



# ENDURANCE

## Ranking Rules

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# **CALCULATION METHOD OF THE FEI ENDURANCE RANKING LISTS**

## **1. GENERAL**

The ranking list for the FEI Endurance Rankings takes into account the points obtained by Athletes, Horses and Trainers over a twelve (12) month period over a rolling year period (the ranking always includes 12 months).

All FEI Endurance Competitions are granting points for the FEI Endurance Rankings. The ranking list for the FEI Endurance Rankings is produced by the FEI Headquarters. The ranking list for the FEI Endurance Rankings is updated monthly and published on the first week of each month only.

The ranking list for the FEI Endurance Rankings beginning on 1 January and ending 31 December each year will be declared as the "Yearly Ranking" and can be used for specific purposes.

The FEI Endurance Rankings published are the following:

- Endurance Riders World Ranking
- Endurance Horse World Ranking
- Endurance Combination World Ranking
  
- Endurance Junior/Young Riders World Ranking
- Endurance Junior/Young Riders Horse World Ranking
- Endurance Junior/Young Riders Combination World Ranking
  
- Endurance Elite Riders World Ranking
  
- Endurance Trainer World Ranking

## **2. POINTS OBTAINED AT GAMES AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Points obtained at Continental Games and Continental and World Championships are retained on the list depending on the frequency of the Events. If the Event is held every four years, 25% of the points obtained are dropped after one year, 50% after two years, 75% after three years and the remainder after four years. If the Event is held every two years, 50% of the points obtained are dropped after one year and the remainder after two years.

For the avoidance of any doubt, the above does not apply to Regional Games and Regional Championships.

### 3. MEDICAL OR MATERNITY LEAVE

#### MEDICAL LEAVE

- 3.1 Athletes may request an official FEI medical leave provided that the medical condition is certified in writing by a medical doctor. To request the official FEI medical leave, the Athlete must submit the doctor's certificate and the completed Medical Leave Form, available on the [FEI website](#), to the FEI Endurance Department. The Athlete can choose the duration of their medical leave, with the minimum period being six (6) months and the maximum period being twelve (12) months). Applications cannot be submitted retroactively.
- 3.2 In the Medical Leave Form, the Athlete must indicate the start date and requested end date (the "**Medical Leave End Date**") of the official FEI medical leave. If the Athlete does not specify a Medical Leave End Date in the Medical Leave Form, the minimum period of six (6) months will automatically apply unless the Athlete subsequently informs the FEI Endurance Department otherwise, as per the process set out in article 3.8 below. Where an Athlete requests an official FEI medical leave, the following rules apply in relation to the Athlete's ranking points.
- 3.3 In the period during which an Athlete has officially ceased to compete due to an official FEI medical leave, they will retain 50% of the Endurance World Rankings points earned from the corresponding months of the preceding year until their Medical Leave End Date.
- 3.4 The minimum length of time for which an Athlete may be granted an official FEI medical leave is six (6) months.
- 3.5 If the Athlete returns from an official FEI medical leave after less than six (6) months, no points will be retained from the corresponding months of the preceding year and the rankings will be recalculated accordingly.
- 3.6 The maximum length of time an Athlete may benefit from an official FEI medical leave of absence at one time is twelve (12) months.
- 3.7 During the period when an Athlete is on an official FEI medical leave, they may not compete in international or national Competitions; the FEI will inform the Athlete's NF accordingly.
- 3.8 If the Athlete wants to be eligible to compete in international or national Competitions prior to the Medical Leave End Date (as stated in the Medical Leave Form), the Athlete concerned must inform the FEI Endurance Department at least four (4) weeks in advance of the date when they want their medical leave to end. The official FEI medical leave will end on that new date (provided the minimum period of six (6) months has expired). The FEI will inform the Athlete's NF accordingly and the Athlete will be eligible to compete in international and national competitions as of the new end date.

- 3.9 If the Athlete wants to prolong the official FEI medical leave beyond the period originally stated on the Medical Leave Form, the Athlete must apply to the FEI Endurance Department prior to the expiration of the original period of the official FEI medical leave and submit an updated medical certificate to justify the extension request. In no case can the overall period of the official FEI medical leave exceed 12 (twelve) months.

## **MATERNITY LEAVE**

- 3.10 Athletes may request an official FEI maternity leave provided that the maternity is certified in writing by a medical doctor. To request the official FEI maternity leave, the Athlete must submit the doctor's certificate and the completed Maternity Leave Form, available on the FEI website, to the FEI Endurance Department. The Athlete can choose the duration of their maternity leave, with the minimum period being three (3) months and the maximum period being twelve (12 months). Applications cannot be submitted retroactively.
- 3.11 In the Maternity Leave Form, the Athlete must indicate the start date and requested end date (the "**Maternity Leave End Date**") of the official FEI maternity leave. If the Athlete does not specify a Maternity Leave End Date in the Maternity Leave Form, the maximum period of twelve (12) months will automatically apply unless the Athlete informs the FEI Endurance Department otherwise, as per the process set out in Article 3.17 below. Where an Athlete requests an official FEI maternity leave, the following rules apply in relation to the Athlete's ranking points.
- 3.12 In the period during which an Athlete has officially ceased to compete due to an official FEI maternity leave, they will retain 50% of the Endurance World Rankings points earned from the corresponding months of the preceding year until their Maternity Leave End Date.
- 3.13 The minimum length of time for which an Athlete may be granted an official FEI maternity leave is three (3) months.
- 3.14 If the Athlete returns from an official FEI maternity leave after less than three (3) months, no points will be retained from the corresponding month of the preceding year and the rankings will be recalculated accordingly.
- 3.15 The maximum length of time an Athlete may benefit from a maternity leave of absence at one time is twelve (12) months.
- 3.16 During the period when an Athlete is on maternity leave, they may not compete in international or national Competitions; the FEI will inform the Athlete's NF accordingly.
- 3.17 If the Athlete wants to be eligible to compete prior to the Maternity Leave End Date (as stated in the Maternity Leave Form), the Athlete concerned must inform the FEI Endurance Department at least four (4) weeks in advance of the date when they want their maternity leave to end and the official FEI maternity leave will end

on that date (provided the minimum period of three (3) months has expired). The FEI will inform the Athlete's NF accordingly and Athlete will be eligible to compete in international and national competitions as of the new end date.

- 3.18 If the Athlete wants to prolong the official FEI maternity leave beyond the period originally stated on the Maternity Leave Form, the Athlete must apply to the FEI Endurance Department prior to the expiration of the original period of the official FEI maternity leave. In no case can the overall period of the official FEI maternity leave exceed 12 (twelve) months.

## 4. POINT SYSTEM

Competitions are distinguished by star level.

### 4.1 For Individual Competitions

Athletes obtain points related to their placing in the Competitions.

The following points will apply:

**Table 1:**

Placing	CEI, CEIO, Regional Championships & Regional Games					
	1*		2*		3*	
	Points	Bonus	Points	Bonus	Points	Bonus
1	40	5	80	10	120	15
2	39	4	78	8	117	12
3	38	3	76	6	114	9
4	37	2	74	4	111	6
5	36	1	72	2	108	3
6	35	0	70	0	105	0
7	34	0	68	0	102	0
8	33	0	66	0	99	0
9	32	0	64	0	96	0
10	31	0	62	0	93	0
11	30	0	60	0	90	0
12	29	0	58	0	87	0
13	28	0	56	0	84	0
14	27	0	54	0	81	0
15	26	0	52	0	78	0
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Until	1	0	2	0	3	0

For World, Continental and all 120km Championships, the following points will apply:

**Table 2:**

Placing	Championships					
	World 160km		Continental 160km		All 120km CHs	
	Points	Bonus	Points	Bonus	Points	Bonus
1	200	25	160	20	160	15
2	195	20	156	16	156	12
3	190	15	152	12	152	9
4	185	10	148	8	148	6
5	180	5	144	4	144	3
6	175	0	140	0	140	0
7	170	0	136	0	136	0
8	165	0	132	0	132	0
9	160	0	128	0	128	0
10	155	0	124	0	124	0
11	150	0	120	0	120	0
12	145	0	116	0	116	0
13	140	0	112	0	112	0
14	135	0	108	0	108	0
15	130	0	104	0	104	0
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Until	5	0	4	0	4	0

For Events falling under the categories below, the scale of points will differ according to the number of finishers in the Competition (those who have ranked in the Competition). Disqualified results will not be considered in the count of finishers. After the calculation of the rankings, the scale of points remains unchanged.

**Table 3:**

<b>CEI, CEIO, Regional Championships &amp; Regional Games</b>			
	<b>1*</b>	<b>2*</b>	<b>3*</b>
Points	Finishers	Finishers	Finishers
25%	1 to 8	1 to 8	
50%	9 to 17	9 to 17	1 to 5
75%	18 to 25	18 to 25	6 to 10
100%	26 to 33	26 to 33	11 to 16
125%	34 and more	34 and more	17 and more

**Table 4:**

<b>Championships</b>			
	<b>World 160km</b>	<b>Continental 160km</b>	<b>All 120km CHs</b>
Points	Finishers	Finishers	Finishers
50%	1 to 20	1 to 10	1 to 15
75%	21 to 40	11 to 20	16 to 30
100%	41 and more	21 and more	31 and more

## 4.2 For Team Competitions

Athletes obtain additional points related to their placing as a Team member in the Competitions. Team members that have not placed at the Competition will not be granted any Team Competitions points.

**Table 5:**

Team Placing	CEI, CEIO, Regional Championships & Regional Games			Championships		
	1*	2*	3*	World 160km	Continental 160km	All 120km CHs
	Points	Points	Points	Points	Points	Points
1	30	40	50	90	60	60
2	25	35	45	80	55	55
3	20	30	40	70	50	50
4	15	25	35	60	45	45
5	10	20	30	50	40	40
6	5	15	25	40	35	35
7	3	10	20	30	30	30
8	2	5	15	20	25	25
9	1	3	10	10	20	20
10	1	2	5	5	15	15
11	1	2	3	5	10	10
12	1	2	3	5	5	5
13	1	2	3	5	4	4
14	1	2	3	5	4	4
15	1	2	3	5	4	4

The following scale factor will apply according to the number of Teams ranked in the Competitions. After the calculation of the rankings, the scale of points remains unchanged.

**Table 6:**

Teams	Finishers
Points	Finishers
33%	1 to 3
66%	4 to 6
100%	7 and more

For World and Continental Championships, above scale factor does not apply and all points are granted.



## **5. NUMBER OF RESULTS TO COUNT**

The number of results to count per Athlete per year for the FEI Endurance Riders World Ranking is limited to the best ten (10).

### **5.1 Endurance Horse Ranking**

The ranking includes the three (3) best results per Horse.

### **5.2 Endurance Combination Ranking**

The ranking includes the three (3) best results per Combination.

### **5.3 Endurance Elite Rider Ranking**

Filtered version of the Endurance Athlete World Rankings include only the Athletes with Elite Status as set out in Article 861 of the Endurance Rules.

### **5.4 Endurance Junior/Young Rider Ranking**

This ranking includes only Athletes age 14-21 years old.

### **5.5 Endurance Trainer World Ranking**

This ranking includes the five (5) best Horses of each Trainer. These five (5) best Horses are determined by considering the three (3) best results the Horse had with this Trainer.

## ANNEX 1: EXAMPLES OF HOW TO CALCULATE RANKING POINTS

Below are examples of how the ranking is calculated. Please refer to the tables provided in this document, in particular the elements highlighted in blue and green.

<b>CEI, CEIO, Regional Championships &amp; Regional Games</b>			
<b>Level</b>	<b>1*</b>	<b>2*</b>	<b>3*</b>
Finishers <i>(see table 3)</i>	37	21	4
% points <i>(see table 3)</i>	125%	75%	50%
Individual placing <i>(see table 1)</i>	1	8	3
Points gained for Individual placing <i>(see table 1)</i>	40	66	114
<i>Points calculation</i>	$40 \times 125\% = 50$	$66 \times 75\% = 49,5$	$114 \times 50\% = 57$
Bonus <i>(see table 1)</i>	5	0	9
<b>Total Points</b>	$50 + 5 = \mathbf{55}$	<b>49,5</b>	$57 + 9 = \mathbf{66}$

<b>Championships</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>World 160km</b>	<b>All 120km CHs</b>
Finishers <i>(see table 4)</i>	44	12
% points <i>(see table 4)</i>	100%	50%
Individual placing <i>(see table 2)</i>	3	7
Points gained for Individual placing <i>(see table 2)</i>	190	136
<i>Individual points calculation</i>	$190 \times 100\% = 190$	$136 \times 50\% = 68$
Bonus <i>(see table 2)</i>	15	0
<b>Sub-Total</b>	$190 + 15 = \mathbf{205}$	<b>68</b>
Finishing Teams <i>(see table 6)</i>	7	3
% points <i>(see table 6)</i>	100%	33%
Team Placing <i>(see table 5)</i>	5	1
Points gained for Team placing <i>(see table 5)</i>	50	60
<i>Team points calculation</i>	$50 \times 100\% = 50$	$60 \times 33\% = 20$
<b>Total Points</b>	$205 + 50 = \mathbf{255}$	$68 + 20 = \mathbf{88}$

*\*Blue and green table elements are there to aid with the examples provided which demonstrate the calculation of points method in Annex 1 of this document.*