

**PROPOSALS FOR RULES CHANGES OF  
JUMPING RULES 2023**

14 October 2022

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 2022;](#)  
and
- B.** [Proposed Rules changes that have been rejected or deferred to a future Rules revision.](#)

Sincerely,



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Jumping Director

**A. PROPOSED RULES CHANGES TO BE VOTED AT THE FEI GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2022**

<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<p><b>IJOC</b> <b>EO</b></p>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
<p>Art. 200 – GENERAL Art. 200.6.2 – Expenses for Officials</p>
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
<p>The IJOC and EO propose to have this article reviewed. This change is required in a growing professional environment and to ensure that the reimbursement of costs and “per diem” allowance is matching the raised standards and expectations towards officials.</p> <p>The proposal includes differences between level of shows and differences in responsibilities (tied also to the function and the level of the shows)</p> <p>This change is to be combined with two other important changes :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase of the entry fee (see separate proposal for entry fees submitted by EO) also needed to cover increased organizational costs due to inflation rates since the last increase years ago.</li> <li>• Creation of an evaluation system « on the field » for officials</li> </ul> <p>The proposal includes minor changes for the lower and lowest level events and has a bigger impact for the top level events (because of responsibility, accountability and workload).</p> <p>At the same time we ask the FEI to take care of the pay-outs according to the new grid for the officials that are appointed by FEI (foreign judge and foreign steward).</p>
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
<p><i>To be agreed on</i></p>
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
<p><b>IJOC</b></p> <p>In the first phase of the Rule Revision Process earlier this year, the IJOC and EO proposed together a modification to the remuneration of Officials. This change is required in a growing professional environment and to ensure that the reimbursement of costs and “per diem” allowance is matching the raised standard, additional workload (preparation of events and reporting after events) as well as the increased cost of living during the past few years (more than 20% inflation since last change).</p> <p>Based on discussions with different stakeholders, we are encouraged to note the two guiding principles embedded in our proposal have been accepted by the equestrian community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Differentiation between roles (coordinating and operating officials)</li> <li>• Differentiation between level of shows</li> </ul>

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We took onboard the feedback from some stakeholders that the proposed per diem for the highest level events appear to be too high.

Therefore, we have re-examined our proposal and have developed a modified solution. We believe the modified proposal would be financially acceptable to organizers and to athletes. We remain open to discuss other items in the future that are sensitive and important such as an Officials evaluation system. This proposal is a stepstone in the path to professionalism. Specifically for the highest level events, we are convinced that next steps are to be discussed and reviewed in the near future.

In our modified proposal we make a clear distinction between the lowest level events and all other events.

Last but not least, we emphasize for the past 20 years the remuneration levels for Officials have not changed. At the 2018 Sports Forum nearly an entire day was devoted to the role of officials, including remuneration. The 2019 remuneration proposal was withdrawn due to the Covid-crisis and to help the organisers and athletes during those challenging times. Now the time has come to address the urgent needs raised nearly five years ago.

**New proposed wording:**

6.2.1.5. Per Diem (Daily Allowance) for all Officials except for the Technical Delegate

A per diem allowance according to the table below (giving the amount per day per official) must be offered to all FEI Officials during the period of the Event. This remuneration for miscellaneous costs is to be provided net after relevant (deductible) taxes (eg VAT) being borne by the OC. Direct income taxes to be borne by the Official when applicable. A per diem will be paid in addition for a maximum total of one travel day if the Official's travel day(s) is/are different from the officiating days.

For events running at the same time at the same venue, the valid per diem is the highest star level.

The amounts stated in the table are minimum amounts in Euro.

FEI Event Category	PGJ	FJ	CS	FS	Other
CSIO5, CSI5*-W, CSI5* CSI04*, CSI4*-W, CSI4* CSI03*, CSI3*-W, CSI3*, CSI2*, CSIO2*, CSI2*-W, CSIYH2*, CSIO1*, CSIOY, CSIOJ, CSIOCh, CSIOP, CSIP, CSIch-A, CSIJ-A, CSIY-A, CSIV-A, CSIU25-A, CSI Am-A, CSIAm-B,	250	250	250	250	175
CS1*, CSI1*- W, CSI YH1*, CSIL1*, CSIch-B, CSIJ-B, CSIY-B, CSIV-B, CSIU25-B	150	150	150	150	120

Abbreviations :

PGJ = President Ground Jury

FJ = Foreign Judge

CS = Chief Steward

FS = Foreign Steward

Other = All other officials (ground jury members, stewards, ...)

6.3. For expenses at other FEI Championships, FEI World Cup™ Finals, FEI Nations Cup™ Finals and Olympic Games see the specific rules for these Events. Expenses at Regional Championships and Regional Games are left to the discretion of the OC. For the "Per Diem" allowance, same principals according to the level of the event are applicable as in article 6.2.1.5

#### **EEF**

The EEF is opposed to the proposed increase in per diems for Jumping officials as it is considered to be too drastic. An increase is, in principle, ok but not in such amounts and not without a link to better quality of officials.

#### **NF FRA**

We can agree on a certain increase but not in this proportion which is too extreme and would lead to side effects in order to ensure financial sustainability of shows.

We agree on differentiating amounts based on level of shows, due to their very different reality.

To be agreed on with wider consultation of stakeholders.

#### **NF GER**

On the basis of general inflation and price adjustments, the proposals are understandable in principle. Also in our view, the differentiation according to duty/position as well as to category of Event is a plausible approach. The per diems of Official have to be adapted in a certain regular turn. In its entirety, however, this cannot be borne by the OCs alone.

From the Organiser's view, the situation looks a bit different than from the Officials' point of view. In the way it is proposed, the remunerations (excluding travel and hotel costs) for example for a CSI2\* would increase from about 4,300 € today to about 7,500 € in future.

Mandatory costs for an OC have also increased considerably during the last years, e. g. by stricter biosecurity rules of the FEI (organised check-in with veterinary control on the arrival day, provision of isolation boxes, etc.). The price increases of 20 % over the last 8 years affect the Organisers to the same extent as all other persons and organisations. Also for the products and services that make an Event possible at all, nowadays more money must be paid than in the past and this reduces the financial leeway of every Event.

Thus, an adjustment of per diems can only be done in a moderate way with lower amounts than the ones proposed (an increase of far more than 150 % for CSI4\*/5\* cannot be justified with the general price increase) and with additional measures to reduce costs.

#### **NF IRL**

The IRL NF would like to voice their support for a review of this article and support the commitment to have a consultation on this.

**NF ITA**

**We definitely do not agree to the per diem table** (Daily Allowance) for all Officials submitted by the IJOC.

**NF MEX**

We are not against ensuring that the "reimbursement of costs and "per diem" allowance matches the raised standards and expectations towards officials" but the proposed increase is out of proportion. Officials had been receiving 120 euros per day for several years now and we support the idea of increasing the amount, but 400 euros per day is an increase of more than 200%.

The increase should reflect the economic reality of the global inflation rate.

**NF NED**

We understand the need to make changes to the expenses for these officials but find the suggested amounts quite high. All these extra cost will eventually be charged to either athletes or others by the organizers. Interested to see what the 'wider consultation' will entail.

**NF NOR**

We do not agree in the proposed per diem table for officials at jumping events. We agree in making a differentiated per diem, based on the type of event and the function/role of the official. However, we think the proposed increase in the per diem is too extensive from one year to another. We therefore suggest that the amount is considered again. It would be of great interest and help if the proposal could include some ideas of suggestions regarding how to finance such an increase of the per diem.

**NF SWE**

The SWE NF do not support IJOCs proposal of per diem. We do understand the rationale behind the proposal but an increase from 120 Euro per day to 400 Euro per day is not acceptable at the moment, due to increasing costs and inflation. In the end it is the competitors and their Horse Owners who has to pay. We propose a gradual increase and support the FEI Jumping Committees proposal of a wider consultation in order to find an agreement.

**FEI feedback**

In consultation with the International Jumping Officials Organizers and the Equestrian Organizers, is as follows and that these minimum per diem charges only apply for Europe and North America.

For the rest of the world the current Rule remains applicable.

**Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022**

6.2.1.5. **Per Diem (Daily Allowance) requirements for Europe and North America for all Officials except the Technical Delegate**

**A per diem allowance per day per Official as described in the table below must be offered to all FEI Officials during the period of the Event. This remuneration for miscellaneous costs is to be provided net after relevant taxes being borne by the OC. A per diem in addition for a maximum total of one travail day if the Official's travel day(s) is/are different from the officiating days.**

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Events	President Ground Jury Foreign Judge Chief Steward Foreign Steward	All other Officials
<b>Championships / CSIO1*(-W) - CSIO5*(-W) / CSIO-Y/J/P/Ch / CSI3*-CSI5*</b>	<b>250 Euros</b>	<b>175 Euros</b>
<b>CSI1* - CSI2* / CSIYH1* - CSIYH2* / CSI- U25/Y/J/Ch/V/Am Cat. A &amp; B / CSIP</b>	<b>175 Euros</b>	<b>150 Euros</b>

6.2.1.5.6. Per Diem (Daily Allowance) requirements in other regions for all Officials except the Technical Delegate

A per diem allowance of minimum 120 Euros per day per Official must be offered to all FEI Officials during the period of the Event. This remuneration for miscellaneous costs is to be provided net after relevant taxes being borne by the OC. A per diem will be paid in addition for a maximum total of one travel day if the Official's travel day(s) is/are different from the officiating days.

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
<b>FEI</b>
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 200 – GENERAL Art. 200.8
Explanation for Proposed Change
Please see the Jumping Calendar Task Force's recommendations for an improved Jumping Calendar and the proposed changes to Article 112 of the GRs and Appendix K. If such proposed changes are approved by the FEI General Assembly, the relevant modifications to the Jumping Rules will be made accordingly.
Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022
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Comments received by 24 August 2022
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FEI feedback
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Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022
8. Calendar (See also GRs Art. 112 <u>and Appendix K</u> )

Please refer to the FEI General Regulations for the relevant provisions pertaining to the Calendar.

For the avoidance of doubt, all references to CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events in the paragraphs below (Art. 200.8) include CSI5\*-W and CSIO5\*-W Events.

~~The dates of all CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events shall be approved by the FEI Secretary General two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place; the dates of all other higher level Events (all Events except for those listed as CIMs in GRs Appendix E), shall be approved by the Secretary General the year prior to the year in which the Event is to take place.~~

~~Consequently, the following deadlines apply in relation to Events to be inserted in the FEI calendar:~~

- ~~• Applications for all CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events must be received by the FEI Secretary General by 1 October two years prior to the year in which the Event takes place.~~
- ~~• Applications for the dates of all other higher level Events (Events that are not listed as CIMs in GRs Appendix E) must be received by the FEI Secretary General by 1 October the year prior to the year in which the Event takes place.~~
- ~~• Applications or modifications for higher level Events that arrive after the above deadlines are considered as late date applications or modifications and may only be considered by the FEI if received at least 12 weeks prior to the start of the Event.~~
- ~~• Applications or modifications for CIMs (including CSI2\* Open Events) must reach the FEI Secretary General no later than four weeks prior to the start of the Event, with the exception of applications or modification for CSI2\* Events with Longines Ranking Competitions, which must reach the Secretary General no later than nine weeks prior to the start of the Event.~~

~~For late date applications and/or modifications of Events please refer to the provisions of GRs Art. 112.7.~~

**Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)**

**FEI**

**Article Number – Article Name**

Art. 208 – OBSTACLES GENERAL  
Art. 208.3

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

Upon request of the Commercial and Legal departments of the FEI.

**Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022**

3. A sponsored obstacle is any obstacle inside the flags of which there is advertising material or a sponsors product or representation of a product. If advertising material or representation of a product on the wing of an obstacle is more than 0.50 m<sup>2</sup>, the obstacle is also considered to be a sponsored obstacle. If the wings of an obstacle have advertising of 0.50 m<sup>2</sup> 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. At the FEI World and Continental Championships, FEI World Cup™ Final, FEI Nations Cup™ Final and other Events or Competitions as designated by the FEI, no more than 30%, rounded up to the next whole number of the efforts, may

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~~be sponsored obstacles. The Technical Delegate must approve the design and construction of all obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability.~~

~~In agreement with the Chair of the Jumping Committee, FEI Commercial Director and FEI Director Jumping, the number of sponsored efforts may be increased up to 50%. This number may be increased to 75%, pending approval of the FEI Jumping Committee of the design of the additional 25% of sponsored efforts.~~

#### Comments received by 24 August 2022

##### NF GER

Such a rule could create conflicts with national TV stations or EBU who have their own rules with regards to maximum number and appearance of sponsored obstacles. What would be the benefit and purpose of such a rule?

Keep the present wording.

##### NF USA

The USA NF believes that the FEI Sponsorship Obstacle Guidelines should be outlined prior to these specifications being removed from the Rules. Additionally, given that FEI Named Events covers all of the FEI sponsored events, 'competitions as designated by the FEI', could be removed.

#### FEI feedback

If there are national TV rules, they will prevail on FEI rules.

#### Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022

As above.

#### Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

##### BEL NF

#### Article Number – Article Name

Art. 236 – TABLE A

#### Explanation for Proposed Change

There have only been two months of application of this new regulations.

Concerning the time faults per second, there is currently no idea of how this will affect the competitions. By indicating this here, we kindly ask for the possibility to evaluate this rule.

#### Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022

Art. 234 SPEED

1. The speeds for international Competitions are as follows:

1.1. ~~350~~ 325 m per minute minimum and 400 m per minute maximum. ~~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.~~

1.2. Puissance / Power and Skill Competitions: no minimum speed required.

1.3. Longines Ranking Competitions counting for Longines Ranking point groups AA through D at CSIs and CSIOs: 375 m per minute minimum and 400 m per minute maximum outdoors and 350 m per minute minimum indoors. In outdoor arenas measuring 65 m x 85 m or smaller the speed may be reduced to 350 m per minute.

1.4. Longines Ranking Competitions counting for Longines Ranking point groups E at CSIs and CSIOs: 350 m per minute minimum and 400 m per minute maximum.



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**1.4-5.** Nations Cup: 400 m per minute for 5\* and 4\* Nations Cup Competitions outdoors; 375 m per minute for 3\* and 2\* Nations Cup Competitions outdoors, 350 m per minute for 1\* Nations Cup Competitions outdoors and also for all indoor Nations Cup Competitions.

**1.5-6.** Young Horse Competitions: 325 m per minute minimum.

**Comments received by 24 August 2022**
**NF IRL**

The IRL NF note the proposed changes to Article 234 Speed by the FEI but would like to comment that the results should be recorded in faults and time, not just time added to the faults to achieve the final score

**FEI feedback**

The FEI is implementing the possibility to display Penalties for Faults at the obstacles and time Penalties separately in the FEI database. This will be communicated to timing providers and should be launched by the end of this year.

**Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022**

As above.

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

Art. 236 – TABLE A

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

This new rule has more consequences than expected (p.ex GP Qualification) and need to be monitored and evaluated during the 2022 season. If needed the rule need to be adapted for the 2023 season.

**Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022**

As above

**Comments received by 24 August 2022**

No comments received.

**FEI feedback**

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

Art. 241 – ELIMINATIONS  
Art. 241.3.32 (*addition*)

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

It appears that bleeding from one or two nostrils is not covered in current regulations. This was obvious at the last Olympics in Tokyo when an Athlete fulfilled the jumping course despite heavy nose bleeding from the horse and should of course had been stopped by the

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Judge during the ride and eliminated since the horse was clearly unfit to continue the competition (if a regulation had been in place).

Nose blood can occur from bleeding in upper and/or lower airways (in racing horses not unusual with even lung bleeding, Exercise Induced Pulmonary Haemorrhage, EIPH, but usually after exercise).

To distinguish from a suspected minor bleeding due to a small laceration of a nostril, the horse should be checked by an FEI Veterinarian after the ride.

Nose blood should be a reason for elimination because of the impact on Horse welfare, but also for general perception, i.e., Social License to Operate (SLO).

#### Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022

Art. 241 ELIMINATIONS

[...]

4. The President of the Ground Jury (or in the absence of the President of the Ground Jury from the Ground Jury box, the Ground Jury Member designated by the President of the Ground Jury to take over the running of the Competition in their absence) may, in their sole discretion, ring the bell (or instruct another Ground Jury member to ring the bell) to eliminate an Athlete/Horse combination while a round is ongoing if the President of the Ground Jury (or their designee) decides that it would be contrary to the principles of horse welfare to allow the combination to continue the round. The decision to eliminate is final and not subject to appeal or protest.

4.5. Elimination is left to the discretion of the Ground Jury in the following cases:

[...]

#### Comments received by 24 August 2022

##### IJRC

The IJRC agrees with the Jumping Committee that believes that a broader concept (going beyond just the relatively rare case of blood in the nostrils) is needed in order to give the Ground Jury the clear authority to take action where there are serious horse welfare concerns.

See below the suggested changes, to the addition to Article 241 in the FEI Jumping Rules:

4. The President of the Ground Jury (or in the absence of the President of the Ground Jury from the Ground Jury box, the Ground Jury Member designated by the President of the Ground Jury to take over the running of the Competition in their absence) may, ~~in their sole discretion, ring the bell (or instruct another Ground Jury Member to ring the bell)~~ to eliminate an Athlete/Horse combination while a round is ongoing if ~~the President of the Ground Jury (or their designee) decides that it would be contrary to the principles of horse welfare to allow the combination to continue the round.~~

~~The decision to eliminate is final and not subject to appeal or protest.~~

It is necessary a clear definition of the cases leading to elimination.

##### NF CAN

Canada disagrees with this article and feels that the elimination of a rider mid-round with no appeal or protest is unfair for the riders.

##### NF NED

We agree we the proposal of the FEI.

##### NF USA

The USA NF understands the Jumping Committee wanting to include the proposed language and fully supports the FEI's desire not to compromise on the welfare of the horse during competition. However, there is significant concern that even with proper training and

education that it will be challenging to ensure that the rule is enforced fairly and uniformly across officials. Unfortunately, there have been recent examples of officials interpreting Rules differently.

The USA NF also considers the Ground Jury already have authority to Eliminate an athlete under 241.3.26.

The USA NF supports the SWE wording but perhaps there needs to be further clarification. As an aside, Article 241.2 might need reviewing.

#### FEI feedback

The Jumping Committee was not in favour of making any changes to the proposed wording. There are too many cases that could lead to such an elimination and it is not deemed possible to list them all. If this new rule appears to be problematic in its implementation during 2023, it could be reviewed for 2024.

#### Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022

As above

#### Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

**NED NF**

#### Article Number – Article Name

Art. 241 – ELIMINATIONS

#### Explanation for Proposed Change

Our social license and the welfare of the horse should be our priority. With that in mind we propose the following adjustment:

Blood on the horse's flanks, mouth or nose should always lead to Elimination. The chances of a nose bleed being a symptom of pulmonary haemorrhage is too big to ignore and should be checked by a veterinary. **This rule should also be added to the rules of all the other disciplines.**

#### Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022

As above

#### Comments received by 24 August 2022

See above

#### FEI feedback

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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>FEI</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Art. 251 – ENTRIES Art. 251.9.2
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
This change in Art, 251 of the Jumping Rules has been made to reflect the request from several National Federations to amend the newly introduced rule of Annex V which has proven to be problematic in its implementation. Athletes who are invited in addition to the normal quota to fill up the stables will be allowed to take part in Longines Ranking competitions.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
For all other Events including CSIOs definite entries must be made within the deadlines indicated below; other deadlines for NFs to indicate their intent to participate may be requested by the NF/OC in the Schedule. Definite entries must be made by the date mentioned in the Schedule. This date may not be earlier than four weeks prior to the beginning of the Event and later than four days preceding the beginning of the Event. These represent the final selection of Athletes and Horses that will travel to the Event. 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, <del>without the right to participate in Longines Ranking Competitions. Any Athlete so invited is ineligible to participate in all Longines Ranking Competitions at the Event, including if the Athlete will have qualified for a Longines Ranking Competition through one or more non-Longines Ranking Competition(s). 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. If the Grand Prix or Competition with the highest prize money of the Event, if it is not the Grand Prix, is not a Longines Ranking Competition, and</del> 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. Refer also to JRs Annex V: CSI Invitation Rules.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
<b>NF USA</b> USA NF supports the change to allow athletes to participate in Longines Ranking Competitions.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
None
<b>Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022</b>
As above

Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)
<b>FEI</b>
Article Number – Article Name
Art. 256 – DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE Art. 256.1.5
ANNEX XI – RULES FOR PONY RIDERS Art. 19 DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE
ANNEX XII – RULES FOR CHILDREN’S EVENTS Art. 17 DRESS, PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR, ARTIFICIAL AIDS AND SALUTE
Explanation for Proposed Change
This change had been implemented following some discussions which had taken place several years ago and had been deferred to the latest full revision. As many manufacturers already have jackets with piping at other places than around the collar, this newly introduced rule has proven to be problematic in its implementation and the Jumping Committee is in favour of taking the added wording out.
Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022
Art. 256.1.5 Civilians are required to wear the uniform or clothing approved by their NF, a jacket, white or light fawn breeches, black or brown boots. Other dark coloured boots may be approved at the discretion of the FEI; boots may have one contrasting colour only, around the top, heel and/or toe. Boots must have a heel. Shirts may have long or short sleeves and must have a white collar; long-sleeved shirts must have white cuffs. A white tie or choker must be worn. Competition jackets may be any colour and must have outward facing buttons. If the jacket has a collar it must be a lapel collar which may be the same colour as the jacket or a different colour. <del>Piping of any colour is allowed around the collar only.</del> Jackets without a collar are allowed providing the shirt collar and tie are visible when the jacket is closed. If a jacket is not worn (refer to Art. 256.1.3 for exceptions due to weather), shirts must have sleeves; either short or long sleeves are permitted.
<b>// ANNEX XI</b>
3. Competition jacket or club uniform jacket. Competition jackets may be any colour and must have outward facing buttons. If the jacket has a collar it must be a lapel collar which may be the same colour as the jacket or a different colour. <del>Piping of any colour is allowed around the collar only.</del> Jackets without a collar are allowed providing the shirt collar and tie are visible when the jacket is closed. White or fawn breeches or jodhpurs with boots. Boots must have a heel. White shirt and tie or hunting stock.
<b>// ANNEX XII</b>
3. Competition jacket or club uniform jacket. Competition jackets may be any colour and must have outward facing buttons. If the jacket has a collar it must be a lapel collar which may be the same colour as the jacket or a different colour. <del>Piping of any colour is allowed around the collar only.</del> Jackets without a collar are allowed providing the shirt collar and tie are visible when the jacket is closed. White or fawn breeches or jodhpurs with boots and white shirt and tie or choker are allowed. Boots must have a heel. Spurs are optional but if used must be made of smooth metal. If there is a shank it must not be more than 4 cm long, measured from the boot to the tip of the spur, and must point only towards the rear; the end of the shank must be blunt. If the shank is curved, the spurs must be worn only with the shank directed downwards. Rowel spurs are not permitted. Hammer spurs

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are allowed provided they meet the above requirements. Metal or plastic "Impulse spurs" with round hard plastic or metal knobs and "Dummy spurs" with no shank are allowed. Spurs with flat disks are allowed. The contact surface with the horse and all edges must be smooth and rounded. The Athlete when mounted may wear only one spur on each boot.

**Comments received by 24 August 2022**

No comments received.

**FEI feedback**

None

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**Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)**

**IJOC**

**Article Number – Article Name**

Art. 264 – NATIONS CUP  
Art. 264.10.3

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

CSIOJ and CSIOYR paragraph 10.3 says: The placing of teams after the second round is according to paragraph 9.2 (first sentence) above. - Not against the clock, but paragraph 10.3.2 makes reference to 9.2.2 which is Against the clock.

**Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022**

10.3. For all CSIOY and CSIOJ, the classification of teams not taking part in the second round is according to paragraph 9.1 above. The placing of teams after the second round is according to paragraph 9.2 (~~first sentence~~)and 9.2.2 above. 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 according to paragraph 9.2 (~~first sentence~~)and 9.2.2 above.

**Comments received by 24 August 2022**

No comments received.

**FEI feedback**

None

**Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022**

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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>FEI</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Art. 280 – VETERINARY EXAMINATIONS, HORSE INSPECTIONS AND PASSPORT CONTROL Art. 280.2.1
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
Following discussions with the Veterinary Department who are in the process of a full revision of their Regulations, it was decided that the Jumping Rules should be updated to match the Veterinary Regulations with regards to the time of the first Horse Inspection as the Veterinary Regulations prevail.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
This must be carried out <del>not later than the afternoon of the day preceding</del> <u>within 24 hours prior to the start of</u> the first Competition.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
None
<b>Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022</b>
As above

<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>FEI</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Annex V – CSI INVITATION RULES Section 1
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
The Jumping Committee believes a clarification is needed to the following sentence due to the fact that all events of the same week should use the same ranking, even if they are overlapping two months: <i>For the purpose of invitation of Athletes in descending order of the Longines Ranking, the Longines Ranking list established <b>three</b> months prior to the Event is to be used.</i>
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
For the purpose of invitation of Athletes in descending order of the Longines Ranking, the Longines Ranking list established <b>three</b> months prior to <u>the week of</u> the Event is to be used.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
None
<b>Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022</b>

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**Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)****FEI****Article Number – Article Name**Annex V – CSI INVITATION RULES  
Section 4**Explanation for Proposed Change**

With the proposed changes in Annex VIII of the Jumping Rules which include taking out special qualifying competitions and following the discussions during the 2022 Sports Forum, the Jumping Committee wishes to introduce an additional FEI invitation (wild card) at Events for the purpose of obtaining a Certificate of Capability for the Olympic Games.

**Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022**

The FEI has the right to allocate an invitation to two Athletes for CSI2\*/CSI3\*/CSI4\* events and one athlete for CSI5\* events. 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 ~~CSI3\*~~ 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 an additional third 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, providing the Athlete has 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 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.~~

**Comments received by 24 August 2022****IJRC**

It is ok for the IJRC, but the two FEI Invitations (Wild Cards), must not be included in the ranking or in the NFs quota.

**FEI feedback**

The additional FEI invitation for athletes attempting to earn a CoC for the Olympic Games will not be included in the overall quota, meaning it will not be the LR quota or the NF quota. However the other FEI invitations foreseen in the rules will remain as such.

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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>GER NF</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
ANNEX V – CSI INVITATION RULES Section 6 – General
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
<p>If an OC can fill up empty stables, this prevents a financial loss. Until last year, additional competitors could be invited under the condition that a qualifier for the Grand Prix was scheduled. In light of this, the rules were revised so that OCs are allowed to invite additional Athletes, but <u>without the right to participate in Longines Ranking competitions</u>, if the maximum number of Horses allowed to be entered has not been reached at the closing date of entries.</p> <p>Unfortunately, the new rule means that those who can enter at this stage do not have the chance to qualify for Longines Ranking competitions, which in general are the competitions with higher prize-money.</p> <p>It should be ensured that the OC can decide which Athlete shall be the replacement for an Athlete who was admitted via the “normal” quota (an entry system issue). That way, an Athlete who initially had a “filling stables up” invitation can be the replacement for a “normal” invitation and thus does have the right to participate in Longines Ranking competitions.</p> <p>Or, if the above is a consequence that was not wanted or was underestimated, we should return to the previous wording of the 2021 rules.</p>
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
<p>OCs will be permitted to invite a limited number of additional Athletes <del>without the right to participate in Competitions counting for the Longines Ranking</del> if, at the closing of entries, the maximum number of Horses that may be entered has not been reached. <del>Any Athlete so invited is ineligible to participate in all Longines Ranking Competitions at the Event, including if the Athlete will have qualified for a Longines Ranking Competition through one or more non-Longines Ranking Competition(s). 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. If the Grand Prix, or the Competition with the highest prize money of the Event, if it is not the Grand Prix, is not a Longines Ranking Competition (e.g. if at a CSI2* the prize money offered for the Grand Prix does not meet the minimum required for a Longines Ranking Competition), and</del> 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.</p>
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
<b>NF GER</b>
<p>We appreciate the changes made. However, in the meantime, after we had made the proposal that has now been supported by the Jumping Committee, the entry system has been developed further so that now it is possible to distinguish between the originally invited riders/horses and those who were invited later to fill up the stables. With the implementation of the possibility that athletes for the small/medium tour can be marked-up, the following alteration should be possible.</p> <p>Thus it is guaranteed that OC will have the full quota for all Longines Ranking competitions.</p>
<b>Section 6 General additional Athletes – filling up the stables</b>

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OCs will be permitted to invite a limited number of additional Athletes ~~without the right to participate in Competitions counting for the Longines Ranking~~ if, at the closing of entries, the maximum number of Horses that may be entered or the maximum number of athletes eligible to start in all competitions (including Longines Ranking Competitions) has not been reached.

Any Athlete marked-up only for the small/medium tour (or all non Longines Ranking competitions) ~~so-invited~~ is ineligible to participate in all Longines Ranking Competitions at the Event, including if the Athlete will have qualified for a Longines Ranking Competition through one or more non-Longines Ranking Competition(s). Any Athlete ~~marked-up for or the small/medium tour (or all non Longines Ranking competitions) 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. If the Grand Prix, or the Competition with the highest prize money of the Event, if it is not the Grand Prix, is not a Longines Ranking Competition (e.g. if at a CSI2\* the prize money offered for the Grand Prix does not meet the minimum required for a Longines Ranking Competition), and 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 (apart from those who fill up the quota under section 1 – 3) are not taken into consideration for the calculation of the percentages of Athletes to be invited under Sections 1-3.

**FEI feedback**

The proposed change was only meant for the "stable filling quota". The small/medium tour quota rule remains untouched.

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

ANNEX V – CSI INVITATION RULES  
Section 6 – General

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

Riders who are not allowed to participate in Longines ranking classes are not interested in going to a CSI2\* or CSI3\*, ie, organizers will be left with empty stables, and will lose money. This new rule is not fair for the organizers and has important financial consequences for some organizers.

**Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022**

As above

**Comments received by 24 August 2022**

See above

**FEI feedback**

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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>Equestrian Organisers</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
ANNEX VI – CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS 2. ADDITIONAL CSI REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
<p>Many years ago minimal prize money and entry fee was decoupled from the conversion rate of Swiss franc to Euro, US Dollar,... and linked to the consumer price index and inflation. We understand that the entrée fee is not increasing every year a little amount, as the minimal prize money does, but we believe it is time to increase the maximal entry fee amounts due:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ all the extra Biosecurity measurements an OC needs to take from 2021 on, due to EHV1 outbreak, gives lots of extra cost to an organiser (extra quarantine stables, extra stewards, extra veterinarians,...)</li> <li>○ Consumer price index in Belgium has increased by 18,32% in the last 8 years, inflation was 7,59% in 2021 only. <a href="https://statbel.fgov.be/nl/themas/consumptieprijnsindex/consumptieprijnsindex#figures">https://statbel.fgov.be/nl/themas/consumptieprijnsindex/consumptieprijnsindex#figures</a> This means that all cost for organisers have increased in the last years by more than 20%.</li> <li>○ Every year the minimal prize money is increasing linked to the consumer price index and the inflation, every few year, the entry fee should also increase with the same %, with rounded amounts.</li> </ul> <p>An increase by minimum € 100 seems logic to us, if you see the increase of Consumer price index and inflation so we propose that maximal entry fee becomes</p>
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
None – Same feedback as the proposed change to Art. 200
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>

**IJRC**

THE CHANGE IS FAR FROM THE REALITY AND 80% OF OCs APPLY THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE ENTRY FEE ALLOWED WITH THE LOWEST AMOUNT OF PRIZE MONEY PERMITTED BY CSI REQUIREMENTS.

IT WOULD BE CORRECT TO APPLY ENTRY FEES IN PROPORTION TO THE NUMBER OF RIDERS COMPETING AND THE PRIZE MONEY OFFERED.

**THIS IS THE IJRC's comment and proposed wording:**

As mentioned by OCs and as requested by them the conversion rate was applied after the meeting held in London in April 2021, with the FEI, the IJRC and the Organizers..

This involved stating the prizemoney in local currencies and no longer in Swiss francs in approved schedules.

At the time a Conversion rate was introduced to the significant disadvantage of the riders (what was used was an exchange rate established at 1.33 compared to the real one of 1.20) reducing prizemoney by **- 8.3%**

2006 CSI Requirement	9/2011 1.20	FEI Proposal 1.33	% REDUCTION
CSI 5* min 500'000 CHF	416'000 EUR	382'000 EUR	- 8,2%
CSI 4* min 250'000 CHF	208'333 EUR	191'000 EUR	- 8,3%
CSI 3* min 150'000 CHF	125'000 EUR	114'500 EUR	- 8,4%

Having linked prize money to the inflation index is unfortunately, annulled by an exchange rate that is significantly damaging to riders.

**Entry fees, which forbade all extra fees, were established at €350 including VAT.**

In establishing Entry Fees, Equestrian Organizers, would therefore like to consider the Belgian Inflation index (currently 7.9%) which is one of the highest in Europe.

While as far as increasing prizemoney is concerned the Swiss index, the lowest in the world has always been taken into account.

If the official Belgian inflation and cost-of-living indexes, mentioned by the Equestrian Organisers, were to be taken into account, it would therefore be correct to also take this index into account for both Entry Fees and prizemoney and also use official bank exchange rates.

Furthermore, as far as CSI 1\* 2\* are concerned, increased expenses will be an additional burden for many breeders, YR, and coming up riders, who will no longer be able to afford to present their horses, seriously penalising the agricultural breeding sector.

The initial agreement concerning CSI and CSIO Requirements, it had been established that entry fees should include all tax to be applied to horses and TVA, with the exception of MCP fees, and all additional fees were forbidden. In the course of the years the following additional fees were added:

VAT from 10 to 19%

Electricity from 40 to 70 euros

Manure removal 40 €

Parking from 50€

This has raised Entry fees from 350 € to a total of 678€ with an increase of 95%.

**It is IJRC's opinion that the entire equestrian sector should try and limit costs.**

One must also take into account that in addition to entry fees established by FEI Regulations, taxes are increasingly often added that do not comply with FEI rules (pay cards, tables, administrative tax etc.).

Such fees affect above all YRs and coming up athletes who deserve to be able to afford to compete in sport that respects meritocracy.

The increase of the entry fee and of the costs, which are already expensive for Central and Southern Europe, will become unaffordable for the whole of Eastern Europe, where the sport is currently undergoing promising development.

The IJRC understands the organizers' problems and believes a consultation is necessary.

**NF GER**

We are in line with the FEI feedback that this issue needs more consultation and should not be decided in a rush.

**NF ITA**

**We definitely do not agree** to an increase on the **entry fee maximum amounts**.

**NF NED**

We definitely don't agree with the proposal to increase of the entry fee. Although fees might not have increased in the past years, athletes are confronted with extra cost that are growing exponentially. A rider is not only paying the entry fee for a show, but is confronted with all kinds of extra costs like electricity for the truck, parking fees, manure disposal, EADCMP Fee, etc. and those cost are still growing. We can only agree to a higher fee if those cost include all the extra's that are now charged separately.

**SWE NF**

The SWE NF do not agree to an increase of entry fee. The cost of competing has risen significantly in recent times due to inflation etc.

**FEI feedback**

In 2017 it was agreed with all relevant stakeholders that minimum prize money and the maximum entry would evolve according to the inflation rate. This has been applied for the prize money but it has been omitted for the maximum Entry Fees. In order to make the necessary corrections it was decided to increase the maximum entry fees, as stated in Annex VI. 2 for Europe in 10% of its amount.

**Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022****2. ADDITIONAL CSI REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA**

<b>2.1. Additional Requirements for Europe</b>	<b>CSI 1* + 2*</b>	<b>CSI 3*</b>	<b>CSI 4*</b>	<b>CSI 5*</b>
Maximum Entry Fee* per Horse <b>VAT excluded</b>	€ <del>400</del> 440 per Horse	€ <del>450</del> 495 per Horse	€ <del>550</del> 605 per Horse	CSI5* No entry fee CSI5*W WEL € <del>450</del> 495 per Horse
	The Entry Fee covers the costs for stabling of one Horse for the duration of the Event, use of all facilities at the Event, the right to participate in all Competitions in accordance with the conditions in the Schedule and Administrative fees. The Entry Fee does not include Compulsory Fees (for services not covered under the Entry Fee) or Discretionary Fees (for optional commodities). Refer to definitions of Fees in the			

	Glossary of the JRs. Compulsory Fees and Discretionary Fees as defined in the Glossary may be charged in addition to the Entry Fee; no other fees may be charged.
[...]	
	<p>* Maximum Entry Fee for Young Horses € <del>300</del> 330 per Horse for all Categories. Maximum Entry Fee for U25, Young Rider, Junior, Children's and Pony Events € <del>400</del> 440 per Horse/Pony</p> <p>WEL = Western European League; PM = prize money; b/fast = breakfast ; max. = maximum ; min. = minimum; n/a = not applicable</p>

<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>FEI</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Annex VIII
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
Following the discussions at the 2022 Sports Forum, the Jumping Committee proposes to take out references to the qualification procedure for the Olympic Games which will now be covered in the Olympic Regulations and to take out the special qualifying competition. In addition a clarification to the example of Art. 3.8 of Annex VIII has also been made.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>

**Annex VIII Qualification Procedure for ~~Olympic Games~~, World and Continental Jumping Championships**

1. Except for the Olympic Games Athletes and Horses are not required to qualify as combinations.
2. ~~For the Olympic Games, Athletes/Horses must achieve the minimum eligibility requirements (MER) between 1 January of the year preceding the Olympic Games until the closing date for nominated entries, or a date established by the FEI.~~ Refer to the FEI Regulations for Equestrian Events at Olympic Games for the qualification procedure for the Olympic Games.

[...]

3.8. For the avoidance of doubt, Athletes and Horses that need to achieve a minimum score in the first round of more than one Grand Prix, FEI World Cup™ or in the first or second round of more than one Nations Cup Competition at selected CSI3\*, CSI1\*/2\*/3\*-W / CSIO1\*/2\*/3\*-W or CSIO3\* and CSIO4\* Events in order to earn a Certificate of Capability (paragraphs 3.5.1 and 3.3.6.1 above) may count the results obtained in the respective Grand Prix/FEI World Cup™ Competition towards the overall total of minimum results required. For example, Athletes and Horses with a score of zero penalties in the first round of one FEI World Cup™ Competition at a selected CSI1\*/2\*/3\*-W Event ~~and~~, a score of zero penalties in the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a selected CSI3\* Event and a score of zero penalties in the first or second round of a Nations Cup Competition at a selected CSIO3\* Event are considered to have fulfilled the minimum requirements for earning a Certificate of Capability.

[...]

~~8. — In exceptional circumstances, if an NF can demonstrate that it has not been possible for its Athlete(s) to obtain invitations to Events in order to have sufficient opportunity to qualify as above, it may request the FEI for permission a special qualifying Competition to be organised for their Athlete(s), to which the FEI will send a foreign assessing delegate (Foreign Judge) at the expense of the NF to preside over the Competition; permission for a special qualifying Competition may be granted by the Jumping Committee. If the NF seeking permission for a special qualifying Competition requests that it be held outside its own country, for example if the Athletes concerned are based elsewhere, the NF must submit the request for the special qualifying Competition through the host NF. Special qualifying Competitions must be held at a CSI or a CSIO, following the last Competition of the Event, and must be run in accordance with the following FEI protocol.~~

~~The OC must inform the FEI of the exact dimensions of the outdoor arena (and any fixed elements) in order for the course plan to be designed. The OC must appoint an FEI Course Designer to build the course.~~

~~The FEI will appoint a Technical Delegate.~~

~~The FEI will appoint an international (foreign) judge to preside over the Competition.~~

~~The FEI will appoint an FEI Veterinarian to perform a horse inspection prior to jumping.~~

~~An FEI Steward must be present to carry out the usual duties of an FEI Steward including, but not limited to, the boot and bandage control.~~

~~In addition to the above an EADCMP test may be carried out on participating horses.~~

~~An exact time must be established for the special qualifying Competition.~~

~~The Competition must be open to Athletes from other NFs and shall consist of one round.~~

~~All costs for the special qualifying Competition will be at the requesting NF's expense, or will be shared among participating NFs if other NFs have entered Athletes needing the opportunity to achieve the MER.~~

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~~The FEI will select an FEI Course Designer to design the course plan which must comply at least with the minimum dimensions and technical requirements outlined under the mandatory requirements for selected Nations Cup, Grand Prix and FEI World Cup™ Competitions in Art. 4 of this Annex; the course plan must be sent to the FEI Director Jumping for approval.~~

~~The FEI will provide the course plan to the Course Designer appointed by the OC on the morning of the special qualifying Competition.~~

~~Immediately following the Competition, the course plan and the results duly signed and confirmed by the FEI assessing delegate, must be sent to the FEI.~~

~~Special qualifying Competitions that do not meet the above requirements will not be validated.~~

~~Athletes/Horses scoring four Penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The Foreign Judge, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability.~~

#### Comments received by 24 August 2022

##### NF USA

USA NF fully supports removing the language pertaining to special qualifying competitions.

##### FEI feedback

None

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#### Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)

##### FEI

##### Article Number – Article Name

ANNEX IX – RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS  
Art. 4 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

##### Explanation for Proposed Change

Combined Competitions for Under 25, Young Riders and Juniors have been in the FEI calendar for several years but the rules were never updated accordingly since the time when U25 rules were incorporated in the Jumping Rules.

##### Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022

6. Combined Competitions for Under 25, Young Riders and Juniors

If combined Competitions (for ~~both Under 25~~, Juniors and Young Riders) are organized the provisions in relation to obstacle dimensions for Junior Competitions apply or the course is raised for Young Riders and Under 25.

##### Comments received by 24 August 2022

No comments received.

##### FEI feedback

None

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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
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ANNEX IX – RULES FOR UNDER 25 (U25), YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS
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Art. 16 COMPETITIONS
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Art. 18 TEAM CLASSIFICATION
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Art. 22 COMPETITIONS
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Art. 24 TEAM CLASSIFICATION
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<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
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Those changes were made by the FEI Jumping Department during the latest full revision process. However following the decision to take out changes proposed by the BUL NF during the 2021 General Assembly those were taken out retroactively but the Jumping Committee believes they should be reincorporated as of 2023.
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<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
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<b>ANNEX IX</b>
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4.4 Number of teams in the second round
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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 <del>placed equal tied on Penalties</del> for 10 <sup>th</sup> place.
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Before the ten best placed teams and those placed equal for 10 <sup>th</sup> 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. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between the second round qualifier and the second round of the Team Final. For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, the following applies:
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The second round of the Team Final is open only to the six best placed teams and those teams <del>placed equal tied on Penalties</del> for the sixth place following the first round of the Team Final.
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6.1 Running
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This Competition consists of two different rounds A and B each judged under Table A not against the clock without a jump-off. In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second and/or third place in the overall classification of the Individual Championship, there will be a jump-off against the clock.
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Qualified to participate are the top 60% of the Athletes (including those <del>placed equal tied</del> for <u>the last qualification</u> place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and the second qualifying Competitions, <u>providing 60% of the Athletes is not more than 30 Athletes</u> . The number of Athletes permitted to participate must not be less than 15, <u>unless 60% of the Athletes is less than 15</u> , and not more than 30.
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~~They~~ Athletes must have taken part in the first qualifying Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competition (without having been eliminated or without retiring). If, for any reason, one or more of the qualified Athletes are unable to start, they will not be replaced ~~by followers~~.

All Athletes who complete Round A go forward to Round B. The Penalties in the two rounds are added.

The Athletes will be invited to inspect the course of Round B.

6.1.1. For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, the following applies:

Qualified to participate in the first round of the Individual Final are the 25 best placed Athletes (including those ~~placed equal~~ for 25<sup>th</sup> place) of each Category according to the cumulative Penalties of the first and second Competitions.

Qualified to participate in the second round of the Individual Final are the 15 best placed Athletes (including those placed equal for 15<sup>th</sup> place) of each Category.

[...]

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.

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6.3.1. This Competition is run over two rounds, identical or different, with the same degree of difficulty in the second round, according to Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality of Penalties for first, second and/or third place in the overall classification for the Team Championship.

[...]

6.5.1. This Competition consists of two different rounds A and B each judged under Table A not against the clock.

Qualified to participate are the top 60% of the Athletes (including those ~~placed equal~~ for the last qualification place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and the second 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 60% of the Athletes is less than 15, and not more than 30. However, all Athletes with equal Penalties for the last qualification place are allowed to participate in the Individual Final even if the number of starters would then be more than 30.

[...]

7.3 If the Championship is held ~~during concurrently with~~ a CSI the OC may allow the Athletes participating in the Championship to take part with different Ponies in the Competitions of the CSI. The Ponies to be ridden in the Championship must, however, be declared before arrival at the Event and may not be substituted.

[...]

13.2. Team Athletes not completing the first or second round 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.

[...]

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

[...]

14.2. In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second and/or third place a jump-off, against the clock, is compulsory. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first ~~and second~~ place. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the Athletes will be placed equal.

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3.5 Number of teams in the second round

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 ~~placed equal tied on Penalties~~ for 10<sup>th</sup> place.

[...]

4.2.1. Running

This Competition consists of two rounds A and B, each judged under Table A, not against the clock, with a speed of 350 m per minute.

Qualified to participate are the top 60% of Athletes (including those ~~placed equal tied~~ for the last qualifying place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and 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 60% of the Athletes is less than 15, and not more than 30. However, all Athletes with equal Penalties for the last qualification place are allowed to participate in the Individual Final even if the number of starters would then be more than 30.

[...]

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.

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**NF USA**

We do not agree with the addition of the language "unless 60% of the Athletes is less than 15". These age categories are still growing in North America and restricting the Final to 60% could result in disadvantaging the already limited opportunities for Youth athletes to compete and complete a Championships and /or could result in the Final Competition having so few athletes it will not feel like a proper competition.

At the very least, we propose that the 60% rule can be waived with the permission of the FEI Jumping Department in instances where there is a valid request.

**FEI feedback**

These changes had been accepted at the 2021 General Assembly and the Jumping Committee supports reintroducing them.

**Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022**

As above

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

ANNEX XI – RULES FOR PONY RIDERS  
ART. 10 – SCHOOLING OF PONIES

ANNEX XII – RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS  
ART. 9 – HORSES

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

We propose to have the same penalty for all age categories and align the wording/sanction.

**Jumping Rules Annexes:**

**ANNEX IX** - Art 10 : " 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....etc"

**ANNEX XI** - Art 10 : " Under penalty of **Elimination**, it is prohibited for an Athlete's Pony to be schooled by anybody mounted in the saddle, other than the Athlete himself...etc "

**ANNEX XII** - Art 9 : " Under penalty of **Elimination**, it is prohibited for an Athlete's ( Children ) Horse to be schooled by anybody mounted in the saddle, other than the Athlete himself...etc )

**Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022**

ANNEX XI – RULES FOR PONY RIDERS  
ART. 10 – SCHOOLING OF PONIES

Under penalty of **Elimination**~~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.

ANNEX XII – RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS  
ART. 9 – HORSES

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Under penalty of ~~Elimination~~disqualification, it is prohibited for an Athlete's Horse 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 or a Championship until the conclusion of the whole Event or Championship.

**Comments received by 24 August 2022**

No comments received.

**FEI feedback**

None

**Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2022**

As above

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**B. PROPOSED RULES CHANGES THAT HAVE BEEN REJECTED OR DEFERRED TO A FUTURE RULES REVISION**

<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>BEL NF</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Art. 201 – ARENA, SCHOOLING AREAS AND PRACTICE OBSTACLES Art. 201.5.2
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
There is no reason to not authorize placing poles in the schooling area, if there is enough space and if the other riders are not disturbed.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
<b>NF CAN</b> Poles on the ground may only be used in the warm up ring when more than three jumps are available in the warm up ring.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
This change to the rules was requested by several stakeholders and the implementation has been successful and appreciated. The Jumping Committee does not support any change to this rule.

<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>IJOC</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Art. 201 – ARENA, SCHOOLING AREAS AND PRACTICE OBSTACLES Art. 201.4.2
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
Any obstacles <b>higher than</b> 1.30 m <del>or higher</del> must have a minimum of two poles on the take-off side of the obstacle, regardless of whether or not a ground line is used. The lower pole must always be below 1.30 m. One end of the lower pole of a practice obstacle must be in a cup. The other end may rest on the ground.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
<b>NF ESP</b> 1'30 is the high for all: Placing poles 1'30 max, cross obstacle 1'30 max, guiding poles on vertical 1'30 max. One obstacle with only 1 pole 1'29 max. 1'30 is the reference for the stewards in all the obstacles, and today, in all the warm ups riders and stewards are working with 1 pole till 1'30m. The reason to change "1'30 or higher" by "higher than 1'30", is to have written the rule as officials and riders are working. In that way, obstacles with

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1 pole would be 1'30 max, as the other fences, and all the obstacles would follow the same reference (1'30 max)

**FEI feedback**

The Jumping Committee does not believe this rule has ever proven to be problematic and do not support the change.

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

Art. 224 – FALLS  
Art. 224.2 Fall in the practice arena

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

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.

**Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022**

N/A, the proposal was not supported.

**Comments received by 24 August 2022**
**NF GER**

It needs explanation why a fall in the warm-up arena and in the competition arena should have different consequences when it comes to the legitimation to compete in view of the Athlete's health status. It would be good to know the Medical Committee's view on this.

**FEI feedback**

As per the Medical Committee's recommendations, in case of a fall of an Athlete 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 they may be permitted to take part in the round in progress or in the next round or Competition at the Event.

The consequences are therefore the same. As to whether the Athlete is "Eliminated" or considered as "Did not Start" or no sporting consequences (after the crossing line for example) depends on the timing of the fall and is a field of play/sporting consideration.

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

Art. 248 – INDIVIDUAL PLACING AND PRIZE GIVING

**Explanation for Proposed Change**

Winning a prize has to be expanded (exact wording to be defined) as some athletes maybe just want to complete the class and to take part at the Grand Prix, sometime the Longines Ranking points are for athletes which are not the Prizes.

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<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported. Deferred to the next full revision.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>IJOC</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Art. 254 – PARTICIPATION, AGE AND NUMBER OF HORSES Art. 254.2
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
Shows are not limited to “weekend” events and therefore we propose to change the wording.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>IJOC</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Art. 257 – SADDLERY Art. 257.1.4
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
For ponies and children there are more strict rules concerning nosebands. For consistency and for horse welfare we propose to align the rules for all categories.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
<b>NF CAN</b> Canada agrees with the FEI feedback.
<b>NF GER</b> We support the proposal of the IJOC to review bits and saddlery rules with a view to the “Social License” debate.



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<b>FEI feedback</b>
The Jumping Committee is in agreement that saddlery for pony riders and children should be reviewed during the next full revision of the Jumping Rules in conjunction with the work of the Equine Ethics and Wellbeing Commission.
<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>IJOC</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
Art. 264 – NATIONS CUP Art. 264.10.1
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
<i>If a Nations Cup is organised at other events, such as CSIOY, CSIOJ, CSIOCh or CSIOP, the provisions mentioned under paragraph 1-9 above apply where indicated otherwise below.</i>
This sentence is hard to understand and we propose to make it clearer.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported. Deferred to the next full revision.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>GER NF</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
ANNEX VI – CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS 1. CSI REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
OCs do not understand why it can be possible to include a Youngster Tour for example in a CSI3* and the prize-money can be included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event, whereas if for example a CSI3* and a CSIAm is scheduled it is not possible. Decisive should be if additional athletes are invited for a Youngster Tour or not.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported. Deferred to the next full revision.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.

<b>FEI feedback</b>
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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>NF FRA</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
ANNEX X – RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES ART. 2 – DEFINITION OF A VETERAN ATHLETE
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
The FEI has changed the definition of a veteran athlete for 2022 by including a height limit only for participation in international competitions. In 2021 and before, the rule applied to all national and international competitions. We propose, for 2023, to respect a principle of sporting fairness, to extend this prohibition to national competitions.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
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<b>Proposal from (National Federation, Stakeholder or FEI)</b>
<b>NF FRA</b>
<b>Article Number – Article Name</b>
ANNEX X – RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES
<b>Explanation for Proposed Change</b>
In many countries, especially in Europe, the term Veteran refers directly to veterans who participated in a war. This term is increasingly resented by many athletes. We propose to delete the name of VETERAN and replace it with the name of AMBASSADOR.
<b>Proposed Wording on 6 July 2022</b>
N/A, the proposal was not supported. Deferred to the next full revision.
<b>Comments received by 24 August 2022</b>
No comments received.
<b>FEI feedback</b>
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