

Annex X

Veterinary Examinations, Inspections and Passport Controls (Interpretation to article 1011 of the Veterinary Regulations)

1. Examination on arrival

On arrival, or as soon as practicable following arrival, each horse must be examined by the Veterinary Delegate, or his Deputy, to establish the general state of health, identity and vaccination status of the horse. This examination should be carried out before the horse enters the event stables.

The Examination should be conducted as follows, bearing in mind that the horses should proceed to their stables as quickly as possible and with the least inconvenience to all concerned:

1.1. Check the identity of the horse by comparison with the identification page in its passport. A practical and common sense approach should be adopted.

1.2. Check that the vaccination requirements, currently in force, are in order and that all details in the passport are correctly completed.

1.3. Check the age of the horse, if the event or any competition is limited to horses of a specific age.

1.4. Carry out a clinical examination to ensure that the horse is not suffering from any infectious or contagious disease.

Any significant passport irregularities in the above should be drawn to the attention of the President of the Appeal Committee and the President of the Ground Jury, as soon as practical. The President of the Appeal Committee must deal with such irregularities before the horse is allowed to compete.

2. Fitness Inspection

Not later than the afternoon of the day preceding the first competition each horse must be inspected to determine its fitness to compete. Chefs d'Equipe and/or Persons Responsible should arrange a specific time for their horses to be inspected within the time specified in the programme. This should be available and ready at the Secretary's Office at least two days before the first competition, to avoid unnecessary delay for all concerned. This Inspection must be carried out, initially, by the Veterinary Commission/Delegate and a member of the Ground Jury. In a doubtful case the Ground Jury may direct that the horse be put in an officially supervised holding area for a further inspection immediately after the last horse has been inspected. The Associate Veterinarian/Veterinary Delegate will examine the doubtful horse while it is in the holding area. He will report any findings to the Ground Jury member and the Veterinary Commission. Horses reported as being unfit may be re-inspected the following day by the Ground Jury together with the Veterinary Commission/Delegate and only in the presence of those directly concerned, before they are allowed to compete. In the event of a disagreement, the President of the Ground Jury will make the final decision which will be announced immediately.

The Inspection should be conducted as follows:

2.1. Horses must be presented in either a snaffle or double bridle. Any other harness or equipment, i.e. rugs, bandages, etc. must be removed. No exception to this can be allowed.

2.2. No horse may be presented with its identity concealed in any manner by the application of paint or dye.

2.3. The inspection must take place on a firm, level and clean but not slippery surface.

2.4. Observe the horse for any obvious sign of injury or disease and make the necessary notes.

2.5. Have the horse walked and trotted for any obvious signs of lameness and make the necessary notes.

2.6. Chefs d'Equipe must be present with their team horses in addition to their grooms and/or their competitors.

2.7. Persons Responsible (competitors) must be present with individual horses, in addition to their grooms.

2.8. Competitors must present their own horse(s) at the veterinary inspection on the occasion of Championships and Games. The President of the Ground Jury may relax this rule for a competitor if requested to do so by the Chef d'Equipe of the rider.

It is emphasised that this is not a detailed veterinary examination and it should be completed as quickly as possible, consistent with achieving its purpose.

3. Ground Jury, Appeal Committee and Veterinary Commission-Liaison

3.1. *Ground Jury*

3.1.1. *Responsibilities of Veterinary Commission (Art 1009)*

The Veterinary Commission shall report to the Ground Jury (if appropriate) on all matters other than those of a purely technical veterinary nature.

3.1.2. *Veterinary Examinations, Inspections and Passport Controls (Art 142 + Art 1011)*

The Veterinary Commission shall report to the Ground Jury any horses considered to be unfit at either the Examination on arrival or at the inspection. Such horses must be reinspected by the Ground Jury together with the Veterinary Commission before they are allowed to compete. The President of the Ground Jury must also be informed of any horses which have been refused permission to compete by the Appeal Committee.

3.1.3. *Selection of Horses to be Sampled for Medication Control (Art 1017)*

The President of the Ground Jury together with the Veterinary Commission/Delegate and the MCP Testing Veterinarian, if present, are responsible for the random selection of horses to be sampled during the event.

In addition to horses selected at random, the President of the Ground Jury together with the Veterinary Commission/Delegate and MCP Testing Veterinarian, if present, may decide to select specific horses for sampling. The selection of specific horses may be made at any time during the event.

At World Cup Finals, World and Senior Continental Championships and Olympic Games, sufficient horses must normally be sampled to ensure that the following samples are available for analysis:

- in all Final Competitions for Individuals, the first four placed horses;
- in Final Jumping Competitions for Teams, one horse from among all the horses in each of the first four placed teams;

3.1.4. *Abuse (Art 143)*

Any case of alleged abuse of horses must be reported to the Ground Jury, if appropriate.

3.2. *Appeal Committee*

3.2.1. *Responsibilities of Veterinary Commission (Art 1009)*

The Veterinary Commission shall report to the Appeal Committee (if appropriate) on all matters other than of a purely technical veterinary nature.

3.2.2. *Veterinary Examinations, Inspections and Passport Controls (Art 139 + Art. 1011)*

The Veterinary Commission shall report to the President of the Appeal Committee details of any significant passport irregularities as soon as practical, following the Examination on arrival. These matters should be dealt with, in accordance with guidelines issued by the FEI, before the horse is allowed to

compete. If the Ground Jury does not act on a recommendation of the Veterinary Commission not to allow a horse to compete the circumstances must be reported to the Appeal Committee.

3.2.3. *Procedure for Sampling (Art 1019)*

A refusal, or wilful obstruction by any person to submit a horse for sampling must be reported immediately to the Appeal Committee.

Annex XI

Qualification Procedure for Olympic Games, World and Continental Jumping Championships

4. NFs must declare in writing to the FEI by a fixed date their intention to enter a team or individuals.

5. Competitors and horses which have completed the first round of a selected Nations Cup or a Grand Prix competition at a selected CSIO or a Grand Prix competition at a selected outdoor CSI Category A event with a score of not more than eight penalties, are automatically qualified. Riders and horses who have had not more than eight penalties in the team competition (1st or 2nd round) at the European or World Championships or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors approved by the FEI Jumping Committee, are qualified. Those riders and horses who have completed the third competition at the World Championship, or the Individual Final at the European Championship or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors approved by the FEI Jumping Committee, are also qualified. Riders and horses which have completed the first round of two World Cup qualifying competitions at selected outdoor World Cup events with not more than a total score of four penalties are qualified.

6. Selection will be made from events which take place from the 1st January the year preceding the Event until the closing date for Nominated Entries, or a date to be fixed by the FEI. A list of events will be published in the FEI Bulletin in the year preceding the Games or Championship.

7. Selected Nations Cup, Grand Prix competitions and World Cup qualifying competitions must meet the following specifications: consist of at least 12 obstacles which may vary in height between 1.40 m and 1.60 m. There must be a water-jump of 4.20 m including the take-off element. The spread obstacles must have spreads of between 1.50 m to 2.00 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two straight obstacles must be provided with a minimum height of 1.60 m.

8. NFs unable to send complete teams to any of the CSIOs will be allowed to enter individuals who will be allowed to compete hors concours in the Nations Cup competition.

9. If a NF finds it impossible for its competitors to qualify as above, it should request the FEI to send a Foreign Delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special competition consisting of one round with the dimensions as laid down on a course plan provided by the FEI. Riders/horses scoring 8 penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The FEI Foreign Delegate, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability. If by misfortune a rider/horse combination has more than 8 penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the Foreign Delegate can let him repeat a similar course. But in no case can a rider qualify if he has scored more than 8 penalties in the second round.

10. At Nations Cup and CSI Category A Grand Prix competitions the qualification is carried out by the Foreign Judge

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who will be responsible for ensuring that the course is built to the required dimensions.

11. Certificates of Capability must be received by the FEI for riders and horses not later than the date fixed for Nominated Entries or date fixed by the FEI. Competitors and horses for whom Certificates of Capability have not been received will not be allowed to start.

12. The report of the assessing Foreign Delegate must be sent to the Secretary General who in turn will send a copy to the Chairman of the Jumping Committee. The NFs of the qualified horses and riders will be informed by the FEI immediately after the qualification is given.

Annex XII

FEI official measurement Certificate - small horse

(Art. 289)

I, the undersigned: _____

(FEI Contact/Event Veterinarian), certify that I have this day

examined the small horse: _____

and confirm:

1) That its identity conforms to FEI Passport No: _____

2) That its height at the withers, having been measured on a smooth, level surface, does not exceed:

156 cms (without shoes) or

157 cms (with shoes)

Signature and stamp of above mentioned veterinarian: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Secretary General and stamp of NF: _____

Date: _____

Annex XIII

Promotion of National Course Designers to International Candidate Course Designers

The FEI maintains a list of qualified International Candidate Course Designers.

The requirements for promotion to International Candidate Course Designer are as follows:

1. NFs may propose experienced National Course Designers who have had regular practice over a period of at least five years and are under the age of 60.
2. Applicants must have successfully completed a FEI course for International Candidate Course Designers and have been recommended for promotion by the Course Director.
3. International Candidate Course Designers already promoted without having completed an FEI course, will only remain on the list if they successfully complete an FEI course for International Candidate Course Designers within five years from the date of their promotion (this applies only to Course Designers promoted to international Candidate Course Designer status from 1989 onwards).
4. International Candidates Course Designers will remain on the FEI list only if they show that they have had regular international practice from the time of their promotion and are under the age of 60. Course Designers not practising internationally for more than four years will be removed from the FEI list.
5. Performance of all International Candidate Course Designers will be evaluated by the International Course Designers and Foreign Judges acting at Events. Both must sign a special form which accompanies the Foreign Judge's report.
6. The names of preferably two International or National events or competitions run under FEI Rules at which International Candidate or National Course Designers have assisted on a Ground Jury, must also be given.

Annex XIII

Promotion of International Candidate Course Designers to International Course Designers

The FEI maintains a list of qualified International Course Designers. The requirements for promotion to International Course Designer are as follows:

1. To have attended a FEI course for International Course Designers and to have completed the course examination successfully.
2. To have regular international practice and preferably be not older than the age of 60.
3. Course Designers who have been promoted to the status of International Course Designer, without having successfully completed a FEI course for International Course Designers, will only remain on the list if they attend a FEI course for this category and successfully complete the course examination, within four years from the time of promotion.
4. Course Designers who do not show that they have had regular international practice from the time of their promotion will be removed from the list.
5. If an International Course Designer has acted for many years successfully in such a capacity but due to age or health reasons is no longer active, he will remain on the list as retired International Course Designer.
6. Promotion can be made by the Jumping Committee, with the agreement of the NF concerned. For promotion to both of the above categories, Course Designers must submit to the FEI

Secretariat, through their NF, a curriculum vitae outlining their experience to date.

An International Course Designer may be promoted to the status of Official International Course Designer by the Bureau on the recommendation of the Jumping Committee, which shall be based on extensive experience and demonstrated proficiency as a Course Designer at high level competitions (CSIO, CSI Cat. A).

Annex XIV

Promotion of National Judges to International Candidate Judges

The FEI maintains a list of qualified International Candidate Judges. Only experienced National Judges may be proposed for promotion on an application form supplied by the FEI and signed by the applicant and the President of his NF. These forms must be returned to the FEI Secretariat by a date to be indicated by the FEI.

The requirements for becoming an International Candidate Judge are as follows:

1. To have been proposed by his NF and accepted by the FEI Jumping Committee.
2. To have acted regularly as President of the Ground Jury at major National Events (regularity will be in relation to the number of Events held in the country of the candidate in question) and to have acted as a member of a Ground Jury at International Events during the current or preceding year.
3. To be able to speak one of the two FEI official languages.
4. To have acted once as assistant Course Designer and once as, or assistant to, the Chief Steward during an entire event run under FEI Rules, preferably International.
5. To have qualified at a FEI basic course for International Candidate Judges.
6. In principle, to be 55 years or under.
7. Having fulfilled the above requirements an applicant will be accepted by the FEI Jumping Committee, promoted to the status of International Candidate Judge and listed in the FEI Directory.
8. International Candidate Judges should gain as much experience as possible as members of Ground Juries at International Events or as the President of the Ground Jury at CSI Cat. B and C Events.

Annex XIV

Promotion of International Candidate Judges to International Judges

The FEI maintains a list of qualified International Judges, appointed by the Jumping Committee after consultation with the relevant NFs. The requirements for promotion to the status of International Judge are as follows:

1. To have acted as International Candidate Judge for at least two years.
2. To be able to speak one of the two FEI official languages.
3. To have acted regularly (regularity will be in relation to the number of Events held in the country of the candidate in question) as President or Member of the Ground Jury at International Events. Preferably, in addition to have acted as President of Appeal Committees, and have acted as Steward at International Jumping Events (or National Events run under FEI Rules).

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4. To have been favourably assessed by the Foreign Judge in his report form to the FEI (Foreign Judges will report to the FEI on the activities of the International Event. It is the responsibility of the International Candidate Judge to report to the Foreign Judge before the Event, if he wishes to be mentioned in his report).

5. International Candidate Judges must attend a course for International Judges and obtain sufficient marks in the course examination before they can be considered for promotion.

6. Upon the request of the NFs, International Candidate Judges who have fulfilled the above requirements will be promoted to the status of International Judge. If the above requirements have not been fulfilled within four years after promotion, the individual will be removed from the list of Judges.

7. Only International Judges having attended a FEI seminar for International Judges may act as President of the Ground Jury at CSIO and CSI Cat. A Events.

An International Judge may be promoted to the status of Official International Judge by the Bureau on the recommendation of the Jumping Committee, which shall be based on extensive experience and demonstrated proficiency as a judge at high level competitions (CSIO, CSI Cat. A).

Age of retirement for all Judges is 70 years.

Annex XV

Code of Conduct

1. In all equestrian sports the horse must be considered paramount.
2. The well being of the horse shall take precedence over the demands of all interested parties and commercial concerns.
3. All handling and veterinary treatment must ensure the health and welfare of the horse.
4. The highest standards of nutrition, health, sanitation and safety shall be encouraged and maintained at all times.
5. During transportation, adequate provision must be made for ventilation, feeding, watering and maintaining a healthy environment.
6. Emphasis should be placed on increasing education in equestrian practices and on promoting scientific studies in equine health.
7. In the interest of the horse, the fitness and competence of the rider or driver shall be regarded as essential.
8. All riding and training methods should take account of the horse as a living creature and must not include any technique considered by the FEI to be abusive.
9. National Federations must establish adequate controls in order that all persons and bodies under their jurisdiction respect the welfare of the horse.
10. National and international Rules and Regulations in equestrian sport regarding the health and welfare of the horse must be strictly adhered to, not only during national and international events, but also during training; such rules shall be regularly reviewed.