The speed box is optional. Meaning that with regard to the art. 4.1 of the FEI Driving World Cup™ Rules, the speed box does not count in the 8 to 12 cones-type obstacles, or in the 2 marathon obstacles but will be in addition to them.

"4. The Course
4.1.
- A maximum of two Marathon obstacles;
- A Bridge (optional). The bridge may not be shorter than 6 m. or higher than 35 cm. There must be wings and they must clearly be an aid to guide the horses and safe for the horses;
- The Bridge can only be crossed in a straight line direction with no turns or knockdowns applicable;
- 8 - 12 cone-type obstacles (depending on the size of the arena).
- One (1) speed box may be used on course (type A or B). See annex 1.
- There must be at least 2 single obstacles driven (not included the bridge) between the 1st and the 2nd Marathon obstacle.

- The Speed box has to be built with any fences (for example, dressage or jumping fence) and has to be safe for the horses.
- The measurements mentioned on the Annex 1 have to be read as followed:
  - The width between the cone has to be exact.
  - The overall dimension of the Speed box is as drawn in annex.
  - It may vary, for example, to accommodate showjumping wings or dressage borads, but the size should never be less than the the overall dimension.

- The Course Designer has the following options:
  1. The Driver may choose the direction he wants to complete through the Speed box (from right to left or from left to right) – then a red and a white flag will be placed on both external sides of the Speed box for the entrance and the exit.
  2. The Course Designer may decide the direction the Driver will enter and exit the Speed box – then the red and white flags will be placed accordingly to the pair of cones on the outside right cone or outside left cone (creating a wide entrance/exit) of the Speed box and inversely for the exit.
- The Speed Box may be used from both sides and no more than twice per competition.
- The maximum penalties on entering the Speed box sequence is 54 seconds for dislodging one ball or more per attempt.
- If the whole turnout exits the box before the exit of the Speed box the bell is rung, the Speed box will be rebuilt, if needed, and then the bell is rung again and the Athlete must then retake the complete Speed box and continue his round. The clock will re-start when the Athlete enters the Speed box.
- Penalties are 10 seconds for the bell ringing, plus maximum 54 seconds if any cones were knocked down on second attempt.
- Penalty for starting before the bell is Elimination.
- If the bell is rung a third time regarding the Speed box the penalty is Elimination.
ANNEX 1

Speed box type A
Speed box type B