



GLOBAL CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

**Rules for the
2019 – GLOBAL CHAMPIONS LEAGUE
including the GCL Playoff rules**

1. Teams

- 1.1 **Number of teams:** The number of teams in the Global Champions League ("GCL") is limited to a maximum of twenty (20). The number of teams participating will be communicated before the start of the GCL season.
- 1.2 **Registration:** Teams must be registered before the 15th January 2019
- 1.3 **Team agreement:** A team can only register if it has concluded an agreement with the GCL. The fee is the same for all teams, except if a team registers for more than one (1) GCL season.
- 1.4 **No additional teams:** No team shall be added following the closing of the registration process.

2. Team Composition

- 2.1 **Roster:** Teams register a roster to include a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of six (6) athletes. An athlete can be registered for one team only.
- 2.2 **Athletes from Jumping Longines Rankings:** Teams must register a minimum of two (2) athletes who were ranked within the Top 250 of the Jumping Longines Rankings as per August 31st 2018. These athletes remain eligible under Group 2 of the Global Champions Tour ("GCT") invitation rules, regardless of any changes in their ranking during the entire season.
- 2.3 **Athletes under 25:** To encourage the exposure and training of future professional show jumping athletes, the creation of a development squad by each team is encouraged. If a team wishes to register five (5) or six (6) athletes, one (1) of the five (5) or six (6) athletes must be 25 years of age or younger *) and not be ranked in the Top 30 in the Jumping Longines Rankings as of August 31st, 2018. Otherwise, a team can register four (4) athletes only.
- 2.4 **Athlete transfer window:** There is one transfer window during the GCL season, the dates of which will be communicated before the start of the season. Whilst transfers during the GCL season are thus possible, each team must at all times during the GCL season comply with the team competition requirements of this Article 2. Horses may be freely transferred between teams during the season.
- 2.5 **Athlete substitution outside a transfer window:** Substitution of an athlete outside the transfer window is only exceptionally possible for medical reasons in case the athlete is unable to compete for a minimum period of two (2) months (corroborated by an official declaration of a medical doctor), or in case of sanctions that are not the fault of or could not be reasonably prevented by the team owner. An athlete out for medical reasons can come back in the Team, when recovered, during the transfer window only.

3. Team Manager

The team manager is the spokesman and designated representative of a team. The team manager is the contact person between the team and the GCL, host organizers, and the officials at each GCL Event. The team manager will have authority and responsibility to bind the team in relation to all matters, including matters pertaining to horse welfare and the protection of the athletes. The team manager will be considered as an additional person responsible, in accordance with FEI rules. The team manager will be registered as such with the GCL.

*) i.e.: reach the age of 25 years between January 1st and December 31st 2019

4. GCL Events

- 4.1 **Length of 2019 GCL season:** The 2019 season consists of maximum 19 GCL Events (each a “**GCL Event**”), excluding GCL Playoffs. The number and dates of the GCL Events will be communicated before the start of the season and in any event at least before 15th January 2019
- 4.2. **Dates:** The GCL Events take place at the same Shows as those of the GCT.
- 4.3 **Mandatory participation:** Teams must compete at each GCL Event. The team manager will declare which two (2) or three (3) athletes will represent the team at the latest one (1) week before the horse inspection of the GCL Event concerned. Only National Federations can make Entries of Athletes and Horses.
- 4.4 **Composition:** At each GCL Event at least one (1) athlete must come from either from the Top 30 of the Longines FEI ranking in descending order (GCT Rules – Group 1) or from the Top 250 of the Jumping Longines Rankings as of August 31st, 2018 as defined under article 2.2. in these rules.
- 4.5 If one of the three athletes of a GCL Team entered for a GCL Event is unable to compete at the GCL Event for veterinary or medical reasons or because the athlete in question is required to act as a last minute replacement in his National Federation’s Nations Cup Team at a CSIO, the GCL team concerned will still be able to compete with two athletes only, i.e. without a reserve athlete.

5. Competition Format and Scoring

- 5.1 **Type of Competition:** In 2019, GCL Events consist of two competitions (each a “**GCL Competition**”), with obstacles of 1.50-1.60m in height (the specific height of each competition to be indicated in the Schedule of each GCL/GCT event), both according to Table A against the clock, with a time allowed (according to article 238-2.1 | FEI Rules for Jumping Events).
- Speed:** Depending on the size of the competition arena and/or additional local circumstances at the competition venue, the official schedule for each separate GCL/GCT event will specify, whether the speed required for the two GCL Competitions will either be 350m/min or 375 m/min or 400m/min.
- 5.2 **Planning:** The two GCL Competitions will take place on separate days.
- 5.3 **Team placing:** The final result of the teams is decided by adding the penalties of both team athletes of the first and second GCL competition. In case that after both GCL Competitions two or more teams tie on penalties for the first place, the aggregate times of both riders of the second GCL Competition will decide. In case there is still a tie, the aggregate times of both riders per team of the first and second GCL Competition will decide.
- 5.4 **Individual athletes:** In addition to the team athletes, individual athletes (participating in the GCT Event taking place on the same date period) will be allowed to participate in both GCL Competitions. The prize money for each GCL Competition and the points for the Jumping Longines Rankings will be distributed amongst the team and individual athletes, based upon the individual classification of each GCL Competition.
- 5.5 **Individual placing:** According to total penalties (i.e. penalties for faults at obstacles and penalties for exceeding the time allowed) and – in case of equality of penalties – according to the time incurred during the round. In case of equality of penalties and time for the first place, there will be no jump-off; the athletes concerned will be placed equal first.
- 5.6 Teams can change athletes and/or horses between the GCL Competitions.
- 5.7 **Prize money:** The prize money for the GCL Teams shall be based upon end-of-season standings (“**Standings Prize Money**”), and upon points awarded during the season (“**Points Prize Money**”), and Clear round bonus.

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- 5.8 **GCT Grand Prix qualification:** The second GCL Competition is incorporated in the qualifying competition for the GCT Grand Prix taking place at the same GCL/GCT event. The best 35 athletes (including ties for 35th place) of the individual classification of the second GCL competition will be automatically qualified for the GCT Grand Prix.
- 5.9 **Starting order of the GCL Team athletes:** The Team Manager shall inform the GCL organising committee which 2 athletes will compete in any given GCL Competition as the two team athletes, and in what competition order they will start, at the latest by the deadline stipulated in the approved FEI schedule for the Event concerned.
- 5.10 **Exception:** Should circumstances so dictate, the Ground Jury may allow the athletes of each team to change their mutual starting order.
- 5.11 **Substitution:** Substitution of a horse or an athlete after being declared can only occur until sixty (60) minutes prior to the beginning of the GCL Competition in case of exceptional circumstances or for medical and/or veterinary reason (with official declaration of the medical doctor or veterinarian). Substitution can only be done by the athletes that the team manager declared for the GCL Event.
- 5.12 **Last minute substitution:** Notwithstanding the above under article 5.11 – should circumstances so dictate – the FEI Veterinary Delegate at the Event, respectively the events official Medical Doctor may declare a horse respectively athlete unfit to compete during the warm-up, i.e. during the period of 60 minutes or less before the horse and/or athlete will be due to compete in any of the GCL Competitions.
- If applicable, the FEI Veterinary Delegate and/or Medical Doctor will advise the Ground Jury accordingly. At the Ground Jury's discretion, the Manager of the team in question, as well as the Event's Sports Director, will be informed that the horse and/or athlete concerned will not be allowed to compete.
- Subsequently, the Ground Jury President – at his/her sole discretion and considering all relevant circumstances – may:
- allow the GCL Team concerned to replace the horse (that has been officially declared unfit to compete) by another horse, provided that the new horse belongs to the same NF as the athlete concerned, has been officially entered for the event by one of members of the GCL Team in question and has passed the initial horse inspection or the reinspection successfully and provided that all conditions of the schedule for the Event concerned will be respected;
 - allow the team concerned to replace the athlete/horse combination (that has been declared unfit to compete) by another combination of the GCL Team concerned, provided that the new athlete/horse combination has been officially entered for the event and the new athlete didn't already compete as an individual rider in the 2nd GCL Competition);
 - if deemed necessary, adjust the starting order within the GCL Team concerned, in order to allow the replacing horse and/or athlete a fair amount of time for warm up / preparation purposes, before competing.
- 5.13 **First GCL Competition starting order:** The team athletes start before the individual athletes. There will be a break of minimum 7 minutes between the finish of the last team athlete and the start of the first individual athlete.
The starting order of the teams in the first GCL Competition is established according to a separate draw. Starting order of the athletes: riders of each Team are competing consecutively (one directly after the other; i.e. first in the arena is the first rider of the first Team, second in the arena is the second rider of the same team, and so on). The starting order of the individual athletes will be established by a separate draw.
- 5.14 **First GCL Competition Team scoring:** The team result is established by adding the penalties and time of the 2 team athletes.
- 5.15 **Second GCL competition qualification:** A team qualifies for participation in the second GCL Competition if both team athletes have completed the first GCL Competition at the event concerned.
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Individual classification: an individual classification of all athletes (team and individual athletes) shall be established to distribute the prize money and the points for the Jumping Longines Rankings for the First GCL Competition.

- 5.16 **Second GCL Competition starting order:** The individual athletes start before the team athletes. The starting order of the individual athletes will be established by a separate draw. There will be a break of minimum 7 minutes between the last individual athlete and the first team athlete.

The starting order of the teams in second GCL Competition will be according to the reverse order of the classification of the first GCL Competition at the event concerned. Teams tying on penalties and time after the first GCL Competition will retain their starting order of the first GCL Competition at the event in question.

Starting order of the athletes: Riders of each GCL Team are competing consecutively (one directly after the other; i.e. first in the arena is the first rider of the first Team, second in the arena is the second rider of the same team, and so on).

- 5.17 **Second GCL Competition team scoring:** The team result is established by adding the penalties and time of the 2 athletes per GCL Team.

Individual classification: An individual classification of all athletes (team and individual athletes) shall be established to distribute the prize money and points for the Jumping Longines Rankings of this Second GCL Competition.

- 5.18 **GCL Event results:** The final ranking of the teams at a GCL Event is based on: (a) the total penalties of both athletes in both GCL Competitions; and (b) the aggregate time of both athletes in the second GCL Competition. In case there is a tie for any place, the penalties and time of both athletes in both GCL competitions will count. If there is still a tie after this, the teams in question shall remain tied.

Prize money for Teams is only distributed at the end of the season according to article 7.2.

- 5.19 **Points:** Points are awarded at each GCL Event as follows:

Place	Points	Place	Points
1	30	11	11
2	25	12	10
3	21	13	9
4	19	14	8
5	17	15	7
6	16	16	6
7	15	17	5
8	14	18	4
9	13	19	3
10	12	20	2

Points won by teams who tie for any place are aggregated and then divided equally among the teams in question. The score must be correct to 2 decimal places; the second decimal place will be rounded up from .005 and rounded down from .004.

- 5.20 **Elimination/Retirement:** The elimination of an athlete during any GCL Competition or an athlete retiring from his/her GCL Competition results in the elimination of the team in question. For the avoidance of doubt, the athletes on the team can continue as individual athletes at the GCT-GCL Event concerned. The eligibility of the eliminated/retired athlete to continue to compete as an individual athlete at the GCT Event shall however be determined according to both GCT and FEI rules. Elimination – in accordance with FEI rules and regulations – may also be retroactive.

A GCL Team eliminated/retired from the first GCL Competition may not earn points for the event concerned. A GCL Team eliminated/retired from the second GCL Competition is entitled to receive points providing it has completed the first GCL Competition. In such cases the GCL Team eliminated/retired from the second GCL Competition will be placed last in the final GCL classification for the event concerned. If there are two or more teams eliminated/retired from the second GCL Competition, they will be placed after the teams that completed the second GCL Competition, according to their placing in the first GCL Competition.

- 5.21 **Disqualification:** The disqualification of a horse and/or athlete from a GCL Event – if competed on the team during the first and/or second GCL Competition – during any of the two GCL Competitions, incurs the disqualification of the team in question and results in zero points and no prize money being awarded to that team at the GCL Event concerned.

For the avoidance of doubt, the results of the non-disqualified athlete on the team still stand and he can continue as individual athlete at the GCT Event taking place on the same date period. The eligibility of the disqualified athlete to continue to compete as an individual athlete at the GCT Event shall be determined according to both GCT and FEI rules. Disqualification – in accordance with FEI rules and regulations – may also be retroactive.

A GCL Team disqualified is not entitled to receive points at the event concerned.

- 5.22 **Team not starting:** A GCL Team not starting at all, either in the first or in the second GCL competition will not be entitled to prize money and will not receive any points for the GCL competition concerned.

6. GCL Clear Round Bonus

For each GCL Event there will be a bonus of 50.000 € as prize money to the rider(s) with clear round in both GCL competitions. This prize money will be distributed considering the individual classification of both classes (Team riders and Individual riders) and in case of more than one rider with double clear round will be shared in equal parts to all riders with clear round in both classes.

7. GCL Overall Classification and Purse

- 7.1 **GCL overall classification:** The GCL overall classification is based on each team's points earned at each GCL Event. In the event of a tie on total points for any position at the end of the season, the team with the greatest number of 1st place finishes is ranked ahead of any other team tied for the same number of points. If there is still a tie, the team with the greatest number of 2nd place finishes is ranked ahead of the other team and so on until all teams with the same number of points have been separated.

- 7.2 **Prize money:** The amount of the prize money for the GCL overall classification, and its breakdown per ranking place, will be as follows.

For the 2019 season the total purse available will be [*Definite amount to be announced by January 15th 2019*], to be divided into 'Points Prize Money' (a.) and 'Standings Prize Money' (b.):

- a. The Points Prize Money will be [*Definite amount to be announced by January 15th 2019*], to be divided based on the following points system per GCL Event:

1 st team	30 points	11 th team	11 points
2 nd team	25 points	12 th team	10 points
3 rd team	21 points	13 th team	9 points
4 th team	19 points	14 th team	8 points

5 th team	17 points	15 th team	7 points
6 th team	16 points	16 th team	6 points
7 th team	15 points	17 th team	5 points
8 th team	14 points	18 th team	4 points
9 th team	13 points	19 th team	3 points
10 th team	12 points	20 th team	2 points

Every point will equal the total prize money purse [*Definite amount to be announced by January 15th 2019*], divided by the total number of points available per GCL event (247), divided by the total number of GCL events that took place during the 2019 season. Points won by teams who tie for any place are aggregated and then divided equally among the teams in question. The score must be correct to 2 decimal places; the second decimal place will be rounded up from .005 and rounded down from .004.

- b.** The Standings Prize Money will be [*Definite amount to be announced by January 15th 2019*] in total, to be divided as follows:

1 st team	EUR	11 th team	EUR
2 nd team	EUR	12 th team	EUR
3 rd team	EUR	13 th team	EUR
4 th team	EUR	14 th team	EUR
5 th team	EUR	15 th team	EUR
6 th team	EUR	16 th team	EUR
7 th team	EUR	17 th team	EUR
8 th team	EUR	18 th team	EUR
9 th team	EUR	19 th team	EUR
10 th team	EUR	20 th team	EUR

- 7.3 Top three finishers:** The top 3 teams of the GCL overall classification must be present at the last GCL Event of the season, to receive their prize in person and to be available to participate in the press conference. Teams to be represented at least by their athletes participating in the last GCL Event. The other athletes of the teams concerned, the team owners and the team managers will be invited. No prize money will be given to teams or athletes who do not present themselves at the prize giving ceremony, if required to do so.

8. Season Awards

At the end of the GCL Regular Season there will be awards for:

- Owner of the best horse
- Breeder of the best horse
- Best overall rider
- Best Under 25 rider (not ranked in the Top 30 of Longines Jumping Ranking of 31st August 2018)

The classification for the Season Awards will be based on a point system at every GCL competition as follows:

1st 70 points; 2nd 67 points; 3rd 65 points; 4th 63 points; 5th 62 points; 6th 61 points; 7th 60 points and so on down to the last place.

The points are allocated based upon the position of the rider/horse in the individual classification of each GCL competition. Athletes / horses eliminated or retired don't receive any points. In the event of a tie on total points for any position at the end of the season, the rider/horse with the greatest number of 1st place finishes is ranked ahead of any other rider/horse tied for the same number of points. If there is still a tie, the rider/horse with the greatest number of 2nd place finishes is ranked ahead of the other rider/horse and so on until all rider/horse with the same number of points have been separated.

9. Miscellaneous

Every conceivable eventuality cannot be provided for in these GCL rules. In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances, it is the duty of the Ground Jury to make a decision in a sporting spirit, based on common sense and fair play, by approaching as near as possible the intention of these rules. Should there remain any omissions in the GCL rules, such omission shall be interpreted in a manner compatible to the fullest extent with the other provisions of these rules, other rules and regulations of the FEI, and sporting spirit.

GCL 2019 | PLAYOFF EVENT

10. General

- 10.1 The 2019 GCL is expected to consist of 19 GCL Events and 1 GCL Playoff Event (CSI 5*) to be held in Prague (CZE) on 21-24 November 2019. In accordance with the MOU, the number of GCL Events may not exceed the maximum number of twenty (20) GCL Events which include the GCL Playoff Event.
- 10.2 The 2019 GCL Playoff Event will take place during one weekend, on the occasion of which a 'team quarter-final', a 'team semi-final' and a 'team final' will be organized.
- 10.3 The 2019 GCL Playoff Event will be held as a CSI 5*. There may also be a CSI 3* Event or lower held in conjunction with the CSI 5* GCL Play-off Event at the same venue. Horses entered for the Play-off Event will not be permitted to take part in the CSI 3* or lower Event.
- 10.4 Participation at the CSI 5* GCL Playoff Event will be limited to athletes registered with qualified teams only.
- 10.5 The total prize-money for the CSI5* GCL Play-off Event will be [*Definite amount to be announced by January 15th 2019*]. The prize money of the CSI 5* GCL Playoff Event and of the CSI 3* or lower will be in accordance with the FEI rules.
- 10.6 A horse will not be allowed to participate in more than one competition per day.

11. Invitations

- 11.1 Number of GCL teams invited: 16
(min. 3 and max. 4] athletes, with max. 6 horses per team, maximum two horses per athlete)
- 11.2 Maximum number of athletes: 64
- 11.3 Maximum number of horses: 96

12. Format GCL Playoff | Team Competitions

12.1 First Day Warm-up (Wednesday or Thursday)

Training Session for all GCL horses in the competition arena, 60 or 90 seconds per horse, approximately 7-8 obstacles, with a height up to 145cm.

12.2 Second Day – First Team Competition | Quarter-Final

This competition's results will not count for points for the Longines Jumping Rankings

Eligibility

The 2019 GCL Quarter-Final will be open to 12 teams, i.e. the teams placed 5th to 16th on the GCL 2019 overall team standings prior to the Playoff, with 3 athletes per team.

The best placed four teams on the GCL 2019 overall team standings prior to the Playoff are excluded from taking part in this competition (Quarter-Final). These four (4) teams will be automatically qualified for the 2nd Team Competition (Semi-Final).

For the avoidance of doubt, should unforeseen circumstances or force majeure prevent a team – qualified for participation in the 2019 GCL Playoff Event – from competing, the team concerned will not be replaced.

Format

- This competition is run over one round, against the clock
- FEI JR - Article: 238.2.1 | Table A, with a time allowed
- Jump-off: As a tie breaker in case of equality on penalties and time for the 8th place only
- Maximum number of horses per rider: 1
- Obstacles Height: 155cm
- Speed: Either 350 m/min or 375m/min | to be confirmed in the FEI approved schedule

Prize money

Team total prize money: [to be confirmed]

Breakdown of prize money per team: 1st to 12th placed teams: 8.333% of the total amount each

Starting order

The teams will start in reverse order of their placing in the GCL 2019 overall team standings, prior to the Playoff Event.

The starting order of the athletes within each team will be at the discretion of the team manager and must be provided in writing to the show office within 60 minutes following the conclusion of the warm-up session on the first day.

Riders of each team will be competing consecutively (one directly after the other; i.e. first in the arena is the 1st rider of the 1st team on the starting list, second in the arena is the 2nd rider of the same team, followed by the 3rd athlete of that team. Subsequently, the first rider of the second Team on the starting list and so on).

The starting order in the jump-off (if any) will be the same as the starting order of the teams concerned in the first round of the Quarter-Final.

Placing

The classification of the teams will be established according to the total penalties of the 3 athletes per team, as well as according to their aggregate times, i.e. in case of equality of total penalty points per team only.

Tie breaker

In case of teams being placed equal on the 8th place (on aggregate penalties and on aggregate times of the 3 athletes per team) in the final ranking of the Playoff Quarter-Final, there will be a jump-off on penalties and time, in which one rider – due to be designated by the team manager – per team will participate. If there is still a tie following the first jump-off, there will be a second jump-off in which two new athletes (one from each team) – due to be designated by the team manager – will participate and so on, until the tie will be broken.

If there is a tie for the other places in the final ranking of the Playoff Quarter-Final, the teams concerned will remain tied.

Qualification for the Semi-Final

The eight (8) best placed teams from this competition qualify for the second team competition (Semi-Final). The teams placed 9th up to and including 12th in the final ranking of the Quarter-Final will not be allowed to further compete in the 2019 GCL Playoff Event. The athletes of the teams concerned may however compete in the individual competitions on the third and fourth day.

12.3 **Third Day – Second Team Competition | Semi-Final**

This competition's results will not count for points for the Longines Jumping Rankings

Eligibility

The 2019 GCL Semi-Final will be open to twelve (12) teams, i.e. to:

- a. the teams placed 1st up to and including 8th in the final classification of the 2019 GCL Playoffs Quarter-Final, with 3 athletes per team; the composition of these teams may vary from the 2019 GCL Playoff Quarter-Final;
- b. the teams placed 1st up to and including 4th in the GCL overall team standings prior to the 2019 GCL Playoff event, with 3 athletes per team.

Team substitution

Should unforeseen circumstances or force majeure prevent a team, qualified for participation in the 2019 GCL Semi-Final, from competing, the team concerned will not be replaced

Format

- This competition is run over one round against the clock
- FEI JR - Article: 238.2.1 | Table A, with a time allowed
- Jump-off: As a tie breaker in case of equality on penalties and time for the 6th place only
- Maximum number of horses per rider: 1
- Obstacles Height: 160cm
- Speed: Either 350 m/min or 375m/min | to be confirmed in the FEI approved schedule

Prize money

Team total prize money: [to be confirmed]

Breakdown of prize money per team: 1st to 12th placed teams: 8.333% of the total amount each

Starting order

The eight (8) teams mentioned sub 10.3 a. above will start first, in reverse order of their placing in the final classification of the 2019 GCL Playoffs Quarter-Final. In case of a tie, the teams concerned will retain their starting order for the 2019 GCL Playoffs Quarter-Final.

Subsequently, the four (4) teams mentioned sub 10.3 b. above will start in reverse order of their placing in the GCL 2019 overall team standings, prior to the 2019 GCL Playoff Event.

The starting order of the athletes within each team will be at the discretion of the team manager and must be provided in writing to the show office before the deadline stipulated in the FEI approved schedule for the 2019 GCL Playoff Event expires.

Riders of each team will be competing consecutively (one directly after the other; i.e. first in the arena is the 1st rider of the 1st team on the starting list, second in the arena is the 2nd rider of the same team, followed by the 3rd athlete of that team. Subsequently, the first rider of the second Team on the starting list and so on).

The starting order in the jump-off (if any) will be the same as the starting order of the teams concerned in the first round of the Semi-Final.

Placing

The classification of the teams in the 2nd Team competition | Semi-Final will be established according to the total penalties of the 3 athletes per team and according to their aggregate times, i.e. in case of equality of total penalties only.

Tie breaker

In case of teams being placed equal on the 6th place (on aggregate penalties and on aggregate times of the 3 athletes per team) in the final ranking of the Playoff Semi-Final, there will be a jump-off on penalties and time, in which one rider – due to be designated by the team manager – per team will participate.

If there is still a tie following the first jump-off, there will be a second jump-off in which one new athlete per team (not the athlete who took part in the first-jump-off) – due to be designated by the team manager – will participate and so on, until the tie will be broken. If there is a tie for the other places in the final ranking of the Playoff Semi-Final, the teams concerned will remain tied.

Qualification for the Final

The six (6) best placed teams in the final classification of the Semi Final will qualify for the third team competition (Final) on the fourth day.

The teams placed 7th up to and including 12th in the final classification of the Semi-Final will not be allowed to further compete in the 2019 GCL Playoff Event. The athletes of the teams concerned may however compete in the individual competition on the fourth day.

12.4 Fourth Day – Third Team Competition | Final

This competition's results will not count for points for the Longines Jumping Rankings

Eligibility

The 2019 GCL Final will be open to six (6) teams, i.e. the teams placed 1st up to and including 6th in the final classification of the 2019 GCL Playoff Semi-Final, with 3 athletes per team.

The composition of these teams may vary from the 2019 GCL Playoff Semi-Final; however, the team composition may not be altered between the first and the second round of the 2019 GCL Playoff Final.

Team substitution

Should unforeseen circumstances or force majeure prevent a team – qualified for participation in the 2019 GCL Final – from competing, the team concerned will not be replaced

Format

- This competition is run over two different rounds against the clock
- FEI JR - Article: 273-2.1 & 273-3.3.1 | Both rounds Table A, with a time allowed
- Jump-off: In case of equality on points and time (total of 1st and 2nd round) for the first place only
- Maximum number of horses per rider: 1
- Obstacles Height: 160cm
- Speed: Either 350 m/min or 375m/min (to be confirmed in the FEI approved schedule)

Team total prize money: [to be confirmed]

Breakdown of prize money per team: 1st 42,86%, 2nd 21,43%, 3rd 14,28%, 4th 8,57%, 5th and 6th 6,43%

Starting order

In the first round, the teams will start in reverse order of their placing in the final classification of the 2019 GCL Playoff Semi-Final. In case of a tie, the teams concerned will retain their starting order for the 2019 GCL Playoff Semi-Final.

The starting order of the athletes within each team will be at the discretion of the team manager and must be provided in writing to the show office before the deadline stipulated in the FEI approved schedule for the 2019 GCL Playoff Event expires.

Riders of each team will be competing consecutively (one directly after the other; i.e. first in the arena is the 1st rider of the 1st team on the starting list, second in the arena is the 2nd rider of the same team, followed by the 3rd athlete of that team. Subsequently, the first rider of the second team on the starting list and so on).

In the second round, the teams will start in reverse order of their placing (on aggregate penalties of three riders per team only) in the classification of the first round of the 2019 GCL Playoffs Final. In case of a tie on aggregate penalties, the teams concerned will retain their first round starting order.

The team manager will not be allowed to change the order of the athletes within his/her team for the second round.

The starting order in the jump-off (if any) will be to the same as the starting order of the teams concerned in the second round of the 2019 GCL Playoff Final.

Placing

The classification of the teams will be established by adding the total penalties of the 3 athletes per team in the first and in the second round.

Tie breaker

In case of equality of total penalty points over two rounds for any place, the aggregate time of the 3 athletes per team in the second round will be decisive.

In case of teams being placed equal for any place other than the first place (on aggregate penalties and on aggregate time in the second round) the teams concerned will be separated by the aggregate times of their 3 riders in the first and in the second round.

If there will continue to be a tie for the first place only, there will be a jump-off on penalties and time, in which one rider – due to be designated by the team manager – per team will participate.

If there is still a tie following the first jump-off, there will be a second jump-off in which two new athletes (one of each team) – due to be designated by the team manager – will participate and so on, until the tie for first place will be broken.

If there is a further tie for the places other than the first place, the teams concerned will remain tied.

13. Format GCL Playoff | Individual Competitions

13.1 Second Day – First Individual Competition

This competition's results will not count for points for the Longines Jumping Rankings

Eligibility

This competition will be open to the horses, not taking part in the first GCL Team competition (Quarter-Final) on the second day, to be broken down as follows:

- a. 3 horses per team competing in the first Team competition = 16 teams x 3 horses = 48 horses;
- b. 6 horses per team of the four teams not taking part in the first Team competition = four teams x 6 horses = 24 horses.

Format

- This competition is run over one round, against the clock, without a jump-off
- FEI JR - Article: 238.2.1 | Table A, with a time allowed
- Jump-off: No
- Maximum number of horses per rider: 2
- Obstacles Height: 145/150cm (the specific height to be indicated in the Schedule of each event)
- Speed: Either 350 m/min or 375m/min | to be confirmed in the FEI approved schedule

Prize money

Total Prize money: [to be confirmed]

Breakdown of prize money: According to FEI rules | Chart # 2 to be applied

13.2 Third Day – Second Individual Competition

This competition's results will not count for points for the Longines Jumping Rankings

Eligibility

This competition will be open to the horses, not taking part in the second GCL Team competition (Semi-Final) on the third day, to be broken down as follows:

- a. 3 horses per team competing in the second Team competition = 12 teams x 3 horses = 36 horses
- b. 6 horses per team of the four teams not taking part in the second Team competition = four teams x 6 horses = 24 horses.

Format

- This competition is run over one round, against the clock, with a jump-off
- FEI JR - Article: 238.2.2 | Table A, with a time allowed
- Jump-off: One, in case of equality of penalties for the first place only
- Maximum number of horses per rider: 2
- Obstacles Height: 150cm
- Speed: Either 350 m/min or 375m/min | to be confirmed in the FEI approved schedule

Prize money

Total Prize money: [to be confirmed]

Breakdown of prize money: According to FEI rules | Chart # 2 to be applied

13.3 **Fourth or Fifth Day– Third Individual Competition**

This competition's results will not count for points for the Longines Jumping Rankings

Eligibility

This competition will be open to maximum [number to be confirmed] horses, not taking part in the third GCL Team competition (Final) on the fourth day, to be broken down as follows:

- a. 3 horses per team competing in the third Team competition = 6 teams x 3 horses = 18 horses;
- b. 6 horses per team not taking part in the third Team competition (Final) = 10 teams x 6 horses = 60 horses.

Format

- This competition is run over one round, against the clock, with a jump-off
- FEI JR - Article: 238.2.2 | Table A, with a time allowed
- Jump-off: One, in case of equality of penalties for the first place only
- Maximum number of horses per rider: 2
- Obstacles Height: 150cm
- Speed: Either 350m/min or 375m/min | to be confirmed in the FEI approved schedule

Prize money

Total Prize money: [to be confirmed]

Breakdown of prize money: According to FEI rules | Chart # 2 to be applied