practice obstacle more than twice entails a fine in addition to the possible Disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.3 and 240.2.6).~~
~~— Jumping the practice obstacle in the wrong direction may incur disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.7).~~
~~— The Athlete is allowed 90 seconds maximum to make these attempts, counted from the time the Ground Jury rings the bell.~~
~~— A knock down, Refusal or run-out count as an attempt. If there is a Refusal at the first attempt with a knock down or displacing of the obstacle, this obstacle is to be reset and the Athlete is allowed to make a second and final attempt. The time taken to reset the obstacle is neutralised.~~
~~— The Ground Jury must give the signal to start the round after the Athlete has made their attempt(s) or after 90 seconds. After the sound of the bell, the Athlete who has attempted only once, is allowed the second attempt but they must cross the starting line in the correct direction within 45 seconds; failure to do so will start the time of the round (see JRs Art. 203.1.2).~~
5. ~~— Athletes may not jump or attempt to jump any obstacle in the arena during a parade before the Competition. Failure to comply with this paragraph may incur Disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.4).~~
6. ~~— A prize winner may only jump an obstacle for the benefit of the press with the permission of the Ground Jury, provided it does not form part of a subsequent round. This practice should not be encouraged.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 207.1.1 FLAGS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Repetition, already in art. 204.6, to be removed.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~1.1. — the starting line; it is obligatory to place also a marker S (see JRs Art. 204.6);~~

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

~~1.1. — the starting line; it is obligatory to place also a marker S (see JRs Art. 204.6);~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 207.1.2 FLAGS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Repetition already in art.202

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

the limits of the obstacles; the flags may be attached to any part of the wings of the obstacles. They may also stand independently. One red flag and one white flag must be placed at vertical obstacles and at least two red and two white flags to define the limits of spread obstacles. ~~They must also be used to mark the limits of the obstacles provided in the schooling areas (JRs Art. 201.3) or the practice obstacle in the arena (JRs Art. 202.3); in the schooling area it is also allowed to use wings/uprights with a red or white top, instead of flags;~~

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 241.5.2

The flags may be attached to any part of the standards of the obstacles or stand independently. For walls or any other types of obstacles that do not have traditional standards, the installation of tall flags is mandatory. These flags must stand a minimum of 60cm above the height of the obstacle and clearly define the boundaries of the obstacle to ensure proper visibility and correct negotiation by Athletes. Tall flags are also required to provide the Ground Jury with a clear reference for evaluating whether the obstacle has been approached and jumped in accordance with the rules.

New art. 242.4.2

There must be a minimum of one vertical and one spread obstacle in the Training Arena. The ground has to be in proper condition for the training of Horses. When there are many Athletes and sufficient space, additional obstacles should be provided. All obstacles must be constructed in the usual manner and provided with red and white flags. However, the flags may be replaced by tape or paint in order to provide a white and a red top to the wings or uprights.

New art. 243.3.1

There must be a minimum of one vertical and one spread obstacle in the Training Arena. The ground has to be in proper condition for the training of Horses. When there are many Athletes and sufficient space, additional obstacles should be provided. All obstacles must be constructed in the usual manner and provided with red and white flags. However, the flags may be replaced by tape or paint in order to provide a white and a red top to the wings or uprights.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 207.1.3 & 207.1.4 FLAGS
Explanation for Proposed Change
Repetition, both articles already mentioned in art. 205, to be removed.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1.3. compulsory turning points;
1.4. the finishing line; it is obligatory to place also a marker F (JRs Art. 204.6);
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
1.3. compulsory turning points;
1.4. the finishing line; it is obligatory to place also a marker F (JRs Art. 204.6);

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. 207.3 & 220.2 Deviation from a course
Explanation for Proposed Change
A challenge arises when a horse jumps outside the flags on a wall or any other obstacle built without lateral standards, and the rider is unaware of the deviation. 1. Case 1: Horse Jumps Outside the Flags If the Ground Jury determines that the horse jumped outside the flags and the rider continues to the next obstacle without correcting the error, the horse-rider combination will be eliminated after negotiating the next obstacle. 2. Case 2: Rider Corrects the Error If the rider suspects that their horse may have jumped outside the flags and, due to uncertainty, decides to turn around and reattempt the jump, resulting in the obstacle being correctly negotiated, the horse-rider combination will still be eliminated for jumping the same obstacle twice. This rule aims to ensure fairness in competition and eliminate any ambiguity for riders, officials, and spectators.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

207.3

If an Athlete passes the flags on the wrong side, they must retrace their steps and pass them on the correct side before continuing their round. If the Athlete does not correct this mistake, they will be eliminated.

207.3.1 Installation of Tall Flags on Walls or Obstacles Without Standards.

For walls or any other types of obstacles that do not have traditional standards, the installation of tall flags is mandatory. These flags must stand a minimum of 60 cm above the height of the obstacle and clearly define the boundaries of the obstacle to ensure proper visibility and correct negotiation by competitors. Tall flags are also required to provide the Ground Jury with a clear reference for evaluating whether the obstacle has been approached and jumped in accordance with the rules. In case of any doubts the Ground Jury must allow the athlete to continue the round before making any decision regarding the negotiation of such obstacles

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FEI Feedback

Accepted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 241.5.2

The flags may be attached to any part of the standards of the obstacles or stand independently. For walls or any other types of obstacles that do not have traditional standards, the installation of tall flags is mandatory. These flags must stand a minimum of 60cm above the height of the obstacle and clearly define the boundaries of the obstacle to ensure proper visibility and correct negotiation by Athletes. Tall flags are also required to provide the Ground Jury with a clear reference for evaluating whether the obstacle has been approached and jumped in accordance with the rules.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 208 OBSTACLES - GENERAL

Explanation for Proposed Change

Give a definition of what is an obstacle.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

An obstacle consists of the faultable part and may have supporting parts. In vertical and spread jumps, the faultable part corresponds to the flagged section of the obstacle. At least the upper quarter of the faultable part consists of knock-down top elements (poles/planks/wall boxes). The side parts (stands/wing standards) correspond to the supporting parts of the obstacle; they serve merely as aids and do not belong to the faultable part of the obstacle.

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 232.1

An obstacle consists of the faultable part and may have supporting parts. In vertical and spread jumps, the faultable part corresponds to the flagged section of the obstacle. At least the upper quarter of the faultable part consists of knock-down top elements (poles/planks/wall boxes). The side parts that hold up the knock-down elements (standards) correspond to the supporting parts of the obstacle and do not form part of the faultable part of the obstacle.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 210 SPREAD OBSTACLES

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification on spread obstacles.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

All spread obstacle can only have one pole at the back

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 235.1

A spread obstacle is an obstacle that is built in such a manner that it requires an effort both in spread and in height. All spread obstacles may only have one pole at the back. Spread obstacles include oxers and triple bars.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 211.13 WATER JUMP, WATER JUMP WITH VERTICAL AND LIVERPOOL

Explanation for Proposed Change

This is covered in the Olympic Games and FEI Senior Championships rules. To be removed from Art. 211 Water jump, water jump with vertical and Liverpool which also corrects a discrepancy with the FEI Senior Championships rules.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~13. — At Olympic Games and FEI Senior Championships, the water jump must be used minimum two times, maximum three times in the official Competitions of the Games/Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe to include it due to lighting conditions. The Course Designer will, at their discretion, decide in which Competitions the water jump will be used.~~

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~~13. — At Olympic Games and FEI Senior Championships, the water jump must be used minimum two times, maximum three times in the official Competitions of the Games/Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe to include it due to lighting conditions. The Course Designer will, at their discretion, decide in which Competitions the water jump will be used.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

PAEC, BRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 224 Falls

Explanation for Proposed Change

Amend the current protocol to include that athlete may not mount the horse until cleared by medical personnel

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

4. Protocol to be followed in case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse.

In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse at any time in the competition arena, in the practice arena or elsewhere within the grounds of the event, the Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before permitted to mount a horse again and** before authorized to take part in the round in progress or in the next round or competition at the event.

Respectively, the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or competition at the event, according to the provisions outlined in paragraphs 4.1 – 4.3 below.

4.1 Fall in the Competition Arena

4.1.1 Fall prior to starting the round

Fall prior to starting the round. In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse at any time prior to starting the round (see JRs Art. 226.2) the combination is not eliminated, **however the Athlete must be checked by the Event's medical service (or a medical doctor if the medical service is not available), and/or the horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate,** but will not be permitted to start in the round in question; in this case the combination shall be listed in the results as "did not start" in that round. If the Athlete has entered more than one Horse in the Competition concerned, they **still** must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again and** before they can be permitted to take part in the round in progress with their other Horse(s). In this case the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary. The Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

4.1.2 Fall during the round

In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse during the round (see JRs Art. 226.2), the combination is eliminated (see JRs Art. 241.25). If the Athlete has entered more than one Horse in the Competition concerned, they must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be**

permitted to mount any horse again and before they can be permitted to take part in the round in progress with their other Horse(s). In this case, the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary. The Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

4.1.3 Fall after crossing the finish line

In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse after crossing the finish line (see JRs Art. 226.2), the combination is not eliminated from the round in question. The Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before they may be authorized to mount any horse again, respectively the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before the Athlete and/or Horse may be permitted to take part in the jump-off or second round if applicable, or in any further Competition at the event. Refer to JRs Art. 235.4 for details relating to a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse after crossing the finish line.

4.2 Fall in the practice arena

In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for the first or second round of a Competition, the Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before they may be permitted to mount any horse again and before the Athlete and/or the Horse may be permitted to take part in the round in progress. In this case, the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position in that round if considered necessary. In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for a jump-off, the Ground Jury may, at its discretion, decide to delay the jump-off for a reasonable amount of time for the Athlete to be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before they may be permitted to mount any horse again, respectively the Horse to be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, or to eliminate the combination from the jump-off.

4.3 In all cases

In all cases of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse anywhere within the grounds of the event, the Ground Jury reserves the right to exclude the Athlete from participating further in the Competition and/or Event in accordance with Article 140.2 of the FEI General Regulations.

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 248.2
Protocol in case of a Fall

248.2.1

In case of a Fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse at any time in the Competition Arena, in the Warm-Up Arena, or elsewhere within the grounds of the Event:

248.2.1.1

the Athlete must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before they may be permitted to mount a Horse again or take part in the round in progress or in the next round or Competition at the Event; and

248.2.1.2

the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

248.2.2

Consequences of a Fall:

248.2.2.1

Fall in the Competition Arena prior to starting the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is not Eliminated but will not be permitted to start in the round in question. The Athlete/Horse Combination must be listed in the results as "did not start" in that round.

248.2.2.2

Fall in the Competition Arena during the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated (see JRs Art 263.4.26).

248.2.2.3

Fall in the Competition Arena after crossing the finish line: A Fall of the Athlete and/or Horse after crossing the finish line does not incur Elimination. However, the following applies:

(a) If there is an immediate jump-off, the Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated from the jump-off, and will be placed equal last in the jump-off with Athletes who have withdrawn, retired, or been Eliminated from the jump-off.

(b) If the jump-off is not immediate or there is a second round of Competition to follow, the Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in such jump-off/second round only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.2.4

Fall in the Warm-Up Arena: The Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in the Competition only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.3

In case of a Fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse during the Event, the Ground Jury may:

248.2.3.1

give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary;

248.2.3.2

delay a jump-off (if applicable) for a reasonable amount of time to allow for the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1; or

248.2.3.3

exclude the Athlete and/or Horse from participating further in a Competition and/or Event.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

USA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 224 Falls

Explanation for Proposed Change

Amend the current protocol to include that athletes may not mount the horse until cleared by medical personnel and to allow an athlete to compete who inadvertently falls prior to crossing the start timers.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

4. Protocol to be followed in case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse.

In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse at any time in the competition arena, in the practice arena or elsewhere within the grounds of the event, the Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before permitted to mount a horse again and** before authorized to take part in the round in progress or in the next round or competition at the event.

Respectively, the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or competition at the event, according to the provisions outlined in paragraphs 4.1 – 4.3 below.

4.1 Fall in the Competition Arena

4.1.1 Fall prior to starting the round

Fall prior to starting the round. In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse at any time prior to starting the round (see JRs Art. 226.2) the combination is not eliminated, **however the Athlete must be checked by the Event's medical service (or a medical doctor if the medical service is not available), and/or the horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate,** but will not be permitted to start in the round in question; in this case the combination shall be listed in the results as "did not start" in that round. If the Athlete has entered more than one Horse in the Competition concerned, they **still** must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again and** before they can be permitted to take part in the round in progress with their other Horse(s). In this case the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary. The Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

4.1.2 Fall during the round

In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse during the round (see JRs Art. 226.2), the combination is eliminated (see JRs Art. 241.25). If the Athlete has entered more than one Horse in the Competition concerned, they must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again** and before they can be permitted to take part in the round in progress with their other Horse(s). In this case, the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary. The Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

4.1.3 Fall after crossing the finish line

In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse after crossing the finish line (see JRs Art. 226.2), the combination is not eliminated from the round in question. The Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be authorized to mount any horse again,** respectively the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before the Athlete and/or Horse may be permitted to take part in the jump-off or second round if applicable, or in any further Competition at the event. Refer to JRs Art. 235.4 for details relating to a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse after crossing the finish line.

4.2 Fall in the practice arena

In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for the first or second round of a Competition, the Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again** and before the Athlete and/or the Horse may be permitted to take part in the round in progress. In this

case, the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position in that round if considered necessary. In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for a jump-off, the Ground Jury may, at its discretion, decide to delay the jump-off for a reasonable amount of time for the Athlete to be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again,** respectively the Horse to be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, or to eliminate the combination from the jump-off.

4.3 In all cases

In all cases of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse anywhere within the grounds of the event, the Ground Jury reserves the right to exclude the Athlete from participating further in the Competition and/or Event in accordance with Article 140.2 of the FEI General Regulations.

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New art. 248.2

Protocol in case of a Fall

248.2.1

In case of a Fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse at any time in the Competition Arena, in the Warm-Up Arena, or elsewhere within the grounds of the Event:

248.2.1.1

the Athlete must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before they may be permitted to mount a Horse again or take part in the round in progress or in the next round or Competition at the Event; and

248.2.1.2

the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

248.2.2

Consequences of a Fall:

248.2.2.1

Fall in the Competition Arena prior to starting the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is not Eliminated but will not be permitted to start in the round in question. The Athlete/Horse Combination must be listed in the results as "did not start" in that round.

248.2.2.2

Fall in the Competition Arena during the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated (see JRs Art 263.4.26).

248.2.2.3

Fall in the Competition Arena after crossing the finish line: A Fall of the Athlete and/or Horse after crossing the finish line does not incur Elimination. However, the following applies:

(a) If there is an immediate jump-off, the Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated from the jump-off, and will be placed equal last in the jump-off with Athletes who have withdrawn, retired, or been Eliminated from the jump-off.

(b) If the jump-off is not immediate or there is a second round of Competition to follow, the Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in such jump-off/second round only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.2.4

Fall in the Warm-Up Arena: The Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in the Competition only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.3

In case of a Fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse during the Event, the Ground Jury may:

248.2.3.1

give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary;

248.2.3.2

delay a jump-off (if applicable) for a reasonable amount of time to allow for the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1; or

248.2.3.3

exclude the Athlete and/or Horse from participating further in a Competition and/or Event.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SUI NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 224 – FALLS

Explanation for Proposed Change

After a fall the athletes often go back to the warm up arena and jump that horse again – this shouldn't be allowed before a check by the medical service.
But only under the condition that a medical team is directly available to check out the rider as soon as he leaves the arena.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

4. Protocol to be followed in case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse.

In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse at any time in the competition arena, in the practice arena or elsewhere within the grounds of the event, the Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before permitted to mount a horse again and** before authorized to take part in the round in progress or in the next round or competition at the event.

Respectively, the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or competition at the event, according to the provisions outlined in paragraphs 4.1 – 4.3 below.

4.1 Fall in the Competition Arena

4.1.1 Fall prior to starting the round

Fall prior to starting the round. In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse at any time prior to starting the round (see JRs Art. 226.2) the combination is not eliminated, **however the Athlete must be checked by the Event's medical service (or a medical doctor if the medical service is not available), and/or the horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate,** but will not be permitted to start in the round in question; in this case the combination shall be listed in the results as "did not start" in that round. If the Athlete has entered more than one Horse in the Competition concerned, they **still** must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service

is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again and** before they can be permitted to take part in the round in progress with their other Horse(s). In this case the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary. The Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

4.1.2 Fall during the round

In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse during the round (see JRs Art. 226.2), the combination is eliminated (see JRs Art. 241.25). If the Athlete has entered more than one Horse in the Competition concerned, they must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again** and before they can be permitted to take part in the round in progress with their other Horse(s). In this case, the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary. The Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

4.1.3 Fall after crossing the finish line

In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse after crossing the finish line (see JRs Art. 226.2), the combination is not eliminated from the round in question. The Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be authorized to mount any horse again**, respectively the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before the Athlete and/or Horse may be permitted to take part in the jump-off or second round if applicable, or in any further Competition at the event. Refer to JRs Art. 235.4 for details relating to a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse after crossing the finish line.

4.2 Fall in the practice arena

In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for the first or second round of a Competition, the Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again** and before the Athlete and/or the Horse may be permitted to take part in the round in progress. In this case, the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position in that round if considered necessary. In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for a jump-off, the Ground Jury may, at its discretion, decide to delay the jump-off for a reasonable amount of time for the Athlete to be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again**, respectively the Horse to be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, or to eliminate the combination from the jump-off.

4.3 In all cases

In all cases of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse anywhere within the grounds of the event, the Ground Jury reserves the right to exclude the Athlete from participating further in the Competition and/or Event in accordance with Article 140.2 of the FEI General Regulations.

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New art. 248.2

Protocol in case of a Fall

248.2.1

In case of a Fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse at any time in the Competition Arena, in the Warm-Up Arena, or elsewhere within the grounds of the Event:

248.2.1.1

the Athlete must be checked by the Event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before they may be permitted to mount a Horse again or take part in the round in progress or in the next round or Competition at the Event; and

248.2.1.2

the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event.

248.2.2

Consequences of a Fall:

248.2.2.1

Fall in the Competition Arena prior to starting the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is not Eliminated but will not be permitted to start in the round in question. The Athlete/Horse Combination must be listed in the results as "did not start" in that round.

248.2.2.2

Fall in the Competition Arena during the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated (see JRs Art 263.4.26).

248.2.2.3

Fall in the Competition Arena after crossing the finish line: A Fall of the Athlete and/or Horse after crossing the finish line does not incur Elimination. However, the following applies:

(a) If there is an immediate jump-off, the Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated from the jump-off, and will be placed equal last in the jump-off with Athletes who have withdrawn, retired, or been Eliminated from the jump-off.

(b) If the jump-off is not immediate or there is a second round of Competition to follow, the Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in such jump-off/second round only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.2.4

Fall in the Warm-Up Arena: The Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in the Competition only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.3

In case of a Fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse during the Event, the Ground Jury may:

248.2.3.1

give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary;

248.2.3.2

delay a jump-off (if applicable) for a reasonable amount of time to allow for the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1; or

248.2.3.3

exclude the Athlete and/or Horse from participating further in a Competition and/or Event.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
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Article Number – Article Name
224.4.1.1 – Fall in the competition arena
Explanation for Proposed Change
Fall prior to starting the round In the event of a fall of an Athlete and/or Horse at any time prior to starting the round (see JRs Art. 226.2), the combination is not eliminated but will not be permitted to start in the round in question; in this case the combination shall be listed in the results as “did not start” in that round. If the Athlete has entered more than one Horse in the Competition concerned, they must be checked by the Event’s medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before they can be permitted to take part in the round in progress with their other Horse(s). In this case the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary. The Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or Competition at the Event. It is not logic that a fall in the practice arena is otherwise being assessed then a fall prior to starting the round. If an Athlete falls in the competition arena before starting, the same logic should be applied as for a fall in the practice arena. We propose to align the wording. There have been incidents (again) that at the entrance of the arena, due to loud music in the kick-off of a jump off, an athlete falls. If the athlete falls on the ground just before the entrance or just after, it gives a different way to solve this ? Even if an athlete is last in the class, a fall in the arena prior to starting should also still provides the possibility to start, after being checked for example using the same principle as with a fall in the warm-up where this check will need to be done according to the current rule set.
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4. Protocol to be followed in case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse. In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse at any time in the competition arena, in the practice arena or elsewhere within the grounds of the event, the Athlete must be checked by the event’s medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) before permitted to mount a horse again and before authorized to take part in the round in progress or in the next round or competition at the event. Respectively, the Horse must be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate before it may be permitted to take part in the next round or competition at the event, according to the provisions outlined in paragraphs 4.1 – 4.3 below. 4.1 Fall in the Competition Arena 4.1.1 Fall prior to starting the round

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In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for the first or second round of a Competition, the Athlete must be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again** and before the Athlete and/or the Horse may be permitted to take part in the round in progress. In this case, the Ground Jury may give the Athlete a later starting position in that round if considered necessary. In case of a fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse in the practice arena prior to entering the Competition arena for a jump-off, the Ground Jury may, at its discretion, decide to delay the jump-off for a reasonable amount of time for the Athlete to be checked by the event's medical service (or by a medical doctor if the medical service is not available) **before they may be permitted to mount any horse again**, respectively the Horse to be cleared by the Veterinary Delegate, or to eliminate the combination from the jump-off.

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248.2.2

Consequences of a Fall:

248.2.2.1

Fall in the Competition Arena prior to starting the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is not Eliminated but will not be permitted to start in the round in question. The Athlete/Horse Combination must be listed in the results as "did not start" in that round.

248.2.2.2

Fall in the Competition Arena during the round: The Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated (see JRs Art 263.4.26).

248.2.2.3

Fall in the Competition Arena after crossing the finish line: A Fall of the Athlete and/or Horse after crossing the finish line does not incur Elimination. However, the following applies:

(a) If there is an immediate jump-off, the Athlete/Horse Combination is Eliminated from the jump-off, and will be placed equal last in the jump-off with Athletes who have withdrawn, retired, or been Eliminated from the jump-off.

(b) If the jump-off is not immediate or there is a second round of Competition to follow, the Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in such jump-off/second round only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.2.4

Fall in the Warm-Up Arena: The Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in the Competition only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

248.2.3

In case of a Fall of an Athlete and/or a Horse during the Event, the Ground Jury may:

248.2.3.1

give the Athlete a later starting position if considered necessary;

248.2.3.2

delay a jump-off (if applicable) for a reasonable amount of time to allow for the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1; or

248.2.3.3

exclude the Athlete and/or Horse from participating further in a Competition and/or Event.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 225 Unauthorized Assistance

Explanation for Proposed Change

Procedure for Airbag-Vest Deployment During a Round

If a rider's airbag vest is deployed during the course—whether due to a refusal or any other reason, the cable extends and detaches from the CO2 cartridge, or any other reason—the rider may need to disarm and remove the vest in order to continue competing.

In such cases, assistance may be authorized to ensure the safety and control of the horse while the rider removes the vest. Specifically, a person may hold the reins at the horse's mouth, allowing the rider to safely disarm and take off the vest before resuming the round.

This protocol ensures that the rider can continue their participation while maintaining control of the horse and addressing the safety concern posed by the inflated vest.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

3. Any help given to a mounted Athlete to adjust their saddlery or bridle or to hand them a whip-while mounted during their round will incur Elimination.

To hand a mounted Athlete their Headgear, **glasses** during the round is not considered to be unauthorized assistance (see JRs Art. 241.3.20).

4. Should an Athlete's safety vest deploy as a result of a disobedience with a disruption to an obstacle, the Athlete may remove the vest, with assistance if needed (however only for the purpose of removing the vest). The judge will not sound the tone until the vest is removed.

Should an Athlete's safety vest deploy while on course, the Athlete may stop and remove the vest, with assistance if needed (however only for the purpose of removing the vest). The Athlete will not be penalized for halting, however the clock will not be stopped.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Whip refused because the whip is an aid for the horse; safety vest agreed.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 249.1

Any physical intervention by a third party between the crossing of the starting line in the correct direction and the crossing of the finishing line after jumping the last obstacle, whether solicited or not, with the object of helping the Athlete or their Horse is considered to be unauthorised assistance. This includes (for example) any help given to a mounted Athlete to adjust their tack or equipment or to hand them a whip while mounted during the round. Unauthorised assistance during a round will result in Elimination.

249.2

The following does not constitute unauthorised assistance:

249.2.1

Handing a mounted Athlete their Protective Headgear and/or glasses during their round.

249.2.2

In certain exceptional cases, the Ground Jury may authorise the Athlete to enter the Competition Arena on foot or with the help of another person, without this being considered as unauthorised assistance.

249.2.3

If the airbag in an Athlete's safety vest deploys as a result of a Disobedience that disrupts an obstacle (resulting in the Judge sounding the tone and stopping the clock), the Athlete may remove the vest, assisted by a person on the ground if necessary. The Judge will not ring the bell to resume the round until the vest is removed.

249.2.4

If the airbag in an Athlete's safety vest deploys at any other time while on the course, the Athlete may stop and remove the vest, assisted by a person on the ground if necessary. The Athlete will not be penalised for stopping the Horse, but the Judge will not stop the clock.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJOC, BEL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 225.3 : Unauthorized assistance

Any help given to a mounted Athlete to adjust their saddlery or bridle or to hand them a whip while mounted during the round will incur Elimination. To hand a mounted Athlete their Headgear and/or spectacles during their round is not considered to be unauthorised assistance (see JRs Art. 241.3.20).

Explanation for Proposed Change

When this rule was originally developed, headgear and/or spectacles were added to protect the safety of the athlete. In modern times, other safety aids are introduced like for example a safety vest.

We propose to extend the wording of this article to also include issues related to safety vests and extend the wording to not only talk about "handing" but reword as "assist".

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Accepted, other wording proposed.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art.229 RECORDING THE TIME
Explanation for Proposed Change
Article to be reviewed.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
2. Two digital stopwatches are required in the Ground Jury box to be used by all members of the Ground Jury while officiating in case the electronic timing system breaks down and a third watch to measure the time taken to resume the round after the bell has been rung for Disobediences, interruptions, the time taken between two consecutive obstacles

and the time limit for a Resistance. The President or a member of the Ground Jury must have a digital stopwatch.

6. If the crossing of the starting and/or finishing line by the Athlete cannot be clearly judged from the Ground Jury box, one or two persons, one at the starting line and one at the finishing line, with a flag, must be placed at both of these lines to signal the crossing of the Athlete. ~~The time taken by the Athlete to complete the round is to be registered at the Ground Jury box~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 254.4

The President and a member of the Ground Jury must have a digital stopwatch while officiating in case the electronic timing system breaks down. The Ground Jury must also have an additional (third) watch to measure (i) the time taken to resume the round after the bell has been rung for Disobediences or other interruptions, (ii) the time taken between two consecutive obstacles, and (iii) the duration of a Resistance.

254.7

If the crossing of the starting and/or finishing line by the Athlete cannot be judged clearly from the Ground Jury box, one or two persons, one at the starting line and one at the finishing line, with a flag, must be positioned at both lines to signal the crossing of the Athlete.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art.238.1.3 & 2.3 METHODS OF DETERMINING THE SCORES UNDER TABLE A

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed, not used.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~1.3—This is a Competition not against the clock with a time allowed but in the event of equality of Penalties for first place, there will be a first jump-off not against the clock and, in the event of further equality of Penalties for first place, there will be a second jump-off against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties in the first jump-off and if necessary in the first round.~~

~~2.3.—This is a Competition against the clock as for 238.2.2, but if, in the first jump-off against the clock there are Athletes with equal Penalties for first place, there will be a second jump-off against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties and time in the first jump-off and if necessary according to their Penalties and time in the first round.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 239.5

Explanation for Proposed Change

Art. 239.5 refers to JRs Art. 241.4.4 but should refer to Art. 241.5.4

Athletes wishing to school in speed Competitions under Table A or C, must inform the OC before the Competition commences. Those wishing to school will start first in the Competition. Athletes not complying with the above may be eliminated by the Ground Jury (see JRs Art. 241.4.4).

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Athletes wishing to school in speed Competitions under Table A or C, must inform the OC before the Competition commences. Those wishing to school will start first in the Competition. Athletes not complying with the above may be eliminated by the Ground Jury (see JRs Art. 241.5.4).

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

USA NF - It is agreed that the OC must be informed when schooling a Horse in speed competitions under Table A or C; however, the notification should be made at the time of entries/declarations in order to appropriately create the start list.

Athletes wishing to school in speed Competitions under Table A or C, must inform the OC **at the time of declarations** ~~before the Competition commences~~. Those wishing to school will start first in the Competition. Athletes not complying with the above may be eliminated by the Ground Jury.

FEI Feedback

Accepted, new article 217.3 will be updated.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 217.3

Athletes wishing to do a training round in Competitions Against the Clock under Table A or C must inform the OC at the time of submission of declarations. Those wishing to do a training round will start first in the Competition. Athletes not complying with the above may be Eliminated by the Ground Jury (see JRs Art 263.5.4).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
SWE NF
Article Number – Article Name
241.3.20 Unauthorised Assistance
Explanation for Proposed Change
Use a modern language and change the word spectacles to glasses.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
3.20. accepting while mounted any object whatsoever during a round other than Headgear and/or spectacles glasses .
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Accepted.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 249.2 The following does not constitute unauthorised assistance: 249.2.1 Handing a mounted Athlete their Protective Headgear and/or glasses during their round;

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
IRL NF
Article Number – Article Name
241 Eliminations 241.3.30
Explanation for Proposed Change
The reason is 1) the horses flank is not where the spur would usually be 2) we have had instances where horses have been cut by hitting wings of fences, flags etc which is nothing to do with the rider .
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ARTICLE 259 JUMPING RECORDED WARNINGS 259.1 Minor blood with natural causes In cases where the Officials consider blood on a Horse to be minor and a result of natural causes (e.g. where a Horse appears to have bitten its tongue or lip in a minor manner, or been bitten by an insect), the Officials may authorise the rinsing or wiping of the blood and allow the Athlete/Horse Combination to continue. However, the Officials may Eliminate the Athlete/Horse Combination if the bleeding persists or the Officials have any concerns regarding horse welfare. The Athlete will not receive a Jumping Recorded Warning if this Article applies. 259.2 Subject to JRs Art 259.1, any minor blood on the Horse will result in the following sanctions:

First Offence – Jumping Recorded Warning

Second Offence – Jumping Recorded Warning

Should the same Person Responsible receive two or more Jumping Recorded Warnings at the same or any other Event within 12 months of the delivery of the first Jumping Recorded Warning, the Person Responsible shall be issued with a fine of CHF 1'000 and be automatically suspended for a period of one month, such suspension to commence on the day after the last day of the Event where the Second Jumping Recorded Warning was issued. The FEI Secretary General shall notify the Person Responsible and confirm the date of suspension. For the avoidance of doubt, the delivery of the notification from the Secretary General after the start date of the suspension shall in no way invalidate or postpone the commencement of the suspension.

259.3 Any blood on the Horse that the Officials do not consider to be minor will result in Elimination or Disqualification and may also result in separate disciplinary proceedings for abuse of the Horse.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - In general, we welcome the idea of the Jumping Recorded Warning. But the determination between minor and more than minor blood could lead to different results in between events and officials. How could it be defined so that there is equal handling of the cases?

IJRC - The IJRC welcomes the revised approach introduced in Article 259 as a more proportionate and fair solution to a sensitive issue that directly affects the image and values of equestrian sport, considering the welfare of the horse, which must always remain the top priority. The IJRC asks that the decision on whether the bleeding is minor be made by a veterinarian, as this is the most critical element in ensuring both fairness and horse welfare.

The IJRC also supports the implementation of a one-month suspension in cases of repeated warnings, as it helps differentiate between isolated accidents and patterns of negligence. Given the severity of such a sanction, a careful analysis and consideration of its consequences should be required.

However, to further improve clarity, consistency and transparency, the IJRC recommends the following additions and clarifications:

1. Terms such as '**minor**' and 'natural causes' remain open to subjective interpretation. Clear criteria or practical examples should be included to guide Officials' assessment.
2. The involvement of the Veterinary Delegate should be explicitly stated in doubtful or borderline cases, to ensure objective judgment.
3. The rationale for any decision not to eliminate the combination when blood is present should be formally recorded by the President of the Ground Jury.
4. Athletes must be formally notified in writing when receiving a Jumping Recorded Warning, including the nature of the incident and the date of the warning. This will ensure proper tracking of the 12-month validity period for sanctions

New proposed wording:

259.1 Minor blood with natural causes

In cases where the Officials consider blood on a Horse to be minor and a result of natural causes (e.g. where a Horse appears to have bitten its tongue or lip in a minor manner, or been bitten by an insect), the Officials may authorise the rinsing or wiping of the blood and allow the Athlete/Horse Combination to continue. However, the Officials, **after consultation with the Vet Delegate**, may Eliminate the Athlete/Horse Combination if the bleeding persists or the Officials **and Vet** have any concerns regarding horse welfare. The Athlete will not receive a Jumping Recorded Warning if this Article applies.

259.1.2 Minor blood

In cases where the origin or severity of minor blood is not immediately evident, the Veterinary Delegate must be consulted by the Ground Jury to provide an expert assessment before deciding whether elimination is necessary.

Examples of 'minor blood' include, but are not limited to: a small amount of blood resulting from a horse biting its own tongue or lips, an insect bite or micro lesion, micro mark, micro trace of blood. Such examples are non-exhaustive and should serve to guide Officials in their decisions.

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259.3 Any blood on the Horse that the Officials **after consulting the VET Delegate** do not consider to be minor will result in Elimination or Disqualification and may also result in separate disciplinary proceedings for abuse of the Horse.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, please see the amended wording. We have removed the word "minor" as it is indeed challenging for FEI Officials to determine if the blood is minor or not and it could lead to inconsistencies in its implementation in practice.

In addition, we have now introduced the concept of blood on the Horse caused by tack or equipment or any Athlete induced blood. This is similar to what is already applicable in Eventing for the Cross-country test. We have removed the initial wording about Elimination or Disqualification in this specific article on Recorded Warning as other provisions in the Jumping Rules apply for this (abuse of horse, excessive use of spurs, whips, etc). Finally, we have now added that the Horse must be fit to compete in order to compete again and that the Veterinary Delegate will be consulted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. ARTICLE 259 JUMPING RECORDED WARNINGS

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259.3 In all cases of blood on the Horse under this JRs Art 259, the Horse may only be permitted to continue in a Competition or participate in any subsequent Competition(s) at the Event if the Ground Jury, in consultation with the Veterinary Delegate, has deemed the Horse to be fit to compete.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJRC

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES Art. 241 - ELIMINATIONS
(Art. 241.3.30: blood on the Horse's flank(s))

Explanation for Proposed Change

Nowadays, all eliminations appear to be a welfare issue, or horse abuse, with catastrophic consequences for the image of our sport.

For this reason we kindly ask you to consider that: when there is a visible trace (to the naked eye) of blood on the flank of the horse, if it is provoked by an inappropriate act (intending, by inappropriate act: an excessive use of the spurs causing the bleeding), if the bleeding remains after wiping, a vet must decree the immediate disqualification of the pair, only if the bleeding is still visible to the naked eye.

Horses are subject to a result called "Not Classified".

One of the fundamental principles of law establishes the proportionality between sanctions and violations of the norm, something which is not currently contemplated by our regulations.

For this reason, micro lesion which does not cause suffering to the horse, or a micro mark, cannot be considered at the same way as lesion caused by excessive use of spurs or horse abuse.

Furthermore, in the execution of their functions, the officials should consider the consequences and any extenuating or aggravating circumstances.
In the case of Blood Rules, the difference between the following should be clearly established:

- 1) Accidental micro lesions
- 2) Accidental injury
- 3) Lesions caused by an inappropriate act on the part of the rider
- 4) Horse abuse

Elimination for Horse abuse and inappropriate acts should be established by the officials; for points 1 and 2 only, a veterinarian should establish whether the lesion is the cause of suffering and if it is a type that determines the immediate elimination or disqualification of the pair.

The result "Not Classified" declared by a vet must be notified by the Jury.

Minor mark: micro presence of blood does not lead to elimination, but a recommendation of a **warning**;

A second warning means a yellow card;

A third warning could lead to heavier sanction (over a 12-month period).

It is not permissible to press against or apply pressure to the horse's flank(s) in a way that causes additional bleeding.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

ARTICLE 259 JUMPING RECORDED WARNINGS

259.1 Minor blood with natural causes

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

USA NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art 241.3.30

Explanation for Proposed Change

The US NF supports the need for flexibility as it relates to article 241.3.30 as there are various levels of severity of the infraction and these should be addressed based on the severity or lack of severity.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

ARTICLE 259 JUMPING RECORDED WARNINGS

259.1 Minor blood with natural causes

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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New proposed wording:

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. ARTICLE 259 JUMPING RECORDED WARNINGS

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

GR 2025 Art 142. Abuse of Horse

DR 2025 Art 424.5.6.1-424.5.6.4 – Bleeding

DR 2025 Art 438 – Abuse of Horse

JR 2025 Art 241.3.30-241.3.31 – Eliminations

JR 2025 Art 242.3-242.3.1 –
Disqualifications JR 2025 Art 243.1-243-
2.3 – Abuse of Horse

ER 2024 Art Art.524.4, 526.1-526.4 – Abuse of Horse; Definition, Warnings and Penalties, Use of the Whip, Blood on Horses

Explanation for Proposed Change

There are obvious differences in the Rules regarding Abuse of Horse, Blood on the Horse and penalties between the Olympic disciplines Dressage, Jumping and Eventing, as well as in the General Regulations. The above-mentioned Rules are dealing with the same issue, but in different ways.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

ARTICLE 259 JUMPING RECORDED WARNINGS

259.1 Minor blood with natural causes

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 242 DISQUALIFICATIONS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Art. 200 stipulates:

9. Stables

All Horses must be stabled in the official stables provided by the OC for the duration of the Event. **In case the Horse(s) are moved to a different stable other than the official stables provided by the OC without the authorisation of the Ground Jury the Horse(s) will be disqualified from the Event.**

This provision is not included in art. 242.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

CAN NF - When specific stable assignments are done by the OC, teams/individuals may need to reallocate within the assigned stalls due to horse welfare issues including but not limited to regular stabling mates, mare versus stallion....

Suggest further clarification in wording once stables are assigned.

New proposed wording:

All horses must be stabled in the official FEI stabling provided by the OC for the duration of the Event.

~~Once stalls are assigned to athlete(s)/team(s) in the FEI stabling, it is permitted for horses to be moved within the assigned stall(s), should it be necessary due to horse welfare issues including but not limited to regular stable mates, mares versus stallions etc....~~

FEI Feedback

Accepted, article 200 will be updated to remove the second part which will be displayed in article 242. This article references the FEI stable compound, not individual boxes. This rule does permit moving boxes in the FEI stable compound.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New Art. 274 Stabling

All Horses must be stabled in the official stables provided by the OC for the duration of the Event.

New Art. 264.2.3

Moving a Horse to a stable other than the official stables provided by the OC without the authorisation of the Ground Jury;

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

PAEC, BRA

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 243 Equine Assessment Rule (Jumping Rules)

Explanation for Proposed Change

The current Blood Rule lacks differentiation between horse abuse, accidental injuries, and minor lesions, leading to inconsistencies in penalties. The proposed Equine Assessment Rule aims to harmonize penalties with the principles of fairness and horse welfare by:

- 4 **Allowing Veterinarians to Assess Severity:** Veterinary Delegates (VD) will evaluate lesions before penalties are enforced to ensure proportionality.
- 5 **Introducing a Three-Strike System:** Gradual consequences will be applied based on the frequency and severity of violations.
- 6 **Ensuring Proportionality in Sanctions:** A small superficial mark should not be penalized as severely as a significant lesion or an abuse-related injury.
- 7 **Establishing a Career-Long Record:** Violations will be tracked across an athlete's career to ensure accountability.
- 8 **Maintaining Compliance with Stewards Protocols:** Cases of potential rule violations will continue to follow FEI-established Stewarding procedures (Annex XVI).

This revised **Equine Assessment Rule** ensures a fair and proportionate penalty system while maintaining horse welfare as a top priority. It aligns the Jumping Rules with ethical sportsmanship and public perception while upholding the principles of equine welfare and fairness

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

ARTICLE 259 JUMPING RECORDED WARNINGS

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 249 INVITATIONS TO CSIOS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

8.1. The FEI has the right to nominate one of the foreign teams to be invited by the OC as a wild card except for Longines League of Nations™ Events and where prohibited by the rules for the Longines EEF Nations-Cup Series.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback
Accepted.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 271.4.1 The FEI may nominate one of the foreign teams to be invited by the OC as a wild card, except for Longines League of Nations™ Events and where prohibited by the rules for the Longines EEI Series.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art 249.8.2 INVITATIONS TO CSIOS
Explanation for Proposed Change
To be clarified that the Wild Cards are included in the 2 individual athletes from NF(s) not represented by a team.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
The FEI has the right to nominate two individual athletes from NF(s) not represented by a team as wild cards, nevertheless the maximum number of individual Athletes per NF(s) not represented by a team may not exceed one or two according to art.249.5. If the FEI does not allocate one or both of these wild cards, the places are returned to the OC which may extend the vacant place(s) to NF(s) not represented by a team.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 271.4.2 The FEI may nominate two individual athletes from NF(s) not represented by a team as wild cards, but the maximum number of individual Athletes per NF(s) not represented by a team may not exceed one or two according to JRs Art 271.3.1. If the FEI does not allocate one or both of these wild cards, the places are returned to the OC which may extend the vacant place(s) to NF(s) not represented by a team.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 251 ENTRIES (see also GRs Art. 116) Art. 251.6
Explanation for Proposed Change
This is covered in Annex VIII, Qualification procedure for World and Continental Championships as well as in the FEI Championship rules. To be removed from Art. 251 Entries which also correct an inconsistency.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~NFs may only enter Athletes for World Championships and Olympic Games who are qualified under conditions decided by the Jumping Committee and approved by the FEI Board and, where appropriate, the IOC.~~

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FEI Feedback

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

GER NF

Article Number – Article Name

252 – Starting Order

Explanation for Proposed Change

Using the reverse order of merits after a qualifying competition for determining the starting order is not allowed in CSI; only in a Grand Prix if there is a special ranking for the best Athlete or Athlete/Horse combination at the event. We would welcome the possibility to use the reverse order in all final competitions if Athletes have to qualify in an earlier competition.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

6. Order of starting in Grand Prix Competitions **or Competitions with qualifiers**. The title "Grand Prix" may only be used once for each Category, e.g. CSIY, CSIJ, CSI3* etc, during an international Jumping Event. The starting order for all Grand Prix Competitions **or Competitions with qualifiers** must be established according to one of the following methods:

6.1. the order of start is determined by a separate draw.

6.2. if there is a special ranking for the best Athlete or the best Athlete/Horse combination at the Event, the ranking in reverse order before the Grand Prix may be used as the order of starting.

The President of the Ground Jury must be present during the draw **for the Grand Prix**. The method to be used must be mentioned in the Schedule.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 276.3 Starting order in Grand Prix Competitions or Competitions with qualifiers

276.3.1

The starting order for all Grand Prix Competitions or Competitions with qualifiers must be established according to one of the following methods:

276.3.1.1

the starting order is determined by a separate draw; or

276.3.1.2

if there is a special ranking for the best Athlete or the best Athlete/Horse Combination at the Event, the ranking in reverse order before the Grand Prix may be used as the starting order.

276.3.2

The President of the Ground Jury must be present during the draw for the Grand Prix. The method to be used must be mentioned in the Schedule.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 253.1

Explanation for Proposed Change

Art 253.1 refers to Art 264.5.5 that does not exist and should therefore be removed.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

N/A

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Accepted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 277.2

At CSIOs, on the day before the first Competition, the Chefs d'Equipe must designate in writing to the OC the Athletes and Horses that make up the official team (minimum three, maximum six) and the names of individual Athletes and their Horses (see JRs Art 271). In the event of accident or illness preventing an Athlete and/or their Horse being declared as a member of the official team, Chefs d'Equipe may substitute them from among the individual Athletes (if there are any), one hour at the latest before the start of the first Competition of the Event. An Athlete or a team Horse that has been substituted may not start as an individual. See JRs Art 226.5 for details on the declaration of Athletes and Horses (minimum three, maximum four, selected from the official team) that may take part in the Nations Cup Competition, and for details on substitution in the event of accident or illness to an Athlete and/or Horse declared for the Nations Cup.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 254 PARTICIPATION, AGE AND NUMBER OF HORSES

Art. 254.1.1 (Annex IX, Art. 6.1)

Explanation for Proposed Change

To clarify that the max. height applies to the initial round of the competition at Regional Games and Regional Championships for Horses as is covered for Athletes in Annex IX, Art. 6.1&6.

To change the max. height for 7yo Horses at Regional Games and Regional Championships to stay more in line with the height 7yo horses are allowed to jump. This is also linked to the age of Athletes for Regional Games and Regional Championships and the restriction for future participation in Championships for youth:

However, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate in a Championship for Juniors or in a Championship for Young Riders even if they have previously participated in

Regional Games and/or Regional Championships for Seniors, providing the height of obstacles in the initial round of Competitions of the Regional Games/Championships does not exceed 1.40 m. (proposal: to remove, see Annex IX, Art. 6.1)

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Horses entered for Olympic Games, World Championships and FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals must be at least nine years of age. Horses entered in Senior Continental Championships, **Continental and** Regional Games and Regional Championships must be at least eight years of age. As an exception, Horses may be entered in Regional Games and Regional Championships from the age of seven years, providing the height of obstacles **in the initial round of Competitions** in these Regional Games and Championships does not exceed ~~1.40~~ 1.45 m. Horses entered for CSIO3*-5*Events, CSI3*-5* Events and all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events except the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final must be at least seven years of age. Horses entered for CSIO1* and CSI1*- 2* Events must be at least six years of age. Horses entered for CSIO2* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 2* Events must be at least six years old; Horses entered in CSIO2* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 3* Events or higher must be at least seven years old. Competitions for Young Horses from the age of five years may be organised at CSI or CSIO Events or may be organised as separate CSIYH (stand-alone or in connection with other CSI or CSIO Events). Refer also to Art. 254.2. Refer to Annexes IX – XIII for the minimum age of Horses entered for Jumping Events and Championships of other Categories.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 202.2 Minimum Horse age requirements
Horses entered in the Events or Championships listed below must meet the minimum age requirements specified below:

Events	Minimum age of Horse
Olympic Games World Championship FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final	Nine years
Continental Games Continental Championships for Seniors	Eight years
Regional Games	Eight years, except if the height of obstacles in the initial round of Competitions does not exceed 1.45 m then seven years.
CSI3* to 5* CSIO3* to 5* FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events (excluding the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final) Continental Championships for Young Riders / Juniors	Seven years
CSIU25 CSIY/CSIOY CSI1* to 2* CSIO1* to 2* CSIJ /CSIOJ CSIch/CSIOCh CSIP/CSIOIP CSIV/CSIOV CSIAm Continental Championships for Pony Riders / Children / Veterans	Six years, unless the height of obstacles is 1.40 m or higher, in which case seven years.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
IJOC
Article Number – Article Name
New art. 202.3 Competitions for Young Horses
Explanation for Proposed Change
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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
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Comments Received by 26 August 2025
IJOC - Revision Category: Inconsistency The article stipulates the minimum age for young horse competitions. Whereas in the Annex I, the definition of the young horse is stated as a « range » between the age of five and eight. To harmonise the rule text accross the document, we propose the article 202.3 to read as follows : « Competitions for Young Horses from the age of five years and up to the age of eight may be organised at CSI or CSIO Events or may be organised as »
FEI Feedback
Partially agreed, the age description should only be in Annex I
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 202.3 Competitions for Young Horses

Competitions for Young Horses may be organised at CSI or CSIO Events or may be organised as separate CSIYH (standalone or in connection with other CSI or CSIO Events). See also JRs Art 203.1.

Annex I

Young Horse: a Horse between the age of five and eight, referred to by the abbreviation 'YH'.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SUI NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 254 – Participation, Age and Number of Horses

Explanation for Proposed Change

We would like to increase the number of horses per athlete per CSI to four (or more). We have seen numerous schedules where this has been authorized, but for some shows, the FEI insists that it is three maximum. We would like to have some consistency in the enforcement of the rule.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

2. Number of Horse per Athlete

The Schedule must specify the number of Horses allowed for each Athlete at CSIOs and CSIs but this number must be limited to a maximum of ~~three~~four. At Shows where several Events of different Categories are organised on the same weekend the number of Horses per Athlete must be limited to ~~three~~four per CSI Category.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Accepted

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 203.1 Number of Horses per Athlete in Events

203.1.1 CSI/CSIO – general

The Schedule must specify the number of Horses allowed for each Athlete at CSIs and CSIOs, limited to a maximum of four. Where Events of different Categories are organised on the same weekend, the number of Horses per Athlete must be limited to four per Category.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 254.2 Number of Horse per Athlete

Explanation for Proposed Change

Add Derbies as a competition where OCs can invite additional athletes

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

If the Schedule of a CSI or a CSIO includes a Puissance Competition, Six Bar Competition, ~~Knock-Out Competition~~, a Derby and/or a special Competition for stallions, the Schedule may allow Athletes entered in the CSI or the CSIO to enter an additional Horse for each of these Competitions. Participation of these additional Horses is limited to these Competitions only. The Schedule may also allow extra Athletes to be invited solely for the Puissance Competition, ~~and/or~~ a special Competition for stallions, ~~and/or~~ Derby.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 203.1.2 CSI/CSIO with special Competitions
If the Schedule of a CSI or a CSIO includes a Puissance Competition, Six Bar Competition, a Derby, and/or a special Competition for stallions, the Schedule may allow Athletes entered in the CSI or the CSIO to enter an additional Horse for each of these Competitions. Participation of these additional Horses is limited to these Competitions only.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

NED NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 256.1.10 DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE

Explanation for Proposed Change

No phone use by hand for any person while on a horse at events. This is for the safety of everybody and the image of our sport. Handsfree calling, so use of an earphone, is allowed.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Earphones and/or electronic communication devices may never be worn during FEI Jumping Competitions. For the avoidance of any doubt, athletes, grooms or any other person may wear one earphone at any other time while mounted. No use of phone in hand while mounted.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Initially rejected, but following the latest comments received, it has been decided to clarify the use of mobile phones in the warm-up arena.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 207.3.1

Mobile phone devices, other electronic communication devices, and earphones may never be used by an Athlete while mounted in the Warm-Up Arena during a Competition. Failure to comply with this Article will incur a Warning in accordance with JRs Art 261.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 256.2.1
Explanation for Proposed Change
We don't believe that the salute is a modern and relevant element in equestrian sports and we therefore suggest that Art. 256.2.1 should be removed.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 256.2.1 In all Competitions that take place in an arena under the jurisdiction of a Groun Jury, each Athlete must salute the President of the Ground Jury as a matter of courtesy, unless the President of the Ground Jury gives other instructions. The Ground Jury may refus to start an Athlete who has not saluted. The Ground Jury may also fine the Athlete (see JRs Art. 240.2.7). For special reasons the Ground Jury, in consultation with the OC, may decide whether or not Athletes are required to salute prior to the commencement of each Competition. The OC in agreement with the President of the Ground Jury must instruct the Athletes to salute Heads of State when present, and may do so if there is a special guest occupying the official box.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Accepted.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
Art. 256.2.1 In all Competitions that take place in an arena under the jurisdiction of a Groun Jury, each Athlete must salute the President of the Ground Jury as a matter of courtesy, unless the President of the Ground Jury gives other instructions. The Ground Jury may refus to start an Athlete who has not saluted. The Ground Jury may also fine the Athlete (see JRs Art. 240.2.7). For special reasons the Ground Jury, in consultation with the OC, may decide whether or not Athletes are required to salute prior to the commencement of each Competition. The OC in agreement with the President of the Ground Jury must instruct the Athletes to salute Heads of State when present, and may do so if there is a special guest occupying the official box.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
SWE NF
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 258
Explanation for Proposed Change
Art. 258 should be removed as the same is already stated in Art. 241.3.22 and Art. 241.3.25
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art 258 Accidents
1. In the event of an accident preventing either the Athlete or a Horse from finishing, both incur Elimination. If, despite an accident, the Athlete completes the round but does not leave the arena mounted, the Athlete does not incur Elimination.
If the Ground Jury finds that either Athlete or Horse, after an accident, is not fit to compete they must impose Elimination
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Accepted
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

Art 258 Accidents

1. ~~In the event of an accident preventing either the Athlete or a Horse from finishing, both incur Elimination. If, despite an accident, the Athlete completes the round but does not leave the arena mounted, the Athlete does not incur Elimination.~~

~~If the Ground Jury finds that either Athlete or Horse, after an accident, is not fit to compete they must impose Elimination~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 259.1 OFFICIALS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Number of Judges to be adapted to the number of competitions per day and the number of arenas to be clarified, we should give a precise number.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

If competitions are running concurrently in any additional arenas a minimum of 3 additional Ground Jury Members per arena are required.

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 209.1

- If Competitions are running concurrently in any additional arenas, a minimum of three additional Ground Jury Members per arena are required.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art.259.1 OFFICIALS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Change the wording of Tours to events organised by the same OC at the same venue over at least three consecutive weeks

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Events that are part of Tours (any star level), events organised by the same/related OC at the same venue over at least three consecutive weeks	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	Level 3 Appointed by FEI (**)	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event
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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

Events that are part of Tours (any star level), events organised by the same/related OC at the same venue over at least three consecutive weeks	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	Level 3 Appointed by FEI (**)	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event
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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 259.1 OFFICIALS
Explanation for Proposed Change
To align with the VRs.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1 One additional Judge minimum preferably Level 3 to be appointed by the FEI for Events at which limb sensitivity testing is carried out. At all Events, including Games and Championships
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 209.1 One additional Judge preferably Level 3 will be appointed by the FEI for Events at which limb sensitivity testing is carried out. At all Events, including Games and Championships, one Ground Jury Member will be assigned on a rotating basis to act as liaising-Judge for the boot and bandage control; this Judge should preferably be minimum Level 2.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. 259 Officials
Explanation for Proposed Change
Allow the President of the Ground Jury to be from the Host Nation in Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games (YOG), World Championship, Pan-Am + other Senior Continental Games Senior Continental Championships, World Cup Final, Longines League of Nations Final.
This is permitted in other Equestrian Disciplines where there is greater subjectivity than in Jumping. Additionally, it also is permitted in other sports outside of Equestrian. The rule as written implies that Presidents of the host nation cannot be fully trusted to enforce the rules fairly and impartially. This makes little sense given that in most Games the President will be of a nationality of one of the teams competing anyway.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Olympic Games / Youth Olympic Games (YOG)/ World Championship	President (**)+ 4 Members (**)	Level 4 Compulsory Preferably Judge from Foreign Nation	Not Level 4 required if PGJ from Host Nation	Min. three Level 4 (including Foreign Judge if applicable); one Level 3	n/a	Level 4	Level 3 (water jump not applicable for YOG)
Continental Games / Senior Continental Championships / World Cup Final / Longines League of Nations Final	President (**)+ 4 Members (**)	Level 4 Compulsory Preferably Judge from Foreign Nation	Not Level 4 required if PGJ from Host Nation	Min. one Level 4 (including Foreign Judge if applicable); three Level 3	Level 3	Level 3	Level 3

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

FEI – The number of Ground Jury members required for the for the Youth Olympic Games should be reduced to three as there are no water jump.

FEI Feedback

Partially accepted, the FEI thinks it is important to have the President Ground Jury from a foreign nation, nevertheless we understand the proposal and rational. A precision then needs to be made to make sure a Foreign Judge is still present, see proposal.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

Events	Number of Judges ¹	President Ground Jury	Foreign Judge	Members	Additional Members	President of Competition	Water jump Judge
	Minimum	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification
Olympic Games / World Championship	President (**)+ 4 Members (**)	Level 4 Preferably from foreign nation	Level 4 FJ required if PGJ from host nation. (PGJ acts as FJ)	Min. three Level 4 (including Foreign Judge if applicable); one Level 3	n/a	Level 4	Level 3

Youth Olympic Games (YOG)	President (***) + 3 Members (**)	Level 4 Preferably from foreign nation	Level 4 FJ required if PGJ from host nation. (PGJ acts as FJ)	Min. two Level 4 (including Foreign Judge if applicable); one Level 3	n/a	Level 4	n/a
Pan-Am + other Senior Continental Games / Senior Continental Championships / World Cup Final / Longines League of Nations Final	President (***) + 4 Members (**)	Level 4 Preferably from foreign nation	Level 4 FJ required if PGJ from host nation. (PGJ acts as FJ)	Min. one Level 4 (including Foreign Judge if applicable); three Level 3	Level 3	Level 3	Level 3

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 259.3.2 OFFICIALS

Explanation for Proposed Change

To align with the VRs as for VRs any CSIOs should have a Veterinary Commission.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

3.2. ~~At CSIOs for Categories other than Seniors and~~ at CSIs a Veterinarian to be regarded as the Veterinary Delegate appointed by the OC, is required in accordance with the VRs.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. ARTICLE 210 VETERINARY COMMISSION AND VETERINARY DELEGATE

210.1

A Veterinary Commission is mandatory for Olympic Games, Continental Games, Regional Games, Youth Olympic Games, all Championships, the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final, and CSIOs. The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of the President and members must comply with the VRs.

210.2

For all CSIs, the OC must appoint a veterinarian as the Veterinary Delegate in accordance with the VRs.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 259.4.1.7

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed as not used anymore.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~The Course Designer for CSIO1*, CSIO2* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 1*, respectively 2* Events and CSI1*/2* is appointed by the OC and must be selected from the FEI list of Level 2 Course Designers at least. The Course Designer for CSIO1* or CSIO2* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 3* Events or higher must be selected from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.~~

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

~~The Course Designer for CSIO1*, CSIO2* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 1*, respectively 2* Events and CSI1*/2* is appointed by the OC and must be selected from the FEI list of Level 2 Course Designers at least. The Course Designer for CSIO1* or CSIO2* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 3* Events or higher must be selected from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 259.4.2.3 OFFICIALS

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~4.2.3. A Technical Delegate (Foreign or from the host NF), preferably selected from the FEI list of Judges and Course Designers, may be appointed by the OC of CSIOs and CSIs~~

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

~~4.2.3. A Technical Delegate (Foreign or from the host NF), preferably selected from the FEI list of Judges and Course Designers, may be appointed by the OC of CSIOs and CSIs~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 259.5.1 OFFICIALS

Explanation for Proposed Change

The FEI to appoint the Chief Steward for all Continental Championships, not only Seniors.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

A Chief Steward must be appointed for every international Event and must be selected from the FEI list of stewards. For Olympic, Youth Olympic, Continental and Regional Games, World and **Senior** Continental Championships, Longines League of Nations™ Final and FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final, the Chief Steward must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee. For the following levels of Events, the Chief Steward must have at least the status as indicated below:

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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 213.1 Chief Steward A Chief Steward must be appointed for each Event and selected from the FEI list of Stewards with the minimum qualification level as set out below: 213.1.1 Olympic, Youth Olympic, Continental, and Regional Games; World and all Continental Championships; Longines League of Nations™ Final, and FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final: the Chief Steward must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee and be a minimum Level 4 Steward.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 259.5.2 OFFICIALS
Explanation for Proposed Change
Change the wording of “tours” to 3 consecutive weeks.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
A Foreign Steward will be appointed by the FEI for all 5* Events and for all Events organised by the same/related OC at the same venue over at least three consecutive weeks of Tours (FEI Jumping Events organised by the same OC at the same venue over at least two consecutive weeks), and for Events taking place consecutively at the same venue during the same week and/or on overlapping weeks, regardless of the star level; the Foreign Steward appointment is in addition to the appointment of the Chief Steward and the Assistant Stewards. All Foreign Stewards appointed to these events must hold the status of Level 3 Steward at least.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 213.2.1 The FEI will appoint a Foreign Steward for all (i) 5* Events, (ii) Events of any star level organised by the same/related OC at the same venue over at least three consecutive weeks, and (iii) Events of any star level taking place consecutively at the same venue during the same week and/or on overlapping weeks.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art.259.5.3 OFFICIALS
Explanation for Proposed Change
Adjusting the number of official per arenas.

The level of the stewards to be clarified if several categories are scheduled.

Change the wording of Assistant Steward to Steward.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

5.3 ~~Assistant~~ Stewards

A minimum of four ~~Assistant~~ Stewards must be appointed for each Event **in addition of the Chief Steward**. Additional ~~Assistant~~ Stewards may need to be appointed, depending on the number of Events running concurrently at the same venue and/or the number of Competitions per day and/or the number of arenas operating at the same time and the number of horses entered for the Event and the size and layout of the venue. All ~~Assistant~~ Stewards appointed to international Events must have the minimum status required for the level of the **higher level Event of the show** as indicated below:

(i) All CSI1*/CSIO1* up to CSI3*/CSIO3*: Level 1 Steward at least.

(ii) All CSI4*/CSIO4* and CSI5*/CSIO5*, Olympic, Continental, Regional and Youth Olympic Games, Continental, Regional and World Championships, FEI Jumping World Cup™ and Longines League of Nations™ Finals: Level 2 Steward at least.

If competitions are running concurrently in any additional arenas a minimum of 3 additional Stewards per arena are required.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

ITA NF - We do not agree on the proposal as worded on the 2026 JRs as the change is too striking with respect to the current system taken into account the following considerations:

1. Too expensive for the OC, not economically sustainable.
2. Some NFs/OCs may have difficulty finding the necessary number of stewards on their territory (and recruiting Officials from abroad increase the costs to be borne by OCs)
3. Some stewarding roles are/can be somehow concentrated (e.g. the stable control) and do not depend on the number of arenas. Kindly note that also the logistics/layout of a particular venue has to be taken into account (concentrated structure vs large one).
4. Not all arenas are necessarily used simultaneously all the time – moreover, the presence of multiple arenas on the schedule does not necessarily imply that they will be all used simultaneously.
5. The night stewards and the eventual Foreign steward currently do not count and are in addition to the normal stewarding team (according to the proposal for a Tour over 3 arenas we shall have: CS + FS + night steward/s + 4 stewards + 3 stewards+3 stewards= 12 Officials in all not counting the night stewarding).
6. If the stewarding panel proposed on the schedule is a condition for its FEI approval, we should take into consideration that months in advance it is not feasible to make a sound forecast on horses' participation and that it should be considered that the number of horses for which it be necessary to use the different arenas simultaneously may not be reached; perhaps it could be more appropriate to apply the system used by the Endurance Discipline (according to which a number of additional judges/veterinarians are required for every "x" horses) whereby the OC adjusts the number of assistants gradually by appointing additional ones based on the entries' trend, as it currently happens, for example, in the SJ Discipline with the veterinarians.

We believe that the best solution could be to establish that additional stewards be added every "x" additional horses' entries (over the 250 horses quota) and the FEI IT could set

alerts within the FEI Entry System in this regard for notifying OCs, NFs and FEI HQ about the need of the OCs to adjust the Officials as required.

New proposed wording:

213.3 Stewards

- 213.3.1 In addition to the Chief Steward and (if applicable) Foreign Steward, a minimum of four Stewards must be appointed for each Event by the OC.
- 213.3.2 If Competitions are running concurrently in any additional arenas, **and the number of entered horses exceeds the overall number of 250 entered horses, a minimum of three additional Stewards per arena 1 Steward every additional 120 entries** must be appointed by the OC. The FEI may request that the OC appoint additional Stewards depending on the number of Events running concurrently at the same venue; the number of Competitions per day; ~~the number of Horses entered for the Event;~~ and/or the size and layout of the venue.
- 213.3.3 All Stewards appointed to Events must be selected from the FEI List of Stewards and have the minimum qualification level required for the highest level Competition of the Event as set out below:
 - 213.3.3.1 ~~CSI4*/CSIO4* and CSI5*/CSIO5*;~~ Olympic, Youth, Continental, and Regional Olympic Games; Continental and World Championships; FEI Jumping World Cup™, and Longines League of Nations™ Finals: minimum Level 2 Steward.
 - 213.3.3.2 CSI1*/CSIO1* up to ~~CSI3*/CSIO3*~~ **CSI5*/CSIO5***: minimum Level 1 Steward.

FRA NF - We are aware of the animal welfare issues related to this requirement. However, this represents an additional charge for OCs who, until now, added two per additional arena. Perhaps it would be better to impose two, and suggest adding a third depending on the set up of the arenas, visibility, and the number of horses entered ?

New proposed wording:

If competitions are running concurrently in any additional arenas a minimum of 2 additional Stewards per arena are required

FEI Feedback

For the warm-up, three stewards are required: one to continuously monitor the warm-up arena and rider behaviour, and two to carry out boot checks — one performing the physical inspection and the other overseeing/recording the process to ensure safety. It is essential that FEI Stewards assigned to this role hold the appropriate level of qualification to officiate at higher-level events. This ensures efficient and thorough checks without disrupting the warm-up, while safeguarding horse welfare and the integrity of the competition.

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New art. 213.3

213.3.2

If Competitions are running concurrently in any additional arenas, a minimum of three additional Stewards per arena must be appointed by the OC. The FEI may request that the OC appoint additional Stewards depending on the number of Events running concurrently at the same venue; the number of Competitions per day; the number of Horses entered for the Event; and/or the size and layout of the venue.

213.3.3

All Stewards appointed to Events must be selected from the FEI List of Stewards and have the minimum qualification level required for the highest level Competition of the Event as set out below:

213.3.3.1

CSI4*/CSIO4* and CSI5*/CSIO5*; Olympic, Youth Olympic, Continental, and Regional Games; Continental and World Championships; FEI Jumping World Cup™, and Longines League of Nations™ Finals: minimum Level 2 Steward.

213.3.3.2

CSI1*/CSIO1* up to CSI3*/CSIO3*: minimum Level 1 Steward.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 261.4.3 NORMAL COMPETITIONS AND GRAND PRIX COMPETITIONS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Add that for Nations Cup only the 1st Round can be a qualifier to avoid athletes not able to go to the second round due to their team not qualified to be penalized.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

4.3. If qualification conditions for Athlete/Horse are scheduled for the Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO or a CSI, it is compulsory that all qualifying Competitions are run under Table A against the clock or under Table A with one or two jump-offs or with two rounds (Art. 273) or with winning round (Art. 276) or in normal two phase competitions (Art. 274.1.5.1-Art. 274.1.5.3, both phases Table A). Competitions in groups with winning round (Art. 275) and special two-phase Competitions (Art. 274.2) may not be used as qualifying competitions for the Grand Prix. **If Nations Cup (Art. 264) are used as a qualifier, only the first round can count.**

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New art. 219.3.3

If qualification conditions for Athlete/Horse Combinations are scheduled for the Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO or CSI, all qualifying Competitions must be run under Table A Against the Clock or under Table A with a jump-off or with two rounds (JRs Art 221) or with a winning round (JRs Art 223) or in a normal two phase Competition (JRs Art 222.1). Competitions in groups with a winning round (JRs Art 224) and special two-phase Competitions (JRs Art 222.2) may not be used as qualifying Competitions for the Grand Prix. If Nations Cup Events (JRs Art 226) are used as a qualifier, only the first round may count.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art.261.4.5 NORMAL COMPETITIONS AND GRAND PRIX COMPETITIONS

Explanation for Proposed Change

To clarify the competitions as for the moment any Table A can count.

4.5 In addition to the above paragraph, to be eligible to take part in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition at a CSI(O)5* or CSI5*-W Event if there is no qualification system in place, Athletes must have achieved, with the Horse with which they wish to compete in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition, the following result within the 12 months prior to the day of the Grand Prix of the Event:

four Penalties or less in the initial round of a 1.50 m Competition or higher run under Table A. The above requirement does not apply to the Athlete/Horse combinations pre-qualified for the Grand Prix at CSI Events according to the provisions of paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 above.

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4.5 In addition to the above paragraph, to be eligible to take part in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition at a CSI(O)5* or CSI5*-W Event if there is no qualification system in place, Athletes must have achieved, with the Horse with which they wish to compete in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition, the following result within the 12 months prior to the day of the Grand Prix of the Event:

four Penalties or less in the initial round of a 1.50 m Competition or higher run under Table A, **except Power and Skill competitions**. The above requirement does not apply to the Athlete/Horse combinations pre-qualified for the Grand Prix at CSI Events according to the provisions of paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 above.

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New art. 219.3.5

In addition to the above Article, to be eligible to take part in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition at a CSI(O)5* or CSI5*-W Event if there is no qualification system in place, Athletes must have achieved, with the Horse with which they wish to compete in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition, the following result within the 12 months prior to the day of the Grand Prix of the Event: four Penalties or less in the initial round of a 1.50 m Competition or higher run under Table A, excluding Puissance and Six Bar Competitions. This requirement does not apply to the Athlete/Horse Combinations pre-qualified for the Grand Prix at CSI Events according to JRs Arts 219.3.1 and 219.3.2 above.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art.261.5.1 NORMAL COMPETITIONS AND GRAND PRIX COMPETITIONS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Second jump off to be removed as never used.

5.1. over one round with one or two jump-offs, the first or the second jump-off against the clock, or both against the clock; or

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over one round with one ~~or two~~ jump-offs, ~~the first or the second jump-off~~ against the clock, ~~or both against the clock; or~~

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FEI – Provision to be applied to all competitions, not only for Grand Prix.

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New art. 219.2 Grand Prix formats

219.2.1

The term "Grand Prix" may only be used once for each Category (e.g. CSIY, CSIJ, CSI3*) during an Event. Grand Prix Competitions must be explicitly designated in the Schedule and must (subject to JRs Art 219.3) be conducted using one of the following formats:

219.2.1.1

over one round with a jump-off Against the Clock;

219.2.1.2

over two rounds (identical or different) with a jump-off Against the Clock; or

219.2.1.3

over two rounds, with the second round Against the Clock.

219.2.2

At CSIO Events, the Grand Prix Competition must be conducted using one of the following formats:

219.2.2.1

one round Against the Clock with a jump-off Against the Clock; or

219.2.2.2

two rounds without a jump-off; or

219.2.2.3

two rounds and a jump-off.

220.1.1.2

in the event of equality of Penalties for first place there may be a jump-off not against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties in the first round and, in the event of equality of Penalties for any place other than first, Athletes will share the prizes; or

220.1.1.3

in the event of equality of Penalties for first place there may be a jump-off against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties in the first round and, in the event of equality of Penalties for any place other than first, Athletes will share the prizes.

220.2.1.2

in the event of equality of Penalties for first place, there may be a jump-off against the clock judged under Table A. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties and time in the first round; or

220.2.1.3

in the event of equality of Penalties for first place, there may be a jump-off against the clock judged under Table C. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties and time in the first round. This format is only permitted for Competitions without Longines Ranking points and must be specified in the Schedule; or

220.2.1.4

in the event of equality of Penalties and time for first place, there may be a jump-off against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties and time in the first round.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 262.4 MASTERS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Masters competitions to be removed from JRs.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~4.1. — This is a Competition with an initial round and a maximum of four jump-offs. In the initial round, a course of six obstacles (including one double) is built at a maximum height of 1.50 m, maximum spread 1.40 — 1.70 m. In each jump-off, when the Athlete enters the arena, the Athlete selects one obstacle, respectively one element if part of the combination, to be raised. The first fault eliminates the Athlete. In this case, the obstacle, respectively the element of the combination, that has been raised is lowered to its height prior to being raised by the Athlete. The obstacles may only be raised a second time in the same jump-off providing all of the obstacles, including both elements of the combination, have already been raised and have not been lowered to their initial height for that jump-off.~~

~~4.2. — In case of all Athletes being eliminated in any one of the first three jump-offs, the Athletes eliminated in the last jump-off held will take part in another jump-off against the clock, without altering the height of the obstacles, to decide the classification. Athletes eliminated in any given jump-off are placed equal in that jump-off, and are considered to be placed ahead of Athletes eliminated in the previous jump-off and/or the initial round. The maximum height and spread in the 4th and final jump-off are: Height: 1.70m maximum — Spread: 2m maximum; Triple bar: 2.20m maximum.~~

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~~4.1. — This is a Competition with an initial round and a maximum of four jump-offs. In the initial round, a course of six obstacles (including one double) is built at a maximum height of 1.50 m, maximum spread 1.40 — 1.70 m. In each jump-off, when the Athlete enters the arena, the Athlete selects one obstacle, respectively one element if part of the combination, to be raised. The first fault eliminates the Athlete. In this case, the obstacle, respectively the element of the combination, that has been raised is lowered to its height prior to being raised by the Athlete. The obstacles may only be raised a second time in the same jump-off providing all of the obstacles, including both elements of the combination, have already been raised and have not been lowered to their initial height for that jump-off.~~

~~4.2. — In case of all Athletes being eliminated in any one of the first three jump-offs, the Athletes eliminated in the last jump-off held will take part in another jump-off against the clock, without altering the height of the obstacles, to decide the classification. Athletes eliminated in any given jump-off are placed equal in that jump-off, and are considered to be placed ahead of Athletes eliminated in the previous jump-off and/or the initial round. The maximum height and spread in the 4th and final jump-off are: Height: 1.70m maximum — Spread: 2m maximum; Triple bar: 2.20m maximum.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)	
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Article Number – Article Name	
Art. 263 HUNTING COMPETITION OR SPEED AND HANDINESS COMPETITION	
Explanation for Proposed Change	
To be renamed only Speed and Handiness competition, will be the new article for current 239 Table C.	
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New art. ARTICLE 225	SPEED AND HANDINESS COMPETITION

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)	
EEF	
Article Number – Article Name	
ARTICLE 264 NATIONS CUP 8. Elimination and retirement	
Explanation for Proposed Change	
Clarification. The current rule does not takes into consideration the disqualified athletes.	
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025	

8. Elimination, **disqualification** and retirement

8.1. If two or more Athletes of a team, participating with four Athletes in the first or second round, are eliminated **or disqualified** or retire, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round.

8.2. If one Athlete of a team, participating with three Athletes in the first or second round, is eliminated **or disqualified** or retires, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round

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Accepted.

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New art. 226.8 Elimination, Disqualification, and retirement

226.8.1

If two or more Athletes of a team, participating with four Athletes in the first or second round, are Eliminated, Disqualified, or retire, the whole team will be Eliminated in the round.

226.8.2

If one Athlete of a team, participating with three Athletes in the first or second round, will be Eliminated, Disqualified, or retires, the whole team is Eliminated in the round.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 264.3.1 NATIONS CUP

Explanation for Proposed Change

Increase maximum height for 2* and 1* Nations cup to respectively 145cm and 140cm

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

	5* NC	4* NC	3* NC	2* NC	1* NC
Number of obstacles	12	12	12	12	12
Min./max. height (metres)	1.45/1.60	1.40/1.55	1.35/1.50	1.20/1.4 05	1.10/1. 25 40
At least 2 vertical obstacles with a height of (metres)	1.60	1.55	1.50	1.4 05	1. 25 40
At least six other obstacles with a height of (metres)	1.50	1.45	1.40	1.3 05	1. 15 30
At least 2 spread obstacles with a minimum height / spread of (metres)	1.50/1.70	1.50/1.60	1.45/1.55	1. 35 40/1.45	1. 20 30/1.35
Max. spread (metres)	2.00	1.80	1.70	1.60	1.45

Max. spread of triple bar (metres)	2.20	2.10	2.00	1.90	1.70
Min./max. spread of water jump (metres) (refer to JRs Art. 211.1)	3.80/4.00	3.70/3.90	3.50/3.70	3.20/3.50	2.70/3.0050
Min./max. length of the course (metres)	450/650	450/650	450/650	450/650	450/650
Speed outdoor (m/min.)	400	400	375	375	350
Speed indoor (m/min.)	350	350	350	350	350

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	5* NC	4* NC	3* NC	2* NC	1* NC
Number of obstacles	12	12	12	12	12
Min./max. height (m)	1.45/1.60	1.40/1.55	1.35/1.50	1.20/1.45	1.10/1.40
At least 2 vertical obstacles with a height of (m)	1.60	1.55	1.50	1.45	1.40
At least six other obstacles with a height of (m)	1.50	1.45	1.40	1.35	1.30
At least 2 spread obstacles with a minimum height / spread of (m)	1.50/1.70	1.50/1.60	1.45/1.55	1.40/1.45	1.30/1.35
Max. spread (m)	2.00	1.80	1.70	1.60	1.45
Max. spread of triple bar (m)	2.20	2.10	2.00	1.90	1.70
Min./max. spread of Water Jump (m)	3.80/4.00	3.70/3.90	3.50/3.70	3.20/3.50	2.70/3.50
Min./max. length of the course (m)	450/650	450/650	450/650	450/650	450/650
Speed outdoor (m/min.)	400	400	375	375	350
Speed indoor (m/min.)	350	350	350	350	350

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 264.7 Nations Cup

Explanation for Proposed Change

The maximum number of teams returning to the second round should be increased in case a certain number of teams are invited. We have now encountered CSIOs where 15-20 teams are invited, therefore only 8 teams returning to the second round is a low number.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

At the discretion of the OC, the best six (minimum) to ~~eight~~ **ten** (maximum) teams after the first round take part in the second round with four Athletes per team, except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 4.2 and 5.2 above. If there are fewer than six teams participating in the first round, all teams, if not eliminated in the first round, may take part in the second round with four Athletes per team, respectively with three athletes if as provided in paragraphs 4.2 or 5.2 above. Those teams equal on Penalties for sixth, seventh ~~or~~ eighth, **ninth or tenth** place (depending on the number of teams to take part in the second round) will be separated by the total times of the three best Athletes of each team in the first round (refer to paragraph 9.1 below). The OC must indicate in the Schedule of the Event whether the home team will return for the second round as an extra team, if it is not qualified among the six to ~~eight~~ **ten** teams eligible to take part. The home team will only be permitted to return for the second round, if there is a difference of not more than eight Penalties between the home team and the last qualified team for the second round.

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New art. 226.7 Number of teams and Athletes in the second round

226.7.1

At the discretion of the OC, the best six (minimum) to ten (maximum) teams after the first round take part in the second round with four Athletes per team, except as otherwise specified in JRs Art 226.4.2 and 226.5.2. If there are fewer than six teams participating in the first round, all teams, if not Eliminated in the first round, may take part in the second round with four Athletes per team, respectively with three Athletes if as provided in JRs Art 226.4.2 and 226.5.2.

226.7.2

Those teams equal on Penalties for sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, or tenth place (depending on the number of teams to take part in the second round) will be separated by the total times of the three best Athletes of each team in the first round (see JRs Art 226.9.1).

226.7.3

The OC must indicate in the Schedule whether the home team will return for the second round as an extra team, if it is not qualified among the six to ten teams eligible to take part. The home team will only be permitted to return for the second round, if there is a difference of not more than eight Penalties between the home team and the last qualified team for the second round.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 264 NATIONS CUP

10. Nations Cup at other Event

Explanation for Proposed Change

Rewording and clarification.

To have different paragraphs for the different age categories. Now to find what are the rules you have to jump from one paragraph to another - up and down.

Current rule does not provide provision for the starting order at the second round at CSIOY and CSIOJ.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

If a Nations Cup is organised at other Events, such as CSIOY, CSIOJ, CSIOCh or CSIOP, the provisions mentioned under paragraphs 1-9 above apply where indicated otherwise below.

For the dimensions of the obstacles and other specifications for the course, those established in the relevant FEI Rules and Regulations are applicable. Refer to JRs Annex IX, Annex XI and Annex XII.

10.1. The Nations Cup at CSIOCh and CSIOP Events

For all CSIOCh and CSIOP the classification of teams not taking part in the second round is based on the total Penalties of the three best Athletes of each team in the first round. Teams with equality of Penalties are placed equal.

The starting order of teams in the second round will be in the reverse order of the total Penalties in the first round of the best three Athletes in each team. In case of equality of Penalties the teams will retain the same starting order as in the first round.

Placing of teams after the second round is decided as follows:

10.1.1. In case of equality of Penalties for the first place, there will be a jump-off in which all team Athletes may take part. The jump-off takes place against the clock over a minimum of six obstacles. Classification of the teams in the jump-off is based on the total Penalties of the three best Athletes of each team in the jump-off. Teams with equality of Penalties are placed according to the combined Penalties and times of their best three Athletes.

10.1.2. Teams with equality of total Penalties for other places after the second round are placed equal.

10.2. The Nations Cup at CSIOY and CSIOJ Events

The Nations Cup at CSIOY and CSIOJ Events is judged under Table A, both rounds against the clock.

For all CSIOY and CSIOJ, the classification of teams not taking part in the second round is based on the total Penalties of the three best Athletes of each team in the first round. Teams with equality of Penalties are placed according to the combined Penalties and times of their best three Athletes.

The starting order of teams in the second round will be in the reverse order of the total Penalties and time in the first round of the best three Athletes in each team. In case of equality of Penalties and time the teams will retain the same starting order as in the first round.

The placing of teams after the second round is decided as follows:

10.2.1. In case of equality of Penalties for the first place, there will be a jump-off in which all team Athletes may take part. The jump-off takes place against the clock over a minimum of six obstacles. Classification of the teams in the jump-off is based on the total Penalties of the three best Athletes of each team in the jump-off. Teams with equality of

Penalties are placed according to the combined Penalties and times of their best three Athletes.

10.2.2. Teams with equality of total Penalties for other places after the second round are placed according to the total Penalties of their best three Athletes in both rounds and the combined times of their best three Athletes in the second round. In case of equality of total Penalties and combined times in the second round, the teams concerned will be separated by the combined times of their three best Athletes in the first round.

The Nations Cup at CSIOCh and CSIOP Events is judged under Table A not against the clock with a time allowed in both rounds.

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New art. 226.10.2.3

The starting order of teams in the second round will be in the reverse order of the total Penalties and time in the first round of the best three Athletes in each team. In case of equality of Penalties and time the teams will retain the same starting order as in the first round.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 266 FAULT-AND-OUT COMPETITION

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed as competition is not used anymore.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~ARTICLE 266 FAULT-AND-OUT COMPETITION~~

~~1. — This Competition takes place against the clock over medium-sized obstacles each with its own number. Combination obstacles are not allowed. The round finishes at the first Fault committed of whatever nature (obstacle knocked down, any Disobedience, fall, etc.).~~

~~— When an obstacle is knocked down or when the fixed time is reached, the bell is rung. The Athlete must then jump the next obstacle and the clock is stopped at the moment when the Horse's forefeet touch the ground, but no points are given for the obstacle jumped after the bell has rung.~~

~~2. — In this Competition bonus points are awarded: two points for an obstacle jumped correctly and one point for an obstacle knocked down.~~

~~3. — When the Fault, which ends the round, is other than a knock down, such as a Disobedience or when the Athlete does not jump the obstacle over which the clock must be stopped, the bell is rung. The Athlete is then placed last of those who have obtained the same number of points. The penalty relating to a fall is elimination (see JRs Art. 241.3.25).~~

~~4. — The winner of the Competition is the Athlete who obtains the greatest number of points. In the event of equality, the Athletes' times are taken into consideration and the Athlete with the fastest time will be declared the winner.~~

~~5. — A Fault and Out Competition may be organised in two ways:~~

~~5.1. — Over a set number of obstacles:~~

~~— When the Competition takes place over a maximum number of obstacles and the Athlete has jumped the last obstacle, the clock is stopped at the moment when the Athlete crosses the finishing line.~~

~~— In the event of equality of points and time for first place only, there must be a Fault and Out jump off over a limited number of obstacles.~~

~~5.2. — With a fixed time of 60 to 90 seconds (45 in indoor arenas):~~

~~— The Athlete takes the greatest number of obstacles in the fixed time and restarts the course if the fixed time has not yet been reached.~~

~~— If the fixed time is reached at the moment when the Horse is already taking off this obstacle counts whether it is knocked down or not. Time is taken at the following obstacle, at the moment when the Horse's forefeet touch the ground on landing. If there is an equality of Penalties and time, Athletes are placed equal.~~

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ARTICLE 266 FAULT AND OUT COMPETITION

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~~— When the Competition takes place over a maximum number of obstacles and the Athlete has jumped the last obstacle, the clock is stopped at the moment when the Athlete crosses the finishing line.~~

~~— In the event of equality of points and time for first place only, there must be a Fault and Out jump off over a limited number of obstacles.~~

~~5.2. — With a fixed time of 60 to 90 seconds (45 in indoor arenas):~~

~~— The Athlete takes the greatest number of obstacles in the fixed time and restarts the course if the fixed time has not yet been reached.~~

~~— If the fixed time is reached at the moment when the Horse is already taking off this obstacle counts whether it is knocked down or not. Time is taken at the following obstacle, at the moment when the Horse's forefeet touch the ground on landing. If there is an equality of Penalties and time, Athletes are placed equal.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name
Art. 267 HIT-AND-HURRY COMPETITION
Explanation for Proposed Change
To be removed as competition is not used anymore.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ARTICLE 267 HIT-AND-HURRY COMPETITION 1. In this Competition, instead of being eliminated at the first Fault, the Athlete gets two points for an obstacle correctly jumped and one point for an obstacle knocked down. Combination obstacles are not allowed. 2. This Competition takes place with a fixed time of 60 to 90 seconds (45 seconds indoors). Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete, but two Disobediences or a fall incurs elimination of the Athlete. 3. The winner of the Competition will be the Athlete who at the end of the fixed time has acquired the greatest number of points in the fastest time. 4. When the fixed time is reached, the bell is rung. The Athlete must then jump the next obstacle and the clock is stopped at the moment when the Horse's forefeet reach the ground, but the Athlete is given no points for the obstacle jumped after the bell has rung. 5. If the fixed time is reached at the moment when the Horse is already taking off, this obstacle, whether it is knocked down or not, counts. The Athlete's time is taken at the next obstacle as in paragraph 4. — If an Athlete has a Disobedience and displaces or knocks down an obstacle, the fixed time must be decreased by six seconds and the bell must be rung accordingly. 6. When the Athlete does not jump at the first attempt the obstacle at which the clock should be stopped, the round is ended. The Athlete is then placed last of those who have obtained the same number of points.
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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 268 RELAY COMPETITIONS
Explanation for Proposed Change
To be removed as competition is not used anymore.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ARTICLE 268 RELAY COMPETITIONS 1. — General 1.1. — These Competitions are for teams of two or three Athletes. The team members enter the arena together. 1.2. — The course shown on the plan must be completed consecutively according to the number of team members. 1.3. — The Athlete going through the starting line must jump the first obstacle and the Athlete jumping the last obstacle must also cross the finishing line in order to stop the clock. If an Athlete crosses the finishing line after another Athlete has jumped the penultimate obstacle, the team is eliminated. 1.4. — The time of the round is taken from the moment when the first Athlete crosses the starting line until the last member of the team passes the finishing line. 1.5. — The time allowed is based on the speed for the Competition and the length of the course multiplied by the number of team members. 1.6. — If, during the round, Disobediences with knock down are committed, the time corrections must be added to the time taken to complete the round (see JRs Art. 232). 1.7. — The Elimination of a team member incurs the Elimination of the whole team. 1.8. — The second Disobedience by any team member or a fall by an Athlete/Horse eliminates the whole team. 1.9. — The team is eliminated if, in changing over, the Athlete takes off to jump an obstacle before the forefeet of the Horse of their team member have reached the ground. 2. — Relay Competitions are run as follows: 2.1. — Normal Relays 2.1.1. In these Competitions the first Athlete jumps their round and having taken the last obstacle the next Athlete starts their round and so on. 2.1.2. As soon as the Horses' forefeet of their team member jumping the last obstacle have reached the ground, the next Athlete may jump their first obstacle. 2.1.3. These Competitions are run under Table C. 2.2. — Fault and Out Relays — Fault and Out Relays take place according to the provisions set forth for the Fault and Out Competition under JRs Art. 266 either over a maximum number of obstacles to be jumped by the whole team or with a fixed total time during which the whole team must jump the greatest number of obstacles. 2.2.1. Over a maximum number of obstacles 2.2.1.1. — The change over, indicated by a sound of the bell, is compulsory when each Athlete has completed their round or when an Athlete commits a Fault, except at the last obstacle. Their team member must then take over respectively at the first obstacle or at the next obstacle where a knockdown has occurred or at the obstacle where Disobedience has been committed. 2.2.1.2. — If the last team member has completed their round with no Penalty or if the Athlete knocks down the last obstacle of the course, their round ends at the finishing line and the clock must be stopped at this moment. 2.2.1.3. — When the last Athlete knocks down an obstacle of the course, other than the last one, the bell is rung and the Athlete must then jump the next obstacle to allow their time to be recorded. When this Athlete, for any other reason, does not jump the

obstacle at which the clock must be stopped, the whole team is placed last of those who have obtained the same number of points and have their time recorded.

2.2.1.4. — In this Competition bonus points are awarded: two points for an obstacle jumped correctly and one point for an obstacle knocked down. One point is deducted for the first Disobedience, two points for the following Disobedience committed by each of the second or the third team member depending on the number of Athletes in the team. One point is deducted for each commenced second exceeding the time allowed.

2.2.1.5. — The classification is reached according to the highest number of points obtained by the team and the fastest time.

2.2.2. With a fixed total time

2.2.2.1. — In this case, the above provisions under paragraphs 2.2.1.1, 2.2.1.3, 2.2.1.4. and 2.2.1.5. must be applied.

2.2.2.2. — Each team has 45 (minimum) to 90 (maximum) seconds multiplied by the number of team members.

2.2.2.3. — The team takes the greatest number of obstacles in the fixed time and the first team member restarts the course if the fixed time has not yet been reached.

2.2.2.4. — If the last Athlete knocks down the last obstacle of their round, they must jump the first obstacle of the course to allow the time to be recorded.

2.2.2.5. — If, during the round a Disobedience with a knock down is committed, the six seconds time correction is deducted from the fixed time.

2.3. — Fault and Out Successive Relays

— These Competitions take place according to the same rules as for the Fault and Out Relays over a maximum number of obstacles. However, the Athletes take over from each other after each Fault until the course has been completed by as many times as the number of members in each team.

2.4. — Fault and Out Optional Relays

2.4.1. In these Competitions the Athletes may take over as they like in the Competition but a change over is compulsory, indicated by a sound of the bell, when each Athlete has completed their course or at the point where a Fault is committed.

2.4.2. Optional relays are run under Table C.

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ARTICLE 268 RELAY COMPETITIONS

1. — General

1.1. — These Competitions are for teams of two or three Athletes. The team members enter the arena together.

1.2. — The course shown on the plan must be completed consecutively according to the number of team members.

1.3. — The Athlete going through the starting line must jump the first obstacle and the Athlete jumping the last obstacle must also cross the finishing line in order to stop the clock. If an Athlete crosses the finishing line after another Athlete has jumped the penultimate obstacle, the team is eliminated.

1.4. — The time of the round is taken from the moment when the first Athlete crosses the starting line until the last member of the team passes the finishing line.

1.5. — The time allowed is based on the speed for the Competition and the length of the course multiplied by the number of team members.

1.6. — If, during the round, Disobediences with knock down are committed, the time corrections must be added to the time taken to complete the round (see JRs Art. 232).

1.7. — The Elimination of a team member incurs the Elimination of the whole team.

1.8. — The second Disobedience by any team member or a fall by an Athlete/Horse eliminates the whole team.

1.9. — The team is eliminated if, in changing over, the Athlete takes off to jump an obstacle before the forefeet of the Horse of their team member have reached the ground.

- ~~2. — Relay Competitions are run as follows:~~
- ~~2.1. — Normal Relays~~
- ~~2.1.1. In these Competitions the first Athlete jumps their round and having taken the last obstacle the next Athlete starts their round and so on.~~
- ~~2.1.2. As soon as the Horses' forefeet of their team member jumping the last obstacle have reached the ground, the next Athlete may jump their first obstacle.~~
- ~~2.1.3. These Competitions are run under Table C.~~
- ~~2.2. — Fault and Out Relays~~
- ~~— Fault and Out Relays take place according to the provisions set forth for the Fault and Out Competition under JRs Art. 266 either over a maximum number of obstacles to be jumped by the whole team or with a fixed total time during which the whole team must jump the greatest number of obstacles.~~
- ~~2.2.1. Over a maximum number of obstacles~~
- ~~2.2.1.1. — The change over, indicated by a sound of the bell, is compulsory when each Athlete has completed their round or when an Athlete commits a Fault, except at the last obstacle. Their team member must then take over respectively at the first obstacle or at the next obstacle where a knockdown has occurred or at the obstacle where Disobedience has been committed.~~
- ~~2.2.1.2. — If the last team member has completed their round with no Penalty or if the Athlete knocks down the last obstacle of the course, their round ends at the finishing line and the clock must be stopped at this moment.~~
- ~~2.2.1.3. — When the last Athlete knocks down an obstacle of the course, other than the last one, the bell is rung and the Athlete must then jump the next obstacle to allow their time to be recorded. When this Athlete, for any other reason, does not jump the obstacle at which the clock must be stopped, the whole team is placed last of those who have obtained the same number of points and have their time recorded.~~
- ~~2.2.1.4. — In this Competition bonus points are awarded: two points for an obstacle jumped correctly and one point for an obstacle knocked down. One point is deducted for the first Disobedience, two points for the following Disobedience committed by each of the second or the third team member depending on the number of Athletes in the team. One point is deducted for each commenced second exceeding the time allowed.~~
- ~~2.2.1.5. — The classification is reached according to the highest number of points obtained by the team and the fastest time.~~
- ~~2.2.2. With a fixed total time~~
- ~~2.2.2.1. — In this case, the above provisions under paragraphs 2.2.1.1, 2.2.1.3, 2.2.1.4. and 2.2.1.5. must be applied.~~
- ~~2.2.2.2. — Each team has 45 (minimum) to 90 (maximum) seconds multiplied by the number of team members.~~
- ~~2.2.2.3. — The team takes the greatest number of obstacles in the fixed time and the first team member restarts the course if the fixed time has not yet been reached.~~
- ~~2.2.2.4. — If the last Athlete knocks down the last obstacle of their round, they must jump the first obstacle of the course to allow the time to be recorded.~~
- ~~2.2.2.5. — If, during the round a Disobedience with a knock down is committed, the six seconds time correction is deducted from the fixed time.~~
- ~~2.3. — Fault and Out Successive Relays~~
- ~~— These Competitions take place according to the same rules as for the Fault and Out Relays over a maximum number of obstacles. However, the Athletes take over from each other after each Fault until the course has been completed by as many times as the number of members in each team.~~
- ~~2.4. — Fault and Out Optional Relays~~
- ~~2.4.1. In these Competitions the Athletes may take over as they like in the Competition but a change over is compulsory, indicated by a sound of the bell, when each Athlete has completed their course or at the point where a Fault is committed.~~
- ~~2.4.2. Optional relays are run under Table C.~~

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Article Number – Article Name

Art. 270 TOP SCORE COMPETITION

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed as competition is not used anymore.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~ARTICLE 270 TOP SCORE COMPETITION~~

- ~~1. In this Competition, a certain number of obstacles are set up in the arena. Each obstacle carries from ten to 120 points according to its difficulty. Combination obstacles are not allowed.~~
- ~~2. The obstacles must be built so that they can be jumped in both directions.~~
- ~~3. The points allocated to the obstacles may be repeated at the discretion of the Course Designer. If it is not possible to place 12 obstacles in the arena, it is up to them to delete the obstacles they wish.~~
- ~~4. The Athlete is credited with the number of points carried by each obstacle that they jump correctly. No points are awarded for an obstacle that is knocked down.~~
- ~~5. A fixed time of 45 seconds (minimum) to 90 seconds (maximum) is allocated in this Competition. During this time, the Athlete may jump any of the obstacles they wish in any order and in any direction. The Athlete may cross the starting line in either direction. (The starting line must be provided with four flags—there must be a red and a white flag at each end of the line.) During their round, the Athlete is permitted to cross the starting and finishing lines in either direction, as often as they wish.~~
- ~~6. The bell is rung to declare the end of the fixed time during which points may be obtained. The Athlete must then cross the finishing line in one direction or the other in order for their time to be recorded; if they do not cross the finish line they are eliminated. The finishing line must be provided with four flags—there must be a red and a white flag at each end of the line.~~
- ~~7. If the fixed time is reached at the moment when the Horse is already taking off at an obstacle, this obstacle is included in the Athlete's Score if it is jumped correctly.~~
- ~~8. Any obstacle knocked down during a round will not be rebuilt; if it is jumped again, no points will be credited to the Athlete. The same applies for knocking down an obstacle as a result of a Disobedience or for displacing a lower part of an obstacle, which is positioned in the same vertical plane as the highest part. In the case of a Disobedience without a knock down, the Athlete may jump that obstacle or continue to another obstacle.~~
- ~~9. Each obstacle may be jumped twice. The act, voluntarily or not, of jumping an obstacle for the third time or of passing between the flags of an obstacle already knocked down does not incur Elimination. However, the Athlete does not score the points allotted to this obstacle.~~
- ~~10. All Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete. A fall of Horse or Athlete is penalised by Elimination (see JRs Art. 241.3.25).~~
- ~~11. The Athlete who has obtained the highest number of points will be declared the winner. In the event of equality of points, the fastest time taken between the start of the fixed time and the crossing of the finishing line after the bell has been rung will decide. In the event of equality of points and time for first place, there will be a jump-off according to the same formula with a fixed time of 40 seconds, provided that this is mentioned in the Schedule (see JRs Art. 245.6). If not mentioned, the Athletes with equal points and time will share the prize.~~
- ~~12. Joker:
An obstacle may be provided as part of the course, duly marked by flags and called "Joker". The Joker may be jumped twice; 200 points are awarded each time this obstacle is jumped correctly, but if it is knocked down, 200 points must be deducted from the total points obtained so far by the Athlete.~~

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~~ARTICLE 270 TOP SCORE COMPETITION~~

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- ~~6. The bell is rung to declare the end of the fixed time during which points may be obtained. The Athlete must then cross the finishing line in one direction or the other in order for their time to be recorded; if they do not cross the finish line they are eliminated. The finishing line must be provided with four flags—there must be a red and a white flag at each end of the line.~~
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- ~~10. All Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete. A fall of Horse or Athlete is penalised by Elimination (see JRs Art. 241.3.25).~~
- ~~11. The Athlete who has obtained the highest number of points will be declared the winner. In the event of equality of points, the fastest time taken between the start of the fixed time and the crossing of the finishing line after the bell has been rung will decide. In the event of equality of points and time for first place, there will be a jump-off according to the same formula with a fixed time of 40 seconds, provided that this is mentioned in the Schedule (see JRs Art. 245.6). If not mentioned, the Athletes with equal points and time will share the prize.~~
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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
EEF
Article Number – Article Name
ARTICLE 270 TOP SCORE COMPETITION And ARTICLE 271 TAKE-YOUR-OWN-LINE COMPETITION
Explanation for Proposed Change
Horse welfare issue Those articles allow jumping spread obstacles in both directions. This is serious issue regarding the way these obstacles are built.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ARTICLE 270 TOP SCORE COMPETITION and ARTICLE 271 TAKE-YOUR-OWN-LINE COMPETITION to be removed from the JR.
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Articles removed.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 271 TAKE-YOUR-OWN-LINE COMPETITION
Explanation for Proposed Change
To be removed as competition is not used anymore.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ARTICLE 271 TAKE-YOUR-OWN-LINE COMPETITION 1. — In this Competition the obstacles may be jumped only once in the order chosen by the Athlete. Any Athlete who does not jump all the obstacles is eliminated. Combination obstacles are not allowed. 2. — Athletes may cross the starting line and finishing line in either direction. The lines must be provided with four flags; a red and a white flag at each end of these lines. — Obstacles may be jumped in either direction, unless otherwise directed on the course plan. 3. — This Competition takes place without a laid down speed, under Table C. 4. — If the Athlete has not completed their course within 120 seconds after the time of their round has started, they will be eliminated. 5. — All Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete. For the penalty relating to falls, see Art. 241.3.25. 6. — If there is a Refusal or Run-out with a knock-down or displacement of the obstacle, the Athlete may only restart their round when the obstacle knocked down or displaced has been replaced and when the Ground Jury gives them the signal to start. — The Athlete may then jump the obstacle of their choice. In this case six seconds for time correction (see JRs Art. 232) will be added to the time of the round.

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ARTICLE 271 TAKE YOUR OWN LINE COMPETITION 1. In this Competition the obstacles may be jumped only once in the order chosen by the Athlete. Any Athlete who does not jump all the obstacles is eliminated. Combination obstacles are not allowed. 2. Athletes may cross the starting line and finishing line in either direction. The lines must be provided with four flags; a red and a white flag at each end of these lines. Obstacles may be jumped in either direction, unless otherwise directed on the course plan. 3. This Competition takes place without a laid down speed, under Table C. 4. If the Athlete has not completed their course within 120 seconds after the time of their round has started, they will be eliminated. 5. All Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete. For the penalty relating to falls, see Art. 241.3.25. 6. If there is a Refusal or Run-out with a knock-down or displacement of the obstacle, the Athlete may only restart their round when the obstacle knocked down or displaced has been replaced and when the Ground Jury gives them the signal to start. The Athlete may then jump the obstacle of their choice. In this case six seconds for time correction (see JRs Art. 232) will be added to the time of the round.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
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Article Number – Article Name
Art. 272 KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION
Explanation for Proposed Change
To be removed as competition is not used anymore.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ARTICLE 272 KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION 1. This Competition takes place by pairs of Athletes against each other. The Athletes must have qualified as a result of a separate Competition in the programme or of a preliminary qualifying round, either judged under Table A against the clock, or under Table C. 2. The two Athletes will compete against each other simultaneously over two identical courses. Combination obstacles are not allowed. If one Athlete enters the other Athlete's course and as a result interferes with that Athlete, the Athlete responsible for the interference will be eliminated. 3. The winners of each eliminating round are qualified to compete in groups of two in the next eliminating round and so on until the two finalists meet each other to decide the winner of the Competition. 4. In this Competition, each Athlete may only ride one Horse in the eliminating rounds, chosen from their Horses, which have qualified in the preliminary qualifying round or the qualifying Competition. If an Athlete finds that their opponent has

~~withdrawn from any round, the Athlete remaining in the Competition gets the benefit of a walkover and will start in the next round.~~

~~5.—— If there are Athletes placed equal for the last place in the qualifying Competition or in the preliminary qualifying round, there must be a jump-off against the clock.~~

~~6.—— The eliminating rounds, in which two Athletes take part, are run without time if judged under Table A. Each Fault made of whatever nature (knock down, Refusal, run out) is penalized by one point. Notwithstanding the above, in the case of a Refusal with or without a knock down the Athlete will continue their round without jumping that obstacle or waiting until it has been rebuilt. If the round is judged under table A the Athlete is penalized by one point. An Athlete passing an obstacle without attempting to jump it will be eliminated. If the Competition is run under table C, three seconds will be added to their time in this case.~~

~~—— Any infringement of the provisions of JRs Art. 241 incurs Elimination from the Competition.~~

~~7.—— If the Competition is run under table C, each Fault is penalised by three seconds.~~

~~8.—— The Athlete who gets the least number of points and who in the event of equality of points has passed the finishing line first will be qualified for the next round and so on until the two finalists meet to decide the winner. Athletes defeated in the corresponding rounds are placed equal.~~

~~9.—— A member of the Ground Jury must be stationed at the starting line to give the starting signal and another at the finishing line to decide which Athlete crosses this line first.~~

~~10.—— If, at the end of the eliminating round, there is a dead heat between two Athletes, the round must be started again.~~

~~11.—— If the Competition is run under table C, there must be an independent time-keeping installation for each Athlete.~~

~~12.—— The starting order in the eliminating rounds will be decided according to the table printed in JRs Annex III (16 or eight—according to the conditions of the Schedule).~~

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ARTICLE 272 KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION

~~1.—— This Competition takes place by pairs of Athletes against each other. The Athletes must have qualified as a result of a separate Competition in the programme or of a preliminary qualifying round, either judged under Table A against the clock, or under Table C.~~

~~2.—— The two Athletes will compete against each other simultaneously over two identical courses. Combination obstacles are not allowed.~~

~~—— If one Athlete enters the other Athlete's course and as a result interferes with that Athlete, the Athlete responsible for the interference will be eliminated.~~

~~3.—— The winners of each eliminating round are qualified to compete in groups of two in the next eliminating round and so on until the two finalists meet each other to decide the winner of the Competition.~~

~~4.—— In this Competition, each Athlete may only ride one Horse in the eliminating rounds, chosen from their Horses, which have qualified in the preliminary qualifying round or the qualifying Competition. If an Athlete finds that their opponent has withdrawn from any round, the Athlete remaining in the Competition gets the benefit of a walkover and will start in the next round.~~

~~5.—— If there are Athletes placed equal for the last place in the qualifying Competition or in the preliminary qualifying round, there must be a jump-off against the clock.~~

~~6.—— The eliminating rounds, in which two Athletes take part, are run without time if judged under Table A. Each Fault made of whatever nature (knock down, Refusal, run out) is penalized by one point. Notwithstanding the above, in the case of a Refusal with~~

~~or without a knock-down the Athlete will continue their round without jumping that obstacle or waiting until it has been rebuilt. If the round is judged under table A the Athlete is penalized by one point. An Athlete passing an obstacle without attempting to jump it will be eliminated. If the Competition is run under table C, three seconds will be added to their time in this case.~~

~~Any infringement of the provisions of JRs Art. 241 incurs Elimination from the Competition.~~

~~7. If the Competition is run under table C, each Fault is penalised by three seconds.~~

~~8. The Athlete who gets the least number of points and who in the event of equality of points has passed the finishing line first will be qualified for the next round and so on until the two finalists meet to decide the winner. Athletes defeated in the corresponding rounds are placed equal.~~

~~9. A member of the Ground Jury must be stationed at the starting line to give the starting signal and another at the finishing line to decide which Athlete crosses this line first.~~

~~10. If, at the end of the eliminating round, there is a dead heat between two Athletes, the round must be started again.~~

~~11. If the Competition is run under table C, there must be an independent time-keeping installation for each Athlete.~~

~~12. The starting order in the eliminating rounds will be decided according to the table printed in JRs Annex III (16 or eight according to the conditions of the Schedule).~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES COMPETITION OVER TWO ROUNDS art.273

Explanation for Proposed Change

All athletes without penalties in a Grand Prix should be allowed to go to the second round.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

2.2.2.

If the first round is against the clock, the OC may select either of the following options (the OC must indicate in the Schedule which option will be used):

(i) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be mentioned in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round; or,

(ii) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be mentioned in the Schedule, return for the second round, based on their penalties and time in the first round; in any case all Athletes without penalties in the first round, return for the second round.

~~(iii) In all Grand Prix competitions all Athletes without penalties will return to the second round even if this number is higher than the percentage established in the schedule.~~

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Accepted, but PAEC and BRA NF proposal wording preferred.

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New art. 221.2.2.2

If the first round is Against the Clock, the OC may select either of the following options (provided that such option is specified in the Schedule):

- (a) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be specified in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round; or
- (b) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be specified in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round and, in any event, all Athletes without Penalties in the first round return for the second round.

Notwithstanding the above, in all Grand Prix Competitions, all Athletes without Penalties will return to the second round even if this number is higher than the percentage established in the Schedule.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

PAEC, BRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 273.2.2.2 (i) (ii) Competition over Two Rounds

Explanation for Proposed Change

To achieve fairness in Grand Prix competitions and maintain consistency in recognizing flawless efforts and exceptional performance, it is essential to amend the corresponding article to reflect this principle.

The proposed amendment would stipulate that all riders who complete the first round without penalties must advance to the second round. Allowing penalty-free riders to progress ensures that their faultless efforts are rewarded and that the competition upholds its integrity by prioritizing skill and performance.

This adjustment would not only enhance the competitive structure but also encourage riders to aim for precision and accuracy during the first round, knowing that their clean performance will guarantee a second round. Such a rule would create a fairer playing field, reinforce the importance of penalty-free rounds, and solidify the Grand Prix as a benchmark of excellence in equestrian sport.

By implementing this change, the competition format would better reflect the values of fairness.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

2.2.2.

If the first round is against the clock, the OC may select either of the following options (the OC must indicate in the Schedule which option will be used):

- (i) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be mentioned in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round; or,
- (ii) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be mentioned in the Schedule, return for the second round, based on their penalties and time in the first round; in any case all Athletes without penalties in the first round, return for the second round.

(iii) In all Grand Prix competitions all Athletes without penalties will return to the second round even if this number is higher than the percentage established in the schedule.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Accepted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 221.2.2.2

If the first round is Against the Clock, the OC may select either of the following options (provided that such option is specified in the Schedule):

- (a) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be specified in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round; or
- (b) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be specified in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round and, in any event, all Athletes without Penalties in the first round return for the second round.

Notwithstanding the above, in all Grand Prix Competitions, all Athletes without Penalties will return to the second round even if this number is higher than the percentage established in the Schedule.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SUI NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art 273.2.2.2

Explanation for Proposed Change

In a Grand Prix with two rounds, all athletes without penalties should be able to compete in the second round in any case. There should not be an option for the organizer.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

2.2.2.

If the first round is against the clock, the OC may select either of the following options (the OC must indicate in the Schedule which option will be used):

- (i) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be mentioned in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round; or,
- (ii) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be mentioned in the Schedule, return for the second round, based on their penalties and time in the first round; in any case all Athletes without penalties in the first round, return for the second round.

(iii) In all Grand Prix competitions all Athletes without penalties will return to the second round even if this number is higher than the percentage established in the schedule.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Agreed, but PAEC and BRA NF Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025 preferred.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 221.2.2.2

If the first round is Against the Clock, the OC may select either of the following options (provided that such option is specified in the Schedule):

- (a) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be specified in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round; or
- (b) at least 25% or a set number of Athletes, the exact percentage or number to be specified in the Schedule, return for the second round based on their Penalties and time in the first round and, in any event, all Athletes without Penalties in the first round return for the second round.

Notwithstanding the above, in all Grand Prix Competitions, all Athletes without Penalties will return to the second round even if this number is higher than the percentage established in the Schedule.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 279 EVENTS AND COMPETITIONS WITH BORROWED HORSES
Explanation for Proposed Change
To regroup and standardize all articles about borrowed horses (Annex XII art.4.4 / Annex IX art.4.5 / GRs art.111)
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
All articles will be combined in one article on borrowed horses in the new Jumping Rules.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. ARTICLE 204 EVENTS AND COMPETITIONS WITH BORROWED HORSES 204.1 By agreement of the Secretary General of the FEI, CSI and CSIO Events may be organised using Horses borrowed by the OC or host NF, in accordance with this JRs Art 204 and GRs Art 111. World and Continental Championships may not be organised with borrowed Horses. 204.2 The following conditions apply to Events with borrowed Horses: 204.2.1 The OC must make available the necessary number of Horses (maximum four per Athlete). 204.2.2 At least 24 hours before the start of the first Competition a fair draw of the borrowed Horses for each team or individual Athletes must take place. Unless otherwise stated in the Schedule and approved by the FEI Secretary General, the Horses for the host NF will be drawn first. 204.2.3 The draw must take place in front of the Chefs d'Equipe or a representative of each team, the Athletes, the President or a Member of the Ground Jury, and the President of the Veterinary Commission or the Veterinary Delegate. The Horses must be present and properly identified and must wear the bridle normally used. This same bridle must be used throughout the whole Event unless the permission to change is given by the Horse's owner. 204.2.4 The OC should provide a reasonable number of reserve Horses to be used in case any Horse is found unfit to compete by the Veterinary Delegate or in case of apparent complete incompatibility between one of the Athletes and their Horse, as determined by the Ground Jury.

204.2.5

The Schedule must establish clearly the conditions under which the Horses are borrowed and drawn and the Competitions are run. If alterations to the conditions under JRs Art 204.2.1 to 204.2.4 are foreseen, they must be approved by the FEI Secretary General.

204.2.6

FEI passports are not required, provided that only national Horses take part and they can be identified with a document accepted by the FEI.

204.3

The following formats are recommended for Events with borrowed Horses, but other formats may be approved by the FEI Jumping Director:

204.3.1

Each Athlete of the host NF provides two Horses. A draw is held to match foreign Athletes with host Athletes. Another draw takes place to allocate one of the Horses of the host Athlete to the foreign Athlete. The Athletes of the host NF rides the Horse which has not been allocated to the foreign Athlete.

204.3.2

Each Athlete of the host NF provides two Horses. Each foreign Athlete draws a Horse for each of the Athletes from the host NF. The remaining Horses are pooled together and are allocated to the foreign Athletes by means of a draw.

204.3.3

A draw takes place to allocate all Horses provided by the OC/host NF to Athletes present; or

204.3.4

Each Athlete of the host NF provides one Horse. A draw takes place to match foreign Athletes with host country Athletes. Each Horse is ridden by a host NF Athlete and by a foreign Athlete. In the first Competition, the host NF Athlete rides their Horse first.

204.4 The following rules apply to all Competitions with borrowed Horses:

204.4.1

Each Athlete will be given the opportunity to do a training session with the Horse obtained in the draw at least twice, with each training session lasting no more than one hour.

204.4.2

Not more than a total of six obstacles may be jumped during any training session. Cross poles are not included in the above number. Three attempts at jumping an obstacle count as one obstacle jumped. One double or one triple Combination counts as one obstacle.

204.4.3

The OC will establish rules governing the training sessions.

204.4.4

Liverpools, dry ditches, and natural obstacles (e.g. banks) may not be used.

204.4.5

The Horse's trainer or any other person may train the Horse during the Event, provided that they have received the owner's authorisation.

204.4.6

At CSIP Events on borrowed Ponies, the height of the fences must not exceed 1.20 m.

204.4.7

The following additional rules apply to Competitions run in accordance with JRs Art 204.3.4:

204.4.7.1

During the Competition days, the first and second Athletes may each jump six obstacles in a training session.

204.4.7.2

The number of obstacles in any course may not exceed eight in total, that is, a maximum of ten efforts. Two doubles or one triple may be used.

204.4.7.3

If there are not sufficient foreign Athletes to match the number of host NF Athletes, there will be a draw among foreign Athletes to decide which foreign Athletes will ride the surplus Horses to ensure that all Horses start twice per day.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

NED NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 280.2.7 VETERINARY EXAMINATIONS, HORSE INSPECTIONS AND PASSPORT CONTROL

Explanation for Proposed Change

During CSI's other persons than the rider of the horse can present a horse at the horse inspection. At FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, Longines League of Nations™ Finals, Championships and Games, Athletes must present their own Horse(s) at the Horse inspection. We would like to see that during FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, Longines League of Nations™ Finals, Championships and Games also another person may present a horse during the horse inspection.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

At FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, Longines League of Nations™ Finals, Championships and Games, Athletes or the person designated by the athlete must present the Horse(s) at the Horse inspection. ~~Nevertheless, the Athlete must be present at the horse inspection when the horse is presented, if non-compliant a 2'000.- CHF fine.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - At least for the Longines League of Nations™ Finals, it should be sufficient that the Chef d'Equipe or the Team Veterinarian are present.

New proposed wording:

At FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, Longines League of Nations™ Finals, Championships and Games, Athletes or the person designated by the athlete must present the Horse(s) at the Horse inspection. ~~Nevertheless, the Athlete must be present at the horse inspection when the horse is presented, if non-compliant a 2'000.- CHF fine.~~

USA NF - We strongly support the proposal to allow for a designated person to present a horse at a Horse Inspection at the major events listed and also agree that the Athlete should be present. However, there may be extenuating circumstances out of the control of the athlete that does not allow him/her to be present and the rule does not allow for those instances.

New proposed wording:

At FEI Jumping World Cup Finals, Longines League of Nations Finals, Championships and Games, Athletes or the person designated by the athlete must present the Horse(s) at the Horse Inspection. Nevertheless, the Athlete must be present at the horse inspection when the horse is presented, if non-compliant a 2'000 CHF fine. **In extenuating circumstances, the President of the Ground Jury may waive the fine.**

KSA NF - The proposed wording states "athlete must be present at the horse inspection" (at a Finals / Championships / Games). The intent that athletes should be present is fully supported.

However, "must" is absolute and there could be situations where an athlete cannot make the Horse Inspection for reasons beyond their control.

New proposed wording:

Propose adding;

Unless in extraordinary situations, where the athlete is prevented from attending for reasons beyond his control and permission is given by the President of the Ground Jury.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the FEI position remains unchanged the proposal is partially accepted, it has been agreed to have a designated person to present the horse, nevertheless it is important that the athlete is present during the horse inspection of such high level event.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 275.1.3.7

At FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, Longines League of Nations™ Finals, Championships and Games, the Athlete or a person designated by the Athlete must present their Horse(s) at the Horse inspection and (in any event) the Athlete must be present at the Horse inspection when their Horse(s) are presented. Any Athletes who fail to comply with this provision may be fined CHF 2'000.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex III Knock-Out Competition

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed as Knock Out competitions are removed.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~1.1. Annex III Knock-Out Competition (JRs Art. 272)~~

~~Order of starting in the qualifying rounds (in accordance with the qualification course)~~

~~1st~~

~~16th~~

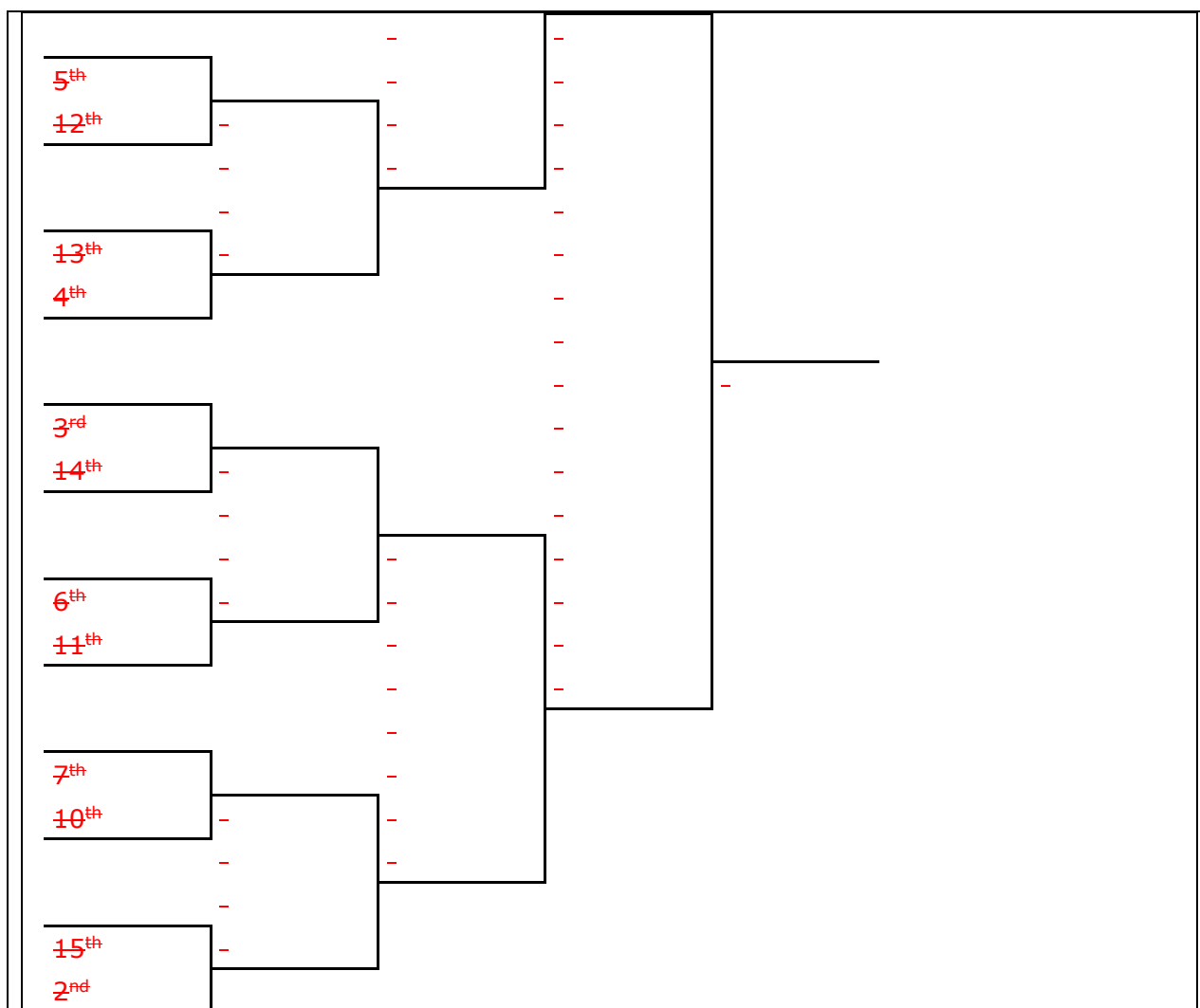
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Comments Received by 26 August 2025				
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FEI Feedback				
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025				
1.2. ————— Annex III Knock-Out Competition (JRs Art. 272) Order of starting in the qualifying rounds (in accordance with the qualification course)				
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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex V. Section 6

Explanation for Proposed Change

Extend stable filling principle also to non-IS categories, as for the moment Stable filling is only described for IS categories.

OCs will be permitted to invite a limited number of additional Athletes if, at the closing of entries, the maximum number of Horses that may be entered has not been reached. If no qualification system for the Grand Prix or Competition with the highest prize money is foreseen in the Schedule, the OC may not invite such additional Athletes in excess of the maximum number of starters allowed to take part in the Competition concerned as established in the Schedule. These additional Athletes are not taken into consideration for the calculation of the percentages of Athletes to be invited under Sections 1-3.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

OCs will be permitted to invite a limited number of additional Athletes if, at the closing of entries, the maximum number of Horses that may be entered has not been reached. If no qualification system for the Grand Prix or Competition with the highest prize money is

foreseen in the Schedule, the OC may not invite such additional Athletes in excess of the maximum number of starters allowed to take part in the Competition concerned as established in the Schedule. These additional Athletes are not taken into consideration for the calculation of the percentages of Athletes to be invited under Sections 1-3. **The above applies to all categories.**

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FEI Feedback

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OCs will be permitted to invite a limited number of additional Athletes if, at the closing of entries, the maximum number of Horses that may be entered has not been reached. If no qualification system for the Grand Prix or Competition with the highest prize money is foreseen in the Schedule, the OC may not invite such additional Athletes in excess of the maximum number of starters allowed to take part in the Competition concerned as specified in the Schedule. These additional Athletes are not taken into consideration for the calculation of the percentages of Athletes to be invited under Sections 1-3 of this Annex. This provision applies to all categories.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex VI CSI/CSIO Requirements

Explanation for Proposed Change

Include rules for Young Horses, in order to regulate Young Horse competitions.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

The maximum height for 5 Yr Old horses is 1.20m

The maximum height for 6 Yr Old horses is 1.30m

The maximum height for 7 Yr Old horses is 1.40m

Competition for 5 Yr Old horses must be conducted according to Table A not against the clock, exceptions for Championships may be authorised by the Jumping Director in consultation with the Chair of the Jumping Committee.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

CSIYHs

The maximum height for 5 year old Horses is 1.20m. Competitions for 5 year old Horses must be conducted according to Table A Not Against the Clock. Exceptions for Championships may be authorised by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Chair of the Jumping Committee. The maximum height for 6 year old Horses is 1.30m. The maximum height for 7 year old Horses is 1.40m.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJRC

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES ANNEX VI – CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS

Explanation for Proposed Change

IJRC, the Stakeholders along with the Jumping Department, have already worked on this point and they all agreed with the extra costs list.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Approved Fees	Maximum amounts for Europe: VAT included
NF Fee	-
NF medication control programme fee	-
FEI EADCMR fee	18-25 CHF VAT excl.
Fee for health/customs-related documents for horses (fee per horse) if these have been requested by the Athlete	60 € (180 € non EU)
Fee for manure disposal	40 €
Fee for parking and electric hook-up for lorry	120 €
Extra bedding and/or fodder (straw, shaving, hay, haylage...)	25 €
Tack room	250 €
Extra box for tack	250 €
Extra stable for non-competing horse	250 €
Double box (in addition to the stabling fee)	50-200 €
Double box (in addition to the stabling fee) for larger horse	50 €
Premium stable (permanent stables with drinking bowls and minimum size of 3,20m x 3,20m)	100 €
Credit Card fee (if requested, the OC must provide an alternative method of payment)	3%
Additional Stall Mats	-
Mobile Separation Boards / Separation for stallion	-
Paddock Private paddock	-
Walker	-
Unloading feed	-
Head Number	-
Additional nights, before and after the event	50 €
Stable fee, break weeks between tours	300 €
Arrival after the horse inspection	120 €
Early arrival (before stables opening) with confirmation (per Athletes)	125 €
Early arrival (before stables opening) without confirmation (per Athletes)	250 €
VIP table	-
VIP passes	-
Photography	-

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

KSA NF –

1. The proposal is a Table that specifies the Maximum Amounts for Europe.

2. These charges will become "de facto" charges used by OCs even if they were not charging for these areas (or were charging less). Some examples that perhaps need further discussion and agreement.
 - i. Tack Rooms / storage space. This is becoming more of an issue and impacts horse and groom welfare. The "requirement" for tack rooms or storage space is not dissimilar to calculating WBGT, i.e. there are multiple factors, however, there is no system for appraising needs (and developing a system would be challenging but not impossible). For example;
 - Wide aisles, three horses per athlete (i.e. three stable frontages) and horse boxes nearby (tack rooms not essential unless it is a CSIO)
 Versus
 - Narrow aisles, 5 athletes with one horse each, horses arriving by air (no horse boxes) and need for space for Team equipment. Tack rooms essential.
 - ii. The fee for a *Double Box* for a "larger horse" is less than the fee for a *Double Box* (no reason). What defines a "larger horse"?
 - iii. Why should a Premium Stable have drinking bowls. Opinion is divided on drinking bowls – a) some say it guarantees water (if the horses are used to them) whilst b) others might argue it does not allow the intake of water to be monitored.
 - iv. "Early arrival (before stables opening)". This could allow OCs to delay the Opening of Stables in order to attract more "Early Arrival" fees. Where the majority of horses have long road journeys the stables should open the day before the Horse Inspection to allow recovery (horse welfare).
 - v. OCs of "tours" where there is no option but for horses to stay on site between Events, should not be charging additional fees for stabling between Events.

It is proposed that the GA votes to include a Table of Fees but that the actual Fees charged require further work and ratification by the FEI Board.

The subject of tack rooms and storage needs reviewing under equine & groom welfare.

FEI Feedback

A list of fees will be implemented in schedules and not in the rules, therefore it will be possible to update it regularly if needed

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New Annex II
art. A.2

The FEI will separately publish a list of fees (e.g. manure, electricity, parking, TVA) which must be respected by OCs for all CSIs/CSIOs, unless agreed otherwise by the FEI.

Approved Fees	Maximum amounts for Europe: VAT included
NF Fee	-
NF medication control programme fee	-
FEI EADCMR fee	18-25 CHF VAT excl.
Fee for health/customs-related documents for horses (fee per horse) if these have been requested by the Athlete	60 € (180 € non EU)
Fee for manure disposal	40 €
Fee for parking and electric hook-up for lorry	120 €

Extra bedding and/or fodder (straw, shaving, hay, haylage...)	25 €
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Extra stable for non-competing horse	250 €
Double box (in addition to the stabling fee)	50-200 €
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Premium stable (permanent stables with drinking bowls and minimum size of 3,20m x 3,20m)	100 €
Credit Card fee (if requested, the OC must provide an alternative method of payment)	3%
Additional Stall Mats	-
Mobile Separation Boards / Separation for stallion	-
Paddock Private paddock	-
Walker	-
Unloading feed	-
Head Number	-
Additional nights, before and after the event	50 €
Stable fee, break weeks between tours	300 €
Arrival after the horse inspection	120 €
Early arrival (before stables opening) with confirmation (per Athletes)	125 €
Early arrival (before stables opening) without confirmation (per Athletes)	250 €
VIP table	-
VIP passes	-
Photography	-

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
IJRC
Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES ANNEX VI – CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS
Explanation for Proposed Change
According to the FEI Jumping Rules for CSI events, the current prize money distribution requires awarding prizes up to the 12th-ranked rider. The IJRC would like to propose an adjustment: instead of limiting the prize allocation to the 12th-ranked rider, extend it to the 13th-ranked rider. This would ensure a more equitable distribution, particularly in CSI4* and CSI5* Grand Prix competitions where the number of starters is capped at 50. The Organizing Committee (OC) is required to allocate only one additional prize (since 1 in every 4 participants must receive prize money). This additional prize is usually set by the OC at around €100 or €200, creating a significant gap compared to the 12th-place prize, especially in a Grand Prix with a jump-off. To introduce a regulation stating that in CSI4 and CSI5, the 13th-place prize to be added to the total prize money must be set as a percentage** (e.g., at least 1% of the total prize fund). Riders competing in 150/155/160 cm Grand Prix events, sometimes even reaching the second round, often do not even recover their entry fees.

This adjustment would align with the requirement that 1 in every 4 participants receives prize money, while also addressing the significant gap in prize amounts between the last fixed prize and the additional prize awarded.

The two Prize Money Distribution charts should be modified as follow:

Chart 1: 25%

1st 25%
 2nd 20%
 3rd 15%
 4th 10%
 5th 8%
 6th 6%
 7th 4%
 8th 3%
 9th 3%
 10th 2%
 11th 2%
 12th 1%
 13th 1%

Chart 2: should be 30% to the winner instead of 33%:

1st 30%
 2nd 20%
 3rd 15%
 4th 10%
 5th 6%
 6th 5%
 7th 4%
 8th 3%
 9th 2%
 10th 2%
 11th 1%
 12th 1%
 13th 1%

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

The announced prize money for each Competition must be distributed among the first ~~12~~ **13** placed Athletes, regardless of the number of starters, according to the one of the two charts attached in the Annexes to the Schedule. The OC must state in the Schedule which of these two charts will be used. Additional created prizes for the ~~13th~~ **14th** placed to the last placed Athlete, to fulfil the quota of one prize per four starters, must be provided by the OC and the amount of each of these prizes must be stated in the Schedule. The additional prize money does not alter the star level of the Event or the Longines Ranking group of the Competition concerned.

The two Prize Money Distribution charts should be modified as follow:

Chart 1: 25%

1st 25%
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 3rd 15%
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 10th 2%
 11th 1%
 12th 1%
 13th 1%

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Accepted

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

The announced prize money for each Competition must be distributed among the first 13 placed Athletes, regardless of the number of starters, according to one of the two charts attached in the Annexes to the Schedule. The OC must state in the Schedule which of these two charts will be used. To fulfil the quota of one prize per every four starters, additional prizes for the 14th placed to the last placed Athlete must be provided by the OC and the amount of each of these prizes must be stated in the Schedule. The additional prize money does not alter the star level of the Event or the Longines Ranking group of the Competition concerned.

The two Prize Money Distribution charts should be modified as follow:

Chart 1: 25%

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 10th 2%
 11th 1%
 12th 1%
 13th 1%

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex VI.1 **CSI REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE**

Annex VI.3 **CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE**

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarify Min. prize money for the Grand Prix or Competition with the highest prize money, as it is not mandatory to organise a Grand Prix, any CSIs with Longines Ranking competitions should have one competition with the minimum Prize Money of the Grand Prix required for their star level.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

As all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions have the status of a Grand Prix, the minimum prize money requirements indicated above for the Grand Prix are applicable to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. For CSI-W Events with a Grand Prix Competition in addition to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition, the minimum prize money requirements for the Grand Prix apply only to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition; the Grand Prix Competition at such Events cannot offer more prize money than the prize money offered for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. **This provision also applies to the competition with the highest prize money if no Grand Prix is organized.**

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

As all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions have the status of a Grand Prix, the minimum prize money requirements indicated above for the Grand Prix are applicable to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. For CSI-W Events with a Grand Prix Competition in addition to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition, the minimum prize money requirements for the Grand Prix apply only to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition; the Grand Prix Competition at such Events cannot offer more prize money than the prize money offered for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. **This provision also applies to the competition with the highest prize money if no Grand Prix is organized.**

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name						
Annex VI.1 CSI REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE						
Explanation for Proposed Change						
Add minimum heights per categories, as for the moment there are no minimum heights in the rules.						
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025						
Min./Max. height of Obstacles (n/a to CSIYH)	Cat. A: 1.00m-1.40m Cat. B: 1.00m-1.25m	CSI1*: 1.00m-1.40m CSI1*-W: According to rules	CSI2*: 1.20m-1.45m ⁴ CSI2*-W: According to rules	CSI3*: 1.20m-1.60m CSI3*-W: According to rules	CSI4*: 1.30m-1.60m CSI4*-W: According to rules	CSI5*: 1.40m-1.60m CSI5*-W: According to rules
Comments Received by 26 August 2025						
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025						
Min./Max. height of Obstacles (n/a to CSIYH, Six Bar and Puissance)	Category A: 1.00m - 1.40m Category B: 1.00m - 1.25m	CSI1*: 1.0m - 1.40m CSI1*-W: According to rules	CSI2*: 1.20m - 1.45m ⁴ CSI2*-W: According to rules	CSI3*: 1.20m - 1.60m ⁵ CSI3*-W: According to rules	CSI4*: 1.30m - 1.60m ⁵ CSI4*-W: According to rules	CSI5*: 1.40m - 1.60m ⁵ CSI5*-W: According to rules

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)						
FEI						
Article Number – Article Name						
Annex VI.1 CSI REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE Annex VI.3 CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE						
Explanation for Proposed Change						
Ensure a good repartition of the Longines Ranking Competitions during an event.						
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025						
Min N° of Longines Ranking Competitions (n/a to CSIYH)	n/a	n/a	min. 1	min. 2, to be scheduled over min. 2 days	min. 3, to be scheduled over min. 2 days	min. 4, to be scheduled over min. 2 days
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FEI Feedback						
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

Min N° of Longines Ranking Competitions (n/a to CSIYH)	n/a	n/a	min. 1	min. 2, to be scheduled over min. 2 days	min. 3, to be scheduled over min. 2 days	min. 4, to be scheduled over min. 2 days
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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex VI.2.1 **Additional Requirements for Europe**

Explanation for Proposed Change

First Bedding to be clarified, as for the moment it is not specified in the rules and some OCs are offering 1 bale, which is not enough to have a real first bedding.

We would like to clarify that one bedding means for 2 bales of 20kg each.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Bedding – Straw or Shavings	1 st bedding free (minimum 2 bales of 20kg each)	1 st bedding free (minimum 2 bales of 20kg each)	1 st bedding free (minimum 2 bales of 20kg each)	1 st bedding free and max. 5 bales of 20 kg each (or equivalent amount) free
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

Bedding – Straw or Shavings	1 st bedding free (minimum 2 bales of 20kg each)	1 st bedding free (minimum 2 bales of 20kg each)	1 st bedding free (minimum 2 bales of 20kg each)	1 st bedding free and max. 5 bales of 20 kg each (or equivalent amount) free
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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

GER NF

Article Number – Article Name

Annex VI CSI/CSIO Requirements

Article 1 and 3 (page 74 and page 79)

Explanation for Proposed Change

This rule serves to determine whether Young Horse competitions count to the overall prize-money, because this is important to establish the star level of the Event. For the sake of clarity, we propose to shorten the wording in the article.

It is not necessary to distinguish between stand-alone and multiple Events because the important message is: if a Youngster Tour consists of competitions within the Event and no extra riders may compete, these competitions count for the prize money.

If the OC allows other riders to compete, it has to be an extra CSIYH and the prize money cannot count for the overall Event (and thus for the star level).

The number of Horses per Athlete is ruled in Article 254.2 where it is also stated that separate CSIYH for each age category can be organised; this would not necessarily have to be mentioned here.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1 Prize money cannot be cumulated from multiple Events held at the same venue during the same week to establish star level. CSI-5* maximum duration is 5 days. Events at same venue over several weekends are considered separate CSIs. For these Events, the star level of the Event will be determined by the combined prize money of maximum 12 Competitions per Event, instead of the overall prize money per Event.

~~For CSIYH Events held in connection with other CSI or CSIO Events, the following applies with regard to calculation of prize money to determine the star level of the CSI/CSIO:~~

~~For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where only Athletes entered for the CSI or CSIO may participate in the YH Competitions, the prize money for the CSIYH is included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event; in this case it is not necessary to organise a separate CSIYH. Refer to Art. 254.2 for the number of Horses per Athlete.~~

~~For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where additional Athletes are invited to participate in the YH Competitions, a separate CSIYH must be organised for the Young Horse Competitions and the prize money for the CSIYH is not included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event; the OC has the option to organise be a combined CSIYH with two or more age categories or separate CSIYH for each age category. Refer to Art. 254.2 for the number of Horses per Athlete.~~

~~For CSIYH combined with multiple Events held concurrently at the same venue, (e.g. CSI2*/CSIYJ A/CSIAm A/CSI5*) the prize money for the CSIYH does not count in the overall amount to determine the star level for any one of the Events.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Accepted

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

1 Prize money cannot be cumulated from multiple Events held at the same venue during the same week to establish star level. CSI-5* maximum duration is 5 days. Events at same venue over several weekends are considered separate CSIs. For these Events, the star level of the Event will be determined by the combined prize money of maximum 12 Competitions per Event, instead of the overall prize money per Event.

~~For CSIYH Events held in connection with other CSI or CSIO Events, the following applies with regard to calculation of prize money to determine the star level of the CSI/CSIO:~~

~~For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where only Athletes entered for the CSI or CSIO may participate in the YH Competitions, the prize money for the CSIYH is included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event; in this case it is not necessary to organise a separate CSIYH. Refer to Art. 254.2 for the number of Horses per Athlete.~~

~~For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where additional Athletes are invited to participate in the YH Competitions, a separate CSIYH must be organised for the Young Horse Competitions and the prize money for the CSIYH is not included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event; the OC has the option to organise be a~~

~~combined CSIYH with two or more age categories or separate CSIYH for each age category. Refer to Art. 254.2 for the number of Horses per Athlete. For CSIYH combined with multiple Events held concurrently at the same venue, (e.g. CSI2*/CSIYJ-A/CSIAm-A/CSI5*) the prize money for the CSIYH does not count in the overall amount to determine the star level for any one of the Events.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Annex VI.3 CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarify Min. prize money for the Grand Prix or Competition with the highest prize money, as it is not mandatory to organise a Grand Prix, any CSIs with Longines Ranking competitions should have one competition with the minimum Prize Money of the Grand Prix required for their star level.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
As all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions have the status of a Grand Prix, the minimum prize money requirements indicated above for the Grand Prix are applicable to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. For CSI-W Events with a Grand Prix Competition in addition to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition, the minimum prize money requirements for the Grand Prix apply only to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition; the Grand Prix Competition at such Events cannot offer more prize money than the prize money offered for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. This provision also applies to the competition with the highest prize money if no Grand Prix is organized.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
As all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions have the status of a Grand Prix, the minimum prize money requirements indicated above for the Grand Prix are applicable to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. For CSI-W Events with a Grand Prix Competition in addition to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition, the minimum prize money requirements for the Grand Prix apply only to the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition; the Grand Prix Competition at such Events cannot offer more prize money than the prize money offered for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition. This provision also applies to the competition with the highest prize money if no Grand Prix is organized.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. ANNEX VI CSI / CSIO Requirement
Explanation for Proposed Change

2. PRIZE MONEY ADJUSTMENTS:

- To support the development of international competitions in regions facing economic challenges (e.g., South America, Eastern Europe, Africa), the proposal allows for a **30% reduction in prize money** for CSIs held in these regions.
- This reduction will only apply to CSI4 and below, ensuring that higher-level competitions maintain the standard of financial commitments.

3. STANDARDIZATION OF FEES:

- Mandatory fees (e.g., manure disposal, electricity) must align with approved lists from FEI, IJRC, AJO, and NARG.
- A detailed list of all applicable fees should be published to ensure transparency and consistency across events.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Approved Fees	Maximum amounts for Europe: VAT included
NF Fee	-
NF medication control programme fee	-
FEI EADCMR fee	18-25 CHF VAT excl.
Fee for health/customs-related documents for horses (fee per horse) if these have been requested by the Athlete	60 € (180 € non EU)
Fee for manure disposal	40 €
Fee for parking and electric hook-up for lorry	120 €
Extra bedding and/or fodder (straw, shaving, hay, haylage...)	25 €
Tack room	250 €
Extra box for tack	250 €
Extra stable for non-competing horse	250 €
Double box (in addition to the stabling fee)	50-200 €
Double box (in addition to the stabling fee) for larger horse	50 €
Premium stable (permanent stables with drinking bowls and minimum size of 3,20m x 3,20m)	100 €
Credit Card fee (if requested, the OC must provide an alternative method of payment)	3%
Additional Stall Mats	-
Mobile Separation Boards / Separation for stallion	-
Paddock Private paddock	-
Walker	-
Unloading feed	-
Head Number	-
Additional nights, before and after the event	50 €
Stable fee, break weeks between tours	300 €
Arrival after the horse inspection	120 €
Early arrival (before stables opening) with confirmation (per Athletes)	125 €

Early arrival (before stables opening) without confirmation (per Athletes)	250 €
VIP table	-
VIP passes	-
Photography	-
Comments Received by 26 August 2025	
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FEI Feedback	
The proposal of prize money adjustment has been submitted to the FEI Board who rejected it due to unfairness in between countries. A list of fees will be implemented.	
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025	
Approved Fees	Maximum amounts for Europe: VAT included
NF Fee	-
NF medication control programme fee	-
FEI EADCMR fee	18-25 CHF VAT excl.
Fee for health/customs-related documents for horses (fee per horse) if these have been requested by the Athlete	60 € (180 € non EU)
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Additional Stall Mats	-
Mobile Separation Boards / Separation for stallion	-
Paddock Private paddock	-
Walker	-
Unloading feed	-
Head Number	-
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Arrival after the horse inspection	120 €
Early arrival (before stables opening) with confirmation (per Athletes)	125 €
Early arrival (before stables opening) without confirmation (per Athletes)	250 €
VIP table	-
VIP passes	-
Photography	-

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
IJOC
Article Number – Article Name
New Annex I Definitions and Rules of Interpretations
Explanation for Proposed Change
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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
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Comments Received by 26 August 2025
IJOC - Revision Category: Inconsistency The Young Rider abbreviation article is stated as « YR » whereas in the FEI Calendar, schedules and results the abbreviation is used as « Y ». To avoid any inconsistency, we propose to use « Y » only across all FEI platforms. New proposed wording: Annex I Definitions and Rules of Interpretations Young Riders: Category of Athletes aged between 16 and 21 years who may take part in Competitions for Young Riders (referred to by the abbreviation 'Y').
FEI Feedback
Accepted.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New Annex I Young Riders: Category of Athletes aged between 16 and 21 years who may take part in Competitions for Young Riders (referred to by the abbreviation 'Y').

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
SUI NF
Article Number – Article Name
Annex IX / Chapt. II / Art. 4 – International Events (See GRs Article 102)
Explanation for Proposed Change
In xx 2.3. Minimum age of Horses seven years (for YR/U25 riders) As stated in every FEI schedule six year old horses may compete in 2* classes and in Junior classes. As such, it can be, that a Junior with less experience can ride a 135 class with the six year old horse, but a professional U25 rider cannot ride a six year old horse in a CSI-U25 110 class. (Nr. 8.1. Age of Athletes and Horses according to the event's category). We propose that it should rather be a limitation of height rather than CSI. So as to say that they cannot jump higher than 140 at U25 shows or at any shows in general with a six year old horse.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
2.3. Maximum height 1.50 m, with a proportional spread between 1.50 m and 1.80 m for U25 and Young Riders, except for the triple bar which may have a maximum spread of 1.90 m. Speed for the Grand Prix if it is a Longines Ranking Competition with a height of 1.45 m or more: minimum 375 m per minute, maximum 400 m per minute (see Art. 234.2) outdoors, and minimum 350 m per minute, maximum 375 m per minute indoors. Speed for other Competitions minimum 350 m per minute. In indoor arenas the speed may be reduced to 325 m per minute; the speed may also be reduced to 325 m per minute in outdoor arenas providing it is stated in the Schedule. Minimum age of Horses

~~seven~~ six years. Classes from 140 and higher are limited for horses with a minimum age of seven years.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

FEI – Clarification is required, as there was a discrepancy between the explanation and the proposed wording. The wording below will apply, and this provision will cover all categories as outlined in the proposed wording:

Classes from 140 and higher are limited for horses with a minimum age of seven years.

FEI Feedback

Accepted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 202.2 Minimum Horse age requirements

Horses entered in the Events or Championships listed below must meet the minimum age requirements specified below:

Events	Minimum age of Horse
Olympic Games World Championship FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final	Nine years
Continental Games Continental Championships for Seniors	Eight years
Regional Games	Eight years, except if the height of obstacles in the initial round of Competitions does not exceed 1.45 m then seven years.
CSI3* to 5* CSIO3* to 5* FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events (excluding the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final) Continental Championships for Young Riders / Juniors	Seven years
CSIU25 CSIY/CSIOY CSI1* to 2* CSIO1* to 2* CSIJ /CSIOJ CSIch/CSIOCh CSIP/CSIOP CSIV/CSIOV CSIAm Continental Championships for Pony Riders / Children / Veterans	Six years, unless the height of obstacles is 1.40 m or higher, in which case seven years.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS

Chapter II INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 4.3.2
Explanation for Proposed Change
To clarify that the water jump is only required in the Nations Cup at an outdoor CSIOY / CSIOJ Event, not indoors.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
The dimensions of obstacles for the Nations Cup Competition are as per paragraph 2.3 above for CSIOY and paragraph 2.4 above for CSIOJ. The course of the Nations Cup at outdoor CSIOY and outdoor CSIOJ must include a water jump with a maximum spread of 3.70 m and either one double and one treble combination, or three doubles. The speed for the Nations Cup at CSIOY and CSIOJ is maximum 375 m per minute outdoors, and 350 m per minute indoors
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 303.3 Nations Cup: if held outdoors, course must include Water Jump with max. spread of 3.70 m

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Chapter II INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 6 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 6.1 Art. 6.4 Art. 6.5 Art. 6.6
Explanation for Proposed Change
As of 16 th year an athlete is allowed to compete in Competitions 1.45 m. To bring the athlete's age and maximum height for Regional Games / Regional Championships more in line. To exclude Regional Championships / Regional Games with regards to participation restrictions for Continental Championships for Young Riders/Juniors.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 6.1 Age of Athletes At Regional, Continental and Olympic Games, Athletes may take part in Jumping from the year in which they reach their 18th birthday. However, Athletes may take part in Regional Games and Regional Championships for Seniors from the year in which they reach their 16th birthday, providing the height of obstacles in the initial round of Competitions of these Games and Championships does not exceed 1.40 1.45 m . Art. 6.4 The participation of a Young Rider or a Junior in a Continental Championship in one Discipline for Young Riders, respectively Juniors, does not exclude the same Athlete from participating with another Horse in a Continental Championship for Seniors in another Discipline, if the Athlete has reached the appropriate age. Art. 6.5

Once an Athlete has taken part in a **Continental** Championship Competition for Young Riders in Jumping, they can no longer go back to a Continental Championship for Juniors in Jumping.

Art. 6.6

Once an Athlete has taken part in a **World or Continental** Championship Competition for Seniors or in **Regional Continental** and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, they can no longer go back to a **Continental** Championship for Young Riders ~~or Juniors~~ in Jumping. ~~However, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate in a Championship for Juniors or in a Championship for Young Riders even if they have previously participated in Regional Games and/or Regional Championships for Seniors, providing the height of obstacles in the initial round of Competitions of the Regional Games/Championships does not exceed 1.40 m.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - For the sake of clarity, we propose to add the same wording that is used in the Eventing Rules: This provision does not apply to championships for young horses.

New proposed wording:

6.6

Resp. new: 293.3.1

Once an Athlete has taken part in a World or Continental Championship Competition for Seniors or in Continental and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, they can no longer go back to a Continental Championship for Young Riders **or Juniors** in Jumping. **This provision does not apply to championships for young horses. [...]**

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, if a Junior competes in a Senior Championship, it means they are turning 18 during the year of the Championship, and therefore they will no longer be Juniors the following year. It is agreed to include the Young Horse exception.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 292.3 Additional requirements applicable to Young Riders and Juniors

292.3.1

Once an Athlete has taken part in a World or Continental Championship Competition for Seniors or in Continental and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, they can no longer go back to a Championship for Young Riders in Jumping. However:

292.3.1.1

A Junior, from the year in which they reach their 14th birthday, may take part in the same year in both the Championship for Juniors and in certain international Competitions for Seniors on the occasion of a CSIO and a CSI (see JRs Art 205).

292.3.1.2

The participation of a Young Rider or a Junior in a Continental Championship in one Discipline for Young Riders or Juniors does not exclude the same Athlete from participating with another Horse in a Continental Championship for Seniors in another Discipline, if the Athlete has reached the appropriate age.

292.3.1.3

The participation of an Athlete in a World Championship Competition for Young Horses in Jumping does not exclude the same Athlete from participating in a Championship Competition for Young Riders or Juniors in Jumping.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Art. 6 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 6.7 CERTIFICATES OF CAPABILITY FOR FEI JUMPING EUROPEAN JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS
Explanation for Proposed Change
The Certificate of Capability is now automatically generated from the validated nominated list in the FEI entry system and linked directly to the results in the FEI Database. This sentence can therefore be removed.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Certificates of Capability for FEI European Jumping Championships for Young Rider and Juniors Only those Athletes and Horses competing internationally and likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs). This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained between 1 January of the year preceding the Championship and the closing date for the Nominated Entries in Competitions satisfying the requirements as set forth in the JRs. The procedure for qualification, set forth hereunder, must be strictly followed. Athletes and Horses are not required to qualify as combinations. Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange Athletes and Horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first Championship Competition, no further changes are permitted. For the European Young Rider and Junior Championships Athletes and Horses can qualify according to any one of the following paragraphs: ...
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained between 1 January of the year preceding the Championship and the closing date for the Nominated Entries in Competitions satisfying the requirements as set forth in the JRs.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Art. 6 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 6.7 CERTIFICATES OF CAPABILITY ... Art. 6.7.4 (SPECIAL QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS)
Explanation for Proposed Change
Special Qualifying Competitions have been removed from the rules for Senior Championships/Games for which MERs are required. All qualifications must be achieved at FEI Events (CSI/CSIO). It should therefore also be removed for the Juniors and Young Riders as a qualification option for the European Championship.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
In exceptional circumstances, if an NF finds it impossible for its Athletes to qualify as above, it may request the FEI to send a foreign assessing delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special Competition, run in accordance with FEI protocol, consisting of one round with the dimensions as set forth on a course plan

~~approved by the FEI (minimum height of obstacles as established in paragraphs 7.2 and 7.3 above for Competitions in which Certificates of Capability can be earned, i.e. at least 1.40 m for qualification for the Young Rider Championship, respectively at least 1.35 m for qualification for the Junior Championship). Athletes/Horses scoring eight Penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The foreign assessing delegate, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability. If due to unforeseen circumstances an Athlete/Horse combination has more than eight Penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the foreign assessing delegate may let this combination repeat a similar course. But in no case can an Athlete qualify if they have scored more than eight Penalties over this course.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

~~In exceptional circumstances, if an NF finds it impossible for its Athletes to qualify as above, it may request the FEI to send a foreign assessing delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special Competition, run in accordance with FEI protocol, consisting of one round with the dimensions as set forth on a course plan approved by the FEI (minimum height of obstacles as established in paragraphs 7.2 and 7.3 above for Competitions in which Certificates of Capability can be earned, i.e. at least 1.40 m for qualification for the Young Rider Championship, respectively at least 1.35 m for qualification for the Junior Championship). Athletes/Horses scoring eight Penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The foreign assessing delegate, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability. If due to unforeseen circumstances an Athlete/Horse combination has more than eight Penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the foreign assessing delegate may let this combination repeat a similar course. But in no case can an Athlete qualify if they have scored more than eight Penalties over this course.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES

Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS

Chapter II INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Art. 6 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Art. 6.7.3

Chapter III CONTINENTAL ~~AND REGIONAL~~ CHAMPIONSHIPS (YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS)

Art. 15.1.2

Annex XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Chapter IV CONTINENTAL ~~AND REGIONAL~~ CHAMPIONSHIP

Art. 21 ELIGIBILITY OF HORSES

Art. 21.1.2

Explanation for Proposed Change

Juniors

* A Horse that has taken part in a Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™ or Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO1* to CSIO5* Event in the year of the Championship is not eligible to take part in the Junior Championship unless the Horse has fulfilled the minimum eligibility criteria established above with the Junior Athlete wishing to enter the Horse in the Championship (See JRs Annex IX, Art. 15.1.2)

A Championship for Juniors is open to Horses which have not competed in a Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™ or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the current

year unless the Horse has fulfilled the minimum eligibility criteria established in Art. 6.7.3 above with the Junior Athlete wishing to enter the Horse in the Championship.

Children

The Championship is open to Horses which have not competed in a Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™ or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the preceding and/or current year.

For Juniors this only applies to Europe, for the Children this applies to all Continental Championships. For Children this should also only apply to Europe.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Align children and Junior, part of the restructuring.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. ARTICLE 291 ELIGIBILITY OF HORSES

291.1

European Continental Championships for Children are open to Horses that have not competed in a Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™ or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the preceding and/or current year.

291.2

European Continental Championships for Juniors are open to Horses that have not competed in a Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™ or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the current year unless the Horse has fulfilled the minimum eligibility criteria with the Junior Athlete wishing to enter the Horse in the Championship.

291.3

For all Championships, Horses must not have competed in any Competition for Seniors during the Event at which the Championship is being held.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

GER NF

Article Number – Article Name

Annex IX

Chapter II (international Events and Championships)

Article 7 (Participation in other categories, senior events and other championships)

Explanation for Proposed Change

At the same international Event on the same dates, Pony Riders are allowed to participate in Pony competitions and

- in competitions for Children (from the age of 12) and/or
- in competitions for Juniors (from the age of 14);
- in CSI1* and 2*;

but NOT in a CSIY or CSI U25. They are not allowed to compete in Pony competitions plus in CSIJYU25 competitions, although **Juniors** may compete. As soon as a competition is also scheduled for Young Riders, Pony Riders are excluded.

Unfortunately, last year again the framework competitions of all «O» Events for this age category were scheduled as CSIJYU25 where the Athletes of all invited age categories

were jointly in the same competitions. This means that Pony Riders, according to the FEI Rules, were out and thus could not bring a Horse in addition to their Pony. The only exception that was granted was: for individual riders if there is a free spot in the Juniors' category. But these are rare because we have many Juniors wishing to compete.

Our goal is to alter the Rules to achieve that Pony Riders can bring a Horse for a competition where also Young Riders compete – at least in such «mixed» competitions like in CSIJY.

The riders already have many days of absence from school if they compete at international level. The days where they can be excused from school are limited. As a sports federation, we must respect the needs of students and families. To gain practice and to make the most out of the Events, riders should be able to take Pony and Horse to the same Event.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1. From the year in which they reach their 14th birthday, U25 Athletes, Young Riders and Juniors may take part in certain international Competitions for Seniors with the express permission of their NF (refer to JRs Art. 255).
2. Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year. Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Ponies/Horses in Competitions other than the Nations Cup at a CSIOP and in a CSIOJ at the same venue during the same week but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events (either at the CSIOP or the CSIOJ).
~~Athletes may not participate in Competitions for Pony Riders and in Competitions for U25 Athletes or Young Riders at the same venue during the same week.~~ Athletes may not participate in a CSIOCh and in a CSIOJ, or in a CSIOJ and a CSIOY at the same venue during the same week.

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FEI Feedback

Accepted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 303.2.2.3

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week. However, they may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events.

New art. 305.3.3.3

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

New art. 306.2.2

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
SUI NF
Article Number – Article Name
Annex IX / Chapt. II / Art. 7
Explanation for Proposed Change
We would like to change that Pony riders can ride U25 classes in accordance with article 3 in Annex IX: As of now, they can ride Junior Grand Prix's up to 140 but they are not allowed to ride a 110 class in a CSI-U25.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1. From the year in which they reach their 14th birthday, U25 Athletes, Young Riders and Juniors may take part in certain international Competitions for Seniors with the express permission of their NF (refer to JRs Art. 255). 2. Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year. Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Ponies/Horses in Competitions other than the Nations Cup at a CSIOP and in a CSIOJ at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events (either at the CSIOP or the CSIOJ). Athletes may not participate in Competitions for Pony Riders and in Competitions for U25 Athletes or Young Riders at the same venue during the same week. Athletes may not participate in a CSIOCh and in a CSIOJ, or in a CSIOJ and a CSIOY at the same venue during the same week.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Accepted.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 303.2.2.3 Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week. However, they may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. New art. 305.3.3.3 Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week. New art. 306.2.2 Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name

Annex IX art. 7.2 RULES FOR U25, YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS

Annex XI art. 7.1,3 RULES FOR PONY RIDERS

Annex XII art. 6.1.3 RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Explanation for Proposed Change

In addition to the received proposals from the GER NF and the SUI NF concerning the Ponies / U25 / Young Riders it is proposed to open the CSIO categories, however keeping certain restrictions for the Nations Cup Competition, to allow for more flexibility.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

U25, Young Riders and Juniors

Art. 7.2

Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year. ~~Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Ponies/Horses in Competitions other than the Nations Cup at a CSIOP and in a CSIOJ at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events (either at the CSIOP or the CSIOJ). Athletes may not participate in Competitions for Pony Riders and in Competitions for U25 Athletes or Young Riders at the same venue during the same week. Athletes may not participate in a CSIOCh and in a CSIOJ, or in a CSIOJ and a CSIOY at the same venue during the same week.~~ Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses/Ponies in Competitions other than the Nations Cup in more than one CSIO Event for youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events.

Ponies

Art. 7.1

A Pony Rider may compete, with a Horse, in Competitions for Young Riders, Juniors and/or Children - if of the appropriate age - without losing their status as a Pony Rider and providing the height of obstacles in the Competitions concerned do not exceed the height restrictions applicable to the Athlete's age (see JRs Art. 255.2). ~~However, Pony Riders may not take part in Competitions for Pony Riders and in Competitions for Young Riders or in U25 Competitions at the same venue during the same week; any Pony Rider who takes part in Pony Competitions and in Competitions for Young Riders or in U25 Competitions at the same venue during the same week will be disqualified from both Events. Refer to JRs Art. 255 for participation in Competitions for Seniors.~~

Art. 7.3

~~Athletes of the appropriate age may take part with a Pony in all Competitions, including the Nations Cup, at a CSIOP and with a Horse in all Competitions, including the Nations Cup, at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week. Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Ponies/Horses in Competitions other than the Nations Cup at a CSIOP and CSIOJ at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events (either at the CSIOP or the CSIOJ).~~

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses/Ponies in Competitions other than the Nations Cup in more than one CSIO Event for youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

Children

Art. 6.1.3

~~An Athlete may not participate in a CSIOCh and in a CSIOJ at the same venue during the same week. Athletes of the appropriate age may, however, participate with a Horse in all~~

~~Competitions, including the Nations Cup, at a CSIOCh and with a Pony in all Competitions, including the Nations Cup, at a CSIOP at the same venue during the same week. Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses/Ponies in Competitions other than the Nations Cup in more than one CSIO Event for youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We are very happy that our proposal about starting possibilities for Pony Riders was accepted. What is missing is the information about U25. As a rule, the competitions are not just for one age category, but scheduled in a CSIJYU25. To avoid misunderstandings, we would like to have a clear statement that Pony Riders may participate in such CSIJYU25.

New proposed wording:

Add: Athletes of the appropriate age, including Pony Riders, may participate in CSIJYU25

NED NF - In addition to the received proposals from the GER NF and the SUI NF concerning the Ponies / U25 / Young Riders it is proposed to open the CSIO categories, however keeping certain restrictions for the Nations Cup Competition, to allow for more flexibility

We would like to change that all youth riders can compete at all categories, with the appropriate age, on a CSI and CSIO youth competition.

New proposed wording :

U25, Young Riders and Juniors

Art. 7.2 Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year. Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses/Ponies in Competitions other than the Nations Cup in more than one CSIO Event for youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events.

Ponies

Art. 7.1

A Pony Rider may compete, with a Horse, in Competitions for U25, Young Riders, Juniors and/or Children - if of the appropriate age - without losing their status as a Pony Rider and providing the height of obstacles in the Competitions concerned do not exceed the height restrictions applicable to the Athlete's age (see JRs Art. 255.2).

Art. 7.3

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses/Ponies in Competitions other than the Nations Cup in more than one CSIO Event for youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

Children

Art. 6.1.3

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses/Ponies in Competitions other than the Nations Cup in more than one CSIO and CSI Event for youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the provision is agreed and already accepted. The wording in the first draft was not sufficiently clear, and the wording will be improved.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 303.2.2.3

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week. However, they may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events.

New art. 305.3.3.3

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

New art. 306.2.2

Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES

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Annex XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Annex XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS

Art. 9 PRIZES Art. 8 (Children) Art. 9 (Ponies)

Art. 9.3.1 Art. 8.3.1 (Children) Art. 9.3.1 (Ponies)

Explanation for Proposed Change

To remove the Farewell Competition from all Continental Championships.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

3. In Championships, the following minimum number of awards must be presented:

~~3.1 In the Farewell Competition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes.~~

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~~3.1 In the Farewell Competition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Annex XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS Annex XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS Art. 10 SCHOOLING OF HORSES (PONIES) Art. 9 HORSES (Children) Art. 10.1 Art. 9.1 SCHOOLING (Children)
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarification is required on whether at a Championship the training session is considered a Competition. Under the current rules the training session at the Championship is included in the Competitions Article. With the training session normally taking place one day before the first Competition, according to the current wording on schooling of Horses it would be allowed for anyone else other than the Athlete himself to do the training session if taking place before 18.00 hours.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1. Under penalty of disqualification, it is not permitted for a Young Rider's or a Junior's Horse to be schooled by anyone else other than the Athlete himself mounted in the saddle, in or outside the venue where an Event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event or the official training session at a Championship until the conclusion of the whole Event or Championship (not applicable to U25 Category). However, lunging, work in hand, etc. by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the stewards, are permitted.
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 303.4 Training of Horses (U25, Young Rider, Junior) Under penalty of Disqualification, it is not permitted for an Athlete's Horse to be trained by anyone else other than the Athlete themselves when mounted in the saddle, in or outside the venue where an Event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event until the conclusion of the whole Event (not applicable to U25 Category). However, lunging, work in hand, etc. by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the Stewards, is permitted. This JRs Art 303.4 does not apply to Events for borrowed Horses (see JRs Art 204.4.5).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Chapter III CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 13.4 Annex XII RULES Chapter IV CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 19.5 Annex XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS Chapter III INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 22.4

Explanation for Proposed Change

This should be the same for the youth categories. In reality, even in the youth categories, each Athlete brings their own groom to Events to take care of the Horses and it is important that the same person taking care of the Horses can also do that at the Championship.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~Art. 13.4~~~~Art. 19.5~~~~Art. 22.4~~

~~NFs are entitled to send one groom for each two Ponies with a maximum of two grooms per team.~~

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~~Art. 13.4~~~~Art. 19.5~~

~~NFs are e~~

per team to CSIOCh Events and Championships.
Art. 22.4

~~NFs are e~~

per team:

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

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Chapter IV CONTINENTAL ~~AND REGIONAL~~ JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Art. 13.1

Art. 19.1 (Children)

Art. 14.1.1

Art. 20.1.1 (Children)

Art. 14.1.2

Art. 20.1.2 (Children)

Art. 16.4.2.1

Art. 22.3.2.1 (Children)

Art. 16.4.2.2

Art. 22.3.2.2 (Children)

Art. 18.1

Art. 24.1 (Children)

Art. 18.2

Art. 24.2 (Children)

Explanation for Proposed Change

To remove all references to Regional/Region in the Continental and Regional Championships chapter as this will be separated in the rules.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 13.1

After the approval of the Schedule by the FEI Jumping Director, the invitations, together with the Schedule, are sent to the appropriate NFs of the Continent ~~or Region~~ by the host NF.

Art. 14.1.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships in Europe, Chefs d'Equipe must declare the composition of their team (minimum three, maximum four Athletes/Horses) to the OC in writing, before 18.00 hours, on the day preceding the second Competition (Team Final). The fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may take part in the second Competition as an individual and in the third (Individual Final) Competition if qualified.

Art. 14.1.2

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships outside of Europe, the Chefs d'Equipe must declare the composition of their team (minimum three, maximum four Athletes/Horses) to the OC in writing, before 18.00 hours, on the day preceding the first Competition. The fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may take part in the first and second Competitions as an individual, and in the third (Individual Final) Competition if qualified.

Art. 16.4.2.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships in Europe, the starting order in the second Competition will be according to a draw in the first round. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 16.4.2.2

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships outside of Europe, the starting order in the second Competition will be according to a draw in the first round. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 18.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships in Europe, the team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes per team in each of the two rounds of the Team Final. For those teams not qualified for the second round the results of the best three Athletes per nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the Team Final count.

Art. 18.2

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships outside Europe, the team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes per team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes per team in each of the two rounds of the Team Final. For those teams not qualified for the second round the results of the best three Athletes per team in the first Competition and in the first round of the Team Final count.

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art.

CHAPTER XIII CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR YOUTH AND VETERANS

CHAPTER XII CONTINENTAL AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) FOR SENIORS

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Chapter III CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS) Art. 14 DECLARATIONS OF STARTERS AND SUBSTITUTIONS Art. 14.3
Explanation for Proposed Change
Substitutions is covered in the entry procedure for the Championship. Substitutions for the Championship can still be done until one hour prior to the Horse Inspection with horses from the nominated list.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
3. If the Championship is held concurrently with a CSI the OC may allow the Athletes participating in the Championship to take part with different Horses in the Competitions of the CSI (Article 7 above). The Horses to be ridden in the Championship must, however, be declared before arrival at the Event and may not be substituted.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
The Horses to be ridden in the Championship must, however, be declared before arrival at the Event and may not be substituted.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ANNEX IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS CHAPTER III CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS) ARTICLE 16 COMPETITIONS 4. Second Competition (Team Final, second Individual)
Explanation for Proposed Change
Currently there are sixteen (16) draws for starting orders at the North American Youth Championships. Draws for the first Competition - individual and team; the second Competition - individual and team across four categories. The proposed rule change would eliminate the burden and confusion of the draw for the second Competition. The order would be according to the reverse order of penalties incurred by the best three athletes per team from the first Competition.
This change would bring the format of reverse order of penalties into line with other senior Championships.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 16.4.2.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships in Europe, the starting order in the **first round of the second Competition** will be according to ~~a draw in the first round the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition~~. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 16.4.2.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships outside of Europe, the starting order in the second Competition will be according to ~~a draw in the first round the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition~~. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 16.4.2.3

In the **first and** second round individual Athletes will start **in reverse order** before the teams.

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FEI Feedback

Partially accepted, the provision has been accepted with the precision see FEI proposal.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 299.2 Starting order

299.2.1 Round one

299.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

299.2.1.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 295.2.1.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Arts 295.2.2 and 295.2.3.

299.2.2 Round two

299.2.2.1 Individuals

First to start in round two of the second Competition are qualified individuals. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

299.2.2.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in round two of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and by the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order of the teams qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in round one of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the starting order of round one. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(c) Scores of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in round two will count for the classification of their team in the second Competition but also as their personal result in the second Competition if they are among the Athletes mentioned in JRs Art 299.1.2.

(d) The starting order in a possible jump-off will revert to the starting order of round two.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES

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Chapter III CONTINENTAL ~~AND REGIONAL~~ CHAMPIONSHIPS (YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS)

Art. 16 COMPETITIONS

Art. 16.4 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 16.4.2 STARTING ORDER IN THE SECOND COMPETITION

Annex XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Chapter IV CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Art. 22 COMPETITIONS

Art. 22.3 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 22.3.2 STARTING ORDER IN THE SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL)

Annex XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS

Art. 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Art. 22.6.3 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 22.6.3.2 STARTING ORDER IN THE SECOND COMPETITION

Explanation for Proposed Change

Remove the new draw for the first round of the Second Competition, it is proposed that the same as for the Senior Continental Championship with individuals first in reverse order following by all teams in reverse order (*not using 2 Groups of teams*) should apply. Final wording for all four categories will be brought in line with the complete wording used for the Senior Championships.

The current wording for the youth categories is quite concise.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 16.4.2.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships in Europe, the starting order in the **first round of the second Competition** will be according to ~~a draw in the first round the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition.~~ In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 16.4.2.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships outside of Europe, the starting order in the second Competition will be according to ~~a draw in the first round the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition.~~ In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 16.4.2.3

In the **first and** second round individual Athletes will start **in reverse order** before the teams.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 299.2 Starting order

299.2.1 Round one

299.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

299.2.1.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 295.2.1.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Arts 295.2.2 and 295.2.3.

299.2.2 Round two

299.2.2.1 Individuals

First to start in round two of the second Competition are qualified individuals. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

299.2.2.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in round two of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and by the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order of the teams qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in round one of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the starting order of round one. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(c) Scores of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in round two will count for the classification of their team in the second Competition but also as their personal result in the second Competition if they are among the Athletes mentioned in JRs Art 299.1.2.

(d) The starting order in a possible jump-off will revert to the starting order of round two.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article No.–Article Name

New article:

World and Continental Championship for Seniors

Second Competition

287.2 Starting order

287.2.1 Round one

287.2.1.1 Individuals

287.2.1.2 Teams

Continental Championships for Youth and Veterans

296.2 Declarations

296.2.2 For Veteran Championships

296.2.3 For Continental Championships for Juniors, Young Riders and Children outside of Europe

Second Competition

300.2	Starting order
300.2.1	Round one
300.2.1.1	Individuals
300.2.1.2	Teams

Explanation for Proposed Change

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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

FEI - Taking out the draw for the second Competition (take out two groups for Continental Championship for Seniors)

For this proposal the following was not included in the new proposed wording and should be added for clarification

FEI Feedback

Accepted.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 287.2 Starting order

287.2.1 Round one

287.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

287.2.1.2 Teams

The starting order of the teams is set according to the reverse order of the total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 283.2.2.

287.2.2 Round two

287.2.2.1 Individuals

First to start in round two of the second Competition are qualified individuals. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

287.2.2.2 Teams

The starting order of the teams qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in round one of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the starting order of round one. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

295.2 Declarations

295.2.1 For Juniors, Young Riders and Children in Europe:

295.2.1.1

The Chefs d'Equipe must declare the composition of their team (minimum three, maximum four Athletes/Horses) to the OC in writing before 18.00 hours on the day preceding the second Competition. The fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may take part in the second Competition as an individual and in the third Competition if qualified.

295.2.1.2

At the time of declaring team compositions under JRs Art 295.2.1.1, the Chefs d'Equipe must also designate in writing the order in which they wish their team Athletes to start in the second Competition. The Chefs d'Equipe of the teams with only three Athletes may choose in which of the three places out of four they will start their Athletes. The starting order of the teams is determined in accordance with JRs Art 299.2.1.2.

295.2.2 For Juniors, Young Riders and Children outside of Europe:

295.2.2.1

The Chefs d'Equipe must declare the composition of their team (minimum three, maximum four Athletes/Horses) to the OC in writing, before 18.00 hours, on the day preceding the first Competition. The fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may take part in the first and second Competitions as an individual, and in the third Competition if qualified.

295.2.2.2

The declaration of the starting order of the Athletes within each team for the second Competition will take place after the first Competition. At a time fixed by the OC, the Chefs d'Equipe must designate in writing the order in which they wish their team Athletes to start in the second Competition. The Chefs d'Equipe of the teams with only three Athletes may choose in which of the three places out of four they will start their Athletes. The starting order of the teams is determined in accordance with JRs Art 299.2.1.2.

295.2.3 For Veterans:

295.2.3.1

The declaration of starters for the first Competition will take place after the training session, which must be provided on the day preceding the first Competition of the Championship. At a time fixed by the OC, the Chefs d'Equipe must designate in writing the members of their team (three or four) or their individual Athletes and the names of their Horses (a single and same Horse for each Athlete for the three Competitions of the Championship) as starters in the Competitions of the Championship. The fifth (reserve) Athlete of nations having sent a team of five may take part in the individual Championship with one Horse.

295.2.3.2

The declaration of the starting order of the Athletes within each team for the second Competition will take place after the first Competition. At a time fixed by the OC, the Chefs d'Equipe must designate in writing the order in which they wish their team Athletes to start in the second Competition. The Chefs d'Equipe of the teams with only three Athletes may choose in which of the three places out of four they will start their Athletes. The starting order of the teams is determined in accordance with JRs Art 299.2.1.2.

299.2 Starting order

299.2.1 Round one

299.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

299.2.1.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 295.2.1.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Arts 295.2.2 and 295.2.3.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

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Art. 16.4 SECOND COMPETITION

Art. 16.4.4 NUMBER OF TEAMS IN THE SECOND ROUND

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Art. 22.3 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 22.3.5 NUMBER OF TEAMS IN THE SECOND ROUND

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Art. 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Art. 22.6.3 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 22.6.3.2 STARTING ORDER IN THE SECOND COMPETITION

Explanation for Proposed Change

To remove the following rule (Art. 18.3):

Team Athletes not completing the first or second round of the Team Final receive 20 Penalties more than the worst placed team Athlete who has finished that particular round. If the Athlete concerned had obtained more Penalties before being eliminated or retiring than the worst placed team Athlete having completed the Competition, 20 Penalties will be added to the number of Penalties they had obtained at the time of being eliminated or retiring.

This requires a small clarification.

To update North American combined Championships to 'outside of Europe' to include the South American Championship as well for Juniors / Young Riders as well as for Children. The number of teams for the second round for Children for outside of Europe needs to be specified.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Juniors / Young Riders:

Art. 16.4.4.1

The second round is open only to the ten best teams based on the total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round and those teams tied on Penalties for 10th place. Before the ten best placed teams and those placed equal for 10th place begin their second round, all individuals and team members not qualified for the second round may take part in a second--round qualifier for the third Competition **if not eliminated or retiring in the first round**. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between the second--round qualifier and the second round of the Team Final.

Art. 16.4.4.2

For the **North American** combined Championships **outside of Europe** for Juniors and Young Riders, the following applies:

The second round of the Team Final is open only to the six best placed teams and those teams tied on Penalties for the sixth place following the first round of the Team Final.

Children:

Art. 22.3.5

Art. 22.3.5.1

The second round is only open to the ten best teams following the first qualifying Competition and the first round of the Team Competition and those teams tied on Penalties for 10th place.

Before the ten best placed teams and those placed equal for 10th place begin their second round, all individuals and team members not qualified for the second round may take part in a second--round qualifier for the third Competition **if not eliminated or retiring in the first round**. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between this second--round qualifier and the second round of the Team Competition.

Art. 22.3.5.2

For Championships outside of Europe combined with other youth categories, the following applies:

The second round of the Team Final is open only to the six best placed teams and those teams tied on Penalties for the sixth place following the first round of the Team Final.

Ponies:

Art. 22.6.3.2

The second round is open only to the ten best teams following the first Competition and the first round of the Team Final and those teams tied for 10th place.

Before the ten best placed teams and those tied for 10th place begin their second round, all individuals and team members not qualified for the second round may take part in a second--round qualifier for the third Competition **if not eliminated or retiring in the first round**. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between the second--round qualifier and the second round of the Team Competition.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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New art. 299.1.2 Round two

299.1.2.1 Individuals

Round two of the second Competition is open to all individual Athletes if not Eliminated or retired in round one. Any Team Athlete whose team is not qualified for round two may take part in round two as an individual if not Eliminated or retired in round one.

299.1.2.2 Teams

- (a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, round two of the second Competition is open to the 10 best placed teams (and those teams equal on Penalties for 10th place) based on the total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in round one.
- (b) For Veterans, all teams may compete in round two of the second Competition if not Eliminated or retired in round one.
- (c) For Championships outside of Europe combined with other Youth categories, round two of the second Competition is open only to the six best placed teams and those teams tied on Penalties for the sixth place based on the total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in round one.
- (d) All teams allowed to compete in round two of the second Competition carry their Penalties forward from the first Competition and round one of the second Competition.
- (e) Members of teams who are not among the Athletes eligible to compete in round two of the second Competition may take part in round two only for the purpose of having their score count for the team classification.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

New article:

World and Continental Championship for Seniors

287.1.2 Round two

287.1.2.1 Individuals

Continental Championships for Youth and Veterans

300.1.2 Round two

300.1.2.1 Individuals

Explanation for Proposed Change

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FEI - New proposal to remove the following applicable for Round two of the Second Competition for all Championships

FEI Feedback

Accepted as never applied.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

World and Continental Championship for Seniors

287.1.2 Round two

287.1.2.1 Individuals

- (a) Round two of the second Competition is open to the following number of best placed Athletes according to their classification following the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition:
- (i) World Championship: 60 best placed Athletes plus those tied for 60th place; or
 - (ii) Continental Championships: 50 best placed Athletes plus those tied for 50th place.
- (b) The individuals among the 60/50 best placed Athletes (plus those tied for those places), as applicable, will compete before the 10 best placed teams (and those with equality of penalties for 10th place). For the avoidance of doubt, team Athletes who are among the 60/50 best placed Athletes (as applicable), but whose team is not qualified for round two, are permitted to take part in round two as individuals.
- ~~There must be an interval of at least 30 minutes between the second round for individuals and the second round for the teams.~~

Continental Championships for Youth and Veterans

299.1.2 Round two

299.1.2.1 Individuals

- ~~(a)~~ Round two of the second Competition is open to all individual Athletes if not Eliminated or retired in round one. Any Team Athlete whose team is not qualified for round two may take part in round two as an individual if not Eliminated or retired in round one.
- ~~(b) — There must be an interval of at least 30 minutes between the second round for individuals and the second round for the teams.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

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Art. 22.4.1 FAREWELL COMPETITION / Art. 23.5

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Art. 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Art. 22.6.4 FAREWELL COMPETITION / Art. 16.3.1

Explanation for Proposed Change

To remove the Farewell Competition from all Continental Championships.
In Europe the Chefs d'Equipe have indicated that a Farewell Competition is not needed. It is currently optional for Juniors and Young Riders and mandatory for Children and Ponies. The Farewell Competition is not included in the schedule for the CH-EU-Y-J-Ch Riesenbeck 2025.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

16.5 Farewell Competition

~~At the discretion of the Organising Committee one individual Farewell Competition may be organised for those who are not qualified to participate in the Individual Final of the Championship. The Farewell Competition for Young Riders and Juniors, if organised, may be combined if there is not a sufficient number of Young Riders and Juniors interested in taking part. This Competition, if organised, is judged either under Table A against the clock without a jump-off (see JRs Art. 238.2.1) or under Table A against the clock with one jump-off against the clock in case of equality of Penalties for first place. (see JRs Art. 238.2.2).~~

17.5 Farewell Competition

~~The obstacles for the Farewell Competition, if organised, must have a height of approximately 1.40 m for Young Riders and 1.30 m for Juniors with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.60 m.~~

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FEI Feedback

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16.5 Farewell Competition

~~At the discretion of the Organising Committee one individual Farewell Competition may be organised for those who are not qualified to participate in the Individual Final of the Championship. The Farewell Competition for Young Riders and Juniors, if organised, may be combined if there is not a sufficient number of Young Riders and Juniors interested in taking part. This Competition, if organised, is judged either under Table A against the clock without a jump-off (see JRs Art. 238.2.1) or under Table A against the clock with one jump-off against the clock in case of equality of Penalties for first place. (see JRs Art. 238.2.2).~~

17.5 Farewell Competition

~~The obstacles for the Farewell Competition, if organised, must have a height of approximately 1.40 m for Young Riders and 1.30 m for Juniors with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.60 m.~~

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Art. 16.6 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

Art. 6.1 RUNNING

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Art. 22.4.2 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

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Art. 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 22.6.5 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)
Explanation for Proposed Change
Rewording is required for a correct interpretation.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Qualified to participate are the top 60% of the Athletes (including those tied for the last qualification place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and the second qualifying Competitions, providing 60% of the Athletes is not more than 30 Athletes. The number of Athletes permitted to participate must not be less than 15, unless even if 60% of the Athletes is less than 15, and not more than 30.
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 300.1.1.1 Round A (c) In all other cases: the top 60% of Athletes (including those tied for the last qualifying place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions. The number of Athletes permitted to participate in round A must be at least 15, even if 60% of the Athletes is less than 15, and no more than 30. However, all Athletes with equal Penalties for the last qualification place are permitted to participate in round A of the third Competition even if the number of starters would then be more than 30.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
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Explanation for Proposed Change
To remove the minimum length of the course. The minimum/maximum length for Children and Ponies is not defined.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 17.1 Minimum/maximum length: 500/600 m Art. 17.2 Minimum/maximum length: 500/600 m (Round 1 and Round 2) Art. 17.3 Minimum/maximum length: 500/600 m (Round A) Minimum/maximum length: 450/550 m (Round B)
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New art. 298.4.1
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m
 New art. 299.51
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m (Round 1 and Round 2)
 New art. 300.7.1
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m (Round A)
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~450~~/550 m (Round B)

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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CHAPTER III CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS)

ARTICLE 17 OBSTACLES AND COURSES

Explanation for Proposed Change

The length of the course requirements for senior Nations Cups were adjusted during the 2022 rule revision. The adjustment to the current rules for Young Riders and Juniors would bring the Youth Championship requirements in line with the current senior nations cup length of course rules.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 17.1
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m
 Art. 17.2
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m (Round 1 and Round 2)
 Art. 17.3
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m (Round A)
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~450~~/550 m (Round B)

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FEI Feedback

Partially accepted, see FEI proposal, it has been decided to remove the minimum length, only to keep the maximum length.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 298.4.1
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m
 New art. 299.51
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m (Round 1 and Round 2)
 New art. 300.7.1
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~500~~/600 m (Round A)
~~Minimum~~/maximum length: ~~450~~/550 m (Round B)

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SUI NF
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Explanation for Proposed Change
As discussed with Kevin Guttman we are trying to describe our general thoughts / general guidelines for age limits / restrictions of participating in multiple CSI(O)s for Youth athletes instead of trying to give proposals for modifications of each article: We think it should be possible that Youth athletes (all categories incl. Pony riders and Children) may participate in as many competitions as possible and we would rather limit the height of the competitions they are allowed in than the categories – but we don't know if you can control this then via the Entry system. • From the year in which they reach their 12th birthday → up to 130cm • From the year in which they reach their 14th birthday → up to 140cm • From the year in which they reach their 16th birthday → open We support the existing rule that they may only participate in 1 Nations Cup competition per weekend (exception CSIOCh and CSIOP – which is currently as well allowed) → but that they are allowed to compete in more than 1 CSIO in the other classes We support as well Art. 255.2 (exclusions)
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
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Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Please see FEI Proposal, restrictions to participate in other youth categories will be removed from the rules, except for Nations Cup.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 303.2.2.3 Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week. However, they may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. New art. 305.3.3.3 Athletes of the appropriate age may participate, with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week. New art. 306.2.2 Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with different Horses in Competitions (other than the Nations Cup) in more than one CSI Event and/or CSIO Event for Youth at the same venue during the same week, but may only participate in one Nations Cup Competition at such Events. As an exception, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate with a Pony in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOP and with a Horse in the Nations Cup Competition at a CSIOCh at the same venue during the same week.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
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Explanation for Proposed Change
Such speed can only be used in very large arenas which are mostly not those where the Championship is organised.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Young Riders Speed 400 375 m/min.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
Young Riders Speed 400 375 m/min.

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JUMPING RULES Annex IX RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS Chapter III CONTINENTAL AND-REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS) Art. 18 TEAM CLASSIFICATION Art. 18.3 Annex XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS Chapter IV CONTINENTAL AND-REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Art. 24 TEAM CLASSIFICATION Art. 24.3 Annex XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS Art. 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 22.13 TEAM CLASSIFICATION Art. 22.13.2
Explanation for Proposed Change
This is too confusing and from a technical point of view for the team classification as well as the individual classification very difficult to implement. Athletes should just be indicated as EL/RET in the Team Final for the round in question and for a team EL if more than one team Athlete has been eliminated or retired for the round in question.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
3. Team Athletes not completing the first or second round of the Team Final receive 20 Penalties more than the worst placed team Athlete who has finished that particular round. If the Athlete concerned had obtained more Penalties before being eliminated or retiring than the worst placed team Athlete having completed the Competition, 20 Penalties will be

~~added to the number of Penalties they had obtained at the time of being eliminated or retiring.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

USA NF - At the North American Youth Championships, there are years when there may be limited teams in an age category (ie Children's – 4 Teams) and many of the Teams are made up of three athletes. If an athlete from these three athlete teams is eliminated then the Team is no longer eligible to continue in the Team Competition and could potentially mean the podium is not filled. With these age categories, the aim is to provide opportunity and experience and we believe for the Continental Championships outside of Europe that "20 penalty" rule allows for a better Team experience in regions of the world where there are limited Teams participating.

New proposed wording:

Article 18.3

For Regional and Continental Championships outside Europe, Team Athletes not completing the first or second round of the Team Final receive 20 Penalties more than the worst place team Athlete who has finished that particular round. If the Athlete concerned had obtained more Penalties before being eliminated or retiring than the worst placed team Athlete having completed the Competition, 20 Penalties will be added to the number of Penalties they had obtained at the time of being eliminated or retiring.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the FEI agrees to amend the article as proposed from USA NF.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 299.3 Team placing

299.3.1 Young Riders, Juniors, Children, and Pony Riders

299.3.1.1

Subject to Art 299.3.1.2, the team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. For those teams not qualified for round two the results of the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the second Competition count.

299.3.1.2 For Continental Championships for Young Riders, Juniors, and Children outside Europe:

(a) The team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes per team in the first Competition and by the best three Athletes per team in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. For those teams not qualified for the second round the results of the best three Athletes per team in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the second Competition count.

(b) Team Athletes not completing the first or second round of the second Competition receive 20 Penalties more than the worst placed team Athlete who has finished that particular round. If the Athlete concerned had obtained more Penalties before being eliminated or retiring than the worst placed team Athlete having completed the Competition,

20 Penalties will be added to the number of Penalties they had obtained at the time of being eliminated or retiring.

299.3.1.3

In the case of equality of Penalties between the teams for first, second, and/or third place, a jump-off Against the Clock in which all team Athletes participate is mandatory. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and second place. The classification in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties and the times incurred by the best three Athletes in each team.

299.3.1.4

In case of further equality (of Penalties and time), the teams will be placed equal.

299.3.1.5

In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing, the teams will be placed equal.

299.3.1.6

In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for this Competition.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
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JUMPING RULES Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS Art. 5 ORGANISATION Art. 5.2 Art. 5.3
Explanation for Proposed Change
Correction in the wording. To remove the non-Championship Competitions within the Championship category. This can be replaced by an additional CSI Event. The Championship category should only be open to Championship Athletes with one horse each.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 5.2 The Championship A CSI may be held together with a CSI the Championship but not as part of a CSIO . If the Championship is held on its own, the programme for the Championship must provide also for Competitions open to Athletes entered in the Championship riding Horses which are not taking part in the Championship. The programme for each day may include one or two Competitions. Each Horses may only compete in one Competition per day. The conditions for these Competitions must be presented to the Secretary General of the FEI for approval. Art. 5.3 If the Championship is held together with a CSI, the training session on the first day is only open to Athletes of the Championship. For Athletes of the CSI, separate Competitions may be organised. From the second day on, the Athletes may be mixed.
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New art. 290.1.9

The Championship may be held together with a CSI but not with a CSIO. If the Championship is held together with a CSI, (i) the training session on the first day is only open to Athletes and Horses of the Championship, and (ii) the OC may allow the Athletes participating in the Championship to take part with different Horses in the CSI Competitions.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

Art. 6 FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE, VETERINARY COMMISSION AND COURSE DESIGNER

Art. 7 GROUND JURY

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 259 (and the Veterinary Regulations).

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~Art.-6~~

~~1. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs and the JRs. They must be selected from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.~~

~~2. The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of the President and members must comply with the requirements of the VRs.~~

~~3. The Course Designer must be chosen from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.~~

~~Art.-7~~

~~1. The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs and JRs Art. 259.1. The President of the Ground Jury appoints the Ground Jury members in consultation with the OC and the FEI and in accordance with the requirements of JRs Art. 259.1.~~

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~~Art.-6~~

~~1. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs and the JRs. They must be selected from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.~~

~~2. The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of the President and members must comply with the requirements of the VRs.~~

~~3. The Course Designer must be chosen from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.~~

~~Art.-7~~

~~1. The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs and JRs Art. 259.1. The President of the Ground Jury appoints the Ground Jury members in consultation with the OC and the FEI and in accordance with the requirements of JRs Art. 259.1.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS Art. 8 ENTRIES Art. 8.3 Art. 8.5 Art. 8.6
Explanation for Proposed Change
With the removal of the non-Championship Competitions within the Championship category, the maximum entries at both the nominated and definite entries for the Championship are corrected to one Horse per Athlete. South American Championship for Veterans are not being held.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 8.3 Teams A team comprises at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and ten five Horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of ten Athletes and 20 ten Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and ten five Horses with its definite entries. Each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes, all of whom may take part in the Championship (refer to Art. 9.1), and ten five Horses to the Championship. Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe to whom will be accorded the same privileges as the Athletes. Art. 8.5 Non-Championship Horses The Horses of team members and individuals not taking part in the Championship Competitions may compete in the non-Championship Competitions. Art. 8.6 FEI South American Championships—Number of teams and individuals A minimum of three NFs must be represented by teams. A minimum of three teams are required for this Event to be recognised as a Championship. Each NF may not be represented by more than two teams. Athletes and/or Horses may not change from one team to another team during the Championship. A maximum of two individual Athletes only are allowed to participate per NF, if the NF in question sends one team to the Championship. If the NF is not represented by a team, two individual Athletes may participate for the NF in question.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 294.2 Teams 294.2.1 A team comprises at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and five Horses. 294.2.2 Each NF may enter a maximum of ten Athletes and ten Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses with its definite entries. All five Athletes and five Horses are allowed to take part in the team (see JRs Art 295.2.1) and individual Competitions of the Championship. However, outside of Europe, NFs concerned may determine the number of teams and the regional basis for team representation.
Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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JUMPING RULES Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS Art. 11 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES
Explanation for Proposed Change
To be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 200.6.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1. The OC is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President of the Ground Jury. 2. The OC is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Veterinary Commission and the Technical Delegate.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
1. The OC is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President of the Ground Jury. 2. The OC is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Veterinary Commission and the Technical Delegate.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
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JUMPING RULES Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS Art. 14 FIRST COMPETITION (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 14.2 Art. 15 SECOND COMEPTITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL) Art. 15.2 Art. 16 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL) Art. 16.2.1 Art. 16.2.2
Explanation for Proposed Change
To remove the minimum length of the course.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 14.2 Length: 500-m minimum , 600 m maximum. Art. 15.2 Length: 500-m minimum , 700 600 m maximum. (<i>First and Second Round</i>) Art. 16.2.1 Length: 500-m minimum , 600 m maximum. (<i>Round A</i>) Art. 16.2.2 Length: 400-m minimum , 500 m maximum. (<i>Round B</i>)
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New art. 298.4.1
Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum.
New art. 299.5.2
Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, ~~700~~ 600 m maximum. (*First and Second Round*)
New art. 300.7.2
Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum. (*Round A*)
New art. 300.7.2
Length: ~~400 m minimum~~, 500 m maximum. (*Round B*)

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JUMPING RULES
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Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS
Art. 15 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)
Art. 15.2

Explanation for Proposed Change

Correction of the height of two vertical obstacles as the height of the competition is maximum 1.25 m.
Any reference to sloping walls is to be removed, to be applied for the whole Jumping Rules.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Obstacles, Length of the courses
Twelve to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.25 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 1.35 m (1.70 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be ~~1.30~~ 1.25 m in height (~~sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles~~). At least six other obstacles of at least 1.25 m in height. No water jump.
Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, ~~700~~ 600 m maximum.
After Consultation with the Course Designer, the Ground Jury may decide to move the obstacles sideways following the first round depending on the condition of the footing. The course must be re-measured if there is a change in the length. If the position of any of the obstacles is altered, the Athletes will be permitted to inspect the course before the second round.

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New art. 299.5.2

Course specifications for Veteran Championships – Second Competition	
Rounds	Two equal rounds run over one or two days
Number of obstacles	12-14
Obstacle height	Max. 1.25 m (at least 2 verticals of 1.25 m)
Obstacle spread	Max 1.35 m (or 1.70 m for triple bar)
Water Jump	Not permitted
Combinations	1 double and 1 triple; or 3 doubles
Course length	Max. 600 m
Other specifications	Each round must have at least two vertical obstacles of 1.25 m and at least six other obstacles of at least 1.25 m in height. After Consultation with the Course Designer, the Ground Jury may decide to move the obstacles sideways following the first round depending on the condition of the footing. The course must be re-measured if there is a change in the length. If the position of any of the obstacles is altered, the Athletes will be permitted to inspect the course before the second round.
Scoring	Table A Not Against the Clock
Speed	350 m / minute
Jump-off	Only in the case of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second, and/or third place over six obstacles which may be increased in height and/or spread.

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JUMPING RULES Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS Art. 15 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL) Art. 15.3 PARTICIPATION Art. 15.3.1 INDIVIDUALS Art. 15.3.2 TEAMS
Explanation for Proposed Change
Participation in the Veterans Championship is not so big. It has never exceeded 50 Athletes and 10 teams in total, therefore it is proposed to open Round 2 of the second Competition to all Athletes/Teams if not eliminated or retiring in Round 1.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 15.3 Participation – Round 1 Only the Athletes and Horses, which have taken part in the first Competition, may take part in Round 1 of the second Competition. 3.1 Individuals Participation – Round 2 3.1.1. Individuals The 50 Athletes (such number to be increased if there is equality for the 50th place) having the best Score deriving from the addition of the Scores obtained in the first individual qualifying Competition and Round one of Team Final (second individual

~~qualification Competition~~) All Athletes if not eliminated or retiring in Round 1 are allowed to participate in the third individual qualification Competition which is Round two of the Team Final.

~~3.1.2. If the Athletes qualified as above under 3.1.1 are not members of a team which has been qualified to participate in Round two of the Team Final, said Athletes will compete prior to Round two of the Team Final. There will be at least 30 minutes interval between this round and Round two of the Team Final. Team Athletes if not eliminated or retiring in Round 1, but whose team is not qualified for Round 2, are permitted to take part in Round 2 as individuals.~~

3.2. Teams

3.2.1. Round two of the Team Final takes place after the third qualifying Competition for individuals. ~~It is open only to the 10 best placed teams and those teams equal on Penalties for 10th place after Round one of the Team Competition.~~ All teams if not eliminated or retiring in Round 1 are allowed to compete in Round 2 of the Team Final.

3.2.2. All teams allowed to compete in Round two of the Team Final carry their Penalties forward from the first individual qualifying Competition and Round one of the Team Final.

Score obtained in Round two by members of teams who are not among the Athletes eligible to compete in the third individual qualifying Competition as mentioned under 3.1.1 above, count only for the classification of their respective teams.

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New art. 299.1.2 Round two

299.1.2.1 Individuals

Round two of the second Competition is open to all individual Athletes if not Eliminated or retired in round one. Any Team Athlete whose team is not qualified for round two may take part in round two as an individual if not Eliminated or retired in round one.

299.1.2.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, round two of the second Competition is open to the 10 best placed teams (and those teams equal on Penalties for 10th place) based on the total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in round one.

(b) For Veterans, all teams may compete in round two of the second Competition if not Eliminated or retired in round one.

(c) For Championships outside of Europe combined with other Youth categories, round two of the second Competition is open only to the six best placed teams and those teams tied on Penalties for the sixth place based on the total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in round one.

(d) All teams allowed to compete in round two of the second Competition carry their Penalties forward from the first Competition and round one of the second Competition.

(e) Members of teams who are not among the Athletes eligible to compete in round two of the second Competition may take part in round two only for the purpose of having their score count for the team classification.

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JUMPING RULES Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS Art. 15 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL) Art. 15.4 STARTING ORDER
Explanation for Proposed Change
Remove the new draw for the first round of the Second Competition, it is proposed that the same as for the Senior Continental Championship with individuals first in reverse order following by all teams in reverse order (<i>not using 2 Groups of teams</i>) should apply.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 15.4 Starting order The starting order in this second Competition will be determined by a new draw in accordance with the same procedure as provided for the first Competition. 4.1 Round 1 Individuals First to start in Round 1 of the Team Final are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in Round 1 of the Team Final is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. Teams The starting order of the teams is set according to the reverse order of the total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. 4.2 Round 2 4.1.1. Individuals The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove under section 3.1.1 is set according to the reverse order of the aggregate Penalties incurred in the first individual qualifying Competition and Round 1 of the Team Final which is the second individual qualifying Competitions. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the Score of the first Competition will decide their starting order. 4.2. Teams 4.2.1. The starting order of the teams qualified to compete in Round two of the team Competition is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first individual qualifying Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in the Round one of the team Competition. Teams with equality of the Penalties retain the starting order of Round one. 4.2.2. Scores of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in round two as provided herein above will count for the classification of their team in the Team Final but also as their personal result in the third qualifying Competition if they are among the Athletes mentioned in paragraph 3.1.1 above.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 299.2 Starting order 299.2.1 Round one 299.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

299.2.1.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 295.2.1.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Arts 295.2.2 and 295.2.3.

299.2.2 Round two

299.2.2.1 Individuals

First to start in round two of the second Competition are qualified individuals. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

299.2.2.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in round two of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and by the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order of the teams qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in round one of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the starting order of round one. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(c) Scores of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in round two will count for the classification of their team in the second Competition but also as their personal result in the second Competition if they are among the Athletes mentioned in JRs Art 299.1.2.

(d) The starting order in a possible jump-off will revert to the starting order of round two.

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JUMPING RULES Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS Art. 5 TEAM PLACING
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarification in case of equality of Penalties for any other placing following Round 2. All teams if not eliminated or retiring in Round 1 are allowed to compete in Round 2 of the Team Final.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 5 Team Placing Teams which participate in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team, which has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared Continental team champion. In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second and/or third place in the overall team classification, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 350 m per minute. In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing following the second round of the second Competition, teams will be placed equal. The Score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The Score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final Scores of the individual Athletes. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place. If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal. Teams not taking part in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the team Competition.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 299.3.2 Veterans 299.3.2.1 Teams that participate in round two of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team that has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared 'Continental Team Champion'. 299.3.2.2 In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second, and/or third place in the overall team classification, there will be a jump-off Against the Clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 350 m per minute.

299.3.2.3

In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing following round two of the second Competition, teams will be placed equal.

299.3.2.4

The score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final scores of the individual Athletes.

299.3.2.5

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place.

299.3.2.6

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

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Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

Art. 16 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

Art. 16.2.1 ROUND A

Explanation for Proposed Change

Correction of the height of two vertical obstacles as the height of the competition is maximum 1.25 m.

Any reference to sloping walls is to be removed.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Round A

Ten to 12 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height: 1.25 m maximum with a spread in proportion, not exceeding 1.35 m (1.70 m for the triple bar).

At least two vertical obstacles, which must be ~~1.30~~ 1.25 m in height (~~sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles~~). No water jump.

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum.

Round B

A different course from Round A comprising eight to ten obstacles including only one combination (one double or one treble). Height 1.30 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 1.35 m (1.70 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.30 m in height (~~sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles~~).

A water jump may not be included, but an obstacle with water beneath, in front or behind (a so-called "Liverpool") may be included in the course.

Length: ~~400 m minimum~~, 500 m maximum.

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New art. 300.7.2

Course specifications for Veteran Championships – Third Competition	
Rounds	Two different rounds
Number of obstacles	Round A: 10-12 Round B: 8-10
Obstacle height	Round A: Max. 1.25 m Round B: Max. 1.30 m
Obstacle spread	Max 1.35 m (or 1.70 m for triple bar) (both rounds)
Water Jump	Not permitted
Combinations	Round A: 1 double and 1 triple; or 3 doubles Round B: 1 double <u>or</u> 1 triple
Course length	Round A: max. 600 m Round B: max. 500 m
Other specifications	Each round must have at least two vertical obstacles which must be 1.25 m in round A and 1.30 m in round B.
Scoring	Table A Not Against the Clock
Speed	350 m / minute
Jump-off	Only in the case of equality of Penalties between individuals for first, second, and/or third place. In such case, jump-off is against the clock over eight obstacles from Rounds A and B.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES

Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

Art. 16 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

Art. 16.3 PARTICIPATION

Explanation for Proposed Change

To clarify that Athletes eliminated or retiring in Round A of the Individual Final cannot take part in Round B.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Participation

This third Competition is compulsory for the 25 best placed Athletes and Horses (including those with equality of Penalties for 25th place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions or according to the cumulative Penalties over the first Competition and first round of the second Competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition. Athletes must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired) or have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the first round of the second Competition as well

as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired). If for any reason one or more of these 25 best placed Athletes are unable to start, they will be replaced by Athletes from the reserve list of five Athletes.

Athletes eliminated or retiring in Round A of the Individual Final are not allowed to compete in Round B of the Individual Final.

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 300.1.2 Round B

300.1.2.1

Subject to JRs Art 300.1.2.2, all Athletes who complete round A go forward to round B. The Penalties in both rounds are added together.

300.1.2.2

For combined Championships outside of Europe for Juniors and Young Riders, round B of the third Competition is open to the 15 best placed Athletes (including those tied for 15th place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions and round A of the third Competition.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES

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Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

Art. 16 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

Art. 16.6 INDIVIDUAL PLACING

Explanation for Proposed Change

Correction, some text missing.

Round 2 of the second Competition is open to all Athletes/Teams if not eliminated or retiring in Round 1.

Clarification in case of equality of Penalties for any other placing. *(using the same wording as for the World Championship)*

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Individual Placing

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, as well as the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one) and the two rounds A and B of the third Competition. ~~For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the Team Final their Score in the second round qualifier counts instead of the second round of the Team Final.~~

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the Continental champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties for one of the first three places after round B of the third Competition, there will be a jump-off against the clock at a speed of 350 m per minute over eight obstacles from the courses of rounds A and B. ~~The Athletes will be invited to inspect the jump-off course.~~

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed equal.

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 300.5 Individual placing

300.5.1

The overall individual classification is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, as well as the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one), and rounds A and B of the third Competition. The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the 'Individual Continental Champion'.

300.5.2

In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second, and/or third place, there will be a jump-off Against the Clock.

300.5.3

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first place. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the Athletes will be placed equal. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed equal.

300.5.4

Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES

Annex X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

Art. 15.5 TEAM PLACING

Art. 16.6 INDIVIDUAL PLACING

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification required on team and individual placing in the Championship in case of EL, RET, WD in the different rounds.

Since the changes to Art. 247 of the Jumping Rules (*Elimination, retirement or withdrawal from a jump-off, second round or winning round*) we see that the overall classification of teams and individuals in a Championship is done in different ways. Are individuals placed according to their results up until the previous round in case of EL, RET, WD?

For the classification only the fact that the total penalties incurred over all competitions are taking into consideration and in case of equal penalties for first, second and/or third place there will be a jump-off. There is no further explanation in case of EL etc.

Placing in a Championship is different than when it only concerns a jump-off, second round, winning round of one competition.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 15.5 Team Placing

Teams which participate in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team, which has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared Continental team champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second and/or third place in the overall team classification, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 350 m per minute.

In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing following the second round of the second Competition, teams will be placed equal.

The Score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The Score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final Scores of the individual Athletes.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

~~Teams not taking part in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the team Competition.~~

Elimination/Retirement

~~If two or more Athletes of a team, participating with four Athletes in the first or second round of the second Competition, are eliminated or retire, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round.~~

~~If one Athlete of a team, participating with three Athletes in the first or second round of the second Competition, is eliminated or retires, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round.~~

~~Teams eliminated in the first round of the second Competition will be placed equal last in the first round of the second Competition for the team classification.~~

~~Teams eliminated in the second round of the second Competition will be placed equal last in the second round of the second Competition for the team classification.~~

Art. 16.6 Individual Placing

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, as well as the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one) and the two rounds A and B of the third Competition. ~~For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the Team Final their Score in the second round qualifier counts instead of the second round of the Team Final.~~

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the Continental champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties for one of the first three places after round B of the third Competition, there will be a jump-off against the clock at a speed of 350 m per minute over eight obstacles from the courses of rounds A and B. ~~The Athletes will be invited to inspect the jump-off course.~~

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed equal.

Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any placing will be placed equal.

Elimination/Retirement/Withdrawn

Athletes having withdrawn from any Round of the second or third Competition or not having qualified for the second Round of the third Competition will be placed according to their total Penalties obtained up until their last Round they competed in.

Athletes eliminated or who retire in any Round of the second or third Competition will be placed according to their total Penalties obtained up until their previous Round they competed in. These Athletes are placed above any Athlete having withdrawn from or not having competed in that same Round.

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 299.3.2 Veterans

299.3.2.1

Teams that participate in round two of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team that has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared 'Continental Team Champion'.

299.3.2.2

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second, and/or third place in the overall team classification, there will be a jump-off Against the Clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 350 m per minute.

299.3.2.3

In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing following round two of the second Competition, teams will be placed equal.

299.3.2.4

The score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final scores of the individual Athletes.

299.3.2.5

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place.

299.3.2.6

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

New art. 300.5 Individual placing

300.5.1

The overall individual classification is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, as well as the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one), and rounds A and B of the third Competition. The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the 'Individual Continental Champion'.

300.5.2

In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second, and/or third place, there will be a jump-off Against the Clock.

300.5.3

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first place. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the Athletes will be placed equal. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed equal.

300.5.4

Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex XI art.10.1 RULES FOR PONY RIDERS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Wording different than for the other categories, should be harmonised.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1. Under penalty of disqualification, it is prohibited for an Athlete's Pony to be schooled by anybody mounted in the saddle, other than the Athlete himself in or outside the venue where the Event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event until the conclusion of the whole Event or Championship. However, lunging, work in hand, etc., by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the FEI stewards, is permitted.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 305.7.1

Under penalty of Disqualification, it is not permitted for an Athlete's Pony to be trained by anyone else other than the Athlete themselves mounted in the saddle, in or outside the venue where an Event is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event until the conclusion of the whole Event. However, lunging, work in hand, etc. by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the Stewards, is permitted. This JRs Art 305.5.1 does not apply to Events for borrowed Horses (see JRs Art 204.4.5).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex XI art.14 RULES FOR PONY RIDERS
Explanation for Proposed Change
Article should be removed.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ARTICLE 14—SCHEDULE
1.—Article 12 of the Rules for Juniors applies.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
ARTICLE 14—SCHEDULE
1.—Article 12 of the Rules for Juniors applies.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
Annex XI art.17.1 RULES FOR PONY RIDERS
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarification of a wording.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1. Obstacles in the schooling areas warm up may not exceed the dimensions (height and spread) of those to be used in the relevant round of the Competition for which the Athletes are preparing
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 305.5.2 Obstacles in the Warm-Up Arenas may not exceed the dimensions (height and spread) of those to be used in the Competition for which the Athletes are preparing. For Pony Riders training over obstacles without reference to a particular Competition the maximum height of 1.35 m and spread of 1.45 m must be observed.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES Annex XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS Art. 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 22.2 TEAMS Art. 22.2.1 Art. 22.5
Explanation for Proposed Change

To be corrected to be in line with all other categories. It is unknown as to why it is currently like this for Ponies.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

2. Teams

2.1 Each NF may enter one team of not more than ~~six five~~ Athletes and ~~six five~~ Ponies ~~from which five Athletes and five Ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship and four to start in the Team Final.~~

5. The entries shall be made in two phases in accordance with the GRs Art. 116.2.2(i) – 116.2.2(ii):

The Schedule may include a date by which NFs are to indicate whether the intention is to send only a team or a team and individuals or only individuals. The maximum number of nominated and definite entries of Athletes and Ponies that may be entered in the Continental Pony Jumping Championship is as follows:

- Nominated entries: ~~1210~~ Athletes and ~~1210~~ Ponies
- Definite entries: ~~65~~ Athletes and ~~56~~ Ponies, ~~of which 5 Athletes and 5 Ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship (see Art. 22.2.1 above).~~

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 294.2 Teams

294.2.1

A team comprises at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and five Horses.

294.2.2

Each NF may enter a maximum of ten Athletes and ten Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses with its definite entries. All five Athletes and five Horses are allowed to take part in the team (see JRs Art 295.2.1) and individual Competitions of the Championship. However, outside of Europe, NFs concerned may determine the number of teams and the regional basis for team representation.

294.2.3

NFs are not automatically entitled to send the holder of the individual title of the Championship of the preceding year to defend their title.

294.2.4

Entries must be made in two phases (nominated and definite entries) in accordance with GRs Art 116.2.2(i) to 116.2.2(ii).

294.2.5

No reserve Horse may be brought to the Championship.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex XII art. 9.2 Rules for Children's Events

Explanation for Proposed Change

Article should be removed as it is covered by art. 241.4 of the JRs already.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
2. Control At the discretion of the Ground Jury, a child unable to control their Horse may be forced to retire before the Competition begins or during their rounds and/or from the entire Event with the Horse in question.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
2. Control At the discretion of the Ground Jury, a child unable to control their Horse may be forced to retire before the Competition begins or during their rounds and/or from the entire Event with the Horse in question.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
NED NF
Article Number – Article Name
ANNEX XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS
Article 22 Competitions
Explanation for Proposed Change
The first competition for children at championships should be the same competition as for Juniors and Young Riders
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Second Day – First Competition (Teams and Individuals) This Competition is run over a Table A course judged under Table C (see JRs Art. 239 and 263) without a jump-off in the event of equality for the first place
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
SWE NF - The SWE NF do not believe that the first competition for Children at Championships should be the same format as that used for Juniors and Young Riders. We are opposed to changing the Second Day – First Competition to a Table C format, as this serves neither the riders nor the horses. The standard among combinations in this category is far too uneven, and such a format does not support the development or welfare of the participants.
FEI Feedback
Following the latest comments, the FEI maintains its position in agreeing with the NED NF that it should also apply to ponies, as it is a Table A course judged under Table C.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 298.4.3 Pony Riders

Course specifications for Pony Rider Championships – First Competition	
Rounds	One round
Number of obstacles	10 – 12 (requiring no more than 15 efforts)
Obstacle height	Max 1.30 m
Obstacle spread	Max 1.40 m (1.60 m for triple bar)
Water Jump	Water Jump with a maximum spread of 3.30 m permitted but not required. If used, minimum spread of 3 m including take-off is recommended.
Combinations	1 double and 1 triple; or 3 doubles 7 m – 11 m distance between obstacles of a Combination
Other specifications	Must be run over a Table A course
Scoring	Table C
Speed	N/A (120 s / 180 s time limit depending on the length of the course)
Jump-off	Without a jump-off in the event of equality of time for first place

New art. 298.4.4 Children

Course specifications for Children Championships – First Competition	
Rounds	One round
Number of obstacles	12 – 14
Obstacle height	Max 1.25 m
Obstacle spread	1.00 m – 1.30 m
Water Jump	Water Jump with a maximum spread of 2.50 m with a vertical (JR Art Error! Reference source not found.) permitted but not required
Other specifications	Must be run over a Table A course
Scoring	Table C
Speed	N/A (120 s / 180 s time limit depending on the length of the course)
Jump-off	Without a jump-off in the event of equality of time for first place

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

USA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ANNEX XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS

CHAPTER IV CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS
ARTICLE 22 COMPETITIONS

3.2 Starting order in the Second Competition (Team Final)

Explanation for Proposed Change

Currently there are sixteen (16) draws for starting orders at the North American Youth Championships. Draws for the first Competition - individual and team; the second Competition - individual and team across four categories. The proposed rule change would eliminate the burden and confusion of the draw for the second Competition. The order would be according to the reverse order of penalties incurred by the best three athletes per team from the first Competition.

This change would bring the format of reverse order of penalties into line with other senior Championships.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 16.4.2.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships in Europe, the starting order in the **first round of the** second Competition will be according to ~~a draw in the first round the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition~~. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 16.4.2.1

For ~~Regional and~~ Continental Championships outside of Europe, the starting order in the second Competition will be according to ~~a draw in the first round the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition~~. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition and the best three Athletes per team in the first round.

Art. 16.4.2.3

In the **first and** second round individual Athletes will start **in reverse order** before the teams.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Partially accepted, the provision has been accepted with the precision see FEI proposal.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 299.2 Starting order

299.2.1 Round one

299.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

299.2.1.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 295.2.1.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Arts 295.2.2 and 295.2.3.

299.2.2 Round two

299.2.2.1 Individuals

First to start in round two of the second Competition are qualified individuals. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

299.2.2.2 Teams

(a) For Juniors, Young Riders, Children, and Pony Riders in Europe, the starting order in round two of the second Competition will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes from among the five of each nation in the first Competition and by the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(b) For Juniors, Young Riders, and Children outside Europe, and for Veterans, the starting order of the teams qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in round one of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the starting order of round one. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

(c) Scores of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in round two will count for the classification of their team in the second Competition but also as their personal result in the second Competition if they are among the Athletes mentioned in JRs Art 299.1.2.

(d) The starting order in a possible jump-off will revert to the starting order of round two.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES

Annex XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Chapter IV CONTINENTAL ~~AND REGIONAL~~ CHAMPIONSHIP

Art. 29 FALLS
Art. 29.1

Annex XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS
Art. 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS
Art. 22.12 FALLS (Art. 23.3)

Explanation for Proposed Change

The 20 Penalties more remains for the First Championship Competition and is being proposed to be removed for the Team Championship Competition. In any case this is covered in the Championship rules, therefore it can be removed here. Also this construction is not being applied at all for Nations Cup competitions. Athletes just have a score of EL in case of a fall.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1. A fall of the Athlete or Horse/Pony eliminates the Athlete from the Competition. This includes Championship Competitions, as well as Nations Cup Competitions. Nevertheless, the Athlete may take part in the second round of the Team Championship Competition, respectively in the second round of a Nations Cup Competition, providing that the official doctor and the Ground Jury give their approval. ~~The Athlete eliminated is penalised with 20 Penalties more than the worst placed Athlete in the concerned round.~~

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~~The Athlete eliminated is penalised with 20 Penalties more than the worst placed Athlete in the concerned round.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex XII art. 30.1 Rules for Children's Events

Explanation for Proposed Change

Article should be removed as it is covered by art. 241.4 of the JRs already.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~ARTICLE 30 – SAFETY~~

- ~~1. At the discretion of the Ground Jury, an Athlete unable to control their Horse may be forced to retire from the Competition or the Event with the Horse in question.~~

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

~~ARTICLE 30 – SAFETY~~

- ~~2. At the discretion of the Ground Jury, an Athlete unable to control their Horse may be forced to retire from the Competition or the Event with the Horse in question.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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Article Number – Article Name

New Annex

Explanation for Proposed Change

The medical service requirements proposed by the FEI Medical Committee for the Jumping Rules are intended to complement the general medical coverage outlined in Article 109.10.1 of the [FEI General Regulations](#), ensuring discipline-specific coverage tailored to the needs of Jumping.

These requirements are designed to be minimal, practical, and achievable, and include the following:

- Medical team requirements are based on skill sets rather than specific certifications, focusing on the ability to perform essential medical actions.
- The required skill sets, number of personnel, and number of medical teams are aligned with the types of injuries and risks unique to Jumping, including the possibility of multiple concurrent competitions.
- Clear guidelines are provided for athlete evacuation from the field of play and for transporting sick or injured individuals to a medical facility.
- A Chief Medical Officer (CMO) must be present to oversee the organisation of medical coverage.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Annex (...) Medical Services

Minimum Requirements for Medical Services at FEI Jumping Competitions

Medical Services Coverage at FEI Competitions

This Annex outlines the medical service coverage to be implemented by Organising Committees (OCs) of FEI Jumping Events.

It must be read in conjunction with article 109.10.1 FEI General Regulations, and the General Medical Coverage requirements for FEI Events in accordance with article 109.10.1, the FEI Key Event Requirements No.11 available on the FEI website and any guidance issued by the FEI for the medical coverage of Events.

I. MEDICAL SERVICES REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE THROUGHOUT THE EVENT

1. Chief Medical Officer (CMO)

1.1 Role

The CMO is appointed well in advance of the Event and works closely with the Organizing Committee (OC) when planning for Event medical coverage and participate in the preparation of the Serious Incident Management Plan (SIMP) for the Event.

At FEI Championships the CMO will arrange a meeting for the international team doctors and medical personnel in order to familiarise them with the venue and available medical resources and

provide the necessary contact information to access the medical services.

1.2 Qualifications

The CMO does not have to be a physician, but is suitably experienced in the planning of medical coverage for equestrian events and has knowledge of the available local emergency medical resources and applicable local regulations.

2. First aid for spectators and workforce

First aid services for spectators and workforce must be provided in compliance with the locally applicable legislation and guidelines and following consultation with the CMO and local emergency medical service personnel.

3. On-site medical personnel

On-site medical personnel as detailed in Table 1 below must be available during the hours of competition and training periods.

They must be able to cover all training and competition areas, stables, and on-site accommodations.

4. Medical personnel access to the venue

All medical personnel with their emergency equipment and transport must have credentials and access to the entire venue at all times, including the stable area and finish during the competition.

They must be familiar prior to the competition with all access routes to the competition areas and anticipate alternatives in the event of inclement weather conditions which may necessitate the use of all-terrain vehicles for transport to ensure rapid evacuation.

5. Communications

A reliable communication system must be in place throughout the entire Event, to alert the on-site emergency medical providers and/or the local emergency medical service, including communication with the Event officials.

TABLE 1 – REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ON-SITE MEDICAL PERSONNEL

ARENA	MEDICAL PERSONNEL REQUIRED & AVAILABILITY	NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN EACH TEAM	SKILLS REQUIRED

COMPETITION & WARM UP ARENAS	At least one (1) team: Medical Response Team (or more, based on the risk assessment for the Event). Response times: Strongly recommended: maximum three (3) minutes from notification of accident.	At least: two (2)	1. Training in basic life support and appropriate equipment for airway support, bleeding and fracture management. 2. At least one (1) member with the minimum necessary skills to: a.perform airway management b.apply cervical and spinal stabilization.	
TRANSPORTATION				
1. A medically appropriate vehicle must be on site or available on call for the transportation of seriously injured or sick persons to a medical facility. 2. A system must be in place for the safe removal of injured Athletes from the field of play. 3. The personnel must be adequately trained to use the available equipment.				
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ANNEX VII MEDICAL SERVICES This Annex outlines the medical service coverage requirements to be implemented by Organising Committees (OCs) of FEI Jumping Events. These requirements are applicable throughout the Event. It must be read in conjunction with GRs Art 109.10.1, the General Medical Coverage requirements for FEI Events available on the FEI website, the FEI Key Event Requirements No.11 available on the FEI website, and any guidance issued by the FEI for the medical coverage of Events. MEDICAL SERVICES REQUIREMENTS 1. Chief Medical Officer (CMO) 1.1 Role The CMO is appointed well in advance of the Event and works closely with the Organising Committee (OC) when planning for Event medical coverage and participate in the preparation of the Serious Incident Management Plan (SIMP) for the Event. At Championships the CMO will arrange a meeting for the international team doctors and medical personnel in order to familiarise them with the venue and available medical resources and provide the necessary contact information to access the medical services. 1.2 Qualifications The CMO does not have to be a physician, but is suitably experienced in the planning of medical coverage for equestrian events and has knowledge of the available local emergency medical resources and applicable local regulations. 2. First aid for spectators and workforce				

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On-site medical personnel as detailed in the table below must be available during the hours of Competition and training periods. They must be able to cover all training and Competition areas, stables, and on-site accommodations.

ARENA	MEDICAL PERSONNEL REQUIRED & AVAILABILITY	NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN EACH TEAM	SKILLS REQUIRED
COMPETITION & WARM UP ARENAS	At least one team: Medical Response Team (or more, based on the risk assessment for the Event). Response times: Strongly recommended: maximum three minutes from notification of accident.	At least: two	1. Training in basic life support and appropriate equipment for airway support, bleeding and fracture management. 2. At least one member with the minimum necessary skills to: a. perform airway management b. apply cervical and spinal stabilisation.
TRANSPORTATION			
1. A medically appropriate vehicle must be on site or available on call for the transportation of seriously injured or sick persons to a medical facility. 2. A system must be in place for the safe removal of injured Athletes from the field of play. 3. The personnel must be adequately trained to use the available equipment.			

4. Medical personnel access to the venue

All medical personnel with their emergency equipment and transport must have credentials and access to the entire venue at all times during the Competition, including the stable area.

They must be familiar prior to the Competition with all access routes to the Competition areas and anticipate alternatives in the event of inclement weather conditions that may necessitate the use of all-terrain vehicles for transport to ensure rapid evacuation.

5. Communications

A reliable communication system must be in place throughout the entire Event, to alert the on-site emergency medical providers and/or the local emergency medical service, including communication with the Event officials.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
JUMPING RULES ANNEX VIII QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE FOR WORLD AND CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Art. 4
Explanation for Proposed Change

Correction, some text was missing due to an incorrect track change approval in a previous version of the rules.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Courses of selected Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™, Grand Prix and FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions must **meet the below** technical specifications.

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New art. 281.3.3

Courses of selected Nations Cup/Longines League of Nations™, Grand Prix, and FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions (as selected by the FEI) must comply with the technical specifications below in order to count as qualifying Events. The Course Designer must clearly identify on the course plan of the Competition the specific obstacles that must be included as per the technical specifications, e.g. planks, wall, gate, narrow obstacle, etc

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

For all Championships to be included

Explanation for Proposed Change

To include a draw for the First Horse Inspections / Training Session. This will make sure there is consistency at all Championships as currently this is not covered in the rules. We therefore see many different options for the order to go for the First Horse Inspection / Training Session at Championships.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

A draw will take place prior to the First Horse Inspection to determine the nations order for the First Horse Inspection. All nations participating whether with a team or individuals, will be included in this draw. Nations will present themselves in the order determined by the draw above and in alphabetical order of the Athletes' last name within their nation. The same order will be used for the Training Session. Only Horses that have passed the First Horse Inspection are permitted to participate in the Training Session.

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 283.1 Draw – Horse inspection and training session

A draw will take place prior to the first Horse inspection to determine the order of nations for the first Horse inspection. All nations participating, whether with a team or individuals, will be included in this draw. Nations must present themselves in the order determined by the draw and in alphabetical order of the Athletes' last name within their nation. The same order will be used for the training session (see JRs Art 284).

295.1 Draw – Horse inspection and training session

A draw will take place prior to the first Horse inspection to determine the order of nations for the first Horse inspection. All nations participating whether with a team or individuals

will be included in this draw. Nations will present themselves in the order determined by the draw and in alphabetical order of the Athletes' last name within their nation. The same order will be used for the training session (see JRs Art 296).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 300 ORGANISATION Art. 300.1.5 Art. 300.1.6
Explanation for Proposed Change
To remove the non-Championship Competitions within the Championship category. This can be replaced by an additional FEI authorised CSI Event. The Championship category should only be open to Championship Athletes with one horse each.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Art. 300.1.5 In principle a CSI may not be held with the Championship. At the discretion of the FEI authorisation may be granted for a CSI to be held with the Championship but never a CSIO. If the Championship is held together with a CSI, the training session on the first day is only open to Athlete/Horse combinations of the Championship. For Athletes of the CSI, separate Competitions may be organised. If the Championship is held on its own, paragraph 1.6 below applies. Art. 300.1.6 The programme for the Championship must include Competitions which are open only to Athletes entered in the Championship riding Horses which are not taking part in the Championship. The programme for each day may include one or two of such Competitions. Each Horse may only compete in one Competition per day. The FEI Jumping Director must approve the conditions for such Competitions.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 280.1.4 The Continental Championship may be held with a CSI but not with a CSIO. At the discretion of the FEI, authorisation may be granted for the World Championship to be held with a CSI but not with a CSIO. If the Continental or World Championship is held together with a CSI, the training session on the first day is only open to Athlete/Horse Combinations participating in the Championship.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 301 GROUND JURY, FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COURSE DESIGNER Art. 302 VETERINARY COMMISSION

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 259 (and the Veterinary Regulations).

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~Art. 301~~

- ~~1. The President and the other members of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs and JRs Art. 259.1.~~
- ~~2. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs. He must be selected from the list of Level 4 Course Designers. At the discretion of the FEI, a second Technical Delegate may be appointed to coordinate with the Organising Committee on the overall organisation of the Event. The second Technical Delegate is not required to have experience in Course Designing (see JRs Art. 259.5.2.2).~~
- ~~3. With the agreement of the FEI Jumping Committee the Course Designer must be chosen by the National Federation (hereinafter "NF")/Organising Committee (hereinafter "OC") from the list of Level 4 Course Designers.~~

~~Art. 302~~

- ~~1. The President and the Associate Member of the Veterinary Commission shall be appointed by the NF or the OC in agreement with the FEI Veterinary Committee. The Foreign Veterinary Delegate shall be appointed by the FEI Veterinary Committee. All appointees must be selected from the FEI List of Event Veterinarians.~~

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~~Art. 301~~

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- ~~2. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs. He must be selected from the list of Level 4 Course Designers. At the discretion of the FEI, a second Technical Delegate may be appointed to coordinate with the Organising Committee on the overall organisation of the Event. The second Technical Delegate is not required to have experience in Course Designing (see JRs Art. 259.5.2.2).~~
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~~Art. 302~~

- ~~1. The President and the Associate Member of the Veterinary Commission shall be appointed by the NF or the OC in agreement with the FEI Veterinary Committee. The Foreign Veterinary Delegate shall be appointed by the FEI Veterinary Committee. All appointees must be selected from the FEI List of Event Veterinarians.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS
Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)
Art. 303 ENTRIES
Art. 303.3
Art. 303.4
Art. 303.5

Explanation for Proposed Change

With the removal of the non-Championship Competitions within the Championship category, the maximum entries at both the nominated and definite entries for the Championship are corrected to one Horse per Athlete.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 303.3

Teams

A team is comprised of at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and ~~10~~ five Horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of 10 Athletes and ~~20~~ 10 Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and ~~10~~ five Horses with its definite entries. Each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes and ~~10~~ five Horses. Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe who will be accorded the same privileges as the Athletes.

Art. 303.4

Individuals instead of a team

An NF which cannot send a full team may enter one or two individual Athletes with ~~two~~ one Horses each.

Art. 303.5

Additional Athlete and Horses

The additional Athlete (5th Athlete) and ~~his/her their~~ Horses ~~plus the Horses of team members or individuals~~ not taking part in the Championship Competitions may compete in the ~~non-Championship Competitions~~ CSI Event if hosted.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

USA NF - While we understand the intent to bring the Jumping Rules in line with the GRs regarding the FEI Nominated Entries, the GRs specifically allow for sport variations and the unintended consequences for Jumping of the proposed changes are significant.

At this time in the sport there are many athletes who have two or more horses that could be considered for a championship. By limiting the Nominated Entries for Championships to 10 athletes and 10 horses you are decreasing the pool of horses by 10 and removing the ability of athletes to nominate more than one horse. Yes, one could choose to nominate less athletes in order to accommodate more horses; however, this quickly puts NF's and athletes alike in a difficult position. Additionally, it does not help with encouraging owners to target and support Championship efforts.

For example, if an NF has 2 athletes that have 2 viable Championship horses and one athlete that has 3 viable horses – this would force the NF to nominate only 6 athletes for 10 horses. It would potentially only take one athlete to get hurt and another horse to come out of form and the NF would not be able to field a full team of 5 athletes and 5 horses at the time of Definite Entries.

The purpose of Nominated Entries is not defined in the GRs. But if the purpose of the Nominated Entries is to ensure that all potential athletes and horses have met the Certificate of Capability (which is now done automatically so is no longer manpower intensive for Jumping) and to helps OCs / FEI better identify which NF's will be participating with a Team or as an individual – then is there a downside in allowing a larger pool of athletes and horses to be considered?

Looking to the Olympic Regulations (2024), it allows for three times the number of athletes and horses to be nominated; therefore, a maximum of 12 athletes and 12 horses. This is perhaps the model that we should follow for Championships and is certainly not a model that should be changed for 2028. This would allow three times the number of athletes and horses to be nominated (15 athletes and 15 horses).

New proposed wording:

A team is comprised of at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and five Horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of 15 Athletes and 15 Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses with its definite entries. Each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses.

KSA NF –

3. The Proposal will reduce the number of athletes and horses that can be submitted at Nominated Entries for World & Continental Championships to
 - i. NFs entering a Team. 10 athletes & 10 horses at Nominated.
 - ii. NFs entering up to 2 Individuals. 2 athletes and 2 horses. Although the wording around this is a little unclear.
4. For Jumping the Nominated Entries should remain 3 x the number of athletes and 3 x the number of horses,
5. Justification.
 - i. This could set a precedent for the Olympic Games. Although the Olympic Rules are a separate document voted on by the GA this precedent would be dangerous.
 - ii. Whilst the argument is that it brings Jumping in line with General Regulations, the General Regulations specifically allow for differences under "Sport Rules".
 - iii. Whilst these numbers may work for Dressage and Eventing where there are few athletes with two horses able to compete at a Games / Championships this is not the case for Jumping where there are a significant number leading athletes that have more than 1 horse that is capable of competing at the highest levels.
 - iv. Nominated Entries are approx. 4 weeks before the Games / Championships; the reality for many countries is that selection may be far from confirmed and potential Games / Championships horses will still be competing between Nominated and Definite Entries. This would be especially challenging for Nations and athletes that struggle to gain entries to key 5* and 4* preparation events and so must utilise every possible opportunity to prepare.
 - v. The proposal for Individuals is unclear but if it is suggested that an NF can only Nominate two athletes and two horses that would leave an NF with no flexibility if they had a highly ranked (potential medal zone) athlete with two horses and their second athlete was not of the same standard.
 - vi. This is a sport self-imposed restriction. It does not impact the planning for OCs / FEI (clarification of MERs / CoCs is now automatic).
 - vii. For some athletes and/or Owners being selected to Nominated Entries is an achievement in itself and helps keep the flame alive of "wanting to represent their country". This should not be diminished.
 - viii. The Sport would look a little silly if a leading athlete was not able to compete in, or a Country lost its place at, a Games / Championships because of an unnecessary restriction the sport had placed on itself.
6. The provisions of Article 303.2 are acknowledged and should remain.

FEI Feedback
Following the latest comments, the FEI agrees with the proposal to increase the nominated entries to 15 athletes and 15 horses.
Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 282.2 Teams A team comprises at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and five Horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of fifteen Athletes and fifteen Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses with its definite entries; however, each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses. Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe who will receive the same privileges as the Athletes.
Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 305 QUALIFICATIONS Art. 305.3
Explanation for Proposed Change
The Certificate of Capability is now automatically generated from the validated nominated list in the FEI entry system and linked directly to the results in the FEI Database. This sentence can therefore be removed.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Certificates of Capability Only those Athletes and Horses who are likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs). Athletes and Horses are not required to qualify as combinations. This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in Competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the Jumping Rules. The procedure for qualification, laid down under JRs Annex VIII, must be strictly followed. Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange Athletes and Horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first Championship Competition, no further changes are permitted.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in Competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the Jumping Rules.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 306 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES

Explanation for Proposed Change
To be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 200.6.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
1. The OC is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate and the Foreign Veterinary Delegate. 2. The OC is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the Judges, the President and members of the Veterinary Commission, the Team Veterinarians, the Chefs d'Equipe, the Athletes, the grooms (one per Athlete) as well as the stabling and fodder of the Horses during the period of the Championship. 3. The OC is responsible for providing transport for the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the President and the members of the Veterinary Commission, the team Veterinarians, the Chefs d'Equipe, the Athletes, the grooms and the Horses during the period of the Championship. 4. The OC is responsible for meeting the travelling expenses of the Chefs d'Equipe, the Team Veterinarians, the Athletes and Horses belonging to the official teams and of their grooms, from the frontier of the host country, or the point of arrival in the host country to the location of the Event, including the cost of loading and unloading from a ship or aircraft in the host country and cost of quarantine. The same applies for the return journey. 5. The OC is responsible for meeting the government veterinary, customs and importation costs at the border of the host country.
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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
1. The OC is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate and the Foreign Veterinary Delegate. 2. The OC is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the Judges, the President and members of the Veterinary Commission, the Team Veterinarians, the Chefs d'Equipe, the Athletes, the grooms (one per Athlete) as well as the stabling and fodder of the Horses during the period of the Championship. 3. The OC is responsible for providing transport for the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the President and the members of the Veterinary Commission, the team Veterinarians, the Chefs d'Equipe, the Athletes, the grooms and the Horses during the period of the Championship. 4. The OC is responsible for meeting the travelling expenses of the Chefs d'Equipe, the Team Veterinarians, the Athletes and Horses belonging to the official teams and of their grooms, from the frontier of the host country, or the point of arrival in the host country to the location of the Event, including the cost of loading and unloading from a ship or aircraft in the host country and cost of quarantine. The same applies for the return journey. 5. The OC is responsible for meeting the government veterinary, customs and importation costs at the border of the host country.
Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
FEI
Article Number – Article Name
RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 308 CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS Art. 308.2 Art. 308.3

Explanation for Proposed Change

To correct a discrepancy, this rule remains with the Championship rules and has been removed from the Jumping Rules (Art. 211.13).
The rule on sponsored obstacles is to be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 208.3.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 308.2

The design and construction of all obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability must be approved by the Technical Delegate and Course Designer. Should a dispute arise relating to these obstacles, the Technical Delegate has the final decision. The minimum diameter of poles used in all Championship Competitions must be at least 9 cm.

The water jump must be used **minimum two times, maximum three times** in the **official Competitions of the Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe to include it due to lighting conditions**. It is compulsory in the first round of the second Competition. The Course Designer will, at **his/her** their discretion, decide in which other Competitions the water jump will be used.

~~Art. 308.3~~

~~A sponsored obstacle is defined as one where there is advertising material or a sponsor's product or representation of a product inside the flags. If advertising or a product on the obstacle wings is more than 0.50 m², the obstacle is also considered to be a sponsored obstacle. If the wings of an obstacle have advertising of 0.50 m² or less, the obstacle is not considered a sponsored obstacle. For FEI-Named Events and other Events or Competitions as designated by the FEI, the number of sponsored efforts shall be decided by the FEI in accordance with the FEI Sponsored Obstacles Guidelines.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

USA NF - It is agreed that there should be allowances made for the use of the water jump when it is unsafe. However, there are other conditions besides lighting that could make the water jump unsafe such as weather (heavy rain flooding the water) and footing (deteriorating either on take off or landing).

New proposed wording:

The water jump must be used minimum two times, maximum three times in the official Competitions of the Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe ~~to include it due to lighting conditions~~. It is compulsory in the first round of the second Competition. The Course Designer will, at their discretion, decide in which other Competitions the water jump will be used.

KSA NF - Proposed amendment states the water jump must be used... "unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe to include it due to lighting conditions."

Given that there could be other situations where the water jump could become unsafe (e.g. deterioration of footing) it is suggested that removing the words "due to lighting conditions"; this gives the CD and TD the ability to ensure safety in all circumstances.

New proposed wording:

Propose removing the following from the draft;

"due to lighting conditions"

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the FEI agrees to remove the phrase “due to lighting conditions”, as other factors may also create unsafe conditions for the water jump.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 285.3

The Water Jump must be used a minimum of two times, and a maximum of three times in the official Competitions of the Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe to include it. It is mandatory in the first round of the second Competition. The Course Designer will, at their discretion, decide in which other Competitions the Water Jump will be used.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 309 FIRST COMPETITION (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 309.2

Art. 310 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 310.2

Art. 313 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL COMPETITION)

Art. 313.2.1

Art. 313.2.2

Explanation for Proposed Change

To remove the minimum length of the course.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 309.2

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum.

Art. 310.2

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, ~~700~~ 600 m maximum. (*First and Second Round*)

Art. 313.2.1

Length: ~~450 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum. (*Round A*)

Art. 313.2.2

Length: ~~400 m minimum~~, 550 m maximum. (*Round B*)

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New art. 286.4.1

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum.

New art. 287.6.1

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, ~~700~~ 600 m maximum. (*First and Second Round*)

New art. 288.7.1

Length: ~~450 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum. (*Round A*)

New art. 288.7.1

Length: ~~400 m minimum~~, 550 m maximum. (*Round B*)

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 310 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 310.1

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification on the days of the Second Competition.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Conduct, Table, Speed

The second Competition is conducted over two rounds run over two **consecutive** days under Table A not against the clock, at a speed of 400 m per minute, with a jump-off against the clock in case of teams tied on Penalties for first place following the first and second Competitions. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute. The course of each round must be different.

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New art. 287.6

Two rounds over two consecutive days

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 310 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 310.4 STARTING ORDER

Art. 310.4.1 FIRST ROUND

Art. 310.4.2 SECOND ROUND

Art. 310.4.2.1

Explanation for Proposed Change

Remove the new draw for the first round of the Second Competition, it is proposed that the same as for the Senior Continental Championship with individuals first in reverse order following by all teams in reverse order (*not using 2 Groups of teams*) should apply.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 310.4.1

First Round

~~The starting order in the first round of the second Competition will be determined by a new draw in accordance with the same procedure as provided for the first Competition.~~

Individuals – First Round

First to start in the first round of the Team Competition are all individuals. The starting order of the individual Athletes in the first round of the Team Competition is according to the reverse order of the individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

Teams – First Round

The starting order of the teams is set according to the reverse order of the total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

Art. 310.4.2

Second Round

Art. 310.4.2.1

The individuals among the 60 best placed Athletes (plus those tied for 60th place) following the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition will compete in the second round before the 10 best placed teams and those with equality of Penalties for the 10th place begin their second round. For the avoidance of doubt, team Athletes who are among the aforementioned 60 best placed Athletes, but whose team is not qualified for the second round, will compete as individuals in the second round (refer to Art. 310.3.2.3). There must be an interval of at least 30 minutes between the second round for individuals and the second round for the teams.

The starting order for those qualified to participate as individuals in the second round is according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the Score (time) of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

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New art. 287.2 Starting order

287.2.1 Round one

287.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

287.2.1.2 Teams

The starting order of the teams is set according to the reverse order of the total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 283.2.2.

287.2.2 Round two

287.2.2.1 Individuals

First to start in round two of the second Competition are qualified individuals. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

287.2.2.2 Teams

The starting order of the teams qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in round one of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the starting order of round one. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 313 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL COMPETITION)

Art. 313.2.1 ROUND A

Explanation for Proposed Change

Correction.

For the Second Competition it is 'At least six other obstacles of at least 1.50 m'.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Round A

Eleven to thirteen obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.65 m maximum with a spread in proportion, not exceeding 2.00 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). A maximum of two spread obstacles with a width of 1.00 m or less may be used. At least two vertical obstacles which must be minimum 1.60 m in height. Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles. At least six other obstacles of at least ~~1.40 m~~ **1.50 m** in height. Water jump, if used (see Art. 308.3): 4.00 m including the take-off element. Length: ~~450 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum.

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New art. 288.7 Course specifications

288.7

The table below sets out the course specifications for the third Competition of the Senior Championships:

Course specifications for World and Continental (Senior) Championships – Third Competition	
Rounds	Two different successive rounds (NB: referred to as round A and round B to distinguish the Individual Final)
Number of obstacles	Round A: 10 – 12; Round B: 11 – 13 (<i>Continental</i>) Round A: 11 – 13; Round B: up to 12 (<i>World</i>)
Obstacle height	Max. 1.60 m (both rounds) (<i>Continental</i>) Max. 1.65 m (both rounds) (<i>World</i>)
Obstacle spread	Max. 2.00 m (2.20 m for triple bar) Two spread obstacles with a width of 1.00 m or less may be used
Water Jump	Round A: Optional (4.00 m including take-off element) Round B: not permitted
Combinations	Round A: 1 double and 1 triple; or 3 doubles Round B: 1 double or 1 triple (<i>Continental</i>) / 1 double and 1 triple; or 2 doubles (<i>World</i>)
Course length	Round A: max. 600 m Round B: max. 500 m (<i>Continental</i>) / max. 550 m (<i>World</i>)
Other specifications	At least two verticals of minimum 1.60 m (both rounds A and B) (<i>Continental</i>). Round A: at least two verticals of minimum 1.60 m and at least six other obstacles of minimum 1.50 m; Round B: at least two verticals of minimum 1.60 m (<i>World</i>).
Scoring	Table A Not Against the Clock
Speed	400 m / minute (may be reduced to 375 m / minute at discretion of Technical Delegate and depending on size of Competition Arena)

Jump-off	Jump-off against the clock in case of individuals tied on Penalties for overall classification in first place (<i>World</i>) or for first, second, and/or third place (<i>Continental</i>). No jump-off in case of equality of Penalties for first place in the classification of the Competition.
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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 313 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL COMPETITION) Art. 313.3 PARTICIPATION (<i>ROUND A</i>)
Explanation for Proposed Change
Participation in Round A of the third Competition should not be compulsory.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Participation Round A of the third Competition is compulsory for open to the 25 best placed Athletes and Horses (including those placed equal for 25th place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions. Athletes must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed both rounds of the second Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired). If, for any reason, one or more of these 25 best placed Athletes are unable to start, they may be replaced by the next best placed Athlete(s) from the reserve list of five Athletes.
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New art. 288.1 Participation 288.1.1 Round A Round A of the third Competition is open to the 25 best-placed Athletes and Horses (including those with equality of Penalties for 25th place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions. Athletes must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed both rounds of the second Competition (without having been Eliminated or having retired). If for any reason one or more of these 25 best placed Athletes are unable to start, they will be replaced by the next best placed Athlete(s) from the reserve list of five Athletes.

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 315 PRIZES AND MEDALS Art. 315.2 PRIZE MONEY OVERALL INDIVIDUAL PLACING
Explanation for Proposed Change

The distribution for the overall individual placing in the Championship doesn't add up and is a challenge to understand. Also with this system athletes are basically forced to compete in Round B for the prize money:

Prize money must be awarded for the overall individual placing in the Championship, and must be distributed to all Athletes taking part in the Individual Final as follows:

- 25% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 13th to 25th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round A according to the following percentages:

- 13th - 25%
- 14th - 20%
- 15th - 15%
- 16th - 10%
- 17th - 7%
- 18th - 5.5%
- 19th - 4%
- 20th - 3%
- 21st - 3%
- 22nd - 2.5%
- 23rd - 2.5%
- 24th - 1.5%
- 25th - 1%

If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) added to the prize money foreseen for Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A (see below).

- 75% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round B. The prize money for the overall classification will be distributed in accordance with the prize money distribution chart 2 (33% to the winner) included in the Schedule. If one or more of the 12 best placed Athletes following Round A withdraws from Round B, they will receive the same amount of prize money as the Athlete placed last in the overall classification following Round A. This amount will be deducted from the prize money foreseen for the 12th place (or e.g. for 11th and 12th places if two Athletes have withdrawn) and the balance will be redistributed equally among the Athletes taking part in Round B. If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A and will be equally redistributed to the Athletes taking part in Round B.

Simulation:

FEI Jumping World Championship / FEI Jumping European Championship											
Prize Money Individual Classification											
Total prize money:		100000									
75% of total PM	75000						25% of total PM	25000			
1	33%	24750					13	25%	6250		
2	20%	15000					14	20%	5000		
3	15%	11250					15	15%	3750		
4	10%	7500					16	10%	2500		
5	6%	4500					17	7%	1750		
6	4.50%	3375					18	5.50%	1375		
7	3%	2250					19	4%	1000		
8	2.50%	1875					20	3%	750		
9	2%	1500					21	3%	750		
10	2%	1500					22	2.50%	625		
11	1%	750					23	2.50%	625		
12	1%	750					24	1.50%	375		
							25	1%	250		
Total		75000					Total		25000		
Overall total:		100000									
Milano 2023											
Total prize money:		200000									
75% of total PM	150000		In schedule		Distributed	25% of total PM	50000		In schedule		Distributed
1	33%	49500	34000	22.67%	34636.37	13	25%	12500	6000	12%	6000
2	20%	30000	20000	13.33%	20636.37	14	20%	10000	5500	11%	5500
3	15%	22500	18000	12%	18636.37	15	15%	7500	5000	10%	5000
4	10%	15000	12000	8%	12636.37	16	10%	5000	4500	9%	4500
5	6%	9000	10000	6.67%	10636.37	17	7%	3500	4000	8%	4000
6	4.50%	6750	9500	6.33%	10136.37	18	5.50%	2750	3500	7%	3500
7	3%	4500	9000	6%	9636.37	19	4%	2000	3500	7%	3500
8	2.50%	3750	8500	5.67%	9136.37	20	3%	1500	3000	6%	3000
9	2%	3000	8000	5.33%	8636.37	21	3%	1500	3000	6%	3000
10	2%	3000	7000	4.67%	7636.37	22	2.50%	1250	3000	6%	3000
11	1%	1500	7000	4.67%	7636.37	23	2.50%	1250	3000	6%	3000
12	1%	1500	7000	4.67%	3000	24	1.50%	750	3000	6%	3000
						25	1%	500	3000	6%	
Total		150000	150000	100.01%	153000.07	Total		50000	50000	100%	47000
Overall total:		200000									

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Prize money must be awarded for the overall individual placing in the Championship, and must be distributed to all Athletes taking part in the Individual Final as follows:

- 25% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 13th to 25th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round A. ~~according to the following percentages:~~
~~13th—25%~~
~~14th—20%~~
~~15th—15%~~
~~16th—10%~~
~~17th—7%~~
~~18th—5.5%~~
~~19th—4%~~
~~20th—3%~~
~~21st—3%~~
~~22nd—2.5%~~
~~23rd—2.5%~~
~~24th—1.5%~~
~~25th—1%~~
The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved schedule.
- If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) ~~will be~~ added to the prize money foreseen for Athletes ~~taking part in Round B placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A~~ and will be equally distributed (see below).
- 75% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall individual placing in the

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Prize money must be awarded for the overall individual placing in the Championship, and must be distributed to all Athletes taking part in the Individual Final as follows:

- 25% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 13th to 25th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round A. ~~according to the following percentages:~~

~~13th—25%~~
~~14th—20%~~
~~15th—15%~~
~~16th—10%~~
~~17th—7%~~
~~18th—5.5%~~
~~19th—4%~~
~~20th—3%~~
~~21st—3%~~
~~22nd—2.5%~~
~~23rd—2.5%~~
~~24th—1.5%~~
~~25th—1%~~

The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved schedule.

If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for Athletes taking part in Round B placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A and will be equally distributed (see below).

- 75% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall individual placing in the

Championship following Round B. ~~The prize money for the overall classification will be distributed in accordance with the prize money distribution chart 2 (33% to the winner) included in the Schedule. The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved schedule.~~

~~If one or more of the 12 best placed Athletes following Round A withdraws from Round B, they will receive the same amount of prize money as the Athlete placed last in the overall classification following Round A. This amount will be deducted from the prize money foreseen for the 12th place (or e.g. for 11th and 12th places if two Athletes have withdrawn) and the balance will be redistributed equally among the Athletes taking part in Round B. If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes taking part in Round B placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A and will be equally redistributed to the Athletes taking part in Round B.~~

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New art. 289.2

Prizes must be awarded for individual placing in each Competition. The allocation of prizes must follow the provisions of the JRs and GRs. Prize money must be awarded for the overall individual placing in the Championship, and must be distributed to all Athletes taking part in the Individual Final as follows:

289.2.1

25% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 13th to 25th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following round A of the third Competition. The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved Schedule. If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes taking part in round B and will be equally redistributed.

289.2.2

75% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following round B of the third Competition. The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved Schedule. If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes taking part in round B and will be equally redistributed.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 311 TEAM PLACING

Art. 314 INDIVIDUAL PLACING IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification required on team and individual placing in the Championship in case of EL, RET, WD in the different rounds.

Since the changes to Art. 247 of the Jumping Rules (*Elimination, retirement or withdrawal from a jump-off, second round or winning round*) we see that the overall classification of teams and individuals in a Championship is done in different ways. Are individuals placed according to their results up until the previous round in case of EL, RET, WD?

For the classification only the fact that the total penalties incurred over all competitions are taking into consideration and in case of equal penalties for first place there will be a jump-off. There is no further explanation in case of EL etc.
Placing in a Championship is different than when it only concerns a jump-off, second round, winning round of one competition.

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Art. 311 Team Placing

Teams which participate in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team which has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared World Team Champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first place, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team Athletes may take part, at a speed of 400 m per minute over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute. Teams on equality of penalties for any other placing will be placed according to the combined times of their three best Athletes in the second round of the second Competition, the team with the faster time being placed ahead of the team with the slower time.

The Score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in this jump-off added together will decide the winning team. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final Scores of the individual Athletes.

If after the jump-off there are teams with equality of Penalties and time, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

Teams not taking part in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the second Competition. Teams on equality of Penalties will be placed equal.

In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for the second Competition.

Elimination/Retirement

If two or more Athletes of a team, participating with four Athletes in the first or second round of the second Competition, are eliminated or retire, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round.

If one Athlete of a team, participating with three Athletes in the first or second round of the second Competition, is eliminated or retires, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round.

Teams eliminated in the first round of the second Competition will be placed equal last in the first round of the second Competition for the team classification.

Teams eliminated in the second round of the second Competition will be placed equal last in the second round of the second Competition for the team classification and are eligible to receive prize money.

Art. 314 Individual Placing in the Championship

1. Athletes receive their overall placing by adding the Penalties incurred in the first, second and third Competitions. The Athlete who has the lowest total Penalties will be declared World Champion.

2. In the event of equality of Penalties for first place in the overall classification there will be a jump-off against the clock over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in

height and/or spread. ~~Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed according to their combined times in Rounds A and B of the third Competition, the Athlete with the faster time being placed ahead of the Athlete with the slower time.~~

3. If after the jump-off there are Athletes with equality of Penalties and time, the Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

4. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following Round B of the third Competition will be placed according to their combined times in Rounds A and B of the third Competition.

5. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following Round A of the third Competition will be placed according to their time in Round A of the third Competition.

6. Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any placing will be placed equal.

Elimination/Retirement/Withdrawn

Athletes having withdrawn from any Round of the second or third Competition or not having qualified for the second Round of the second or third Competition will be placed according to their total Penalties obtained up until their last Round they competed in.

Athletes eliminated or who retire in any Round of the second or third Competition will be placed according to their total Penalties obtained up until their previous Round they competed in. These Athletes are placed above any Athlete having withdrawn from or not having competed in that same Round.

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New art. 287.3 Team placing

287.3.1

Teams that participate in round two of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team that has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared 'Team Champion'.

287.3.2

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first place in the World Championship (or first, second, and/or third place for Continental Championships), there will be a jump-off Against the Clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread and at a speed of 400 m per minute. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the Competition Arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

287.3.3

For Continental Championships, in the case of equality of Penalties for any of the Olympic team qualification places there will be a jump-off Against the Clock, in which all team Athletes may take part, according to the same provisions as the jump-off for first, second, and/or third place. In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing, teams will be placed equal.

287.3.4

For the World Championships, teams on equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed according to the combined times of their three best Athletes in round two of the second Competition, the team with the faster time being placed ahead of the team with the slower time.

287.3.5

The score in the jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team, as well as those placed second or third in the Continental Championships. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final scores of the individual Athletes.

287.3.6

If two jump-offs are required in the Continental Championships, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and the second place.

287.3.7

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

287.3.8

Teams not taking part in round two of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the second Competition. Teams on equality of Penalties will be placed equal.

287.3.9

In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for the second Competition.

288.5 Individual placing

288.5.1

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one), and the two rounds of the third Competition.

288.5.2

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the 'Individual Champion'.

288.5.3

In the event of equality of Penalties for first place (or one of the first three places in Continental Championships) in the overall classification there will be a jump-off Against the Clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the Competition Arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

288.5.4

If two jump-offs are required in Continental Championships, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

288.5.5

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for first place (or one of the first three places in Continental Championships), Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

288.5.6

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following round A of the third Competition will be placed according to their time in round A of the third Competition.

288.5.7

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following round B of the third Competition will be placed according to their combined times in rounds A and B of the third Competition.

288.5.8

Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any placing will be placed equal.

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 316 ORGANISATION

Art. 316.2

Art. 316.3

Explanation for Proposed Change

Correction in the wording.

To remove the non-Championship Competitions within the Championship category. This can be replaced by an additional CSI Event.

The Championship category should only be open to Championship Athletes with one horse each.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 316.2

A CSI may be held with the Championship ~~may be held together with a CSI but~~ not a CSIO. ~~If the Championship is held on its own, the programme for the Championship must provide also for Competitions open to Athletes entered in the Championship riding Horses which are not taking part in the Championship. The programme for each day may include one or two of these Competitions. Each Horse may only compete in one Competition per day. The FEI Jumping Director must approve the conditions for these Competitions.~~

Art. 316.3

If the Championship is held together with a CSI, the training session on the first day is only open to Athletes of the Championship. ~~For Athletes of the CSI, separate Competitions may be organised. From the second day on, the Athletes may be mixed.~~

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New art. 280.1.4

The Continental Championship may be held with a CSI but not with a CSIO. At the discretion of the FEI, authorisation may be granted for the World Championship to be held with a CSI but not with a CSIO. If the Continental or World Championship is held together with a CSI, the training session on the first day is only open to Athlete/Horse Combinations participating in the Championship.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 317 GROUND JURY, FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COURSE DESIGNER

Art. 318 VETERINARY COMMISSION

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 259 (and the Veterinary Regulations).

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~Art. 317~~

~~1. The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs and JRs Art. 259.1. The President of the Ground Jury must reach agreement with the OC and with the FEI with regard to the appointment of the members of the Ground Jury.~~

~~2. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be selected from the list of Level 4 Course Designers. At the discretion of the FEI, a second Technical Delegate may be appointed to coordinate with the Organising Committee on the overall organisation of the Event. The second Technical Delegate is not required to have experience in Course Designing (see JRs Art. 259.4.2.2).~~

~~3. The Course Designer must be chosen from the list of Level 4 Course Designers.~~

~~Art. 318~~

~~The President and the Associate Member of the Veterinary Commission shall be appointed by the host NF or the OC in agreement with the FEI Veterinary Committee. The FEI Veterinary Committee shall appoint the Foreign Veterinary Delegate and all must be selected from the FEI List of Event Veterinarians.~~

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~~Art. 317~~

~~1. The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs and JRs Art. 259.1. The President of the Ground Jury must reach agreement with the OC and with the FEI with regard to the appointment of the members of the Ground Jury.~~

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~~3. The Course Designer must be chosen from the list of Level 4 Course Designers.~~

~~Art. 318~~

~~The President and the Associate Member of the Veterinary Commission shall be appointed by the host NF or the OC in agreement with the FEI Veterinary Committee. The FEI Veterinary Committee shall appoint the Foreign Veterinary Delegate and all must be selected from the FEI List of Event Veterinarians.~~

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 317 GROUND JURY, FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COURSE DESIGNER
Art. 318 VETERINARY COMMISSION

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 259 (and the Veterinary Regulations).

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 319 ENTRIES

Art. 319.3

Art. 319.4
Art. 319.5
Art. 319.6
Art. 319.7

Explanation for Proposed Change

With the removal of the non-Championship Competitions within the Championship category, the maximum entries at both the nominated and definite entries for the Championship are corrected to one Horse per Athlete.
South American Championship for Seniors are not being held.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 319.3

Teams

A team comprises at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and ~~10~~ five Horses. Each qualified NF may enter a maximum of 10 Athletes and ~~20~~ 10 Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and ~~10~~ five Horses with its definite entries; however, each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes, all of whom may participate in the Team and Individual Competitions of the Championship (refer to Art. 320.1), and ~~ten~~ five Horses. Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe to whom will be accorded the same privileges as the Athletes.

Art. 319.4

Individuals instead of a team

An NF which cannot send a full team may enter one or two individual Athletes with ~~two~~ one Horses each.

~~Art. 319.5~~

~~Non-Championship Horses~~

~~The Horses of team members and individuals not taking part in the Championship Competitions may compete in the non-Championship Competitions.~~

~~Art. 319.6~~

~~If the Continental Championship is combined with another Discipline, the OC has the right to limit entries to one Horse per Athlete.~~

~~Art. 319.7~~

~~South American Championships—Number of teams and individuals~~

~~A minimum of three NFs must be represented by teams. A minimum of three teams are required for this Event to be recognised as a Championship. Each NF may not be represented by more than two teams. Athletes and/or Horses may not change from one team to another team during the Championship. A maximum of two individual Athletes only are allowed to participate per NF, if the NF in question sends one team to the Championship. If the NF is not represented by a team, two individual Athletes may participate for the NF in question.~~

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USA NF - While we understand the intent to bring the Jumping Rules in line with the GRs regarding the FEI Nominated Entries, the GRs specifically allow for sport variations and the unintended consequences for Jumping of the proposed changes are significant.

At this time in the sport there are many athletes who have two or more horses that could be considered for a championship. By limiting the Nominated Entries for Championships to 10 athletes and 10 horses you are decreasing the pool of horses by 10 and removing the ability of athletes to nominate more than one horse. Yes, one could choose to nominate less athletes in order to accommodate more horses; however, this quickly puts NF's and athletes alike in a difficult position. Additionally, it does not help with encouraging owners to target and support Championship efforts.

For example, if an NF has 2 athletes that have 2 viable Championship horses and one athlete that has 3 viable horses – this would force the NF to nominate only 6 athletes for 10 horses. It would potentially only take one athlete to get hurt and another horse to

come out of form and the NF would not be able to field a full team of 5 athletes and 5 horses at the time of Definite Entries.

The purpose of Nominated Entries is not defined in the GRs. But if the purpose of the Nominated Entries is to ensure that all potential athletes and horses have met the Certificate of Capability (which is now done automatically so is no longer manpower intensive for Jumping) and to help OCs / FEI better identify which NF's will be participating with a Team or as an individual – then is there a downside in allowing a larger pool of athletes and horses to be considered?

Looking to the Olympic Regulations (2024), it allows for three times the number of athletes and horses to be nominated; therefore, a maximum of 12 athletes and 12 horses. This is perhaps the model that we should follow for Championships and is certainly not a model that should be changed for 2028. This would allow three times the number of athletes and horses to be nominated (15 athletes and 15 horses).

New proposed wording:

A team is comprised of at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and five Horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of **15** Athletes and **15** Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses with its definite entries. Each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses.

KSA NF –

7. The Proposal will reduce the number of athletes and horses that can be submitted at Nominated Entries for World & Continental Championships to
 - i. NFs entering a Team. 10 athletes & 10 horses at Nominated.
 - ii. NFs entering up to 2 Individuals. 2 athletes and 2 horses. Although the wording around this is a little unclear.
8. For Jumping the Nominated Entries should remain 3 x the number of athletes and 3 x the number of horses,
9. Justification.
 - i. This could set a precedent for the Olympic Games. Although the Olympic Rules are a separate document voted on by the GA this precedent would be dangerous.
 - ii. Whilst the argument is that it brings Jumping in line with General Regulations, the General Regulations specifically allow for differences under "Sport Rules".
 - iii. Whilst these numbers may work for Dressage and Eventing where there are few athletes with two horses able to compete at a Games / Championships this is not the case for Jumping where there are a significant number leading athletes that have more than 1 horse that is capable of competing at the highest levels.
 - iv. Nominated Entries are approx. 4 weeks before the Games / Championships; the reality for many countries is that selection may be far from confirmed and potential Games / Championships horses will still be competing between Nominated and Definite Entries. This would be especially challenging for Nations and athletes that struggle to gain entries to key 5* and 4* preparation events and so must utilise every possible opportunity to prepare.

	v. The proposal for Individuals is unclear but if it is suggested that an NF can only Nominate two athletes and two horses that would leave an NF with no flexibility if they had a highly ranked (potential medal zone) athlete with two horses and their second athlete was not of the same standard. vi. This is a sport self-imposed restriction. It does not impact the planning for OCs / FEI (clarification of MERs / CoCs is now automatic). vii. For some athletes and/or Owners being selected to Nominated Entries is an achievement in itself and helps keep the flame alive of “wanting to represent their country”. This should not be diminished. viii. The Sport would look a little silly if a leading athlete was not able to compete in, or a Country lost its place at, a Games / Championships because of an unnecessary restriction the sport had placed on itself. 10. The provisions of Article 303.2 are acknowledged and should remain.
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FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the FEI agrees with the proposal to increase the nominated entries to 15 athletes and 15 horses.

Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 282.2 Teams

A team comprises at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and five Horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of fifteen Athletes and fifteen Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses with its definite entries; however, each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes and five Horses. Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe who will receive the same privileges as the Athletes.

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS
Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)
Art. 321 QUALIFICATIONS
Art. 321.3

Explanation for Proposed Change

The Certificate of Capability is now automatically generated from the validated nominated list in the FEI entry system and linked directly to the results in the FEI Database. This sentence can therefore be removed.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Certificates of Capability

Only those Athletes and Horses who are likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs). Athletes and Horses are not required to qualify as combinations.

~~This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in Competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the Jumping Rules.~~

The procedure for qualification, laid down under JRs Annex VIII, must be strictly followed. Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange Athletes and Horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first Championship Competition, no further changes are permitted.

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~~This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in Competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the Jumping Rules.~~

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS
Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)
Art. 322 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES

Explanation for Proposed Change

To be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 200.6.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

- ~~1. The OC is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate and the Foreign Veterinary Delegate.~~
- ~~2. The OC is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the President and members of the Veterinary Commission, the Team Veterinarians, the Chefs d'Equipe, the Athletes and the grooms (one per Athlete) as well as the stabling and fodder of the Horses during the period of the Championship.~~
- ~~3. The OC is responsible for providing transport for the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the President and the members of the Veterinary Commission, the Chefs d'Equipe, the Athletes, the grooms and the Horses during the period of the Championship.~~
- ~~4. The OC is responsible for meeting the travelling expenses of Chefs d'Equipe, Team Veterinarians, Athletes and Horses belonging to the official teams and of their grooms, from the frontier of the host country, or the point of arrival in the host country to the place of the Event, including the cost of loading and unloading from a ship or aircraft in the host country and cost of quarantine. The same applies for the return journey.~~
- ~~5. The OC is responsible for meeting the government veterinary, customs and importation costs at the border of the host country.~~

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Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 324 CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS

Art. 324.3

Art. 324.4

Explanation for Proposed Change

To correct a discrepancy, this rule remains with the Championship rules and has been removed from the Jumping Rules (Art. 211.13).

The rule on sponsored obstacles is to be removed, this is covered in the Jumping Rules Art. 208.3.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 324.3

The water jump must be used ~~minimum two times, maximum three times~~ in the official Competitions of the Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is ~~unsafe to include it due to lighting conditions~~. It is compulsory in the first round of the second Competition. The Course Designer will, at their discretion, decide in which other Competitions the water jump will be used.

~~Art. 324.4~~

~~A sponsored obstacle is defined as one where there is advertising material or a sponsor's product or representation of a product inside the flags. If advertising or a product on the obstacle wings is more than 0.50 m² the obstacle is also considered to be a sponsored obstacle. If the wings of an obstacle have advertising of 0.50 m² or less, the obstacle is not considered a sponsored obstacle. No more than 30% of the efforts rounded up to the next whole number may be sponsored obstacles.~~

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USA NF - It is agreed that there should be allowances made for the use of the water jump when it is unsafe. However, there are other conditions besides lighting that could make the water jump unsafe such as weather (heavy rain flooding the water) and footing (deteriorating either on take off or landing).

New proposed wording:

The water jump must be used minimum two times, maximum three times in the official Competitions of the Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe ~~to include it due to lighting conditions~~. It is compulsory in the first round of the second Competition. The Course Designer will, at their discretion, decide in which other Competitions the water jump will be used.

KSA NF - Proposed amendment states the water jump must be used... "unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe to include it due to lighting conditions."

Given that there could be other situations where the water jump could become unsafe (e.g. deterioration of footing) it is suggested that removing the words "due to lighting conditions"; this gives the CD and TD the ability to ensure safety in all circumstances.

New proposed wording:

Propose removing the following from the draft;

"due to lighting conditions"

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the FEI agrees to remove the phrase "due to lighting conditions", as other factors may also create unsafe conditions for the water jump.

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New art. 285.3

The Water Jump must be used a minimum of two times, and a maximum of three times in the official Competitions of the Championship, unless in the opinion of the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate it is unsafe to include it. It is mandatory in the first round of the second Competition. The Course Designer will, at their discretion, decide in which other Competitions the Water Jump will be used.

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Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 325 FIRST COMPETITION (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 325.2

Art. 326 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

Art. 326.2

Art. 327 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

Art. 327.2.1

Art. 327.2.2

Explanation for Proposed Change

To remove the minimum length of the course.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 325.2

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum.

Art. 326.2

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, ~~700~~ 600 m maximum. (*First and Second Round*)

Art. 327.2.1

Length: ~~500 m minimum~~, 600 m maximum. (*Round A*)

Art. 327.2.2

Length: ~~400 m minimum~~, 500 m maximum. (*Round B*)

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025
New art. 286.4.1 Length: 500 m minimum , 600 m maximum.
New art. 287.6.1 Length: 500 m minimum , 700 600 m maximum. (<i>First and Second Round</i>)
New art. 288.7.1 Length: 450 m minimum , 600 m maximum. (<i>Round A</i>)
New art. 288.7.1 Length: 400 m minimum , 550 m maximum. (<i>Round B</i>)

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 326 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL) Art. 326.1
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarification on the days of the Second Competition.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Conduct, Table, Speed This second Competition is conducted over two different rounds run over two consecutive days under Table A not against the clock and without a jump-off at a speed of 400 m per minute. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.
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New art. 287.6.1 Two rounds over two consecutive days

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 326 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL) Art. 326.4 STARTING ORDER (<i>Round 1</i>)
Explanation for Proposed Change
Proposal: Same as proposed for the Senior World Championship with individuals first in reverse order following by all teams in reverse order not using 2 Groups of teams. Using 2 Groups is very unclear and with the teams placed 11 th and beyond after the first competition to go first in the first round of the Second Competition it is possible to have many less good rounds following each other. Also, should one of these teams do really well in this first round and move up to the top 10 they appear in the top 10 standings when the top 10 teams are competing without seeing these athletes competing which makes it difficult to understand. It should be as easy as possible to follow.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Starting order

Individuals – Round 1:

First to start in Round 1 of the Team Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in Round 1 of the Team Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place Athletes retain the same starting place as in the first Competition.

Teams – Round 1:

~~Following the first Individual Competition, teams are divided into two groups based on the results of the best three Athletes in each team. The first group of teams to start in the first round of the Team Competition is that with teams placed eleventh and beyond. The group with teams placed first to tenth and those tied for tenth place start last. Teams in each group start in the reverse order of classification resulting from the first Individual Competition. There is a draw to decide the starting order for teams in case of equality of Penalties.~~

The starting order of the teams is set according to the reverse order of the total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

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New art. 287.2 Starting order

287.2.1 Round one

287.2.1.1 Individuals

First to start in round one of the second Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in round one of the second Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. In case of equality of Penalties for any place, Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

287.2.1.2 Teams

The starting order of the teams is set according to the reverse order of the total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the same starting order as in the first Competition. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will be determined in accordance with JRs Art 283.2.2.

287.2.2 Round two

287.2.2.1 Individuals

First to start in round two of the second Competition are qualified individuals. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

287.2.2.2 Teams

The starting order of the teams qualified to compete in round two is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in round one of the second Competition. Teams with equality of Penalties retain the starting order of round one. The starting order of the Athletes within each team will revert to the starting order in the first round of the second Competition.

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 326 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL) Art. 326.5 TEAM PLACING
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarification on teams not taking part in the second round of the second Competition that are equal on Penalties after the first round of the second Competition. <i>(using the same wording as for the World Championship)</i>
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Team Placing ... Teams not taking part in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the team Competition. Teams on equality of Penalties will be placed equal. In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for this Competition.
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New art. 287.3.8 Teams not taking part in round two of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the second Competition. Teams on equality of Penalties will be placed equal.

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS) Art. 327 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL) Art. 327.1 CONDUCT, TABLE, SPEED
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarification on the rounds and individual classification in the Competition.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Conduct, Table, Speed This third Competition is conducted over two different successive rounds (A) and (B) each judged under Table A not against the clock with a time allowed at a speed of 400 m per minute (JRs Art. 238.1.1), without a jump-off in the event of equality of Penalties for first place in the classification of the Competition. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.
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New art. 288.7 Course specifications

The table below sets out the course specifications for the third Competition of the Senior Championships:

Course specifications for World and Continental (Senior) Championships – Third Competition	
Rounds	Two different successive rounds (NB: referred to as round A and round B to distinguish the Individual Final)
Number of obstacles	Round A: 10 – 12; Round B: 11 – 13 (<i>Continental</i>) Round A: 11 – 13; Round B: up to 12 (<i>World</i>)
Obstacle height	Max. 1.60 m (both rounds) (<i>Continental</i>) Max. 1.65 m (both rounds) (<i>World</i>)
Obstacle spread	Max. 2.00 m (2.20 m for triple bar) Two spread obstacles with a width of 1.00 m or less may be used
Water Jump	Round A: Optional (4.00 m including take-off element) Round B: not permitted
Combinations	Round A: 1 double and 1 triple; or 3 doubles Round B: 1 double or 1 triple (<i>Continental</i>) / 1 double and 1 triple; or 2 doubles (<i>World</i>)
Course length	Round A: max. 600 m Round B: max. 500 m (<i>Continental</i>) / max. 550 m (<i>World</i>)
Other specifications	At least two verticals of minimum 1.60 m (both rounds A and B) (<i>Continental</i>). Round A: at least two verticals of minimum 1.60 m and at least six other obstacles of minimum 1.50 m; Round B: at least two verticals of minimum 1.60 m (<i>World</i>).
Scoring	Table A Not Against the Clock
Speed	400 m / minute (may be reduced to 375 m / minute at discretion of Technical Delegate and depending on size of Competition Arena)
Jump-off	Jump-off against the clock in case of individuals tied on Penalties for overall classification in first place (<i>World</i>) or for first, second, and/or third place (<i>Continental</i>). No jump-off in case of equality of Penalties for first place in the classification of the Competition.

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CHAPTER II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 326 SECOND COMPETITION

Art. 326.5 TEAM PLACING

Art. 327 THIRD COMPETITION

Art. 327.7 INDIVIDUAL PLACING

Explanation for Proposed Change

To bring the number of obstacles in the jump-off for both the team and individual classification in line with the number of obstacles in the jump-off for the World Championship.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 326.5

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second and/or third place, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over **at least** six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 400 m per minute. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

Art. 327.7

In the event of equality for one of the first three places after Round B of the third Competition, there will be a jump-off against the clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over **at least eight** six obstacles ~~from the courses of Rounds A and B which may be increased in height and/or spread~~. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

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New art. 287.3.2

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first place in the World Championship (or first, second, and/or third place for Continental Championships), there will be a jump-off Against the Clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread and at a speed of 400 m per minute. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the Competition Arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

New art. 288.5.3

In the event of equality of Penalties for first place (or one of the first three places in Continental Championships) in the overall classification there will be a jump-off Against the Clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the Competition Arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 327 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

Art. 327.3 PARTICIPATION

Art. 327.3.1 ROUND A

Art. 327.3.2 ROUND B

Explanation for Proposed Change

Participation in Round A of the third Competition should not be compulsory.

A number of reserve Athletes should be specified. For the World Championship this is set to five.

Prize money for the Competition and for the Individual classification in the Championship is covered in Art. 327.6 and Art. 328.2. To be removed here as it is not clear whether this refers to the Competition prize money or the Championship prize money.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 327.3.1

Round A

Round A of the third Competition is ~~compulsory for~~ open to the 25 best-placed Athletes and Horses (including those with equality of Penalties for 25th place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions or according to the cumulative Penalties over the first Competition and first round of the second Competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition.

Athletes must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired) or have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the first round of the second Competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired). If for any reason one or more of these 25 best placed Athletes are unable to start, they will be replaced by the next best placed Athlete(s) from the reserve list of **five** Athletes.

Art. 327.3.2

Round B

Round B of the third Competition is open to the 12 best placed Athletes and Horses according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions and Round A of the third Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties for 12th place, the result in Round A of the third Competition will be the deciding factor. In case of further equality of Penalties, the time of Round A will be used to break the tie. ~~If less than 12 Athletes take part in Round B the prize money foreseen for the 12 placings will be redistributed among those who do take part; Athletes who do not take part in Round B are not eligible to receive prize money.~~

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New art. 288.1 Participation

288.1.1 Round A

Round A of the third Competition is open to the 25 best-placed Athletes and Horses (including those with equality of Penalties for 25th place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions. Athletes must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed both rounds of the second Competition (without having been Eliminated or having retired). If for any reason one or more of these 25 best placed Athletes are unable to start, they will be replaced by the next best placed Athlete(s) from the reserve list of five Athletes.

288.1.2 Round B

Round B of the third Competition is open to the 12 best placed Athletes and Horses according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions and round A of the third Competition. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties for 12th place, the result in round A of the third Competition will be the deciding factor. In case of further equality of Penalties, the time of round A will be used to break the tie.

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FEI

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RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)
 Art. 327 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)
 Art. 327.7 INDIVIDUAL PLACING IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Explanation for Proposed Change

Correction, some text missing.
 Clarification in case of equality of Penalties for any other placing. (*using the same wording as for the World Championship*)

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Individual Placing in the Championship

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, as well as the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one) and the two Rounds A and B of the third Competition. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition their score in the second-round qualifier counts instead of the second round of the team Competition.

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the Continental Champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties for one of the first three places after Round B of the third Competition, there will be a jump-off against the clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over eight obstacles from the courses of Rounds A and B. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute. ~~The Athletes will be invited to inspect the jump-off course.~~

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

~~Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following Round B of the third Competition will be placed according to their combined times in Round A and B of the third Competition.~~

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

288.5 Individual placing

288.5.1

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one), and the two rounds of the third Competition.

288.5.2

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the 'Individual Champion'.

288.5.3

In the event of equality of Penalties for first place (or one of the first three places in Continental Championships) in the overall classification there will be a jump-off Against the Clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the Competition Arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

288.5.4

If two jump-offs are required in Continental Championships, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

288.5.5

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for first place (or one of the first three places in Continental Championships), Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

288.5.6

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following round A of the third Competition will be placed according to their time in round A of the third Competition.

288.5.7

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following round B of the third Competition will be placed according to their combined times in rounds A and B of the third Competition.

288.5.8

Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any placing will be placed equal.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 328 PRIZES AND MEDALS

Art. 328.2 PRIZE MONEY OVERALL INDIVIDUAL PLACING

Explanation for Proposed Change

The distribution for the overall individual placing in the Championship doesn't add up and is a challenge to understand. Also with this system athletes are basically forced to compete in Round B for the prize money:

Prize money must be awarded for the overall individual placing in the Championship, and must be distributed to all Athletes taking part in the Individual Final as follows:

- 25% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 13th to 25th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round A according to the following percentages:

13th - 25%

14th - 20%

15th - 15%

16th - 10%

17th - 7%

18th - 5.5%

19th - 4%

20th - 3%

21st - 3%

22nd - 2.5%

23rd - 2.5%

24th - 1.5%

25th - 1%

If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) added to the prize money foreseen for Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A (see below).

- 75% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round B. The prize money for the overall classification will be distributed in accordance with the prize money distribution chart 2 (33% to the winner)

included in the Schedule. If one or more of the 12 best placed Athletes following Round A withdraws from Round B, they will receive the same amount of prize money as the Athlete placed last in the overall classification following Round A. This amount will be deducted from the prize money foreseen for the 12th place (or e.g. for 11th and 12th places if two Athletes have withdrawn) and the balance will be redistributed equally among the Athletes taking part in Round B. If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A and will be equally redistributed to the Athletes taking part in Round B.

Simulation:

FEI Jumping World Championship / FEI Jumping European Championship											
Prize Money Individual Classification											
Total prize money:		100000									
75% of total PM		75000				25% of total PM		25000			
1	33%	24750			13	25%	6250				
2	20%	15000			14	20%	5000				
3	15%	11250			15	15%	3750				
4	10%	7500			16	10%	2500				
5	6%	4500			17	7%	1750				
6	4.50%	3375			18	5.50%	1375				
7	3%	2250			19	4%	1000				
8	2.50%	1875			20	3%	750				
9	2%	1500			21	3%	750				
10	2%	1500			22	2.50%	625				
11	1%	750			23	2.50%	625				
12	1%	750			24	1.50%	375				
					25	1%	250				
Total		75000				Total		25000			
Overall total:		100000									
Milano 2023											
Total prize money:		200000									
75% of total PM		150000		In schedule		Distributed		25% of total PM		50000	
1	33%	49500	34000	22.67%	34636.37	13	25%	12500	6000	12%	6000
2	20%	30000	20000	13.33%	20636.37	14	20%	10000	5500	11%	5500
3	15%	22500	18000	12%	18636.37	15	15%	7500	5000	10%	5000
4	10%	15000	12000	8%	12636.37	16	10%	5000	4500	9%	4500
5	6%	9000	10000	6.67%	10636.37	17	7%	3500	4000	8%	4000
6	4.50%	6750	9500	6.33%	10136.37	18	5.50%	2750	3500	7%	3500
7	3%	4500	9000	6%	9636.37	19	4%	2000	3500	7%	3500
8	2.50%	3750	8500	5.67%	9136.37	20	3%	1500	3000	6%	3000
9	2%	3000	8000	5.33%	8636.37	21	3%	1500	3000	6%	3000
10	2%	3000	7000	4.67%	7636.37	22	2.50%	1250	3000	6%	3000
11	1%	1500	7000	4.67%	7636.37	23	2.50%	1250	3000	6%	3000
12	1%	1500	7000	4.67%	3000	24	1.50%	750	3000	6%	3000
						25	1%	500	3000	6%	3000
Total		150000	150000	100.01%	153000.07	Total		50000	50000	100%	47000
Overall total:		200000									

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Prize money must be awarded for the overall individual placing in the Championship, and must be distributed to all Athletes taking part in the Individual Final as follows:

- 25% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 13th to 25th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round A. ~~according to the following percentages:~~

~~13th—25%~~
~~14th—20%~~
~~15th—15%~~
~~16th—10%~~
~~17th—7%~~
~~18th—5.5%~~
~~19th—4%~~
~~20th—3%~~
~~21st—3%~~
~~22nd—2.5%~~
~~23rd—2.5%~~
~~24th—1.5%~~
~~25th—1%~~

The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved schedule.

If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for Athletes taking part in Round B

~~placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A and will be equally distributed (see below).~~

- 75% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following Round B. ~~The prize money for the overall classification will be distributed in accordance with the prize money distribution chart 2 (33% to the winner) included in the Schedule.~~ The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved schedule.

~~If one or more of the 12 best placed Athletes following Round A withdraws from Round B, they will receive the same amount of prize money as the Athlete placed last in the overall classification following Round A. This amount will be deducted from the prize money foreseen for the 12th place (or e.g. for 11th and 12th places if two Athletes have withdrawn) and the balance will be redistributed equally among the Athletes taking part in Round B.~~ If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in Round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes ~~taking part in Round B placed 1st to 12th in the overall classification following Round A~~ and will be equally redistributed ~~to the Athletes taking part in Round B.~~

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FEI Feedback

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Proposed Final Wording to be Voted at the FEI General Assembly 2025

New art. 289.2

Prizes must be awarded for individual placing in each Competition. The allocation of prizes must follow the provisions of the JRs and GRs. Prize money must be awarded for the overall individual placing in the Championship, and must be distributed to all Athletes taking part in the Individual Final as follows:

289.2.1

25% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 13th to 25th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following round A of the third Competition. The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved Schedule. If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes taking part in round B and will be equally redistributed.

289.2.2

75% of the prize money for the overall classification in the Championship will be distributed to the Athletes placed 1st to 12th in the overall individual placing in the Championship following round B of the third Competition. The exact breakdown must be stated in the approved Schedule. If fewer than 25 Athletes take part in round A, the prize money foreseen for the vacant placing(s) will be added to the prize money foreseen for the Athletes taking part in round B and will be equally redistributed.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chapter II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Art. 326.5 TEAM PLACING

Art. 327.7 INDIVIDUAL PLACING IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification required on team and individual placing in the Championship in case of EL, RET, WD in the different rounds.

Since the changes to Art. 247 of the Jumping Rules (*Elimination, retirement or withdrawal from a jump-off, second round or winning round*) we see that the overall classification of teams and individuals in a Championship is done in different ways. Are individuals placed according to their results up until the previous round in case of EL, RET, WD?

For the classification only the fact that the total penalties incurred over all competitions are taken into consideration and in case of equal penalties for first, second and/or third place there will be a jump-off. There is no further explanation in case of EL etc.

Placing in a Championship is different than when it only concerns a jump-off, second round, winning round of one competition.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 326.5 Team Placing

Teams which participate in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team, which has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared Continental Team Champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second and/or third place, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 400 m per minute. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute. In the case of equality of Penalties for any of the Olympic team qualification places there will be a jump-off against the clock, in which all team Athletes may take part, according to the same provisions as the jump-off for first, second and/or third place. In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing, teams will be placed equal.

The score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final scores of the individual Athletes.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

Teams not taking part in the second round of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the team Competition. **Teams on equality of Penalties will be placed equal.**

In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for this Competition.

Elimination/Retirement

If two or more Athletes of a team, participating with four Athletes in the first or second round of the second Competition, are eliminated or retire, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round.

If one Athlete of a team, participating with three Athletes in the first or second round of the second Competition, is eliminated or retires, the whole team is eliminated in the respective round.

Teams eliminated in the first round of the second Competition will be placed equal last in the first round of the second Competition for the team classification.

Teams eliminated in the second round of the second Competition will be placed equal last in the second round of the second Competition for the team classification and are eligible to receive prize money.

Art. 327.7 Individual Placing in the Championship

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, as well as the two rounds of the second Competition

(disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one) and the two Rounds A and B of the third Competition.

For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition their score in the second-round qualifier counts instead of the second round of the team Competition.

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the Continental Champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties for one of the first three places after Round B of the third Competition, there will be a jump-off against the clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over eight obstacles from the courses of Rounds A and B. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute. ~~The Athletes will be invited to inspect the jump-off course.~~

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following Round B of the third Competition will be placed according to their combined times in Rounds A and B of the third Competition.

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following Round A of the third Competition will be placed according to their time in Round A of the third Competition.

Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any placing will be placed equal.

Elimination/Retirement/Withdrawn

Athletes having withdrawn from any Round of the second or third Competition or not having qualified for the second Round of the second or third Competition will be placed according to their total Penalties obtained up until their last Round they competed in.

Athletes eliminated or who retire in any Round of the second or third Competition will be placed according to their total Penalties obtained up until their previous Round they competed in. These Athletes are placed above any Athlete having withdrawn from or not having competed in that same Round.

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New art. 287.3 Team placing

287.3.1

Teams that participate in round two of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team that has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared 'Team Champion'.

287.3.2

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first place in the World Championship (or first, second, and/or third place for Continental Championships), there will be a jump-off Against the Clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread and at a speed of 400 m per minute. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the Competition Arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

287.3.3

For Continental Championships, in the case of equality of Penalties for any of the Olympic team qualification places there will be a jump-off Against the Clock, in which all team Athletes may take part, according to the same provisions as the jump-off for first, second, and/or third place. In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing, teams will be placed equal.

287.3.4

For the World Championships, teams on equality of Penalties for any other placing will be placed according to the combined times of their three best Athletes in round two of the second Competition, the team with the faster time being placed ahead of the team with the slower time.

287.3.5

The score in the jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team, as well as those placed second or third in the Continental Championships. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final scores of the individual Athletes.

287.3.6

If two jump-offs are required in the Continental Championships, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and the second place.

287.3.7

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

287.3.8

Teams not taking part in round two of the second Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the second Competition. Teams on equality of Penalties will be placed equal.

287.3.9

In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for the second Competition.

288.5 Individual placing

288.5.1

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one), and the two rounds of the third Competition.

288.5.2

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the 'Individual Champion'.

288.5.3

In the event of equality of Penalties for first place (or one of the first three places in Continental Championships) in the overall classification there will be a jump-off Against the Clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over at least six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the Competition Arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 m per minute.

288.5.4

If two jump-offs are required in Continental Championships, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

288.5.5

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for first place (or one of the first three places in Continental Championships), Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

288.5.6

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following round A of the third Competition will be placed according to their time in round A of the third Competition.

288.5.7

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any other placing following round B of the third Competition will be placed according to their combined times in rounds A and B of the third Competition.

288.5.8

Athletes not qualified for or not competing in the third Competition will be placed by adding the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any placing will be placed equal.

B. PROPOSED RULES CHANGES THAT HAVE BEEN REJECTED OR DEFERRED TO A FUTURE RULES REVISION

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
EEF
Article Number – Article Name
ARTICLE 200 GENERAL
Explanation for Proposed Change
1. The technology progressed a lot and nowadays the quality video/pictures made with personal devices is much better than in the past. It is difficult to explain why an official should not see a video made by a person, if this video can help to the official to take the correct decision. 2. To avoid inconsistency of JR and GR art. 161.15 Use of Video Evidence <i>161.15 The use of all technical assistance available including, but not limited to, official video recordings (an official video recording is considered to be a recording made by a broadcast network or a video company hired by the OC, except where specified otherwise in the relevant Sports Rules) is permitted to assist Officials in carrying out their responsibilities under FEI rules.</i>
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5. Competitions must be fair for all Athletes. To achieve this objective, the use of all technical assistance available including but not limited to official video recordings is permitted to assist FEI Officials in carrying out their responsibilities under FEI Rules & Regulations. For official video recordings to be accepted under the FEI Rules & Regulations, they must be presented to the President of the Ground Jury within 30 minutes after the official results are announced. An official video recording is considered to be a recording made by the designated host broadcaster and/or any other accredited broadcaster and/or a designated official video recording company as named by the OC and/or the FEI prior to the Event in question). Videos recorded by any other entity are not acceptable under any circumstances. A review of the video recording is solely at the discretion of the President of the Ground Jury. If the Ground Jury relies on video evidence to alter the outcome of any Competition after the results have been communicated, such a video recording must contain irrefutable evidence that the original ruling or decision was incorrect. A video recording may never be used to establish the time of an Athlete's round (see JRs Art. 229.5). The use of a video shall always be within the confines of the applicable rules and must never by its usage alter the rules currently in effect. With reference to the water jump the decision of the water jump judge is final. (see JRs Art. 211.8)
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FEI Feedback
Rejected, only official video to be used.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
IJOC
Article Number – Article Name

Art 200.6.2.1.5 Per Diem

Annex VI - CSI/CSIO Requirements

Explanation for Proposed Change

Officials : In this article the "Per Diem" for Officials is set as an amount in Euro

Entry fee : the entry fees in the annexes are mentioned as fixed amounts in Euro

Price Money : In previous versions (up until 2023) the price money was mentioned in the rules in CHF. Since 2024 this amount has been converted into Euro/Dollar in the rule book but a separate mechanism has been developed to review these amounts on a yearly basis and modify them when currency rates fluctuate as well as cost of living having an impact on these amounts.

As a result the ranking classes (as an example from group D) have been increased for example from 26.200 Euro (2023) towards 28.200 Euro (2024-2025).

At the same time, the entry fee has not been raised and officials per diem has not been changed neither.

This is not fair and the same mechanism and logic should be used for ALL amounts mentioned in the rule book and not only the price money. Either ALL of them change or NONE of them change, but definitely not just a selection.

Either ALL tariffs should have CHF as a base currency or in any case the same currency.

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No specific wording proposed as this is not clearly mentioned in the rule book but partially calculated outside the rule book.

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, changes for prize money were approved at the 2023 General Assembly.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

GCG/IGA

Article Number – Article Name

New Article
(Art.201)

Explanation for Proposed Change

Impact on the welfare of the Horses, safety of the Athletes and Grooms.

Competitions running very late at night and beginning again early the next morning have a significant negative impact on the welfare of grooms, who likely finish work approximately 1.5 hours after that last class has ended.

Additionally, it is vital that horses are allowed enough time to rest and recover between jumping efforts.

It is often not currently possible for the stables to be closed, and lights dimmed, for the 6 hours stated in current regulations.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Classes in horse shows should not begin before 8.00am and should be concluded (prize giving included) by 11.00pm at the latest.

There should be a minimum of 10 hours between the end of the last class a horse has jumped in and the start of those horses first class the next day (i.e. a horse that competed in the last class, terminated at 11.00pm cannot compete before 9.00am the following day

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Already included in the schedules, the FEI will work on sanctions for non-compliance.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJOC

Article Number – Article Name

New article 244.1 Starting of the round

Explanation for Proposed Change

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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

IJOC - Revision Category: New/recently introduced rule(s) that has(ve) proven to be problematic in its implementation;
Although there is a clear description for when the time starts (Art.251) we believe the previous text about the definition of the « round » as to when and where it starts remains to clarify doubtful situations. There are also further references to the terminology « round » in other articles hence we propose to keep it.

New proposed wording :

Art. 241 Competition Arena

New text to be added: The round starts when the mounted Athlete passes the starting line in the correct direction for the first time after the bell has been rung. It extends to the moment when the mounted Athlete crosses the finishing line in the correct direction, after having jumped the last obstacle.

FEI Feedback

Rejected, the definition of a round is already in the rules, new article 251.1.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
BEL NF
Article Number – Article Name
Article 204.3 – Course and Measuring
Explanation for Proposed Change
The time allowed is becoming a crucial aspect in modern sport. Judges are not always agreeing with the proposals of the course designer to modify the time allowed if this is needed. We propose to put the responsibility completely at the course designers.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Once the Competition has started only the Course Designer, and the Technical Delegate if present, may decide that a significant error has been committed in the measurement of the course. This may be done at the latest after the third Athlete, who has completed the course without a Disobedience or any other interruption, assuming that the three Athletes in question have started their course prior to the 45-second countdown elapsing, and before the next Athlete has started. In this case, the course designer has the option to alter the time allowed. If the time allowed is increased, the Score of the Athletes who have jumped the course before the time was altered will then be adjusted accordingly, if applicable. If the time allowed is decreased, this may only be done to the extent that no Athlete having previously completed their round receives time penalties due to the alteration of the time allowed.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
SUI NF - We agree with the FEI but they should teach the judges more about course building/design,
FEI Feedback
Rejected, President Ground Jury is also responsible for the course, the FEI will make sure course building/design is well include in the courses for Judges.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
SWE NF
Article Number – Article Name
Art.205.1.1 – course plan
Explanation for Proposed Change
Implementation of new technology development(s) relevant to the specific set of Rules; Since the time between competitions at an event is getting shorter and shorter, we suggest that a course plan should be published digitally at least 2 hours before the competition starts.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
From CSI3* the course plan should be published on the digital platform where the start lists are published, at the latest 2 hours before the beginning of each competition and by the entrance to the arena no later 30 minutes before the competition starts.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025

SWE NF - Even though the proposal has been rejected the SWE NF still believe that a course plan should be published digital at least two hours before the competition starts. This is to let the Athletes have enough time to prepare themselves for up coming competitions. We can accept a plan without a time allowed.

New proposed wording :

From CSI3* the course plan should be published on the digital platform where the start lists are published, at the latest 2 hours before the beginning of each competition and by the entrance to the arena no later 30 minutes before the competition starts.

FEI Feedback

Rejected, due to timetable differences at each event.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

PAEC, BRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 208.9 Obstacles in General

Explanation for Proposed Change

In major events where medals and championship honors are at stake, it is essential for jury members to have a clear and unobstructed view of the top rails of each obstacle.

To achieve this, cameras should be installed at every jump on the course in the Field of Play. These cameras will allow jurors to ensure that the rails are correctly positioned in the base of the cups before a rider's participation. Furthermore, they will provide an indisputable view of the top rails after each jump has been attempted by the horse-rider combination, offering precise evidence to assess and call faults accurately.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

208. 9. Obstacles in General

In major events such as, but not limited to, the Olympic Games, World Championships, Continental Games, Senior Continental Championships, World Cup Final, and Longines League of Nations Final, a camera must be installed at ~~each jump or positioned~~ an angle to strategically allow the Ground Jury to accurately assess how each top rail of the obstacles has been jumped by the competitor on course.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, as financially not viable.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 210 SPREAD OBSTACLE

Explanation for Proposed Change

Horse welfare issue. Clarification of existing rule.

At the moment there is different interpretation how many poles can be put on the back site of a spread obstacle.

Even in the CES online assessment of course designers there is a question how a fence should be built to allow on the back site of a spread fence to have two poles.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1. A spread obstacle is an obstacle which is built in such a manner that it requires an effort both in spread and in height. **Only one pole is allowed on the back side of a spread obstacle and middle part of triple bar.** FEI approved safety cups must be used as support for the back pole of spread obstacles and in case of a triple-bar to support the centre and back poles of the obstacle. The maximum depth of the safety cups for the top back pole of a spread obstacle is 18 mm; safety cups used for the centre poles of a triple bar or for lower poles of other obstacles may have a maximum depth of 20 mm. Approved safety cups must be used in the Competition arena and schooling areas.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, not in agreeance with only one pole in the middle part of a triple-bar.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 211.1 WATER JUMP, WATER JUMP WITH VERTICAL AND LIVERPOOL

Explanation for Proposed Change

Water Jump should also be allowed onto the ground and amendments made according to Annex VII proposal.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

For an obstacle to be called a water jump, there must be no obstacle in front, in the middle or behind the water. The water must have a minimum spread in excess of 2.00 m and ~~must can~~ be dug into **or place it onto** the ground. For details of how the water jump should be constructed refer to Annex VII.

Water jump with safety landing block may be placed on the top of a level surface.

For details of how the water jump should be constructed refer to Annex VII.

If the water jump does not meet the specifications as described in Annex VII, a vertical obstacle must be placed over the water as described in JRs Art. 211.10.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

USA NF - It was discussed that horses tend to jump the water jumps that are properly dug into the ground better than the water jumps that are constructed above ground. The concern is that by permitting water jumps placed on the ground, it will discourage the use of proper dug in water jumps. It is understood that sometimes circumstances warrant that above ground water jumps are the only option; however, this should be with the permission of the Jumping Director and have far greater oversight to ensure that the water jump above ground is constructed properly.

FEI Feedback

Following further discussions, the FEI proposal has been rejected, as this new concept of water jump has not yet been sufficiently tested and there is not enough knowledge or experience to confirm its suitability.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
IJOC
Article Number – Article Name
224 Falls
Explanation for Proposed Change
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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
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Comments Received by 26 August 2025
IJOC - Revision Category: Inconsistency The article 248.2.2.3 (b) stipulates "...the Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in such jump-off/second round <u>only if cleared</u> after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1." As Athletes are "checked" and Horses "cleared", we propose to replace the wording "only if cleared" with "<u>only if checked/cleared</u>". Same revision request is valid for the article 248.2.2.4 "The Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in the Competition only if checked/cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1. " New proposed wording : • (b) "...the Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in such jump-off/second round <u>only if checked/cleared</u> after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1." • "The Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in the Competition only if checked/cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1. "
FEI Feedback
Rejected, as already mentioned in the article "after the checks". (b) If the jump-off is not immediate or there is a second round of Competition to follow, the Athlete/Horse Combination may participate in such jump-off/second round only if cleared after the checks under JRs Art 248.2.1.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
SWE NF
Article Number – Article Name
225.2 Unauthorised Assistance
Explanation for Proposed Change
Art 225.2 should be removed, and it should be allowed for the Athlete for horse welfare to enter the arena on foot or with the help of another person, without this being considered as unauthorised assistance.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~In certain exceptional cases, the Ground Jury may authorise the Athlete to enter the arena on foot or with the help of another person, without this being considered as unauthorised assistance.~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, special exemption can already be granted by the Ground Jury, athletes should enter the arena on their horses.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 226.2

Explanation for Proposed Change

Too many judges call a first disobedience if a rider crosses the starting line before the start of the round, even if not aiming for the start line. It is not always easy to avoid the start line and we believe it should be at the discretion of the Ground Jury to decide. As it is written in Art. 203.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

However, the Ground Jury, in its discretion if the situation so warrants, has the right not to activate the start or to cancel the starting procedure, give a new signal to start and restart the countdown.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, it will lead to more confusions.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SUI NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 232.1

Explanation for Proposed Change

Currently, the time is stopped and six seconds are added only when an obstacle or an element falls or is displaced. However, if a horse stops or runs past an obstacle, the penalty of 4 faults remains the same, but the time is not stopped.

We believe this rule is unfair, as a combination who has not displaced the obstacle will, in most cases, be penalized with more than six seconds before being able to jump again the obstacle. And if they manage to do so quickly, the risk of a rider approaching the obstacle in a rushed manner increases.

When a rider makes a circle in front of a fence, or when a rider on purpose rides passed the fence, because for example he rather takes the four faults and rides towards the fence again (let's say triple combination, where otherwise multiple faults would occur) → this is not what is meant.

We therefore propose standardizing this rule by stopping the time in all cases of refusals or other disobediences. In all situations, the time would be stopped, six seconds and four penalty points would be added to the total.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

If, as the result of a Disobedience, an Athlete displaces or knocks down any obstacle or a flag defining the limits of the water jump, of a natural obstacle or in all cases where the nature of the obstacle is changed by knocking down the flag, the bell is rung and the clock is stopped until the obstacle has been rebuilt. **When a horse refuses and comes to a stand still in front of the obstacle, but does not displace or knock down the obstacle the bell is also rung, and the clock is stopped.**

When the course is ready, the bell is rung again to indicate that the Athlete can continue the round. The Athlete is penalised for a Refusal and a time correction of six seconds is added to the time taken by the Athlete to complete their round. The clock is restarted at the moment when the Horse leaves the ground at the obstacle where the Refusal occurred. **If a Disobedience with or without knockdown occurs at the second or subsequent part of a combination, the clock is restarted when the Horse leaves the ground at the first element of the combination.**

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, due to subjectivity, time could differ depending on the situation.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJOC

Article Number – Article Name

Article 233 : Stopping during the round

Explanation for Proposed Change

CURRENT SITUATION

When an unforeseen incident happens during a course, the rider is stopped and needs to restart where he/she has been stopped after the bell has rung.

ISSUE

- Recently, some groups of activists have been intervening in the competition arena while a round is in progress on numerous occasions. This results in riders being stopped and having to leave the arena for quite some time. According to the rules, they have to restart their class where they were stopped.
- This means that riders have to restart eg at a triple combination, or a difficult wall, ..
- Is it fair (eg in outdoor events) to have combinations starting at a liverpool, the water jump, ?
- From a horse welfare perspective and a horsemanship point of view this is not a good solution and needs to be reconsidered
- The disadvantage that riders have because of such incidents is even made stronger by having them restart at a difficult fence.

ALTERNATIVE

Within the dressage rules, a similar "unforeseen" article is available for incidents during the Kur (eg music that stops) where the ground jury agrees with the rider where to restart the test. Marks given will not be changed (dressage rules article 420.2.2)

PROPOSAL

We need to reword the article 233 to make it more horse-friendly but at the same time guaranteeing the level playing field.

The idea should be to keep the faults that were incurred so far and have the combination restart where jury and rider agree.

The responsibility lies with the rider and if disobediences are incurred when the restart is given, they will count. A fall will also result in elimination.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Article 233 : Stopping during the round

In the event of an Athlete not being able to continue their round for any reason or unforeseen circumstance, the bell should be rung to stop the Athlete. As soon as it is evident that the Athlete is stopping, the clock will be stopped.

As soon as the course is ready again, the bell will be rung, and the clock will be restarted when the Athlete reaches the precise place where the clock was stopped; no penalty is incurred and six seconds are not added to the Athlete's time.

The ground jury will allow the rider to take one additional fence, either fence number 1 or the fence before the point where the round was interrupted. Faults incurred before the interrupted round will count. On this additional fence, jumping faults will not count and only one attempt is allowed. A fall of horse and/or athlete will incur elimination.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, every situation is different, at Ground Jury discretion.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

NED NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 235.1 FAULTS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Faults made between the starting line and the finishing line must be taken into consideration. But there are factors that can influence this during the course, such as strong winds, for example. The fault for knocking down a fence should count until the next fence is jumped. When it is a combination jump this has to be counted as one fence jump.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Faults made between the starting line and the finishing line must be taken into consideration. Faults count until the next fence has been jumped.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

CAN NF - Would like for the FEI to reconsider their rejection of this rule.

We are in full support of a change to this rule and support the NED NF recommendation. As noted, there are many factors that can influence a fence falling during the course, such as strong winds and athletes should not be penalized for this, especially after jumping additional obstacles and nowhere in the proximity of the fence when it falls.

New proposed wording:

Faults made between the starting line and the finish line must be taken into consideration. However, faults should only count until the next obstacle has been jumped.

FEI Feedback

Rejected, as the situation may vary significantly during the course depending on the distances between obstacles.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

BEL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 239 : Table C

Explanation for Proposed Change

In the rule book the number of seconds linked to the faults is determined by the class being indoor or outdoor.

In practice we see that the number of seconds should be determined based on the magnitude of the arena which makes much more sense.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Obstacle knocked down while jumping, one or more feet in the water jump or on the lath defining its limits on the landing side;

- Four seconds for competitions in arenas with a minimum size of 3.000m²;
- Three seconds for competitions in arenas with a size of less than 3.000m²
- In all cases : Three seconds for the second phase of two phase Competitions, for knock-out Competitions and for any jump-off under table C

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, as it is making the rule more complicated to apply.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

NED NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 241 ELIMINATIONS

CHAPTER VII FINES, WARNINGS, YELLOW WARNING CARDS, ELIMINATIONS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

Explanation for Proposed Change

When a rider has more than 20 obstacle faults (time penalties will not be counted) he/she should be eliminated for the further course.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

3.32 more than 20 penalty for obstacle faults (excluding time penalties)

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

SWE NF - The SWE NF supports the proposal from the NED NF that when a rider has more than 20 obstacle faults (time penalties will not be counted) he/she should be eliminated for the further course.

This gives a clear message that the Horse/Rider combination should not continue as it seems that combination is not ready for the task.

FEI Feedback

Rejected, the Ground Jury has the power to stop a round if needed.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 241 ELIMINATIONS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification of the rule. If athlete falls after crossing the finishing line of the main round of competition with immediate jump off he/she is eliminated from the jump off.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

3.25. fall of Athlete or Horse during the round(see JRs Art. 224, 236 and 239) NB: fall after crossing the finish line does not incur Elimination from **the round in question** (see JRs Art. 235.4) ;

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, an athlete needs to be medically checked after a fall, it cannot work with immediate jump-off.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJRC

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES ART. 241.1 ELIMINATIONS

Explanation for Proposed Change

The IJRC believes this rule should be modified due to "Correction of inconsistencies, manifest errors, contradictions, etc."

To be added: at the top of the elimination rule in order to clarify the process that should be applied to elimination procedure.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Possible doubt in the field of play

In case of a doubtful or unclear situation on the field of play that could lead to elimination, the President of the Ground Jury must allow the rider to complete their course. This ensures that official video footage or other available technology can be reviewed to determine whether the rider should be eliminated or not.
The President may notify the rider at the end of the course that the result is under review before confirming the final outcome.

A final decision must be taken before the jump-off or the conclusion of the class, depending on the category of the competition.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

IJRC - The IJRC suggests that in cases where an elimination or penalty may depend on situations that are not immediately verifiable on the field of play (e.g. passing between the flags), FEI Officials should be allowed to use official video recordings to assist in reaching an accurate decision.

The Ground Jury should allow the rider to finish the course before taking any decision when the situation is doubtful, as it already happened for the "flags" as stated in the new wording of Article 241.5.3.2 of the Jumping Rules.

This principle supports consistency, particularly in situations where the nature of the incident cannot be conclusively determined in real time, and can help mitigate the reputational damage of potentially unjust eliminations. The proposal does not alter the authority of the President of the Ground Jury but reinforces the role of available technical tools.

New proposed wording:

In cases where a situation on the Field of Play requires factual review to determine whether elimination applies (e.g situations comparable to those described under the new wording of Art. 241.5.3.2), the Ground Jury must allow the Athlete to complete the course. This enables the use of official video footage or other available technology to reach an accurate decision.

The President of the Ground Jury may notify the Athlete at the end of the round that the result is under review before confirming the final outcome.

A final decision must be taken before the jump-off or the conclusion of the Competition, depending on its format.

FEI Feedback

Rejected, subjectivity in the words "doubtful" and "unclear", it is up to the President Ground Jury to decide.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 241.3.16

Explanation for Proposed Change

We believe that Art 241.3.16 should be removed as there is no reason for elimination.

Art.241.4 gives the Ground Jury sufficient authority to interrupt a ride if deemed dangerous and would be in the best interest of the wellbeing and/or safety of the Horse and/or Athlete.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

~~Art 241.3.16. not taking each element of a combination separately and consecutively (see JRs Art. 212.2);~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected for horse safety.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 243.2.2, 243.2.3

Explanation for Proposed Change

The current Jumping Rules regarding use of whip is clearly not in line with Social License to Operate for equestrian sports. As a minimum, the rules should be acceptable to the public and all stakeholders.

The SWE NF has used the proposed rule 243.2.2 below since 2023 and have had no problem implementing the rule. On the contrary it has been welcomed by the Equestrian Community.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

New numerical order

New 243. 2.2

Permitted use of the whip

As a guidance only, the Athlete may signal the horse at the most two times in the arena (before and during the ride) by gently tapping with the whip on the shoulder or behind the saddle.

Adjusted 243.2.3 (old 2.2) New wording

Excessive use of the whip

- All other means of using the whip is considered excessive. All strokes are forbidden.
- The whip is not to be used after Elimination or after the Athlete has finished his ride.
- An Athlete identified as excessively using the whip will be disqualified and may be fined at the discretion of the Ground Jury.

New numbering 243.2.4 (old 243.2.3)

Abuse of a Horse in any other form (such as, but not limited to, hypersensitising or desensitising the limbs, the use of banned schooling methods, excessive use of spurs and other cases as specified in the GRs, VRs or any other FEI rules and regulations) is also prohibited and must be penalised appropriately under these rules

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

SWE NF - This is a very important rule for the future of our Sport. We cannot justify hitting our horses. We have tried to rewrite our proposal to make it clear.

New proposed wording:

The whip may only be used as an aid, not as a punishment.

243.2.2 As an aid, it may be permitted for the Athlete to guide the horse with a tap of the whip on the shoulder or behind the saddle no more than twice during the round. So-called "tipping" is included in the two allowed taps.

Adjusted 243.2.3 (old 2.2) New wording Excessive use of the whip

All other means of using the whip is considered excessive. All strokes are forbidden.

The whip is not to be used after Elimination or after the Athlete has finished his ride.

An Athlete identified as excessively using the whip will be disqualified and may be fined at the discretion of the Ground Jury.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, we confirm the rejection. "Tapping" is subjective, and we already have sufficient provisions in the rules to address excessive use of the whip, while education is being carried out with judges.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

NED NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 243.2.2 ABUSE OF HORSES

Explanation for Proposed Change

Permitted use of the whip

As a guidance only, the Athlete may signal the horse in the arena (before and during the ride) by gently tapping with the whip on the shoulder or behind the saddle.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Adjusted 243.2.3 (old 2.2) New wording

Excessive use of the whip

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, "gently tapping" is subjective, we have currently enough provisions in the rules to cover excessive whip situations.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

NED NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 244 BOOT AND BANDAGE CONTROL

Explanation for Proposed Change

Check of boot and noseband tightness should take place at a safe place for the horse and thus the steward. We should avoid stressful situations for the horses when the check is done.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

The boot and bandage control should take place at a quiet and appropriate place close to the entrance of the warming up arena.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, due to venue differences.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

BEL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 246.7 – Obstacles in the jump-off
Explanation for Proposed Change
In the current rule book, only 2 additional obstacles are allowed to be added for the jump-off. Course designers highlight that specifically for bigger arenas this is not sufficient in modern sport. To be able to design a nice, smooth and challenging jump-off, it would be appropriate to extend the number of obstacles to maximum 3.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
A maximum of 3 additional single obstacles may be added to the course of a jump-off. These obstacles must be on the course during the course inspection or will be built from obstacles of the previous round or rounds; if obstacles from the previous round(s) are built differently or with new obstacle material for the jump-off, they will not count as extra obstacles for the jump-off, providing the change of material has been approved by the Ground Jury and notified to Athletes in the course plan. It must be clearly indicated both on the course plan and at the obstacle(s) in question, whether the obstacle(s) may be jumped from either side or just from one side. If an obstacle included in the previous round(s) is jumped from the opposite direction in the jump-off, the obstacle is considered as one of the additional obstacles allowed. A vertical in the first or second round may be converted to a spread obstacle or vice-versa in the jump-off, in which case it will be considered one of the additional obstacles. Alternatively a combination consisting of two verticals in the previous round(s) may be jumped in the opposite direction in the jump-off, in which case the combination constitutes as two additional obstacles allowed in the jump-off and one other single obstacle can be added.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Rejected, 2 obstacles have proven to be sufficient.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. 247.1 Elimination, Retirement or Withdrawal from a Jump Off, Second Round or Winning Round
Explanation for Proposed Change
Clarification on Withdrawal and Retirement in Competitions
The current rule treats riders who withdraw from a competition and those who attempt to compete but find a reason to retire in the same manner. However, it is widely recognized that the act of attempting to compete demonstrates effort and some level of commitment, which warrants merit. Therefore, riders who make an effort to participate should be ranked ahead of those who withdraw without attempting to compete.
Specifically, an athlete who enters the jump-off, attempts some of the obstacles, but retires should be placed ahead of riders who withdraw from the jump-off without even entering the ring. This distinction ensures that effort and participation are appropriately acknowledged and rewarded, promoting fairness and encouraging competitors to engage in the event to the best of their ability.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

An Athlete who jumps part of the Jump-Off, Second round or Winning Round and retires, must be placed ahead of other riders who have withdrawn from the jump-off.

~~An athlete who retires, is eliminated or withdraws with the permission of the Ground Jury from a Jump Off or Winning Round, will be placed equal last in the jump off/second round/winning round after all Athletes who have completed the round.~~ The same applies to teams taking part in team Competitions except in the case of teams withdrawing from the second round of a Nations Cup Competition, as teams that withdraw from the second round are not entitled to any prize money (see JRs Art. 264.8.4) and will be placed according to their Score in the first round.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, too many different situations.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

GCG/IGA

Article Number – Article Name

Article 248.5 - Individual placing and prize giving

Explanation for Proposed Change

In order to mitigate some of the impact of late-night competitions on horses and grooms. We propose to add to the above Article the below reference, perhaps adding a Point 8.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

8. For prize giving held after 10pm only the top three placed riders are required to attend mounted.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

This provision will be included in the General Regulations Memo.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

AUT NF

Article Number – Article Name

Articles 117.2 and 251.4 "NFs are responsible for selecting and entering qualified Horses and Athletes. This includes the fitness and capability of the horses and the Athletes to participate in the Events/Categories for which they are entered."

Explanation for Proposed Change

Things are working very well in Dressage, where we require a 67% MER (Minimum Eligibility Requirement) for the Horse-Rider-combination before international entries. (Our neighbours in Germany have the same limit.) In Eventing, it is also a given that the Horse-Rider combination must meet the required minimum criteria for safety reasons.

In Show Jumping, in order to comply with valid FEI regulations, as required in Articles 117.2 and 251.4 "NFs are responsible for selecting and entering qualified Horses and Athletes. This includes the fitness and capability of the horses and the athletes to participate in the Events/Categories for which they are entered" we have, for some time, required two national results for the Horse-Rider-combination (with a 5 cm measurement tolerance permitted). This is because there is no other way to verify fitness and capability before we can take responsibility for allowing the Horse-Rider-combination to start internationally. These prior results can also be achieved at foreign competitions with a guest license.

However, our Show Jumpers do not understand why these criteria are not required in other nations and believe that it should also be possible to compete internationally without checking the Horse-Rider-combination. These are the challenges we are facing. We consider the regulation in Articles 117.2 and 251.4 (which have been part of the FEI Rules for some time) to be very reasonable. Of course, we strive to comply with all regulations. Especially in the current situation, where equestrian sports are under strong criticism and scrutiny, we find it extremely important to present beautiful and harmonious images to the public.

We urgently ask and appeal to the FEI once again to reconsider whether it would be possible to inform other European nations that it is absolutely necessary to establish a uniform rule for the MER (Horse-Rider-combination) before the responsible Federation enters the Horse-Rider-combination in an international event and assumes responsibility for it.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

N/A

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

As per the General Regulations, it is up to the NF to make their selection and do the entries, no criteria will be added in the Rules as each NF may have its own criteria

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

FEI Jumping Rules
ARTICLE 251 ENTRIES (see also GRs Art. 116)
9. Entry Deadlines
9.2.

Explanation for Proposed Change

For events where ranking lists do not apply—such as Young Horse (YH) classes or CSI1*—we propose introducing a small margin of flexibility in the number of athletes / horses accepted.

Currently, once the quota is reached, additional entries must be refused, even if capacity remains available within other categories. A controlled delta—such as a few extra percentage points—would allow organizers to accept additional athletes / horses when

feasible, without exceeding logistical constraints such as stabling, scheduling, or competition timing.

For example, at Fontainebleau, we have encountered situations where the Young Horse category reached its quota while the Amateur quota remained underfilled. In such cases, allowing a few extra Young Horses would not compromise event logistics but would provide more opportunities for participants.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

The definite entries may not exceed the number listed and represent the final selection of Athletes and Horses that may participate in the Event, except if :

- the maximum number of Horses that may be entered (based on the number of Athletes invited multiplied by the number of Horses allowed per Athlete) has not been reached at the closing of entries, the OC may invite additional Athletes.

- the maximum number of Horses that may be entered on a show (based on the number of Athletes invited multiplied by the number of Horses allowed per Athlete in each event) has not been reached at the closing of entries, the OC may invite additional Athletes in events without ranking competition.

If no qualification system for the Grand Prix or Competition with the highest prize money is foreseen in the Schedule, the OC may not invite such additional Athletes in excess of the maximum number of starters allowed to take part in the Competition concerned as established in the Schedule.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, logistical issue and minor occurrence, each category should be treated individually.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EO

Article Number – Article Name

Flexibility in the Number of Horses per Label Without Invitation System

For events where ranking lists do not apply—such as Young Horse (YH) classes or CSI1*—we propose introducing a small margin of flexibility in the number of horses accepted.
Art. 254

Explanation for Proposed Change

Currently, once the quota is reached, additional entries must be refused, even if capacity remains available within other categories. A controlled delta—such as a few extra percentage points—would allow organizers to accept additional horses when feasible, without exceeding logistical constraints such as stabling, scheduling, or competition timing.

For example, at Fontainebleau, we have encountered situations where the Young Horse category reached its quota while the Amateur quota remained underfilled. In such cases, allowing a few extra Young Horses would not compromise event logistics but would provide more opportunities for participants.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

For events where ranking lists do not apply—such as Young Horse (YH) classes or CSI1*—we propose introducing a small margin of flexibility in the number of horses accepted.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, logistical issue and minor occurrence, each category should be treated individually.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

BEL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 254.4 – Changing Horses

Explanation for Proposed Change

We would propose to allow changes of riders WITHOUT being of the same NF, naturally in accordance with the provisions of the schedule. We notice our sport becoming more and more global and would like to see this reflected in this article.

We notice that specifically riders from smaller nations might run into problems after eg a fall of athlete where they would like the horse to continue that they do not have colleagues of the same nation at the show, but their trainer (athlete) being from another country could take over.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Changing horses by individuals at CSIOs and CSIs is allowed conform to the number of Horses each individual athlete is allowed to ride during the event in accordance with the provisions of the schedule. A change made is irreversible.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

BEL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 255 – Participation of minor athletes in senior competitions

Explanation for Proposed Change

We notice in the current level of show jumping that the quality of the horses increases, as well as the competency level of younger athletes. As a result we propose to change this article with regards to the restrictions of younger athletes. These changes would also align the rules with the heights as they are being constructed at for instance European Championships for these Athletes. The proposed changes are highlighted in yellow.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

2. Before the year in which they reach their 18th birthday Athletes may not take part in:
- a Grand Prix at a CSI4* to CSI5*;
 - a Grand Prix at a CSIO1* to CSIO5*;
 - a Nations Cup Competition at CSIO1* to CSIO5*;
 - an FEI World Cup™ Competition;
 - a Power and Skill Competition;
 - a Derby; • the Competition with the highest prize money at a CSI4* to CSI5* and CSIO1* to CSIO5* if this is not one of the Competitions listed.

2.1 From the year in which they reach their 12th birthday until the end of the year in which they reach their 13th birthday Athletes may take part in certain Competitions at CSI and CSIO 1* to 5* and CSIAm Category A and B Events (excluding those listed above) providing the height of obstacles in the initial round does not exceed **1.35 m.**

2.2 From the year in which they reach their 14th birthday until the end of the year in which they reach their 15th birthday Athletes may participate in all Competitions at CSI1* Events (excluding those listed above in Art. 255.3), and in certain Competitions at CSI2* to CSI5* and CSIO 1* to 5* Events (excluding those listed above) providing the height of obstacles in the initial round does not exceed **1.45 m.**

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, the height of a Grand Prix at a CSI3* can go up to 1.60 m.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

NF IRL

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 256 DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE

Explanation for Proposed Change

256.1.2 When inspecting the course, dress must be neat and tidy. In any case, riding boots, white or light fawn breeches, a long- or short-sleeved shirt and a white tie or choker must be worn. Shirts must have a white collar; long-sleeved shirts must have white cuffs.

This is constantly abused by riders, despite requests from OCs. The IRL NF are not looking for a change to this rule, rather we would like to see greater enforcement.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

N/A

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, no changed needed, more communication will be made.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJOC

Article Number – Article Name

Article 256.1.12 : Dressage whip.

Athletes are allowed to use a dressage whip when working on the flat but are strictly forbidden to use or carry a whip which is weighed down at the end at any time, or to carry

or use one which is more than 75 centimetres in length in the arena and schooling areas when riding over poles or any obstacle. No substitute for a whip may be carried.

Explanation for Proposed Change

Nowhere in the rules the length of the dressage whip is mentioned. It should be good to have this clarified to avoid any misinterpretation.

Either this should be clearly clarified in the FEI TackApp or specific wording should be added to the rules.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Article 256.1.12 : Dressage whip.

Athletes are allowed to use a dressage whip (with a maximum length of 120cm) when working on the flat but are strictly forbidden to use or carry a whip which is weighed down at the end at any time, or to carry or use one which is more than 75 centimetres in length in the arena and schooling areas when riding over poles or any obstacle. No substitute for a whip may be carried.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We have commented on this topic for the General Regulations: We do agree to the outlined process, however not to the envisaged timeline. We are already for quite a while in the process of reviewing tack and equipment and we understand that it is not easy to evaluate all the items, but there is an urgent need to have clarity on what is (not) allowed for reasons of horse welfare. Jumping must not be deferred to 2027 or later but worked on with high pressure. As a step in-between "nothing" and the full implementation, the FEI Tack, Equipment and Dress Database and the FEI TackApp should be used to reduce the most unacceptable items.

FEI Feedback

For Tack & Equipment, please also refer to the Memo on the FEI General Regulations & Multi-Disciplinary Items. All tack & Equipment descriptions and principles will be removed from the Discipline Rules and placed in a standalone and separate document (Tack and Equipment Requirements). It is proposed that the new tack and equipment requirements for Jumping be applicable as of 1 January 2027 in order to give sufficient time to the Athletes to adjust to said requirements. In the meantime, the current tack & equipment requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IRL NF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 256 DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE

Explanation for Proposed Change

1.12.2. Athletes are allowed to use a dressage whip when working on the flat but are strictly forbidden to use or carry a whip which is weighed down at the end at any time, or to carry or use one which is more than 75 centimetres in length in the arena and schooling areas when riding over poles or any obstacle. No substitute for a whip may be carried.

The rule should clarify that the maximum length of a long whip is 120cms.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1.12.2. Athletes are allowed to use a dressage whip (Max 120 centimetres), when working on the flat or at Horse Inspection but are strictly forbidden to use or carry a whip which is weighed down at the end at any time, or to carry or use one which is more than 75 centimetres in length in the arena and schooling areas when riding over poles or any obstacle. No substitute for a whip may be carried.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We have commented on this topic for the General Regulations:

We do agree to the outlined process, however not to the envisaged timeline. We are already for quite a while in the process of reviewing tack and equipment and we understand that it is not easy to evaluate all the items, but there is an urgent need to have clarity on what is (not) allowed for reasons of horse welfare. Jumping must not be deferred to 2027 or later but worked on with high pressure. As a step in-between "nothing" and the full implementation, the FEI Tack, Equipment and Dress Database and the FEI TackApp should be used to reduce the most unacceptable items.

FEI Feedback

For Tack & Equipment, please also refer to the Memo on the FEI General Regulations & Multi-Disciplinary Items. All tack & Equipment descriptions and principles will be removed from the Discipline Rules and placed in a standalone and separate document (Tack and Equipment Requirements). It is proposed that the new tack and equipment requirements for Jumping be applicable as of 1 January 2027 in order to give sufficient time to the Athletes to adjust to said requirements. In the meantime, the current tack & equipment requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IRL NF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 256 DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE

Explanation for Proposed Change

256.3 Advertising on Athletes and Horses (See GRs Art. 135)

Agreement needs to be reached on how logos are measured. – Overall area or individual items added together.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

The IRL NF have no proposal for change, rather we would like there to be clarity on the measurement of logos and the calculation of the area taken up by a logo.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, this article is related to the General Regulations.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 256 Salute

Explanation for Proposed Change

Amend Article 256 to make the salute optional, except in specific circumstances where it is deemed necessary, such as formal events or the presence of dignitaries. This ensures fairness and eliminates potential exploitation of time before the countdown begins.

Salute to be made optional however the OC may require it to be mandatory in special circumstances.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

256.2 Salute

2.1. In all Competitions that take place in an arena under the jurisdiction of a Ground Jury, the salute is **optional**, except in specific circumstances where it is deemed necessary. The **Organizing Committee (OC), in agreement with the President of the Ground Jury, has the authority to determine whether athletes are required to salute prior to the commencement of each Competition. ~~The Ground Jury, in consultation with the OC, may decide whether or not Athletes are required to salute prior to the commencement of each competition.~~** The OC, in agreement with the President of the Ground Jury, must instruct the Athletes to salute Heads of State when present and may do so if there is a special guest occupying the official box. The Ground Jury may refuse to start an Athlete who has not saluted when the salute has been explicitly required. The Ground Jury may also fine the Athlete (see JRs Art. 240.2.7).

2.2. Athletes **are encouraged but not required** to salute during a march parade, presentation of prizes, and during the playing of anthems.

2.3. **~~For special reasons~~ The Ground Jury, in consultation with the OC,** may decide that the salute is not necessary **for specific competitions or events**.

2.4. Athletes may not remove their Headgear when saluting. Raising the whip or lowering the head is considered an appropriate salute.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, it's the jurisdiction of the Ground Jury, not the OC.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SWE NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 256.1.12.2

Explanation for Proposed Change

Athletes are allowed to use a dressage whip when working on the flat but are strictly forbidden to use or carry a whip which is weighed down at the end at any time, or to carry or use one which is more than 75 centimetres in length in the arena and schooling areas when riding over poles or any obstacle. No substitute for a whip may be carried.

As the length of a dressage whip may differ, we suggest that the maximum length of a dressage whip is no more than 120 cm.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

N/A

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We have commented on this topic for the General Regulations:
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FEI Feedback

For Tack & Equipment, please also refer to the Memo on the FEI General Regulations & Multi-Disciplinary Items. All tack & Equipment descriptions and principles will be removed from the Discipline Rules and placed in a standalone and separate document (Tack and Equipment Requirements). It is proposed that the new tack and equipment requirements for Jumping be applicable as of 1 January 2027 in order to give sufficient time to the Athletes to adjust to said requirements. In the meantime, the current tack & equipment requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

GBR NF

Article Number – Article Name

We would like the FEI definition of the whip in Jumping competitions to be changed to the below. To be used for clarification with Article 256.1.12, Annex XI Article 19.5, Annex XII Article 17.4

Explanation for Proposed Change

Since 2022 in National Jumping Competitions in GBR we have followed the British Horseracing Authority and only allowed the Padded Baton to be carried and used in Jumping warm up and competitions.

Prior to this date we regularly had horses which had been marked (or blood drawn) by the use of traditional whips and since the introduction of the padded baton we have not had a single horse marked (or blood drawn) in warm up or competition arenas. During this time, we have continued to see horses in FEI competitions marked by excessive use of the whip and sanctioning the rider after the event whilst a deterrent still means that a horse has been hit excessively.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Padded Baton – No rider may carry, use or permit to be used a Padded Baton other than as detailed below, in the arena, the collecting ring or anywhere, on, or in the immediate vicinity of the showground. Only one Padded Baton may be carried and no substitute for a Padded Baton may be carried. A Padded Baton, if carried, must be held in the hand by the handle with the handle at the top.

1. The maximum length of the "Padded Baton" is 70cm and must be no less than 45cm.
2. There must be no "binding" within 17 centimetres of the end of the "Pad".
3. The minimum diameter for a "Shaft" is 1 centimetre and the "Shaft" should run through the entirety of the "Padded Baton".
4. The overall weight of the "Padded Baton" must not exceed 160 grams and the weight should be evenly distributed throughout the full length of the "Padded Baton".
5. The "Contact area", is considered to be 2/5's (two fifths) of the overall length of the "Padded Baton" and must be covered with a "Pad".
6. The "Pad" must be smooth, with no protrusion or raised surface, and be made of shock absorbing material throughout its circumference such that it gives a compression factor of at least 6mm.

There is to be no wording, advertising or personalisation of any kind on the "Pad".

Definitions:

The "**Padded Baton**" The singular term for the equipment in its entirety.

The "**Shaft**" The term for the central core of the equipment.

The "**Handle**" The term for the riders contact area.

The **"Contact Area"** The term for the area that will contact or may potentially contact the horse.

The **"Pad"** The term for the padded area that covers the shaft.

The **"Binding"** The term given to the threaded area between the "shaft" and the "pad" that joins the two together.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We have commented on this topic for the General Regulations:

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FEI Feedback

For Tack & Equipment, please also refer to the Memo on the FEI General Regulations & Multi-Disciplinary Items. All tack & Equipment descriptions and principles will be removed from the Discipline Rules and placed in a standalone and separate document (Tack and Equipment Requirements). It is proposed that the new tack and equipment requirements for Jumping be applicable as of 1 January 2027 in order to give sufficient time to the Athletes to adjust to said requirements. In the meantime, the current tack & equipment requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 257 SADDLERY

Explanation for Proposed Change

Clarification.

The Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025 is already implemented in the TackApp, but not in JR.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1.3The fastener may be secured with another Velcro-type strap extending vertically **or horizontally** over the fastener where it is attached to the fastening component (for examples, refer to the FEI Tack, Equipment and Dress Database or the FEI TackApp).

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We have commented on this topic for the General Regulations:

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FEI Feedback

For Tack & Equipment, please also refer to the Memo on the FEI General Regulations & Multi-Disciplinary Items. All tack & Equipment descriptions and principles will be removed from the Discipline Rules and placed in a standalone and separate document (Tack and Equipment Requirements). It is proposed that the new tack and equipment requirements for Jumping be applicable as of 1 January 2027 in order to give sufficient time to the Athletes to adjust to said requirements. In the meantime, the current tack & equipment requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJOC

Article Number – Article Name

257 – Saddlery

Explanation for Proposed Change

1.4 There are no restrictions on bits or nosebands. However, the Ground Jury has the right, based on veterinary advice, to forbid the use of a bit or noseband that may cause injury to the Horse.

For pony's and children there are more strict rules concerning nosebands. For consistency and for horse welfare we propose to align the rules for all categories.

If the decision would be made to move all tack related topics towards the FEI TackApp, we do propose to keep the same rules accross all categories to guarantee consistency. If this would stay in the rule book, we propose to remove the specific limitations from the annexes for children and pony's and bundle the overall description in this article.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

1.4 There are no restrictions on bits. However, the Ground Jury has the right, based on veterinary advice, to forbid the use of a bit that may cause injury to the Horse.

The noseband must be flat and made of leather or leather-like material; padding on the inside of the noseband or sheepskin on the noseband is permitted. No metal pieces of any kind may be inserted in the noseband, padding or sheepskin.

Nosebands must be flat. Nosebands constructed from materials other than leather are not permitted, with the exception of the front part of the noseband which may optionally be made of flat, non-abrasive synthetic leather-like material. Sheepskin on the noseband is permitted. A small disc of sheepskin may be used in the intersection of the two leather straps of a crossed noseband.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

For Tack & Equipment, please also refer to the Memo on the FEI General Regulations & Multi-Disciplinary Items. All tack & Equipment descriptions and principles will be removed from the Discipline Rules and placed in a standalone and separate document (Tack and Equipment Requirements). It is proposed that the new tack and equipment requirements for Jumping be applicable as of 1 January 2027 in order to give sufficient time to the Athletes to adjust to said requirements. In the meantime, the current tack & equipment requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IRL NF

Article Number – Article Name

ARTICLE 257 SADDLERY

Explanation for Proposed Change

1.3 Only unrestricted running martingales are allowed; no more than one martingale stopper per rein may be used, Reins may not be configured in such a way as to cause a running martingale to function as a standing martingale.

Clarification should be added, that if no martingale is used, 2 rein stoppers are ok.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Only unrestricted running martingales are allowed; no more than one martingale stopper per rein may be used, (unless no martingale is fitted). Reins may not be configured in such a way as to cause a running martingale to function as a standing martingale.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We have commented on this topic for the General Regulations: We do agree to the outlined process, however not to the envisaged timeline. We are already for quite a while in the process of reviewing tack and equipment and we understand that it is not easy to evaluate all the items, but there is an urgent need to have clarity on what is (not) allowed for reasons of horse welfare. Jumping must not be deferred to 2027 or later but worked on with high pressure. As a step in-between "nothing" and the full implementation, the FEI Tack, Equipment and Dress Database and the FEI TackApp should be used to reduce the most unacceptable items.

FEI Feedback

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IRL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Article 257 Saddlery

Article 257.2.3, 257.2.4, 257.4.1, 257.2.4.2

Annex XI Rules for Pony Riders, Chapter III, Article 21.1.4
Annex XII Rules for Children's Events, Chapter III, Article 18.2.7

Explanation for Proposed Change

The IRL NF think that all horses in FEI Competitions up to and including 3* level should be only allowed to use what is referred to as Young Horse hind boots. The IRL NF are proposing that the relevant Articles in 257 be amended to reflect same.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Article 257.2.3

For all international Jumping Competitions up to and including 3*, the following criteria must be respected in relation to hind boots worn:

Hind boots that have a rounded protective element on the inside (continue as is)

Article 257.2.4

At all 4* and 5* Jumping Events, only hind boots meeting the following descriptions may be used:

Article 257.2.4.1 Remain as is

Article 257.2.4.2 Remain as is

References in Annex XI Rules for Pony Riders, Chapter III, Article 21.1.4 and Annex XII Rules for Children's Events, Chapter III, Article 18.2.7 should be updated to reflect changes.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

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Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

SUI NF

Article Number – Article Name

Art. 257 Saddlery

Explanation for Proposed Change

Hind boots should only be used to protect the horse from injury. Many of the hind boots still allowed do not meet today's knowledge of ethics. To ban a mechanism that allows the closure to retract on itself or to exert leverage on the closure is not enough. Only hind boots that already meet the FEI requirements for young horses should be allowed. Switzerland introduced this rule years ago. After initial brief objections, the rule has proven itself and is applied as a matter of course. It not only serves animal welfare but also facilitates controls.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Art. 257 2.3 should be effective for all age groups

2.3. For all international Jumping Competitions ~~for Young Horses (five, six, seven and eight-year-old Horses)~~:

The following criteria must be respected in relation to hind boots worn at international ~~Young Horses~~ Competitions:

Art. 257 2.4. cancel

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We have commented on this topic for the General Regulations:

We do agree to the outlined process, however not to the envisaged timeline. We are already for quite a while in the process of reviewing tack and equipment and we understand that it is not easy to evaluate all the items, but there is an urgent need to have clarity on what is (not) allowed for reasons of horse welfare. Jumping must not be deferred to 2027 or later but worked on with high pressure. As a step in-between "nothing" and the full implementation, the FEI Tack, Equipment and Dress Database and the FEI TackApp should be used to reduce the most unacceptable items.

FEI Feedback

For Tack & Equipment, please also refer to the Memo on the FEI General Regulations & Multi-Disciplinary Items. All tack & Equipment descriptions and principles will be removed from the Discipline Rules and placed in a standalone and separate document (Tack and Equipment Requirements). It is proposed that the new tack and equipment requirements for Jumping be applicable as of 1 January 2027 in order to give sufficient time to the Athletes to adjust to said requirements. In the meantime, the current tack & equipment requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

PAEC, BRA

Article Number – Article Name

ART. 257.4 Saddlery and Equipment

Explanation for Proposed Change

The current regulations lack clear and specific standards for bits and bridles, leading to inconsistencies in enforcement and potential welfare concerns. This proposal aims to:

- Standardize Tack Regulations Across Categories:** Align jumping tack regulations with other disciplines, such as Dressage, by specifying approved equipment and ensuring consistency.
- Define Clear Standards for Bits and Bridles:** Establish minimum diameter requirements, ensure smooth edges, and approve only equipment listed in the FEI-authorized catalogue or app.

Create an Efficient Approval Process for New Equipment: Introduce a transparent pathway for vendors to present new tack and equipment (especially bits) for FEI approval within a 72- hour timeframe.

Maintain Innovation Without Restriction: The approval process should focus solely on evaluating equipment safety and functionality without unnecessarily restricting innovation in tack design.

These changes will improve clarity for officials, athletes, and vendors while enhancing horse welfare and ensuring fairness in competition.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

4. Authorized Saddlery and Equipment

- Only tack, bits, and bridles listed in the **FEI-approved catalogue or app** may be used in Jumping Competitions.
- Bits and bridles must meet the following standards:
 - Smooth edges to prevent discomfort or injury to the horse.
 - A minimum bit diameter to be established by the FEI to ensure comfort and safety.
- The use of any non-listed or modified equipment is not permitted unless explicitly approved by the FEI.
 - Please also refer to the FEI Tack, Equipment and Dress Database or the FEI TackApp.

5. Approval Process for New Equipment

- A clear and efficient pathway shall be established for vendors to submit new bits and tack for FEI approval.
- The **FEI Equipment Approval Department** will review submissions and provide a decision within **72 hours** of submission.
- This process is intended to **evaluate equipment safety and functionality** and does not serve to restrict tack or innovation.
- Approved equipment will be added to the FEI-approved catalogue or app and made available for all competitors.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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requirements will remain in force during the transitional period from 1 January 2026 (see art. 201.2 and Annex VIII).

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. 259 Officials
Explanation for Proposed Change
Allow lower number of assistant Stewards in CSI 1* and allow National Stewards in countries that do not have higher level events.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
5.3. Assistant Stewards A minimum of four (4) Assistant Stewards must be appointed for each Event. Additional Assistant Stewards may need to be appointed, depending on the number of events running concurrently at the same venue and/or the number of competitions per day and/or the number of arenas operating at the same time and the number of horses entered for the Event and the size and layout of the venue. In countries where only lower events are organized, a minimum of two Assistant Stewards must be appointed. All Assistant Stewards appointed to international events must have the minimum status required for the level of the event as indicated below: (i) All CSI1*/CSIO1* up to CSI3*/CSIO3*: Level 1 Steward or higher level. (ii) National Stewards are allowed to officiate in CSI 1* in countries where higher events are not organized. CSI4*/CSIO4* and CSI5*/CSIO5*, Olympic, Continental, Regional and Youth Olympic Games, Continental, Regional and World Championships, FEI Jumping World Cup□, Longines League of Nations□ Finals: Level 2 Steward at least.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Rejected, stewards should have FEI level to officiate at FEI events.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
ITA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. 259 Officials
Explanation for Proposed Change
In Europe, stand-alone CSI1* are no longer organized, they are always scheduled together in combination with higher level CSIs, which means that national judges have very few or no chances to take part in international competitions. This mainly implies a lack of valid training opportunities in view of their education as FEI Judges-to-be. The presence of the National Judge also benefits the Organizing Committee, which can avail itself of an additional competition official at a lower cost and therefore increase the staff for a better management of the judging team. We ask for the rule to be changed so that these National Judges can officiate in CSI1*/CSIYH1* CSIY/J/Ch/V/Am Cat.B even when combined with higher level events, and

considering their presence on the Ground Jury in the combined other major events as a position limited to supporting roles.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

ARTICLE 259 OFFICIALS

Events	Number of Judges:	President Ground Jury	Foreign Judge	Members	Additional Members	President of Competition	Water Jump Judge
	Minimum	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualification
Olympic Games / Youth Olympic Games (YOG) / World Championship	President (**) + 4 Members (**)	Level 4 Compulsory from foreign nation	Not required. (PGJ must be foreign and acts as FJ)	Min. three Level 4; one Level 3	n/a	Level 4	Level 3 (water jump not applicable for YOG)
Pan-Am + other Senior Continental Games / Senior Continental Championships / World Cup Final / Longines League of Nations Final	President (**) + 4 Members (**)	Level 4 Compulsory from foreign nation	Not required. (PGJ must be foreign and acts as FJ)	Min. one Level 4; three Level 3	Level 3	Level 3	Level 3
Regional Games / Other FEI Championships	President (**) + 4 Members	Level 3 Compulsory from foreign nation	Not required	Min. three Level 3; one Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 2
Regional Championships	President (****) 4 Members (****)	Level 3 Compulsory from foreign nation	Not required (PGJ must be foreign and acts as FJ)	Min. three Level 3; one Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 2
CSIO5*	President + Foreign Judge (**) + 3 Members (*)	Level 4	Level 3	Three Level 3	Level 2	Level 3	Level 3
CSIO3* – CSIO4*	President + Foreign Judge (**) + 3 Members (*)	Level 3 Preferably from host nation	Level 3	Min. two Level 3; one Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 2
CSIO1* – CSIO2* CSIO-Y/J/P/Ch	President + Foreign Judge (**) + 3 Members (*)	Level 3 Preferably from host nation	Level 3	Min. one Level 3; one Level 2; one Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 2
CSIO5*	President + Foreign Judge (**) + 2 Members (*)	Level 3 Preferably from host nation	Level 3	Min. one Level 3; one Level 1	Level 1	Level 3	Level 2
CSIO3* – CSIO4* CSIO1*-W – CSIO4*-W	President + Foreign Judge (**) + 2 Members (*)	Level 3 Preferably from host nation	Level 3	Min. one Level 3; one Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 2
CSIO2* / CSIOYH2* CSIOU25 Cat. A & B CSIOY/J/Ch/V/Am Cat. A CSIP	President + Foreign Judge + 2 Members (*)	Level 3 Preferably from host nation	Level 3	Min. one Level 2; one Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 2
CSIO1* / CSIOYH1* CSIOY/J/Ch/V/Am Cat. B	President + 3 Members (*)	Level 3 Preferably from host nation	Appointment of Foreign Judge recommended but not compulsory, Level 3	Min. two National; or Level 1 if FJ appointed; Min. three National or Level 1 if FJ not appointed	National; or Level 1	National; or Level 1	National; or Level 1
Events that are part of Tours (any star level)	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	Level 3 Appointed by FEI (**)	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the E

Note 2:

~~National Judges may only officiate at CSIO1*/CSIOYH1* and CSIOY/J/Ch/P/V/Am Cat. B Events that are not combined with Events that are of a higher level. For the avoidance of doubt all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events are considered higher level Events, including CSIO1*-W and CSIO2*-W.~~ National Judges may not officiate outside their home country at FEI Events.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback
Rejected, it was implemented for countries with no possibility to have enough FEI level Judges.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. 261.4.3
Explanation for Proposed Change
The current qualification criteria for Grand Prix events do not explicitly include special two-phase competitions as valid qualifiers.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
If qualification conditions for Athlete/Horse are scheduled for the Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO or a CSI, it is compulsory that all qualifying Competitions are run under Table A against the clock or under Table A with one or two jump-offs or with two rounds (Art. 273) or with winning round (Art. 276) or in normal a two phase competitions (Art. 274.1.5.1-Art. 274.1.5.3, both phases Table A or Art 274.2). Competitions in groups with winning round (Art. 275) and special two-phase Competitions (Art. 274.2) may not be used as qualifying competitions for the Grand Prix.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Rejected, in competition in two phases, the first phase must be completed, otherwise the athlete is not ranked.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
NED NF
Article Number – Article Name
Article 264.3.2 Nations Cup
Rules LLN article 4.11
Explanation for Proposed Change
The course for the Nation Cup must include a water jump. When both or one of both rounds in a Nation Cup are held under floodlight there shouldn't be an open water jump.
The course designer should have the option to replace the water jump with another obstacle.
In the LLN rules under article 4.3 the following is mentioned: For the avoidance of doubt, in consultation with the Course Designer, the Ground Jury may direct that the dimensions of some obstacles be adjusted for the second round.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
The course must include a water jump (optional in indoor arenas, where the spread may be less than indicated above or for a round held at floodlight the water jump may be replaced by another). Refer to JRs Art. 211.1 and Annex VII for details relating to the construction of the water jump. Only in very exceptional circumstances and with the express permission of the FEI Secretary General it may be omitted. The measurements for the water jump given above include the take-off element.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback
Rejected, the President Ground Jury can already have the water jump removed if needed in the second round, under certain conditions.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
SWE NF
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 264.4 Nations Cup
Explanation for Proposed Change
The Longines League of Nations series that launched in 2024, has proven to be very attractive for the media and sponsors, with its new rules and regulations. which benefits their Organizers and NFs. It's a well-known fact, since many years, that media have asked for rules what Longines League of Nations series now have.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
The SWE NF together with the OC of the CHIO Falsterbo Horse Show requests that the FEI opens the possibility for the OC to choose format for the stand-alone CSIO5* Nations Cup events. Either the traditional format with four riders in the first and second round could be used, or the format with four riders in the first round and three riders in the second round.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
SWE NF - The SWE NF together with the OC of the CHIO Falsterbo Horse Show requests that the FEI re-think and opens the possibility for the Organisers of stand-alone Nations Cup™ to choose format for the CSIO5* Nations Cup™ events. New Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025: The Organisers of a stand-alone CSIO5* Nations Cup™ may have the possibility to choose between four riders in the first and second round, or the format with four riders in the first round and three riders in the second round.
FEI Feedback
The FEI does not accept this rule proposal. The FEI Board already reviewed and declined this during their in-person meeting, as the Longines League of Nations was created with a specifically designed format to deliver a unique global identity and showcase the distinct character of this series.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
USA NF, PAEC, BRA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ART. 276.2.4 Winning Round
Explanation for Proposed Change

Enhancing the Winning Round Format

To maintain excitement and engagement for both riders and the public during the winning round, the working group finds it essential to provide the Course Designer with the flexibility to include additional obstacles at their discretion. This freedom allows the CD to craft a second-round course that is both challenging and dynamic, elevating the overall quality of the competition.

By granting the Course Designer the authority to use obstacles from the first round and introduce new ones for the second round, the winning round can achieve a balance between familiarity and fresh challenges. Reusing certain obstacles maintains continuity, while the inclusion of new elements keeps the course unpredictable and engaging, inviting horse-rider combinations to demonstrate versatility, adaptability, and precision under different conditions.

This approach not only enhances the technical complexity of the event but also creates a more thrilling spectacle for the audience.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

2.4.

The course of the winning round must be a shortened course over obstacles of the first round **and any additional obstacles may be added at the discretion of the Course Designer. These additional obstacles must be in place at the time of the course inspection.**

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, horses must have been able to jump the obstacles already once.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FEI

Article Number – Article Name

Annex V. Section 6

Explanation for Proposed Change

Additional athletes for Small/Medium tour are now not allowed to ride any Longines Ranking competition, which is a problem for CSI4* and CSI5* as most of their competitions are Longines Ranking.

We would like to reduce the restriction to the Grand Prix competition and the Grand Prix qualifiers.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

OCs of Events that include small and/or medium tour Competitions may invite a limited number of additional Athletes only for the small and/or medium tour Competitions; Athletes invited only for the small and/or medium tour Competitions are not included in the total number of Athletes used for the calculation of percentages for the invitation of Athletes under sections 1-3, and may not participate in **any Competitions counting for the Longines Ranking, including if any Athletes so invited will have qualified for a Longines Ranking Competition through one or more non-Longines Ranking Competition(s) the Grand Prix competition and the Grand Prix qualifiers.** Any Athlete so invited whose name appears in the results of a Longines Ranking Competition will earn no Longines Ranking points and will be disqualified retroactively from the Competition. The Horses of Athletes invited for the small/medium tour Competitions are not counted in the maximum number of Horses that may be entered for the CSI; if any of the Athletes invited for the

small/medium tour Competitions do not enter the maximum number of Horses permitted per Athlete, the OC may not invite additional Athletes for the CSI to fill the vacant stable places of small/medium tour Horses.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Following further discussions, it was agreed that Longines Ranking competitions should only be accessible to athletes invited through the invitation system; accordingly, the FEI proposal has been rejected.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

BEL NF

Article Number – Article Name

Annex V – CSI Invitation Rules

Explanation for Proposed Change

The current percentages per category (ranking, host NF and OC wildcards) can result in a (very or even too) high number of home athletes being part of the first two categories. This is specifically the case for more « exclusive » stand alone top level shows organized in strong equestrian countries (western Europe specifically).

As a result we see situations in CSI3* up until CSI5* shows where top 100 athletes can not get into a show and spots are taken by host NF athletes ranked 500 (or even lower) in the FEI ranking.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

We do not have a formal proposal yet but would propose to have a thorough discussion on this topic making sure that organisers of top events have a clear chance to have top athletes at their show and a good mixture of foreign and host athletes.
We propose to open this discussion to organisers and athletes as well as NF's.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, system currently works well.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJRC

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES ANNEX V – CSI INVITATION RULES, Section 4

Explanation for Proposed Change

The IJRC asks to add the point discussed, in the wording of the article below, in order to have this point written into the rule.

An increasing number of pay cards and requests for paying VIP tables in exchange for a starting place makes it difficult for young riders and upcoming athletes to access the show in which they can display their talent or gain experience in order to become part of their national team.

In addition, for smaller NFs, it is very difficult, nearly impossible to build up a team.

Furthermore, during Olympic years, the WEG or EU, FEI wild cards are allocated to riders who will take part in these major events; and there are no chance for top YRs or upcoming athletes to get into shows.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Section 4 FEI Invitations for Foreign athletes or home athletes domiciled outside the home country.

The FEI has the right to allocate an invitation to two Athletes for CSI2*/CSI3*/CSI4* events and one athlete for CSI5* events. In addition, an extra FEI wildcard for CSI5* and CSI4* placed on the Section 3, should be allocated to an U25 athlete with the necessary requirements.

For CSI05* and CSI04* only one U25, with the necessary requirements, per event could be invited by the OC without their nationality being considered; that is, even if they have the same nationality as an invited team or as two other compatriots invited as individuals.

The FEI invitations are included in the quota for compulsory invitations established under Section 1.1. The level of the nominated athlete must be of the required standard for the Event in question. OCs must accept the entries of Athletes to whom the FEI has allocated an FEI invitation. For Events that are on the list of qualifiers for the Olympic Games published on the FEI website, the FEI has the right to allocate an additional FEI invitation to an Athlete attempting to earn a Certificate of Capability for the Olympic Games. The additional FEI invitation for Athletes attempting to earn a Certificate of Capability for the Olympic Games is not included in the overall quota of Athletes invited at the Event. This Athlete will be allowed to participate in all Competitions in addition to the number of Starters allowed providing the Athlete fulfils any qualification or participation requirement (for example, if the competition is a Grand Prix, the Athlete will be allowed to participate providing they have completed, with their Grand Prix Horse, the initial round of at least one FEI Competition (according to Art. 261.4.4) prior to the Grand Prix).

The maximum number of times an athlete can be nominated during the same season for this section is three.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We support the proposal from the IJRC to have more wildcards for U25 Athletes.

IJRC - The IJRC acknowledges that FEI wild card invitations are already provided. However, the current allocation system does not guarantee that wild cards are awarded also to U25 athletes who are competitive and well placed in the FEI LR. In practice, young riders face barriers to access due to opaque allocation processes and prioritisation towards Olympic or senior-level Athletes.

The IJRC therefore proposes a priority allocation mechanism: within the existing wild card quota, one invitation should be assigned to U25 Athletes ranked in the top 300/400 of the FEI LR, or demonstrably successful at the corresponding level of competition for which they requested the wild card.

This measure would ensure meaningful opportunities for emerging riders, particularly from smaller National Federations, and would contribute to the development of future senior teams.

New proposed wording:

Section 4 FEI Invitations for Foreign athletes or home athletes domiciled outside the home country.

The FEI has the right to allocate invitations to two Athletes in CSI4* Events. One of the existing FEI wild card invitations shall be allocated preferentially to an U25 Athlete ranked within the top 400 of the FEI LR, or to an U25 Athlete who has already obtained results at the level of the Event for which the wild card is requested.

For CSI5* Events, one additional FEI wild card, as provided under Section 3, shall be allocated to an U25 Athlete ranked within the top 300 of the FEI Longines Rankings.

For CSIO5* and CSIO4* Events, one U25 Athlete ranked within the top 400 of the FEI LR may be invited by the OC, without nationality being considered, even if the Athlete shares nationality with an invited team or with two other compatriots invited as individuals.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the proposal remains rejected. U25 athletes are already granted wild cards and given priority, and the FEI is not receiving a significant number of wild card requests from U25 athletes.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

ARG NF

Article Number – Article Name

ANNEX VI CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Decrease the value of the CSI2* prize money, due to the devaluation of the currency in some South American countries, especially Argentina.

50% reduction in prizes.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

ANNEX VI CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS

1. CSI REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE						
Requirements	CSIAm	CSI 1 *	CSI 2 *	CSI 3 *	CSI 4 *	CSI 5 *
Prize Money (EUR/USD)	No restrictions	Max EUR 46'749	EUR 46750 – 139'999	EUR 140'000 – 234'999	EUR 235'000 – 469'999	EUR 470'000 and higher
		Max USD 51'424	USD 51'425 – 153'999	USD 154'000 – 258'499	USD 258'500 – 516'999	USD 517'000 and higher
Prize money cannot be cumulated from multiple Events at same venue during the same week to establish star level. ¹						

EUR: 23375 – 69999,5
USD: 25712,5 – 76999,5

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

The proposal has been submitted to the FEI Board who rejected it due to unfairness in between countries.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

IJRC

Article Number – Article Name

JUMPING RULES: PRIZE MONEY REQUIREMENTS FOR CSIs/CSIOs FOR **2025** ANNEX VI

Explanation for Proposed Change

The IJRC requests a change to the PM in countries with high inflation and with grave economic difficulties, following the steps proposed in the regulations for 2 years.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

FEI JUMPING RULES, 27th edition, 1 January 2022, updates effective 1 January 2024/2025

ANNEX VI CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS

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	Prize money cannot be cumulated from multiple Events at same venue during the same week to establish star level. ¹					
Prize Money Distribution	The announced prize money for each Competition must be distributed among the first 12 placed Athletes, regardless of the number of starters, according to the one of the two charts attached in the Annexes to the Schedule. The OC must state in the Schedule which of these two charts will be used. Additional created prizes for the 13 th placed to the last placed Athlete, to fulfil the quota of one prize per four starters, must be provided by the OC and the amount of each of these prizes must be stated in the Schedule. The additional prize money does not alter the star level of the Event or the Longines Ranking group of the Competition concerned.					
Combined CSIs / CSIOs	Multiple CSIs of the same star level and/or Category may be held at the same Show but must be completely separate CSIs with separate Competitions; each CSI must have different Athletes and Horses. For CSIs of different star levels and/or Categories held at the same Show, each level is considered a separate CSI; combined Competitions at such CSIs are not permitted. Horses entered in one CSI star level/Category may not enter another CSI star level/Category at the same Show. Horses may take part in national Competitions and international Competitions at the same Event only under the following conditions: - Horses may take part in national Events up to two hours prior to the start of the international Event's Horse Inspection; - If the national Event includes Competitions after the international Event ends, either on the same day or on the following day(s) Horses having taken part in the international Event may take part in national Competitions only following the conclusion of the international Event. A CSI-1* or a CSI-2* may be held together with a CSIO. OCs organising such Events must have 2 arenas; one for the CSI and one for the CSIO. The CSIO horses may not take part in the CSI.					

✕ For South America - 30% on PM is allowed for 1*, 2*, 3*.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

The proposal has been submitted to the FEI Board who rejected it due to unfairness in between countries.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

ANNEX VI CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS

Explanation for Proposed Change

Hosting an CSIO is a prestigious but demanding task. Event organizers face numerous challenges, from logistical complexities to financial pressures and regulatory requirements and restrictions. Organizing a Nations Cup event demands significant financial resources.

The complete Jumping rules revision 2025 is a good opportunity to discuss the CSIO 1-4* requirements and to come with proposal which will allow to make the organization of CSIO attractive for the OC with "fair" distribution of the cost or with reduced cost.

We have to admit the fact that the economic prospective not only in Europe is not positive. The increased inflation and cost are factors which could bring our sport to a point where we do not have CSIO OCs.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

Our proposal is FEI to initiate a meeting with the stakeholders as EO, IJRC and regional groups and to discuss and find a formula which will make the CSIO attractive for organization - paying for team, chef and one vet ... 6 all together .

The group to come with proposals which to be included in the first proposal for Jumping rules changes - 8th of July.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

No further proposal has been submitted.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

FRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

FEI Jumping Rules
ANNEX VI CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS
2. ADDITIONAL CSI REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA
CSI5*

Explanation for Proposed Change

Currently, organizers are not permitted to charge entry fee for CSI5* competitions in Europe, whereas entry fees are already in place for WC and CSIO events in Europe. We request a revision of this rule to allow CSI5* event organizers to charge an entry fee, ensuring financial consistency across top-level competitions.

Currently, CSI5* events in the other world regions (outside Europe and North America) are already allowed to charge entry fees.

We propose aligning European CSI5* events with the existing global standard which allowing organizers to charge an entry fee, capped at €605, which would maintain fairness while ensuring financial sustainability.

Since World Cup and CSIO events already allow entry fees in Europe, this change would bring CSI5* competitions in line with these existing FEI standards.

Alternatively, if entry fees for CSI5* events in Europe remain prohibited, we suggest revisiting the obligation for organizers to provide accommodation for riders, which could be removed or adjusted to create a more balanced financial approach.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

CSI5* ~~€ 605 No entry fee~~
~~CSI5*W-WEL € 495 per Horse~~

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - We refer to the proposal from FRA NF. Organising Committees in Europe should either be allowed to charge an entry fee for CSI5* or not be obliged to provide accommodation for Athletes.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, the proposal has been rejected, as it requires further discussion and insufficient feedback has been received.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

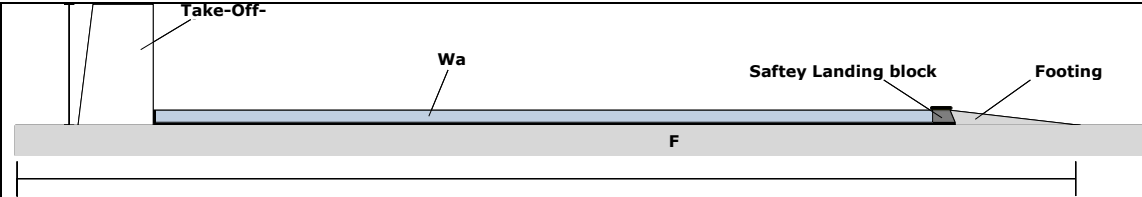
MON NF, EO

Article Number – Article Name

Annex VI - CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS
Explanation for Proposed Change
5* events that have no entry fee are a minority. In 2024 there were 81 5* events (CSIO, CSI, CSIW in Europe and America). All CSIO, CSIW and 5* events outside Europe can charge an entry fee and are 57 (71% of the events). Among the 24 events that cannot receive entry fees, there are 16 events of the Global Champions Tour and Global Champions League circuit. The other 8 are "independent" 5* events or that are not part of any circuit. With the calendar structure of recent years, only some 5* event organizers are penalized by not being able to ask for an entry fee from riders. We believe that the payment of an entry fee must be standardized for all 5* events with the same amount.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Same Entry Fee for all Europeans events without exceptions (CSI - CSIW - CSIO)
CSI1*+ 2*:€ 440 per horse
CSI 3*: € 495 per horse
CSI 4*: € 605 per horse
CSI 5*: € 605 per horse
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
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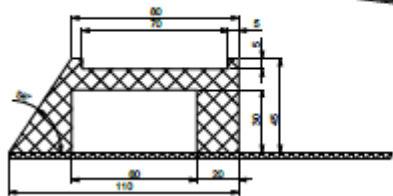
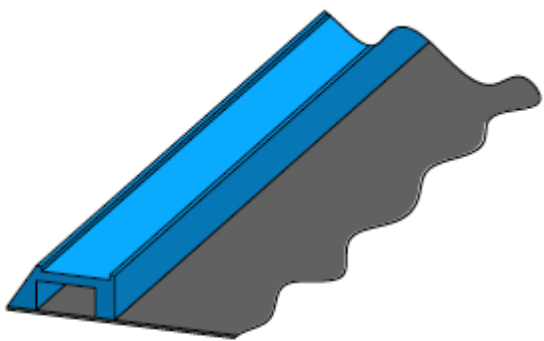
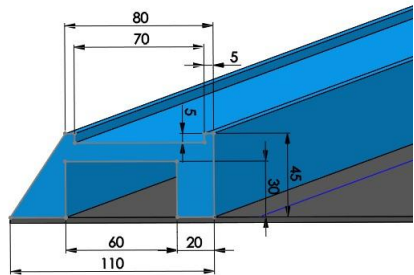
Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
MON NF, EO
Article Number – Article Name
Annex VI - CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS
Explanation for Proposed Change
The conditions for accommodation and meals for Athletes and Grooms are different for 5* events in Europe and America. Considering that events in Europe receive a lower income for entry fees, it is not clear why they have to bear higher costs for accommodation and meals for Athletes and Grooms. The conditions should be the same for all events of the same level.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Same conditions for all CSI5* events without exceptions:
Meals for grooms: At own expense
Meals for Athletes: At own expense
Accommodation for grooms: At own expense. (optional can be offered by OC)
Accommodation for Athletes: At own expense (optional can be offered by OC)
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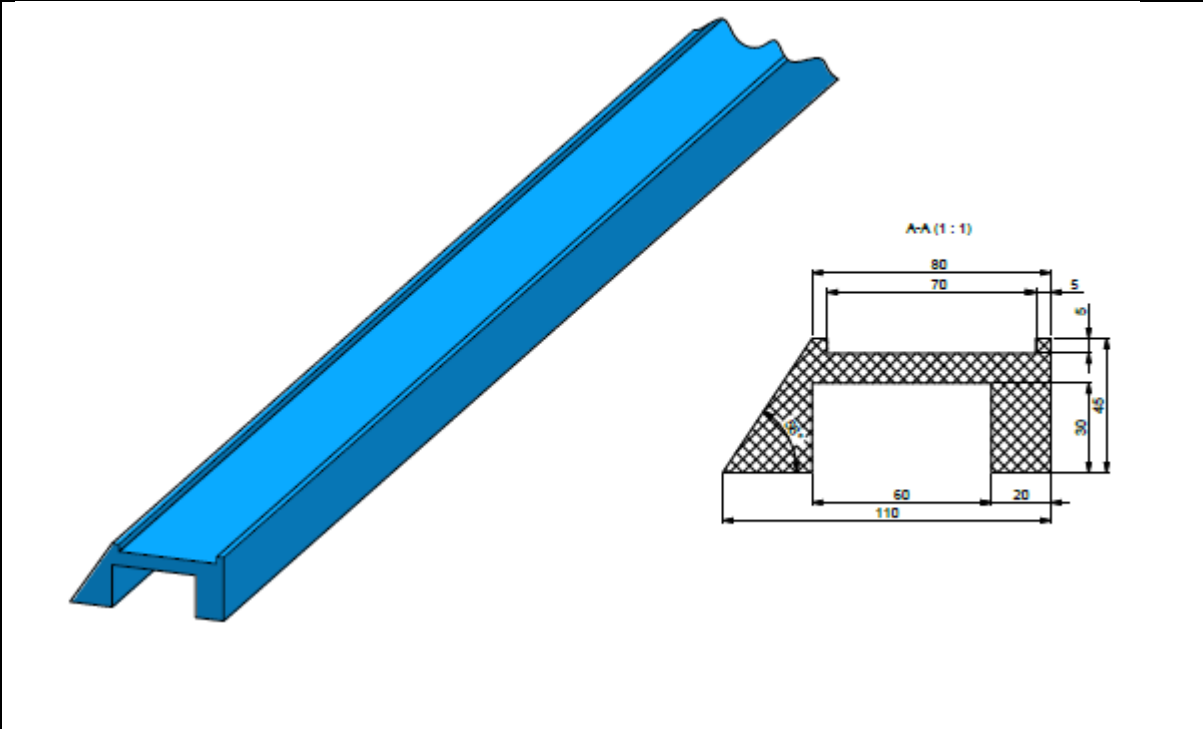
Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
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Article Number – Article Name
Annex VII CONSTRUCTION OF THE WATER JUMP
Explanation for Proposed Change
To add the below
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
For sand footing in case of water jumps with safety landing block placed on top of surface, the footing at landing side must be built up so that it is level with the top of the safety landing block. For grass footing in the case of water jumps with safety landing block placed on top of the surface, no footing needs to be added. The water must be coloured blue, so that the entire base of the water jump is not visible, and the water must touch the entire length of the safety landing block during the course inspection by the ground jury. Description of Water Jump The freely jumpable water jump consists of the following components: Rubber floor mat, approximately 7–10 mm thick. Elastic, waterproof, age-resistant, and reinforced with approximately three fabric layers. It defines the contour and surface dimensions and also adapts to uneven ground. On three sides, profiles or wave-shaped edges are attached to the edges of the floor mat to prevent water from leaking out of the water jump. T- or C-profiles serve the purpose of retaining the water and are lightweight; however, they can develop kinks if stored improperly and thus may not be able to retain water in the trench over the long term. Wave-shaped edges are more flexible and allow for space-saving storage by folding the water jump. On one side, a soft profile made of polyurethane is attached. This elastic profile also retains the water and holds the plasticine in place. The special properties of the polyurethane material used and its shape are: Elasticity or softness – The profile yields if stepped on by the horse's hoof. Both the material and the shape ensure that the profile deforms under pressure in a way that prevents injury to the horse. Aging resistance – The material does not become brittle or harder with age. Dimensional stability and wear resistance – The profile remains dimensionally stable even when bent or deformed by the impact of horses. Even a metal stud from a horseshoe will not damage the profile.
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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

USA NF - It was discussed that horses tend to jump the water jumps that are properly dug into the ground better than the water jumps that are constructed above ground. The concern is that by permitting water jumps placed on the ground, it will discourage the use of proper dug in water jumps. It is understood that sometimes circumstances warrant that above ground water jumps are the only option; however, this should be with the permission of the Jumping Director and have far greater oversight to ensure that the water jump above ground is constructed properly.

FEI Feedback

Following further discussions, the FEI proposal has been rejected, as this new concept of water jump has not yet been sufficiently tested and there is not enough knowledge or experience to confirm its suitability.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

USA NF, PAEC, EEF, BRA NF

Article Number – Article Name

ART. ANNEX IX Rules for 25 and Under (U25), Young Riders and Juniors

Explanation for Proposed Change

Creation of a U25 Championship

The working group that reviewed these articles strongly believes in the necessity of establishing a new championship specifically for U25 riders, rather than merging this category with the Young Riders Championship.

These two divisions cater to distinct groups of horse-rider combinations with differing levels of skills and experience. Young Riders and U25 competitors face unique developmental stages in their careers, and combining them would fail to address the specific needs of each category.

Therefore, the working group recommends maintaining the Young Riders Championship as it currently exists and introducing a separate U25 Championship to provide a fair and tailored competitive platform for both divisions.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

ANNEX IX Rules for 25 and Under (U25), Young Riders and Juniors

Chapter II International Events and Championships.

Art. 4. International Events (see GRs Art. 102)

1. The following types of Jumping Events for U25 Athletes, Young Riders and Juniors are established: International Events Category A and B (CSIU25, CSIJ and CSIJ Cat. A respectively CSIU25, CSIJ and CSIJ Cat. B; Official International Events (~~CSIU25~~, CSIOY or CSIOJ) and Championships may be organized for **U25**, Young Riders and Juniors ~~but may not be organized for U25 Category~~

2.3. Maximum height **1.55m for U25** and 1.50 m **for Young Riders**, with a proportional spread between 1.50 m and 1.80 m, ~~for U25 and Young Riders~~ except for the triple bar which may have a maximum spread of 1.90 m. Speed for the Grand Prix if it is a Longines Ranking Competition with a height of 1.45 m or more: minimum 375 m per minute, maximum 400 m per minute (see Art. 234.2) outdoors, and minimum 350 m per minute, maximum 375 m per minute indoors. Speed for other Competitions minimum 350 m per minute. In indoor arenas the speed may be reduced to 325 m per minute; the speed may also be reduced to 325 m per minute in outdoor arenas providing it is stated in the Schedule.

Art 5. Championship for **U25**, Young Riders and Juniors

1. ~~Jumping Championships for U25 Athletes are not authorized.~~ All Jumping Championships for **U25**, Young Riders or Juniors have the status of a CSIO. At Championships Athletes may only take part for the country of their Sport Nationality as set forth in GRs Art. 119.

9. Championships (**except for U25**) must be held at some time during a long school holiday (for Europe this is from mid-July to mid-August)

Art. 6 Eligibility at International Events and Championship

4. The participation of a **U25**, Young Rider or a Junior in a Championship in one Discipline for **U25**, Young Riders, respectively Juniors, does not exclude the same Athlete from participating with another Horse in a Championship for Seniors in another Discipline, if the Athlete has reached the appropriate age.

5. Once an Athlete has taken part in a Championship Competition for **U25 or** Young Riders in Jumping, **he/she** can no longer go back to a Championship for Juniors in Jumping.

7. Certificates of Capability for FEI European Jumping Championships for U25, Young Rider and Juniors

For the European U25, Young Rider and Junior Championships Athletes and Horses can qualify according to any one of the following paragraphs

Athletes and Horses that participated in the previous year's FEI European Championship for U25, Young Riders and Juniors in their respective age Category.

NEW PARAGRAPH:

For the U25 Championship, Athletes and Horses may qualify according to the paragraph below: Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of two Table A Competitions conducted according to Art. 238, Art. 273 or 264 at CSIY, CSI U25, CSI3* to CSI5*, CSI1-5*-W outdoor Events, respectively at CSIOU25, CSIOJ, CSIOY or CSIO1* to CSIO5* outdoor Events, with a Score of not more than eight Penalties, providing the height of obstacles in the initial round of the Competition is at least 1.45 m.

Art. 8 Expenses and Privileges

2 Championships and CSIOs (U25, Young Riders and Juniors)

Chapter III

Continental and Regional Championship (U25, YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS)

ARTICLE 15 AGE REQUIREMENTS

1. Horses

1.1. Horses for U25 must be minimum 8 year old, and of Young Riders and Juniors (horses) must be minimum seven years of age ~~or older~~.

2. Athletes

NEW PARAGRAPH

2.1. A Championship for U25 is open to Athletes from the beginning of the year in which they reach the age of 18 until the end of the year in which they reach the age of 25.

After the current paragraph 2.5

NEW PARAGRAPH

An U25 rider, from the beginning of the year in which they reach the age of 18 until the end of the year in which they reach the age of 25 may take part in the Championship for Seniors, but they may not take part in both the Championship for Seniors and in the Championship for U25 during the same year in the same Discipline (see Art. 7.2 of this Annex)

Art. 16 Competitions

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For Combined Jumping Championships with two or more Categories, e.g. U25, Juniors and Young Riders and/or Children and/or Pony Riders, or U25 and Seniors subject to the approval of the FEI Jumping Director the timetable for any given Category may differ from the above but the order of the Competitions may not be changed.

Art. 17 Obstacles and Courses

1. First qualifying Competition: Obstacles and other technical requirements

Number of obstacles 12-14

Maximum height 1.50

Spread 1.50 to 1.70 m

Maximum spread of water jump

(not compulsory) 4.00 m

Minimum/maximum length of

the course 500/600 m

Speed N/A

Table C

2. Team Final: Obstacles and other technical requirements

Number of obstacles 12-14

Maximum height 1.50

Maximum spread 1.80 m

At least 8 obstacles (including two verticals) with a minimum height of 1.55 m

Maximum spread of the water jump (compulsory) 4.00 m

Minimum/maximum length of the course 450/550 m

Speed 400 m/min

3. Individual Final Competition: Obstacles and other technical requirements

Number of obstacles

Round A 10-12

Round B 8-10

Maximum height 1.55 m

Maximum spread 1.80 m

Maximum spread of the triple bar 2.00 m

Maximum Spread of the water

jump (compulsory) 4.00 m

Minimum/maximum length of the course

Round A 450/550 m

Round B 400/500 m

Speed 400 m/min.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

GER NF - In the process of creating details for a U25 Championship, we would like to add that like in Eventing (and preferably also in Dressage), we find it very important that the U25 Championship is held together with (or after) the Senior Championship, not the other way around.

FEI Feedback

Following the latest comments, even if the FEI was open to the idea, insufficient feedback was received. Furthermore, several U25 athletes are already competing in the Senior Championship.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

EEF

Article Number – Article Name

CHAPTER III CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS) ARTICLE 13 ENTRIES

ANNEX X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES. ARTICLE 8 ENTRIES

ANNEX XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS. ARTICLE 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

CHAPTER III INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND FEI CHAMPIONSHIPS. ARTICLE 13 ENTRIES

Explanation for Proposed Change

Nominated entries for championships and games. Last years we had many cases when NFs had problems with entering athletes/ horses at championships and games. Currently we have Nominated and Definite entries.

What is the role of the Nominated Entries:

- eventually to give indication to the OC home many participants will take part. But this number is far away from the real one.
- MER/Certificate for capability has to be achieved before the date of the Nominated entries or other date

Our proposal is this rules for Championships to be revised and to allow the additions and replacement to be made allowing event horses/athletes which are not part of the Nominated entries.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
Such substitutions must be taken from the updated list of nominated entries and require Ground Jury approval. When required, the MER has to be archived before the date of Nominate entries.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
GER NF - We support the rationale of the EEF.
FEI Feedback
Following the latest comments, the FEI confirms the rejection, as substitutions must come from the nominated entry list.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
MON NF
Article Number – Article Name
ANNEX XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS ARTICLE 7 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS
Explanation for Proposed Change
The transition from Pony to Horse competitions is different from other age category transitions and often, in preparation for the transition from Pony to Horse, riders continue to compete in the two categories, Pony and Children. To ease this transition it would be helpful to allow riders to compete in the Pony and Children's Championships in the same year.
Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025
ANNEX XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS ARTICLE 7 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS 2. Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category, but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year (see GRs Art. 124.1). Only Pony Riders are allowed to compete in Childrens Championships in the same year.
Comments Received by 26 August 2025
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FEI Feedback
Rejected, no educational purpose.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
ITA NF
Article Number – Article Name
ANNEX XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS
Explanation for Proposed Change

Our Sport, as we are all aware with much concern, is every day more under severe scrutiny and our Social License to Operate at stake, as recent occurrences of reactions on part of animalists testify, triggered perhaps by the unfortunate case of the Pentathlon horse at the Olympics echoed worldwide by the media and leading to raise the issue as the hot topic in all our agendas.

Also in the past FISE advocated the reduction of the obstacles' height in SJ for Ponies, for multiple reasons (accessibility to a wider pool of pony riders, inclusion of a larger number of Federations, especially non-European, issues about the welfare of the ponies, as the obstacles' heights at the European Championships for example are far beyond the average pony technical skills and thus representing a too severe participation selection not in line with sporting principles) but now perhaps, seen the alarming ferment within the general public, it is the case that we all also start to re-think the Rules with the consideration of the welfare of pony as a lighthouse.

In our opinion it is not feasible that a 149 cm high pony may be allowed to jump 135 cm height classes with a 16 y-o pony rider, as we all know that youngsters are now much taller and stouter with respect to the past and we need to intervene and lower the heights of the pony SJ competitions for welfare issue firstly more than other reasons.

Besides, we should consider the group of age 12/16 y-o riders is currently divided now into Children, Pony and Junior activity and the introduction of the Children's category years narrowed the pony participation to much detriment of the pony activity in some Countries where the pony sector was traditionally strong and well-established.

We suggest that the following solutions may be considered for triggering a general debate within the NFs in order to reach a consensus with the objective of

- ✓ making the Pony competitions more "pony friendly" to the eyes of the general public, taking into consideration all welfare related issues
- ✓ giving more lymph to the Pony sector which has become rather stagnant in the last years
- ✓ creating a wider pool of grassroots riders and making the Pony Championships more accessible allowing a wider participation of NFs and athletes

We submit the following possible solutions to be discussed and to reach the above goals:

- 1) by lowering the maximum age of the pony rider from 16 yrs to 15 years
- 2) by lowering the obstacles' heights of the Continental Championships from 130/135 cm to 120/125 cm
- 3) by establishing two different age group categories for Pony riders and corresponding 2 different levels of Championships;

SJ: Under 15: 120/125 cm for the lower level – Under 16: 130/135 cm for the higher level in SJ

Eventing: CCIP1* for the lower and CCIP2* for the higher level

This way the pony activity would avoid the deep gap age and have a more level field of play besides having a big boost to its participation.

Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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ARTICLE 3 PONY COMPETITOR

1. An Athlete may compete as a Pony Rider from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 12 until the end of the year in which they reach the age of **15**.

2. No Pony Rider may be classified as a professional.

2)

ARTICLE 16 OBSTACLES

1. At Championships and CSIOPs the course shall consist of 10 to 12 obstacles requiring no more than 15 efforts. The maximum number of combinations shall be one double and one triple or three doubles.

1.1. At other Events courses shall not exceed the above specifications and should, if necessary, be modified according to the standard of the Athletes and Ponies taking part.

2. Obstacles must be strong and impressive in appearance. It must be taken into consideration that Ponies are lighter in weight than Horses and must be able to effect knock-downs.

3. In Championships the maximum height and spread of obstacles, except in a jump-off, shall be as follows :

3.1. In the Farewell Competition dimensions may not exceed the height of ~~1.25~~ **1.15** m, spread ~~1.40~~ **1.25** m (~~1.60~~ **1.50** m for the triple bars).

3.2. In the first Competition and the Team Final, height ~~1.30~~ **1.20** m, spread ~~1.40~~ **1.30** m (~~1.60~~ **1.50** m for the triple bars).

3.3. In the Individual Final, height ~~1.35~~ **1.25** m, spread ~~1.45~~ **1.35**m (~~1.60~~ **1.50** m for the triple bars).

4. At CSIOPs the maximum height and spread shall not exceed those specified for similar Competitions at a Championship.

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ARTICLE 6 CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Each year, a Continental Championship in Jumping may be organised within each Continent. Jumping, Dressage and Eventing Continental Championships for Pony Riders may be organised within the same Event or may be organised separately.

2. The Continental Championships will, as far as possible, be organised during the long school holidays (for Europe, this is mid-July to mid-August).

3. The Continental Championships will be held outdoors.

4. The Continental Championships must be restricted to all NFs included in the Continent concerned.

5. The FEI approves the organisation of Championships. NFs wishing to organise a Championship must apply as set forth in the GRs.

6. The Championships must be organised in strict accordance with the GRs, the Rules of the Discipline concerned and the present specific Rules (refer also to Art. 22).

7. Continental Championships may only be held if at least six NFs are represented, except outside Europe where they may be held with any number of regional teams from at least two NFs, including the host NF. An NF, which withdraws after the closing date for the entries and before the start of the Championship is, however, considered as represented.

8. Only teams and/or individuals officially entered by their NF may participate.

9. A Pony Rider and/or Pony may only compete in one Discipline in any one calendar year at the same Event.

10. the Championships is divided into two age groups with different heights and each level will award the title/medals: **Under 15**: 120/125 cm for the lower level – **Under 16**: 130/135 cm for the higher level

ARTICLE 16 OBSTACLES

1. At Championships and CSIOPs the course shall consist of 10 to 12 obstacles requiring no more than 15 efforts. The maximum number of combinations shall be one double and one triple or three doubles.

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3.1. In the Farewell Competition dimensions may not exceed the height of 1.25 m, spread ~~1.40~~ **1.35** m for Under 16 (higher level) (1.60 m for the triple bars) and the height of 1.15 m, spread 1.25 m (1.50 m for the triple bars) for Under 15 (lower level).

3.2. In the first Competition and the Team Final, height 1.30 m, spread 1.40 m for Under 16 (higher level) (1.60 m for the triple bars) and the height of 1.20 m, spread 1.30 m (1.50 m for the triple bars) for Under 15 (lower level).

3.3. In the Individual Final, height 1.35 m, spread 1.45 m for Under 16 (higher level) (1.60 m for the triple bars) and the height of 1.25 m, spread 1.35 m (1.50 m for the triple bars) for Under 15 (lower level).

4. At CSIOPs the maximum height and spread shall not exceed those specified for similar Competitions at a Championship.

ARTICLE 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Entries

After the approval of the Schedule by the FEI Jumping Director, the invitations, together with the Schedule, are sent to the NFs of the appropriate Continent by the host NF.

2. Teams

2.1. Each NF may enter for each level (U15 and U16) one team of not more than six Athletes and six Ponies from which five Athletes and five Ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship and four to start in the Team Final.

2.2. The OC must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the Athletes.

3. Individuals instead of teams

An NF which cannot send a complete team may enter one or two individual Athletes with one Pony each in each level (U15 and U16).

4. NFs are entitled to send for each level (U15 and U16) one groom for each two Ponies with a maximum of two grooms per team .

5. The entries shall be made in two phases in accordance with the GRs Art. 116.2.2(i) – 116.2.2(ii):

The Schedule may include a date by which NFs are to indicate whether the intention is to send only a team or a team and individuals or only individuals for each level (U15 and U16). The maximum number of nominated and definite entries of Athletes and Ponies that

may be entered in the Continental Pony Jumping Championship for each level (U15 and U16) is as follows:

- Nominated entries: 12 Athletes and 12 Ponies
- Definite entries: 6 Athletes and 6 Ponies, of which 5 Athletes and 5 Ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship (see Art. 22.2.1 above).

Athletes and Ponies entered for a Championship on the list of nominated entries (four weeks before the Championship) can be replaced and additions can be made within the limits specified in GRs Art. 116.2.2(i) until the date of definite entries (at the latest four days before the start of the Championship).

In the event of an accident or illness of an Athlete and/or Pony, substantiated by a certificate from an official recognised doctor and/or veterinarian, between the date of definite entries and one hour before the first Pony Inspection of the Championship, substitutions of Athletes and/or Ponies can be made. Such substitutions must be taken from the updated list of nominated entries and require Ground Jury approval.

Comments Received by 26 August 2025

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FEI Feedback

Rejected, not practical to implement.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

BEL NF

Article No.–Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND GAMES
CHAPTER I WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)
ARTICLE 304 DECLARATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF STARTERS (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Explanation for Proposed Change

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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

BEL NF - Current Situation:

- Youth:** Teams start with all five (5) athletes in the first round. There are two (2) scratch results in the first round. After this round, the definitive team of four (4) athletes is determined, which continues to compete for the team medals.
 - *Advantage:* the “fifth athlete” can also contribute to the result and be eligible for a potential podium place, which enhances team spirit and involvement.
- Seniors:** Teams must designate four (4) athletes before the start of the first event.
 - A possible “fifth athlete” may continue individually but does not contribute to the team result and is therefore not eligible for a team podium.

Proposition:

The Belgian Federation proposes to apply the same methodology for the **Senior World Championship** as is currently in place for the Youth:

- Teams start with five (5) athletes.

5. Two (2) scratch results in the first round. After this round, the definitive team of four (4) athletes is determined, which continues to compete for the team medals.
6. In this way, the "fifth athlete" can also contribute to the team result and be part of a potential podium place.

New proposed wording:

1. DECLARATION

The declaration of starters will take place after the ~~first competition training session, which must be provided on the day preceding the first Competition of the Championship (Art. 307).~~ At a time fixed by the OC, the Chefs d'Equipe will designate in writing the members of their team (three or four) or their individual Athletes and the names of their Horses (a single and same Horse for each Competition for the three Competitions of the Championship) as starters in the Competitions of the Championship.

2. SUBSTITUTION

In the event of an accident or illness of an Athlete and/or Horse between the submission of declarations and one hour before the start of the ~~second~~ **first** Championship Competition, the Athlete and/or the Horse may, upon presentation of a certificate from an officially recognised doctor and/or with the permission of the Veterinary Commission, and after approval of the President of the Ground Jury, be replaced by another Athlete and/or Horse formally entered with the definite entries or substituted according to Art. 303.2.

FEI Feedback

Rejected, as it is a new proposal that was not submitted by the original deadline of 3 March 2025.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

BEL NF

Article No.–Article Name

RULES FOR JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND GAMES
CHAPTER II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)
ARTICLE 320 DECLARATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF STARTERS (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

Explanation for Proposed Change

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Proposed Wording on 8 July 2025

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Comments Received by 26 August 2025

BEL NF - Current Situation:

7. **Youth:** Teams start with all five (5) athletes in the first round. There are two (2) scratch results in the first round. After this round, the definitive team of four (4) athletes is determined, which continues to compete for the team medals.
 - *Advantage:* the "fifth athlete" can also contribute to the result and be eligible for a potential podium place, which enhances team spirit and involvement.
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