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Information

The Elective Testing service provides an opportunity for FEI Veterinarians to test the urine and/or blood of a Horse registered with the FEI for Controlled Medication or Specified Substances listed as Banned Substances as determined by the FEI's Equine Prohibited Substances List. Samples may be submitted to any of the FEI Approved laboratories listed below to test up to four substances, as specified on the Elective Testing Substances List.

Conditions and Requirements

Neither the FEI nor its agents (including but not limited to FEI Approved Laboratories) will accept any responsibility for the Elective Testing service and/or the results, the Person Responsible and/or the FEI Veterinarian shall hold the FEI and its agents harmless from all claims relating to the Elective Testing service.

In the case of a later Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulation violation, Elective Testing results cannot be relied on in any manner, and particularly as a defence to the alleged charge.

- 1. Elective Testing is only available for the substances listed on the FEI Elective Testing Substances list. Urine and/or blood will be analysed, for a maximum of four substances per Horse.
- 2. Testing fees may vary between FEI Approved Laboratories and are available on request directly from the relevant FEI Approved Laboratory. The person requesting the test should have confirmed their acceptance of the analysis request with the FEI Approved Laboratory.
- 3. All costs associated with the Elective Testing service are at the expense of the Person Responsible or their National Federation. Payment for the full amount must be made prior to the analysis of samples; samples submitted without full advance payment, will not be analysed.

When transferring funds please provide the name and FEI passport number of the Horse from which the sample is to be collected, as reference.

It is the responsibility of the person requesting the test to ensure that all funds have been received by the FEI Approved Laboratory.

4. The relevant FEI Elective Testing Form must be completed in full and signed by an FEI Veterinarian. Separate forms are used for 'Controlled Medication' (regardless of their listing as a Specified Substance) and 'Specified Substances listed as Banned Substances'. The relevant completed FEI Elective Testing Form must be sent with the

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sample(s) to the FEI Approved Laboratory; failure to submit the relevant FEI Elective Testing Form, and incomplete forms will result in the sample(s) not being analysed.

- 5. All samples must be sent in tightly closed refrigerated containers. Urine samples and blood samples with the plasma having been separated may be sent frozen. National Federation kits may be used in the collection and transportation of the samples. If in any doubt about the container to be used, the FEI Veterinarian is strongly advised to contact the FEI Approved Laboratory prior to sample collection. Samples must be shipped in accordance with applicable national and international legislation.
- 6. Before shipping the sample, please contact the FEI Approved Laboratory with notice that the sample is expected.
- 7. On receipt of the sample in good condition, correctly completed relevant FEI Elective Testing Form and payment, the FEI Approved Laboratory will send a confirmatory sample receipt via e-mail to the FEI Veterinarian, using the contact details provided on the form.

The FEI Approved Laboratory reserves the right to refuse the service for any sample and in such case a rejection notification will be sent instead, the funds will be refunded and the sample destroyed.

- 8. If everything is in order, the results of the Elective Testing service will be provided within three working days by e-mail to the FEI Veterinarian, using the contact details provided on the FEI Elective Testing Form.
- 9. A negative result may be associated with sample degradation or improper handling of the sample during shipment and consequently, there is no guarantee that the result of Elective Testing will be replicated in the testing of samples taken subsequently from the same Horse.
- 10. The results of Elective Testing are for the FEI Veterinarian's reference and information purposes only.
- 11. For further information or assistance please contact the FEI Veterinary Department.