



RULES

FEI PONIES JUMPING TROPHY

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Rules for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy

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Preamble

This booklet sets forth the detailed Rules of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Jumping for Ponies, which is to be read in conjunction with the pertinent Statutes, General Regulations, Jumping Rules and Veterinary Regulations. It is acknowledged that every Eventuality cannot be provided for in these Rules. In cases where there is not a rule to deal specifically with a particular situation, or if the narrowest interpretation of a relevant rule would result in a clear injustice, it is the duty of those responsible to make a decision based on common sense, fair play and in the overall best interest of the sport, thus reflecting as nearly as possible the intention of these Rules and of the General Regulations.

Article 1 - PRINCIPLES AND GENERAL

1. Calendar

1.1 Western Europe Countries with two FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions

If, in Western Europe, a country is holding two FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions, those cannot be held in the same month.

1.2. Western Europe - authorisation to host an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition

In Western Europe, only Events that are held annually may organise an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition.

2. Venue for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions and FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final

Although FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions may be held outdoors when appropriate to suit local climatic conditions, the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy is in principle an indoor Competition and the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final must be held indoors in a permanently covered arena.

FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions take place at selected International Events. In Western Europe FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions must be held either in a sports arena or in a covered exhibition hall.

3. Maximum number of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions per country in Western and Central Europe and South America

3.1. Western and Central Europe – maximum number of Competitions per country

In Western and Central Europe no country may hold more than two FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions.

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition may be organised in each of the fifteen countries in Western Europe with more than 3.5 million inhabitants. If one or more of these fifteen countries cannot host an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition, a second FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition may be hosted by the major countries.

3.2. Maximum number of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions per country – South America

In South America the maximum number of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions per country is limited to four.

4. Status of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions and Competitions at the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final

4.1 An FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition is considered a Grand Prix. Of the three Competitions at the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final, the second final Competition is considered a Grand Prix.

5. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition format – Western Europe

In Western Europe, the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition must be organised according to Art.238.2.

6. Allocation FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final

6.1. Allocating Authority

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final is allocated by the Bureau upon recommendation of the FEI Jumping Committee. The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final is allocated one full year in advance. The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final will be at the end of the Calendar year (end November or December).

6.2. Withdrawal of Allocated Venue

If, for any reason, the chosen organiser of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final withdraws, the Bureau upon the recommendation of the FEI Jumping Committee will re-allocate the Final under the same conditions that prevailed for the original allocation, preference being given to the organiser next in line in accordance with the original vote of the FEI Jumping Committee.

6.3. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final - Agreement

The agreement for the organisation of an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final, established by the FEI, is binding.

7. Footing Expert and Computer Data Service Company

The organisers of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final and of all FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Western European Events must use the services of an experienced footing specialist and an FEI approved computer data Service Company. These appointments must be presented to the FEI Jumping Committee for approval.

8. Nationality of Athlete

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy is a series and is as such a unity with respect to the nationality of Athlete. In principle, an Athlete should end his League with the same nationality with which he started. No exception can be granted unless the proposed change of nationality neither affords an advantage to the Athlete in question, nor places another Athlete at a disadvantage.

Article 2 - ADMINISTRATION AND OFFICIALS

1. Overall Authority for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Director has the overall authority for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy.

2. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Director

The FEI Jumping Youth Development Working Group designates an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Jumping Director, pending the approval of the FEI Jumping Committee, with responsibilities subject to agreement with the FEI Secretary General.

3. Responsibilities of an Organising Committee

The Organising Committee of the Event staging an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition is responsible for the entire organisation of the Event.

4. Appointment of the Foreign Judge

The Foreign Judge is appointed by the FEI in agreement with the Organising Committee. It is recommended that the Foreign Judge acts as President of the Jury during the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition.

5. Appointment of Officials - FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final

The President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Judge, the FEI Foreign Veterinary Delegate, the Course Designer, the FEI Foreign Technical Delegate and the President of the Appeal Committee are appointed by the FEI.

6. Travel and Accommodation expenses for FEI appointed Officials – FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final

Travel and accommodation expenses of these officials, as well as for the Chairman of the FEI Jumping Committee and the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Jumping Director are for the account of the Organiser of the Final. The FEI covers the travel and accommodation expenses at the Final for the FEI Foreign Technical Delegate as well as the travel and accommodation expenses of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Director attending the qualifiers.

Article 3 – PARTICIPATION

1. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Calendar

1.1. Establishing of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Calendar

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Calendar is presented to the FEI Jumping Committee for acceptance upon recommendations from the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Director.

1.2. Date Restriction – Regional / Continental Championships

There shall be no FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition 10 days prior to, all days during and one-week after the Equestrian Events at the Regional/Continental Championships, on the same continent.

1.3. FEI Agreement for League Sponsorship

In Leagues with FEI sponsorship for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions, only Events that have signed the sponsorship agreement with the FEI are included in the calendar. This also applies to Leagues without FEI sponsorship where agreements between the Organiser and the FEI are required.

2. Western European FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions

2.1. Maximum number of Athletes

The number of Athletes in a Western European FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition is limited to 30.

2.2. Duration of Events

If, in Western Europe, the Event lasts for two days minimum.

3. Western European FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Events – Entry Fee

Normal entry fee for Pony Competitions may be charged at the Western European League FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy.

4. Participation of nominated FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Pony

The Pony nominated for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition or having been ridden in the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition at an Event may not compete in another Competition on that day, neither before nor after the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition.

5. Number of International Competitions per FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Event

There should be minimum 2 competitions. One warm up competition 1m20- 1m25 Table A against the clock, no jump off - FEI 238.2.1, preferable on Saturday morning, or on Friday evening.

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition, Table A against the clock with one jump off - FEI 238.2.2, preferably on Sunday just before or after the Seniors' Grand Prix of the event, or on Saturday evening at prime time

6. Number of Ponies per Athlete in FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions outside Western Europe

An Athlete may ride maximum one Pony in the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions.

Article 4 – INVITATION SYSTEM

1. Automatically Qualified – Western Europe

1.1. Invitation System – Western Europe

In Western Europe, the following are invited to each Western European FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Event and where indicated have the automatic right to compete in the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition:

1.1.1. Top five countries in the previous European Championships

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Each of the top five countries in the Team competition of the previous European Championship may select two Athletes.

Unused starting places in paragraph 1.1.1 go to paragraph 1.1.4 if the total number is 25 or less.

1.1.2. NFs hosting an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition

Each NF of a country organising an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition in Western Europe that is not in the top five countries of the European Championship may send two Athletes to each FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Event in Western Europe.

Unused starting places in paragraph 1.1.2 go to paragraph 1.1.4 if the total number is 25 or less.

1.1.3. Five additional home Athletes

Five additional Athletes from the home NF are invited to the home Event, nominated by the NF.

Sub-total = 25

1.1.4. OC Wild Cards

The Organising Committee has **3 Wild Cards** to invite additional Athletes.

2. FEI ~~Ponies Jumping Trophy Director~~ Wild Cards

2.1. Allocation of non-Western European FEI Wild Card

Three FEI Wild Cards ~~is-are~~ at the disposal of the FEI ~~Ponies Jumping Trophy Director~~

3. Prize Money FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition must have the highest prize money for Pony classes at each Event. In Western Europe the minimum prize money has been established as follows:

Warm Up class on Saturday morning (or Friday evening): CHF 2.700,- prize money or prizes in kind of equivalent value

FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Class on Sunday (or Saturday evening): CHF 5.450,- prize money or prizes in kind of equivalent value

Article 5 - COMPETITION FORMULA

1. Formula for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions

All FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions must be run according to Art. 238.2.2.

The formula of Art.238.2.2 is to read as follows: Table A Competition against the clock with one initial round and one jump-off against the clock. Athletes with equality of penalties for first place in the initial round take part in a jump-off against the clock.

The remaining Athletes are classified according to their penalties and time in the initial round.

2. Warming Up Competition for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions in the Western European League

All FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions must be run according to Art - FEI 238.2.1, Table A against the clock, no jump off

3. Starting Time for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions in the Western European League

3.1. Warming Up Competition:

In Western Europe the warm up competition for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy must be held preferably on Saturday. If Friday is desired, it should not be before 18:00 or a formal application giving a valid reason must be presented to the FEI.

3.2. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions

In Western Europe the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition must be held preferably on Sunday before or after the main GP or FEI World Cup™ Senior class. If Saturday is desired, a formal application giving a valid reason must be presented to the FEI.

4. Starting Order in FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions

4.1. Warming Up Competition:

The starting order for all warm up Competitions must be established by a draw.

4.2. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions

The starting order for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy class, is the reverse order of the result of the Warm up class.

5. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition Speed and Height

Each FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition is run at a minimum speed of 350m/min. The height of the obstacles can be anything between 1.20 m and 1.35 m. The spread should be proportionate to the height and not more than 1.50 m.

6. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition Time Recorded

The time has to be recorded in 1/100 of a second.

7. Status of Course Designer

The courses for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions must be designed by Course Designers chosen from the FEI list of at least Level 3 Course Designers and must have experience in Pony competition.

Article 6 – FEI PONIES JUMPING TROPHY POINTS

1. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Point System

1.1. Number of Athletes attributed points

FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy points are awarded to Athletes only (not Athlete/Pony combinations) for each FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition. Points are awarded to the 16 best placed Athletes.

1.2. Equality of points

Points won by Athletes who are tied are added and divided equally. Fractions of 0.5 or more are rounded up; fractions of less than 0.5 are rounded down.

1.3. Competitions with less than sixteen Athletes

If there are less than 16 Athletes starting the initial course of an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition, the scale of points will be reduced accordingly. Only Athletes who have completed the initial round will get points.

2. Scale of points:

	If 16 or more Athletes have started the initial course	Number of Athletes in the initial course												
		15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
1 st	20 points	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	6
2 nd	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	3
3 rd	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	2	1
4 th	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
5 th	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
6 th	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			
7 th	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1				
8 th	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1					

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9 th	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10 th	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
11 th	6	5	4	3	2	1		
12 th	5	4	3	2	1			
13 th	4	3	2	1				
14 th	3	2	1					
15 th	2	1						
16 th	1							

3. Crossing Over of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Points from other Leagues

In principle, an Athlete competes in the League in which he is domiciled and may earn points in another League once his own League has started.

An Athlete may earn points in as many Competitions as there are FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Events in his League. But he may not earn points in another League once the last Competition of his own League has been held. If he wishes to compete in more Competitions he has to declare to the show office prior to each Event if this Competition is to count or not. Failing to do so, the Competition will count, and once the number of permitted Events has been reached, the remaining Events no longer count.

An Athlete may, however, also compete in other Leagues but may only earn points in other Leagues according to Annex A (Cross-Over Points). To be eligible to qualify for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final, an Athlete must have competed in and earned one point or more at an Event in his own League or in the League in which he is domiciled; Armenian Athletes are exempted from this requirement for this season.

4. Number of Competitions counting for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Points per League per Athlete.

4.1. Number of Competitions counting for points

In all the Leagues, only the best 50% of the possible results count towards the qualification for the Final, on the following scale:

4.2. Exceptions to the Competition scale of points

If in any League the number of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competitions is six or less, the following exceptions to the scale of points to count may be authorised:

6 Competitions	4 to count
5 Competitions	4 to count
4 Competitions	3 to count
3 Competitions	2 to count

4.3. Number of Competitions to count for FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy points in case of Event cancellation

If, after the adoption of the calendar at the spring meeting of the FEI Jumping Committee, an Event is cancelled, the following applies:

4.3.1. If the cancellation is known before the start of the League: the number of results to count will be adjusted if necessary;

4.3.2. If the cancellation takes place after the start of the League, the original number of results will count.

Article 7 - QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI PONIES JUMPING TROPHY FINAL

1. Qualification per League

Qualified for the Final are:

1.1. Western Europe

Twenty Western European Athletes with the highest total points in the Western European League.

1.2. North America

Athletes obtain FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy points for their country of citizenship, i.e. USA, Canada or Mexico, regardless of where they are domiciled in North America.

1.2.1. Five USA Athletes from the East Coast League.

1.2.2. Two USA Athletes from the West Coast League.

1.2.3. One Canadian Athlete from the East or West Coast League (the Athlete with the most points).

1.2.4. One Mexican Athlete from the East or West Coast League (the Athlete with the most points).

1.3. Extra Athletes

Any Athlete (extra Athlete) from another League, or who is a citizen of a nation not part of a League, domiciled in a country of the League in which he is participating, having gained at least as many points as the last qualified Athlete in that League (prior to substitution) is qualified for the Final in the League in which he has competed. For the North American Leagues, an Athlete who is a citizen of a nation not part of a League or from another League must obtain at least as many points as the last qualified USA Athlete (prior to substitution) in the League in which he is participating (East or West Coast) to qualify for the Final as an extra Athlete, regardless of whether he is domiciled in Canada, Mexico or the USA.

1.4. Number of Finalists from other Leagues

The number of finalists from other Leagues will be determined by the FEI Jumping Committee according to the overall standard of their own League.

1.5. Substitution of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy qualified Athletes

In case not all qualified Athletes in the final standings of a League or Sub-League can go to the Final, the following applies:

1.5.1 Western European

20 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 30th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.2 North America - East Coast

5 USA places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 10th placed USA Athlete from the East Coast League in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.3 North America - West Coast

2 USA places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 5th placed USA Athlete from the West Coast League in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.4 North America - Canada and Mexico (East and West Coast)

1 place each, extra Athlete excluded, substitution up to 5th placed Athlete from Canada, respectively Mexico, in the final standings

1.5.5 Central Europe

2 places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 4th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.6 South America South

1 place, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 4th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included.

1.5.7 Australia

1 place, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 3rd place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.8 Central America and Caribbean Islands, Japan, South America North*, New Zealand, China, South East Asia, Central Asia and South Africa

1 place, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 2nd place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.9 Arab

2 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 5th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.10 Caucasus

1 place, extra Athletes excluded, no substitution.

*(South America North consists of BOL, COL, ECU, PER + VEN; South America South consists of ARG, BRA, CHI and URU; PAR may be added to the South America North or South list).

1.6. Equality of Points

In case of a tie for the winner of a League or the last qualified Athlete, Athletes will be separated by the number of wins, second places etc...

1.7. Wild Cards Host Country

The country holding the Final may nominate in consultation with the FEI Jumping Committee one home Athlete otherwise not qualified for the Final if the host country does not have a qualified Athlete.

1.8. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final Entries

In principle, each Athlete qualified for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final may enter one Pony.

1.9. Defending FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Champion

The holder of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy (Defending Champion) is allowed to enter the next Final as an extra Athlete, entering one Pony of his choice.

1.10. Horse Qualification

Athletes starting in the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final must participate with a Pony on which they, during the season, have completed at least one FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Competition in which they are eligible to gain points, as a nominated FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Pony.

Article 8 - FEI PONIES JUMPING TROPHY FINAL

1. Formula

1.1. Number of Ponies per Athlete

An Athlete may enter and ride one Pony in the three Final Competitions.

At the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final Athletes start with zero points.

1.2. Duration

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final is held over four days with a total of three Final Competitions. If the Final lasts four days, day three is a rest day.

1.3. Competition Schedule

The Competition schedule as well as the formula for the three Final Competitions are binding and are laid down as follows:

1.3.1 First day:

Athletes must be provided with at least one opportunity to ride in the Competition arena prior to the first Final Competition. The OC has the option to hold either a training session or a warm-up Competition, or both, according to the following provisions.

Training session: A training session, with obstacles of approximately 1.20 m in height, must be held in the morning of the first day of the Final. This session is open to all Ponies at the Event. There will be no time allowed, no paying audience, no prize money, no saluting and no classification.

Warm-Up Competition: Athletes are not obliged to participate in the warm-up Competition, but this Competition, if held, is part of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final.

1.3.2. First Final Competition - First day

Table C over a Table A course. Art. 239 and 263. Maximum height: 1.30 m. No jump-off in case of equal time. (It is not intended that this course should have the character of a Table C "Speed and Handiness", but rather a type Table A course with bigger fences. The sole purpose for using Table C scoring is to give a skilful Athlete with an unlucky knockdown an opportunity to obtain a reasonable placing).

1.3.3. Second Final Competition - Second day

Table A, against the clock. One round against the clock and one jump-off only against the clock. Art. 238.2.2, Height: 1.30 m-1.35 m. Athletes who are eliminated or who retire in the 1st final Competition are not permitted to take part in this Competition.

1.3.4. Rest day – Third day

1.3.5. Third Final Competition - Fourth day

Table A, not against the clock. Two rounds over a Grand Prix course. Height 1.30 m - 1.35 m. The two rounds are approximately equal in the number of obstacles and length of the course, the second round having an increased level of difficulty.

There will be no jump-off for victory of the third Competition.

(For details on the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy overall classification, refer to Art. 659.4.1.1.)

1.3.6. Declaration for the Third Final Competition

The Pony to compete in the third Final Competition of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final must be entered no later than 30 minutes after the publication of the standings after the 2nd Final Competition. It may not compete on the rest day.

1.3.8. Eligible for the first round of the third Final Competition

The 15 best-placed Athletes (plus ties) from the provisional classification following the second Competition are allowed to compete in the first round of the third final Competition. Qualified Athletes unable to start will not be replaced.

1.3.9. Eligible for the second round of the third Final Competition

The 10 best-placed Athletes (plus ties) from the provisional classification following the first round are allowed to start in the second round of the third Final Competition.

Athletes with a clear score in the first round are allowed to start in the second round, even if their total score does not bring them into the top 10 Athletes (plus ties) allowed for the second round.

1.3.10. Starting time of the third Final Competition

The third Final Competition may not start later than 15.00 hours (3pm), to end before 18.00 hours (6pm).

2. Limitation on participation of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Pony

Ponies competing in an FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final Competition may only compete in one Competition on that day.

3. Point system for the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final

3.1. First two Final Competitions

In the first two Final Competitions points are given to all Athletes having finished the initial round.

3.2. Point System

The winner of each Competition gets one point more than the number of starters in the first final Competition. The second placed gets two points less than the winner, the third placed three points less than the winner, and so on.

3.3. Athletes eliminated or retiring

Athletes who have been eliminated or have retired in the initial round of the first two Competitions do not get points.

3.4. Equality of points among Athletes

Points won by Athletes who are tied are added up and divided equally. Fractions of 0, 5 and more are rounded up; fractions of less than 0, 5 are rounded down.

3.5. Transformation of points to penalties

After the second Final Competition, FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy points are transformed into penalties. The Athlete with the highest number of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy points after two Competitions will have 0 penalties. For all other Athletes the number of penalties will be calculated by multiplying with the coefficient of 0.50 the difference between their number of FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy points and the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy points of the leading Athlete after two Competitions.

3.5.1. In this procedure all decimals are rounded down.

4. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final Overall Classification

4.1. Classification

The overall winner will be the Athlete with the lowest number of penalties after the three Final Competitions. An Athlete who qualifies for the second Final Competition but who does not start in that Competition cannot be ranked higher than Athletes who started in both the first and second Final Competitions.

4.1.1. If Athletes are tied for first place after the three final Competitions, there will be a jump-off against the clock over a reduced course of at least six obstacles.

In case of equality of penalties and time in this jump-off a second jump-off, against the clock, will be held over the same course.

Athletes not in the jump-off but tying on penalties will be separated for the purpose of the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final overall classification by their time in the second round of the third Final Competition.

5. Starting Order

The starting order for the three Final Competitions is established as follows:

5.1. FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final First Competition

The starting order in the first Final Competition is based on a draw in two groups. The second group contains the 15 best placed riders of the European League
The first group contains all other riders.

5.1.1. The defending champion (Art. 657.1.9) is placed in group 2.

5.2. Starting order second and third FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final Competitions

In both the second and the third Final Competitions, the starting order is the reverse order of merit after the first final Competition, after the second final Competition, or after Round A of the third final Competition.

5.2.1. Athletes who tie with the same number of points (after the first and second Final Competitions) or penalties (after Round A of the third Final Competition) will retain the same starting order among themselves as in the previous Competition or round whichever is appropriate.

6. Time Recorded

The time has to be recorded in 1/100 of a second.

7. Course Designer

The Course designer is appointed by the FEI Youth Development Working Group and must be an experienced course designer for Pony competitions.

8. Pony Inspections

All Athletes must present their own Pony at the first Pony Inspection, if held on the day preceding the first Final Competition, and at the second Pony Inspection which must be held after the second Final Competition and prior to the Third competition.

All Ponies will be measured at the first inspection and can be re-measured during the competition.

Article 9 - MEDICATION CONTROL

Medication control is compulsory at the FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Final.

Article 10 – AUTHORISATION OF EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES

The FEI Ponies Jumping Trophy Director has the authority to allow reasonable exceptions to the above rules.

ANNEX A – CROSSOVER POINTS

Athletes from (below) can earn points from (right)	Western Europe	Central Europe	Central Asia	N.American East Coast	N. American West Coast	South America South	Australia	New Zealand	Japan	South Africa	South East Asia	Arab	Caucasus	China	Central Am. & Caribbean	South America North
Western Europe		NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Central Europe	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Central Asia	FULL	NO		FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
North American East Coast	FULL	NO	NO		FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
North American West Coast	FULL	NO	NO	FULL		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
South America South	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Australia	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
New Zealand	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Japan	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	FULL	NO	NO
South Africa	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
South East Asia	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Arab	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO
Caucasus	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL		FULL	FULL	FULL
China	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO
Central America & Caribbean	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		FULL
South America North	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	FULL	

Countries/regions involved in the North American EAST Coast Sub-League :
USA AHSA Zones 1-7, eastern Canada (Ontario and east of Ontario).

Countries/regions involved in the North American WEST Coast Sub-League:
USA AHSA Zones 8-12, western Canada (Manitoba and west of Manitoba) and Mexico.

ANNEX B – FEI CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE PONY

The FEI requires all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the Pony must be paramount. Welfare of the Pony must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences. The following points must be particularly adhered to:

1. **General Welfare:**

a) Good Pony management

Stabling and feeding must be compatible with the best Pony management practices. Clean and good quality hay, feed and water must always be available.

b) Training methods

Ponies must only undergo training that matches their physical capabilities and level of maturity for their respective disciplines. They must not be subjected to methods which are abusive or cause fear.

c) Farriery and tack

Foot care and shoeing must be of a high standard. Tack must be designed and fitted to avoid the risk of pain or injury.

d) Transport

During transportation, Ponies must be fully protected against injuries and other health risks. Vehicles must be safe, well ventilated, maintained to a high standard, disinfected regularly and driven by competent personnel. Competent handlers must always be available to manage the Ponies.

e) Transit

All journeys must be planned carefully, and Ponies allowed regular rest periods with access to food and water in line with current FEI guidelines.

2. **Fitness to compete:**

a) Fitness and competence

Participation in Competition must be restricted to fit Ponies and Athletes of proven competence. Ponies must be allowed suitable rest period between training and competitions; additional rest periods should be allowed following travelling.

b) Health status

No Pony deemed unfit to compete may compete or continue to compete, veterinary advice must be sought whenever there is any doubt.

c) Doping and Medication

Any action or intent of doping and illicit use of medication constitute a serious welfare issue and will not be tolerated. After any veterinary treatment, sufficient time must be allowed for full recovery before Competition.

d) Surgical procedures

Any surgical procedures that threaten a competing Pony's welfare or the safety of other Ponies and/or Athletes must not be allowed.

e) Pregnant/recently foaled mares

Mares must not compete after their fourth month of pregnancy or with foal at foot.

f) Misuse of aids

Abuse of a Pony using natural riding aids or artificial aids (e.g. whips, spurs, etc.) will not be tolerated.

3. Events must not prejudice Pony welfare:

a) Competition areas

Ponies must be trained and compete on suitable and safe surfaces. All obstacles and competition conditions must be designed with the safety of the Pony in mind.

b) Ground surfaces

All ground surfaces on which Ponies walk, train or compete must be designed and maintained to reduce factors that could lead to injury.

c) Extreme weather

Competitions must not take place in extreme weather conditions that may compromise welfare or safety of the Pony. Provision must be made for cooling conditions and equipment for Ponies after competing.

d) Stabling at Events

Stables must be safe, hygienic, comfortable, well ventilated and of sufficient size for the type and disposition of the Pony. Washing-down areas and water must always be available.

4. Humane treatment of Ponies:

a) Veterinary treatment

Veterinary expertise must always be available at an Event. If a Pony is injured or exhausted during a Competition, the Athlete must stop competing and a veterinary evaluation must be performed.

b) Referral centres

Wherever necessary, Ponies should be collected by ambulance and transported to the nearest relevant treatment centre for further assessment and therapy. Injured Ponies must be given full supportive treatment before being transported.

c) Competition injuries

The incidence of injuries sustained in Competition should be monitored. Ground surface conditions, frequency of Competitions and any other risk factors should be examined carefully to indicate ways to minimise injuries.

d) Euthanasia

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If injuries are sufficiently severe a Pony may need to be euthanized on humane grounds by a veterinarian as soon as possible, with the sole aim of minimising suffering.

e) Retirement

Ponies must be treated sympathetically and humanely when they retire from Competition.

5. Education:

The FEI urges all those involved in equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in areas of expertise relevant to the care and management of the Competition Pony.

This Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Pony may be modified from time to time and the views of all are welcomed. Particular attention will be paid to new research findings and the FEI encourages further funding and support for welfare studies.