

JUMPINGCLASH TEAM CHALLENGE™ SERIES



JUMPINGCLASH TEAM CHALLENGE™ RULES FOR NORTH AMERICA

Effective for any season of the JUMPINGCLASH TEAM CHALLENGE™

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1. PREAMBLE

These JumpingClash Team Challenge™ Rules (“JTC Rules”), which shall be applicable on a mandatory basis for any competition of the National Equestrian League (“NEL”) organized by and/or on behalf of the JumpingClash Organisation (“JCO”) in the territories of North America (which shall consist of the territories of Canada, Mexico and the United States of America),__must be read in conjunction with the applicable FEI Statutes, the FEI General Regulations (“FEI-GRs”), the FEI Jumping Rules (“FEI-JRs”), and all other FEI rules and/or regulations that may be and/or become relevant.

In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstance which is not addressed by these JTC Rules, it is the duty of the JumpingClash Organisation to interpret the JTC Rules for the JumpingClash Team Challenge™ (“JTC”) and render a decision in a manner compatible to the fullest extent possible with the other provisions of these JTC Rules in a fair sporting spirit.

Any reference to the JTC Rules shall be understood to be the latest version of the JTC Rules as currently approved by the Fédération Equestre Internationale (“FEI”).

2. GENERAL

JTC is an innovative Team Competition Format for annually organized equestrian tournaments in the discipline of Jumping, which sees athletes forming teams competing against each other in single horse/rider combinations. These contests take part within an eliminatory, pyramid-type competitive structure.

JTC is a Team Competition Format which uses direct elimination. The team losing an encounter of a Competition Round at a JTC Tournament is immediately eliminated from any further Competition at this particular JTC Tournament.

Competition Rounds take place in which a certain number of Registered Teams is eliminated until only one (1) Registered Team is left and thereby crowned as the champion of a JTC Tournament.

3. JUMPINGCLASH TEAM CHALLENGE™ STRUCTURE

3.1 JUMPINGCLASH TEAM CHALLENGE™ SERIES TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

A JumpingClash Team Challenge™ Season (“JTC Season”) shall be composed of a certain number of JTC Qualifying Tournaments_plus one (1) JTC Final Tournament (see Clause 3.2 of these JTC Rules), together referred to in the Rules as “JTC Tournament” or “JTC Tournaments”. The prize money for each JTC Tournament shall be USD \$200,000 distributed as set forth in 8.1 below.

3.2 JUMPINGCLASH TEAM CHALLENGE™ SEASON

3.2.1 The calendar of the JTC Season

The JTC Season shall commence no earlier than 1st January of the respective year of the last JTC Tournament of a JTC Season and the JTC Final Tournament shall finish no later than 20th December of the same year.

There will be no more than one (1) JTC Tournament per week and no more than one (1) JTC Tournament per Hosting Event during a JTC Season. The annual JTC Qualifying Tournaments and the annual JTC Final Tournament have to be CSI5* level and will take place at venues and dates as

announced by JCO.

3.2.2 Minimum and maximum number of JTC Tournaments per JTC Season

The number of JTC Qualifying Tournaments and the one (1) JTC Final Tournament per JTC Season will be set annually by the JCO. The number, location and dates of all of the different JTC Tournaments of a JTC Season will be as communicated by the JCO, no later than ten (10) weeks prior to the start of the respective JTC Season and in any event no later than ten (10) weeks before the first JTC Tournament of the applicable JTC Season. Each JTC Season taking place in the territory of North America, shall consist of seven (7) Qualifying Tournaments plus one (1) JTC Final Tournament.

3.2.3 Elements of a JTC Tournament

If organised by JCO and/or on behalf of JCO, the following JTC Elements shall be considered official and obligatory acts forming part of each JTC Tournament and shall strictly be run according to the respective JTC Protocol and/or JTC Rules as applicable:

- ✓ The JTC Welcome Reception;
- ✓ The JTC Draw;
- ✓ The JTC Course Walk (if applicable per Competition Round);
- ✓ Competition:
 - Competition Round 1: Quarter-Final (1st Round);
 - Competition Round 2: Semi-Final (2nd Round);
 - Competition Round 3: Final Round (Jump-Off);
- ✓ The JTC Interviews;
- ✓ The JTC Prize Giving Ceremony; and
- ✓ The JTC Tournament Press Conference.

JCO shall be free to add additional JTC Elements (in particular for sporting, promotion and PR-purposes) as considered necessary. JCO acting reasonable and in good faith.

3.2.4 Participation in a JTC Tournament

Eight (8) Registered Teams will take part in an annual JTC Season. The eight (8) Registered Teams must be invited to each JTC Tournament of the respective JTC Season by the JCO.

The total number of JTC Team Athletes participating at each JTC Tournament can be a maximum of thirty-two (32) and the total number of JTC Team horses participating at each JTC Tournament can be a maximum of ninety-six (96). Each Hosting Event Organizer of a JTC Tournament will invite and seek the entering of the invited Athletes via their National Federations as per the list provided by the JCO to the Hosting Event Organizers.

4. COMPETITION FORMAT OF JTC TOURNAMENTS

4.1 COMPETITION AT JTC TOURNAMENTS

The JumpingClash Team Challenge™ is a Team Competition Format that consists of making teams of horse/rider combinations compete against each other in tournament encounters (the JTC Tournament).

Competition of each JTC Tournament takes place in one (1) day with Competition structured in three

(3) "Competition Rounds" as follows:

- ✓ Competition Round 1: Quarter-Final (1st Round);
- ✓ Competition Round 2: Semi-Final (2nd Round); and
- ✓ Competition Round 3: Final Round (Jump-Off) with:
 - ✓ one (1) Quarter-Final (1st Round) featuring eight (8) Registered Teams, competing with three (3) Registered Riders each, in four (4) encounters (Encounter 1, 2, 3 and 4), making it a total of twenty-four (24) appearances; plus
 - ✓ one (1) Semi-Final (2nd Round) featuring four (4) Registered Teams, competing with two (2) Registered Riders each, in two (2) encounters (Encounter 5 and 6), making it a total of eight (8) appearances; and
 - ✓ one (1) Final Round (Jump-Off) featuring two (2) Registered Teams, competing with one (1) Registered Rider each, in one (1) encounter (Encounter 7), making it a total of two (2) appearances.

All Competition Rounds are conducted at a minimum height of 1.50m and a maximum of 1.60m at FEI 5* level.

The course for each JTC Tournament must be the same for the Quarter-Final (1st Round) and the Semi-Final (2nd Round). The Final Round will be the Jump-Off on a course that is different from the previous Competition Rounds of this JTC Tournament.

The winning Registered Team of each encounter will pass to the next Competition Round until Competition Round 3 ("Final Round" or "Jump-Off"). The winning Registered Team of this Final Round (Jump-Off) will be the champion of the JTC Tournament.

4.2 DECLARATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF PARTICIPATING AND/OR COMPETING ATHLETES

Each Registered Rider shall ride only one (1) horse during an entire JTC Tournament.

Participating Athletes: Each Registered Team's four (4) riders and all horses participating in the applicable JTC Tournament must be declared by the respective Team Manager to JCO in writing by 12:00 a.m. GMT ten (10) days prior to the start of the applicable JTC Tournament in a form as to be decided and communicated by the JCO.

Following the above, no further changes may be made to the horse/rider combinations participating.

By 12:00 a.m. latest local time at the applicable JTC Tournament the day prior to the start of the first Quarter-Final (1st Round) encounter of the applicable JTC Tournament - but in any case prior to the JTC Draw for the applicable JTC Tournament - the Team Manager must declare in writing and in a form as requested by JCO, which three (3) of the four (4) participating Registered Riders of his/her Registered Team are going to compete with which of their horses in the applicable JTC Tournament.

Between the declaration of the horse/rider combinations as per the above and one (1) hour prior to the start of the first Quarter-Final (1st Round) encounter of the applicable JTC Tournament:

- ✓ horses may be substituted by the applicable Team Manager only in case of exceptional

circumstances for veterinary reasons (e.g. illness or injury) and only with JCO approved permission and official written declaration of the applicable Veterinary Delegate in charge and the Ground Jury; and

- riders may be substituted by their Team Manager only in case of exceptional circumstances or for medical reasons (e.g. accident, injury or illness) and only with JCO approved permission and official, written declaration of the medical doctor in charge and the prior and JCO approved approval of the applicable Ground Jury.

Any substitutes (horses and/or riders) can only be chosen by the applicable Team Manager from the horses and riders he/she declared as participating in the applicable JTC Tournament.

4.3 ORDER OF ATHLETES COMPETING FOR A REGISTERED TEAM

For each Competition Round of a JTC Tournament, the Team Manager will decide on the order of combinations of Registered Riders and Registered Horses to compete for his/her Registered Team.

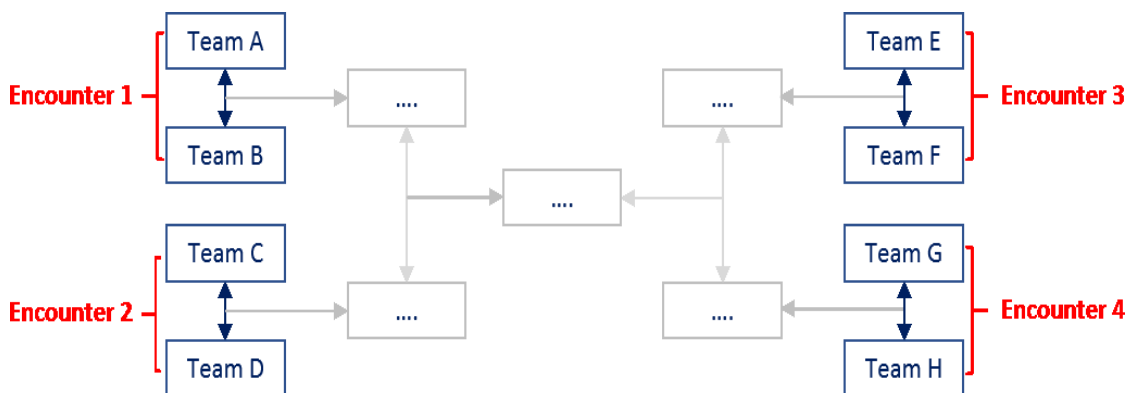
4.4 THE JTC DRAW – DRAWING THE PAIRS

The JTC Draw is an official and obligatory act to be run according to the JTC Draw Protocol. The JTC Draw will take place prior to the start of the JTC Tournament (no later than the day prior to the start of the JTC Tournament) at a location to be decided by JCO and communicated by JCO no later than ten days (10) prior to such JTC Draw.

Prior to the JTC Draw, JCO will appoint the “Master of Ceremonies”, who shall conduct the drawing of the pairs.

The starting order for the pairings will be established by a draw, that will be organized with eight (8) balls. The different encounters will be determined as follows:

- First and second ball will define Encounter 1 (Team A against Team B);
- Third and fourth ball will define Encounter 2 (Team C against Team D);
- Fifth and sixth ball will define the Encounter 3 (Team E against Team F); and
- Seventh and eighth ball will define Encounter 4 (Team G against Team H).



The result of the JTC Draw must be communicated as widely as possible by the Hosting Event no later than one (1) hour after its finalization.

The JCO Presenter will coordinate, together with the Press Officer of the Hosting Event, interviews with the Team Members taking part in the JTC Draw and the most important encounters.

It is mandatory for the following people to be present at each JTC Draw (all are to be invited by JCO prior to the JTC Draw):

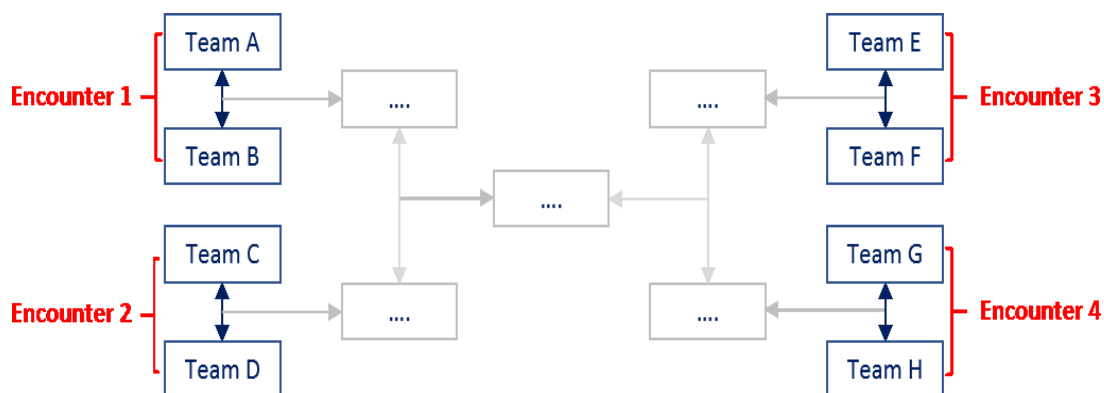
- ✓ the Master of Ceremonies;
- ✓ the FEI representative(s), typically the Foreign Judge, designated to act as Supervisor(s) of the JTC Tournament;
- ✓ the eight (8) Team Managers of the Registered Teams competing;
- ✓ if requested by JCO, at least one (1) Registered Rider of each Registered Team competing;
- ✓ a JCO representative;
- ✓ the President/CEO (or his/her representative) of the Hosting Event;
- ✓ the Press Officer of the Hosting Event; and
- ✓ the designated JCO Presenter.

The JTC Draw will be open for the following to attend (all to be invited by JCO prior to the JTC Draw):

- ✓ Press representatives accredited by the Hosting Event and/or JCO;
- ✓ JCO Sponsor representatives and/or other (commercial) partners of JCO;
- ✓ JTC Team Owners of Registered Teams and/or their representatives;
- ✓ Support Personnel of Registered Team riders and Team Managers;
- ✓ FEI and NF representatives;
- ✓ Hosting Event representatives (including a venue equipment technician); and
- ✓ any other party as invited/accepted by JCO.

4.5 THE QUARTER FINAL (1ST ROUND) OF A JTC TOURNAMENT

4.5.1 Chart Quarter-Final (1st Round)



4.5.2 Starting Order Quarter-Final (1st Round)

For the Quarter-Final (1st Round) the order of competition in each encounter will be determined by the JTC Draw.

The Starting Order of the Quarter-Final (1st Round) of a JTC Tournament shall be as follows:

- 1st:** First horse/rider combination of Team A
- 2nd:** First horse/rider combination of Team B

- 3rd:** Second horse/rider combination of Team A
- 4th:** Second horse/rider combination of Team B
- 5th:** Third horse/rider combination of Team A
- 6th:** Third horse/rider combination of Team B
- followed by a break of two (2) minutes, followed by**
- 7th:** First horse/rider combination of Team C
- 8th:** First horse/rider combination of Team D
- 9th:** Second horse/rider combination of Team C
- 10th:** Second horse/rider combination of Team D
- 11th:** Third horse/rider combination of Team C
- 12th:** Third horse/rider combination of Team D
- followed by a break of two (2) minutes, followed by**
- 13th:** First horse/rider combination of Team E
- 14th:** First horse/rider combination of Team F
- 15th:** Second horse/rider combination of Team E
- 16th:** Second horse/rider combination of Team F
- 17th:** Third horse/rider combination of Team E
- 18th:** Third horse/rider combination of Team F
- followed by break of two (2) minutes, followed by**
- 19th:** First horse/rider combination of Team G
- 20th:** First horse/rider combination of Team H
- 21st:** Second horse/rider combination of Team G
- 22nd:** Second horse/rider combination of Team H
- 23rd:** Third horse/rider combination of Team G
- 24th:** Third horse/rider combination of Team H

4.5.3 Quarter-Final (1st Round) Specifics

The Quarter-Final (1st Round) of a JTC Tournament shall be judged under "TABLE A, against the clock" (FEI Art. 238.2.1).

The Registered Team with the lower total points (accumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) wins the applicable encounter (Encounter 1, 2,3, and 4 as per Chart in Clause 4.5.1 above).

If there is a tie in points and time in any encounter, the Registered Team with the greater number of clear rounds among the scores counting (cumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) will be the winner of such encounter.

If after applying the method as defined above there is still a tie in any encounter, the Registered Team with the lowest accumulated time score (cumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) will be the winner of such encounter.

The winner of each encounter (Encounter 1, 2,3, and 4 as per Chart in Clause 16.5.1 above) will qualify for the Semi-Final (2nd Round), regardless of the classification the respective Registered Team obtained in the Quarter-Final (1st Round).

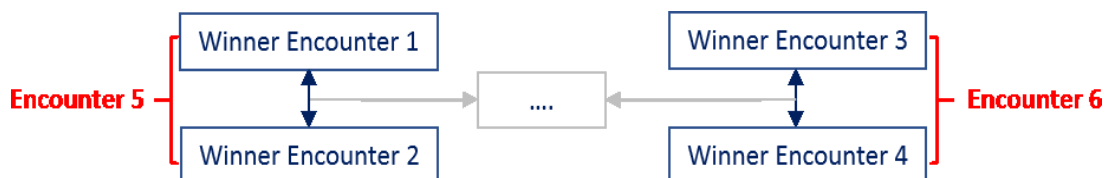
The Team Prize Money for the Quarter-Final (1st Round) shall be distributed between the teams that are not classified for the Semi-Final (2nd Round). Every non-classified team that competed shall be eligible to receive such Team Prize Money as long as none of the non-classified team's riders has

voluntarily withdrawn prior to finishing the course. Distribution of such Team Prize Money shall be as follows: the four (4) non-classified Registered Teams according to the penalties in the Quarter-Final (1st Round). In case there is a tie between non-classified teams, the same rule as established above will apply.

All points will be assigned to the applicable Registered Teams as per the criteria defined in Clause 7.1 of these JTC Rules.

4.6 THE SEMI-FINAL (2nd ROUND) OF A JTC TOURNAMENT

4.6.1 Chart Semi-Final (2nd Round)



4.6.2 Starting Order Semi-Final (2nd Round)

For the Semi-Final (2nd Round), the order of competition in each encounter will be determined by the total penalties of each Registered Team in the Quarter-Final (1st Round). The Registered Team with the greatest number of penalties in the Quarter-Final (1st Round) shall compete first. In case of equality of Penalties, the Registered Teams will retain the starting order of the Quarter-Final (1st Round).

The Starting Order of the Semi-Final (2nd Round) of a JTC Tournament shall be established as follows:

Encounter 5:

- 1st: First horse/rider combination of Worst Team qualified for Encounter 5
- 2nd: First horse/rider combination of Best Team qualified for Encounter 5
- 3rd: Second horse/rider combination of Worst Team qualified for Encounter 5
- 4th: Second horse/rider combination of Best Team qualified for Encounter 5

followed by a break of two (2) minutes, followed by

Encounter 6:

- 5th: First horse/rider combination of Worst Team qualified for Encounter 6
- 6th: First horse/rider combination of Best Team qualified for Encounter 6
- 7th: Second horse/rider combination of Worst Team qualified for Encounter 6
- 8th: Second horse/rider combination of Best Team qualified for Encounter 6

4.6.3 Semi-Final (2nd Round) Specifics

In the Semi-Final (2nd Round) of a JCT Tournament, each Team Manager of a Registered Team qualified to compete decides which two (2) of the three (3) horse/rider combinations of the Registered Team will compete in the Semi-Final (2nd Round).

In case of qualification for the Final Round (Jump-Off) the horse/rider combination of a Registered Team who doesn't compete in the Semi-Final (2nd Round) must compete in the Final Round (Jump-Off).

The Semi-Final (2nd Round) of a JTC Tournament shall be judged under "TABLE A, against the clock" (FEI Art. 238.2.1).

The Registered Team with the lower total number of penalties (accumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) wins the applicable encounter (Encounter 5 and 6 as per Chart in Clause 4.6.1 above).

If there is a tie in points and time in an encounter in the Semi-Final (2nd Round), the Registered Team with the best classification in the Quarter-Final (1st Round) shall be the winner of such encounter.

If after applying the method as defined above there is still a tie in any encounter, the Registered Team with the greater number of clear rounds among the scores counting for the 1st and 2nd Rounds (accumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) shall be the winner of such encounter.

If after applying the method as defined above there is still a tie in any encounter, the Registered Team with the lowest accumulated time score (accumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) shall be the winner of the encounter.

The winner of each encounter (Encounter 5 and 6 as per Chart in Clause 4.6.1 above) will qualify for the Final Round (Jump-Off), regardless of the classification the respective Registered Team obtained in the Semi-Final (2nd Round).

The Team Prize Money for the Semi-Final (2nd Round) shall be distributed between the teams that are not classified for the Final (Jump-Off). Every non-classified team that competed shall be eligible to receive such Team Prize money as long as none of the non-classified's team's riders has voluntarily withdrawn prior to finishing the course. Distribution of such Team Prize Money shall be as follows: the two (2) non-classified Registered Teams according to the penalties in the Semi-Final (2nd Round). In case there is a tie between non-classified teams, the same rule as established above will apply.

All points will be assigned to the applicable Registered Teams as per the criteria defined in Clause 7.1 of these JTC Rules.

4.7 THE FINAL ROUND (JUMP-OFF) OF A JTC TOURNAMENT

4.7.1 Chart Final Round (Jump-Off)



4.7.2 Starting Order Final Round (Jump-Off) Specifics

For Final Round (Jump-Off) the order of competition in the encounter is determined by the result in the Semi-Final (2nd Round). First competing is the Registered Team with the greatest number of penalties in the Semi-Final (2nd Round). In case of equality of penalties, the Registered Teams will retain the starting order of the Semi-Final Round (2nd Round).

The Starting Order of the Final Round (Jump-Off) of a JTC Tournament shall be as follows:

1st: Horse/rider combination of worst team from Semi-Final qualified for Final Round

2nd: Horse/rider combination of best team from Semi-Final qualified for Final Round

4.7.3 Final Round (Jump-Off) Specifics

In the Final Round (Jump-Off) of a JCT Tournament, each Team Manager of a Registered Team qualified to compete will have to compete with the horse/rider combination who did not take part in the Semi-Final (2nd Round).

The Final Round (Jump-Off) shall be judged under "TABLE C" (FEI Art. 239) according to the FEI Jumping Rules.

Classification of the Registered Teams in the Final Round (Jump-Off) is based on the time of each horse/rider combination competing for a Registered Team.

The Registered Team winning the Final Round (Jump-Off) will be the one with the lower score.

In the event that there is a tie in time in the Final Round, the Registered Team with the best accumulated score (adding up the faults and time of the Semi-Final (2nd Round) accumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) will be the winner of the Final Round.

In the event that after applying the method as defined above the tie continues, the results in the Quarter-Final (1st Round) accumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team will also be added.

In the event that after applying the method as defined above there is still a tie, the Registered Team with the greater number of clear rounds among the scores counting for the 1st Round and the 2nd Round (accumulated for all horse/rider combinations competing for a Registered Team) shall be the winner of the Final Round.

All points will be assigned to the applicable Registered Teams as per the criteria defined in Clause 7.1 of these JTC Rules.

The Team Prize Money for the Final (Jump-Off) shall be distributed between the teams classified for the Final (Jump-Off). Every team that competed shall be eligible to receive such Team Prize money as long as none of the rider has voluntarily withdrawn prior to finishing the course. Distribution of such Team Prize Money shall be as follows: the Team Prize Money will be divided between both of them as stipulated in the section of Distribution of Prizes of these JTC Rules.

4.8 VACANCIES AND WITHDRAWALS

Registered Team vacancies and withdrawals during Competition:

If there is a withdrawal or relinquishment of a Registered Team once the competition of the JCT Tournament has begun, the vacant place or places will be occupied by the best "loser/s" among the Registered Teams of the previous round. Whenever possible, an encounter will never be left void.

Withdrawal or relinquishment of one (1) team in the Quarter-Final (1st Round):

If one (1) Registered Team withdraws or relinquishes participation in the Quarter-Final (1st Round), the encounter will be left with a single Registered Team. To proceed to the next Round, this Registered Team must still finish the course.

Withdrawal or relinquishment of the two (2) teams of the same encounter in the Quarter-Final (1st Round):

If the two (2) Registered Teams withdraw or relinquish participation in the Quarter-Final (1st Round), the encounter will be left void and the best Registered Team classified of the losers of the rest of the encounters will be eligible for the Semi-Final (2nd Round). For the purposes of pairings, this Registered Team will occupy in the chart the place that would have corresponded to the winner of the void encounter.

Two (2) Registered Teams of the same encounter eliminated in the Quarter-Final (1st Round): If two (2) Registered Teams in the same encounter are eliminated or withdrawn on the course, neither of the two (2) can pass to the Semi-Final (2nd Round). The best Registered Team classified of the losers of the rest of encounters will be eligible for the Semi-Final (2nd Round).

Withdrawal or relinquishment of one (1) Registered Team in the Semi-Final (2nd Round):

If a Registered Team withdraws or relinquishes participation in the Semi-Final (2nd Round), the best Registered Team classified of the losers in the Quarter-Final (1st Round) will be classified for the Semi-Final (2nd Round). In the supposed case of not being able to re-enter any Registered Team, the encounter will be left with a single Registered Team, having the obligation to finish the course in order to pass to the Final Round (Jump-Off).

Withdrawal or relinquishment of two (2) Registered Teams in the Semi-Final (2nd Round):

If two (2) Registered Teams withdraw or relinquish participation in the Semi-Final (2nd Round), the two (2) losing Registered Teams best classified of the Quarter-Final (1st Round) will be eligible for the Semi-Final (2nd Round). In case of not being able to re-enter either of the two (2) Registered Teams, the Final Round (Jump-Off) will not take place. A single Semi-Final (2nd Round) encounter will take place, which will be considered the definitive Final-Round (Jump-Off), from which the winner of the JTC Tournament will be declared.

Two (2) Registered Teams of the same encounter eliminated in the Semi-Final (2nd Round):

If the two (2) Registered Teams competing against each other in the same encounter of the Semi-Final (2nd Round) are both eliminated after one (1) Registered Team wins the encounter, there will not be a Final Round (Jump-Off) and the winner of the JTC Tournament shall be the winner of the second/other Semi-Final (2nd Round) encounter.

Withdrawal, relinquishment or elimination of the four (4) Registered Teams in the Semi-Final (2nd Round):

If the four (4) Registered Teams withdraw, relinquish or are eliminated in the Semi-Final (2nd Round), the four (4) Registered Teams will be classified as first ex-aequo and the JTC Tournament will be considered finalized.

Withdrawal or relinquishment of one (1) Registered Team in the Final Round (Jump-Off):

If one (1) Registered Team withdraws or relinquishes participation in the Final Round (Jump-Off), the best Registered Team classified of the losers in the Semi-Final (2nd Round) will be eligible for the Final Round (Jump-Off). In the supposed case of not being able to re-enter any Registered Team, the encounter will be left with a single Registered Team, who will not have the obligation to finish the course to be considered the winner of the JTC Tournament.

Withdrawal or relinquishment of the two (2) Registered Teams in the Final Round (Jump-Off): If the two (2) Registered Teams who qualified for the Final Round (Jump-Off) withdraw or relinquish

participation in the Final Round (Jump-Off), the two (2) losing Registered Teams of the Semi-Final (2nd Round) will qualify instead. If these two (2) losing Registered Teams cannot compete, the Final Round (Jump-Off) will not take place. The two (2) finalist Registered Teams will instead be classified at first ex-aequo and the JCT Tournament will be considered finalized.

Walkover:

It will be considered a “Walkover” if ten (10) minutes after a withdrawal or a relinquishment JCO has not been able to re-enter a Registered Team and/or a Temporary Team established as a substitute under the JTC Rules.

4.9 DISQUALIFICATION & FINAL RESULT

4.9.1 Disqualification

The disqualification of a Registered Rider during or after the competition of a JTC Tournament incurs the disqualification of the respective Registered Team and results in zero points and no Prize Money being awarded to the Registered Team. For the avoidance of doubt, the non-disqualified Registered Rider(s) on the applicable team can continue as individual athlete(s) in the same JTC Tournament where the disqualification(s) occurred. The eligibility of the disqualified Registered Rider(s) to continue to compete as an individual athlete at the JTC Tournament/Hosting Event shall be determined according to JTC and FEI rules.

In case of disqualification of a Registered Rider prior to the applicable JTC Tournament Quarter- Final Competition at the same Hosting Event, substitution shall be possible. For such substitution the same rules as per Clause 5.3 of these JTC Rules shall apply.

4.9.2 Final Result

The result of a JTC Tournament shall be considered final and official in accordance with FEI Rules and Regulations.

4.10 JTC INTERVIEWS

The JTC Interviews are an official and obligatory obligation for all Registered Teams participating in each JTC Tournament. Team Members requested by JCO for an interview with JTC Tournament and/or accredited media representatives are mandatorily required to attend and participate in such interview.

4.11 THE JTC PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY & AWARDING OF PRIZES

The JTC Prize Giving Ceremony is an official and obligatory event forming part of each JTC Tournament. It will take place directly after the Final Round (Jump-Off) of each JTC Tournament. The JTC Prize Giving Ceremony must be carried out in strict conformity with the applicable JTC Prize Giving Protocol.

The JTC Prize Giving Ceremony will be conducted by the JCO Director of Circuit and logistically supported and assisted by the Event Director of the Hosting Event and the respective prize giving team.

For a JTC Tournament, only the two (2) teams which competed in the Final Round (Jump-Off) will receive awards at the JTC Prize Giving Ceremony. For these two (2) teams, attendance at the Prize Giving Ceremony is mandatory including all horses that competed in the JTC Tournament. These riders

and their respective Team Managers have to be available to JCO to actively participate in the JTC Tournament Press Conference, the JTC Interviews and/or any other public relations and/or promotional activities as to be defined by JCO.

The top-2 positioned Registered Teams of the JTC Overall Season Classification of a JTC Season must be present at the Prize Giving Ceremony of the JTC Final Tournament to receive in person their Team Bonus Prize Money and the JTC Trophy. They must also be available to actively participate in the JTC Tournament Press Conference, the JTC Interviews and/or any other public relations and/or promotional activities as to be defined by JCO. Registered Teams should be represented by the three (3) Registered Riders who competed for the Registered Team in the last JTC Tournament.

The top three (3) riders of the Individual JTC Season Bonus as per 9.2 of the JTC Rules must be present at Prize Giving Ceremony of the JTC Final Tournament to receive their portion of the Individual JTC Season Bonus Prize Money. These riders will receive their awards in person during a respective JTC Prize Giving Ceremony, which will take place after the JTC Grand Prix of the applicable JTC Final Tournament/Hosting Event. If requested by JCO, these riders must make themselves available to actively participate in the respective JTC Tournament Press Conference, JTC Interviews and/or any other public relations and/or promotional activities as to be defined by JCO.

No Team Prize Money and/or Bonus Team Prize Money and/or Individual JTC Season Bonus will be given to Registered Teams and/or Registered Riders who do not present themselves at the applicable JTC Prize Giving Ceremony, JTC Tournament Press Conference, JTC Interviews, and/or for any for public relations or promotional activities as described above, if required by JCO to do so. No prizes or Prize Money other than JCO approved prizes shall be awarded and no parties other than those approved by JCO shall be entitled to award any prizes or Prize Money in connection with the JTC Tournaments.

4.12 JTC TOURNAMENT PRESS CONFERENCE

The JTC Tournament Press Conference is an official and obligatory event forming an integral part of each JTC Tournament. It must be carried out in strict conformity with the applicable JTC Tournament Press Conference Protocol.

The JTC Final Press Conference will take place no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the JTC Prize Giving Ceremony at a convenient location to the venue of the Hosting Event. Prior to the JTC Final Press Conference JCO will appoint the "Press Conference Master", who shall be in charge of conducting the JTC Tournament Press Conference.

The result of the JTC Tournament including Rider/Team statements as set out in the JTC Tournament Press Conference and/or JTC Interviews as approved by JCO beforehand in writing must be communicated across all the official communication channels of the Hosting Event and of JCO for the latest, one (1) hour after finalization of the JTC Tournament Press Conference.

5. TEAMS

5.1 NUMBER OF TEAMS, REGISTRATION OF TEAMS, TEAM REGISTRATION AGREEMENT

5.1.1. Number of Teams

The number of Registered Teams participating and competing in JTC Tournaments is limited to eight (8) per JTC Season. The number and names of Registered Teams participating will be as communicated

by JCO ten (10) weeks prior to the first JTC Qualifying Tournament of the applicable JTC Season.

5.1.2. Registration of Teams

All teams wishing to participate and to compete in a JTC Season are required to register with the JCO by no later than twelve (12) weeks prior to the start of the first JTC Qualifying Tournament of the respective JTC Season.

A team shall be considered a “Registered Team” for the applicable number of JTC Seasons once its registration with JCO is completed. To complete such registration with JCO, the JCT Team Owner(s):

- ✓ must enter in to a legally valid and binding Team Registration Agreement with JCO, and
- ✓ must register in due time prior to the start of the applicable JTC Season all Team Members (“Registered Riders” and the Team Manager (all together the “Team Members”).

A team can only register Team Members with JCO once it has concluded a respective Team Registration Agreement with the JCO.

Registered Teams must register their Team Members in due time as stated in these JTC Rules for the upcoming JTC Season and not just for one (1) JTC Tournament. Teams not registered in due time are not allowed to participate and/or compete.

The JCO will provide the FEI with the names of the Team Members of a Registered Team no later than four (4) weeks after the date a team completes its registration with JCO. The JCO is responsible for paying the FEI registration fee for each Registered Team in accordance with the FEI JRs.

There will be a Team Licensing Fee which shall be established by JCO.

5.1.3 Riders for Teams

Riders cannot be required to pay to become Team Members or to participate and/or compete in any JTC Season.

5.2 TEAM COMPOSITION

5.2.1 Team Roster

Teams are comprised of a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of six (6) riders. An Athlete can't be registered with more than one (1) Registered Team at the same time. A minimum of three (3) Registered Riders must compete for each Registered Team at every JTC Tournament during any given JTC Season. Each Registered Team must appoint and register a Team Manager. The maximum number of Registered Riders permitted to participate in a JTC Tournament is thirty- two (32).

5.2.2 Team Manager

The Team Manager is the spokesman and designed official representative of a Registered Team. The Team Manager is the contact person between the Registered Team, the JCO, the Hosting Event organizers, and the Officials at each JTC Tournament. The Team Manager will have authority and responsibility to bind the Registered Team in relation to all competition and JTC Tournament 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 with the JCO by the JTC Team Owner.

5.2.3 Team Failure to compete

When a Registered Team is unavailable to compete (“Unavailable Team”) at a JTC Tournament, the JCO will make reasonable efforts to create a “Temporary Team” from Athletes entered for other competitions of the Hosting Event of the respective JTC Tournament to compete in its place. In such case, the Temporary Team shall have the same opportunity for Team Prize Money as available to all Registered Teams at the JTC Tournament, but shall not be eligible for the Bonus Team Prize Money. The Unavailable Team shall have zero (0) points added to their classification after the applicable JTC Tournament. If creating a Temporary Team is not possible, the Unavailable Team will still be included in the draw for the respective JTC Tournament. In such case, the Team selected to compete against the Unavailable Team will still go forward and compete and such competing team’s earned score earned shall be considered valid for the duration of the applicable JTC Tournament.

5.2.4 Riders from Longines FEI Jumping Ranking List

Teams must register a minimum of one (1) rider who was ranked in the Top-375 of the Longines FEI Ranking List as of August 31 the previous year. The rider(s) remain(s) eligible under Group 2 of the JTC Invitation Rules regardless of any changes in his/their Longines FEI Jumping Ranking during the applicable JTC Season.

5.2.5 Transfers and Substitutions

Transfers of Registered Riders and/or Team Managers from one Registered Team to another Registered Team and/or substitutions of Registered Riders with riders not yet registered with a Registered Team and/or of Team Managers with team managers not yet registered with a Registered Team are possible:

- (1) In-between two (2) JTC Seasons, and/or
- (2) During one (1) Annual Transfer Window during each JTC Season, the dates and duration of which will be communicated by the JCO prior the start of the first competition of the applicable JTC Season.

During each of (1) and (2), there can only be a maximum change of three (3) riders per Registered Team.

At all times, Registered Teams undertaking any transfers and/or substitutions must comply with the applicable team requirements.

5.2.6 Rider substitution outside Annual Transfer Window

Substitution of a Registered Rider outside the window as defined in Clause 5.2.5 above is only exceptionally possible for medical reasons where the rider is unable to compete for a minimum period of two (2) months (with official declaration of the medical doctor as approved by JCO), or in case of sanctions imposed by the FEI or his/her National Federation.

5.3 MANDATORY PARTICIPATION AND ENTRIES

All Registered Teams must compete at every JTC Tournament including but not limited to the JTC Final Tournament of the applicable JTC Season.

Only National Federations can make Entries of Athletes.

If a rider of a Registered Team entered for a JTC Tournament is unable to participate at the JTC Tournament for any of the following reasons:

- (1) veterinary;
- (2) medical;
- (3) FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping participation and/or
- (4) Team member disqualification prior to the Competition of the JTC Tournament.

The Registered Team may elect to have a rider already entered for the Hosting Event added to its Registered Team as their fourth team member for this particular JTC Tournament. Under such circumstances, the newly added rider cannot be ranked higher than the highest ranked Registered Rider of the Registered Team not entered for the Hosting Event.

6. JTC INVITATION RULES AND SYSTEM

Groups 1 and 2:

Groups 1 and 2 consist of 60% of the number of riders participating.

Group 1:

Consists of 30% of the number of riders participating and will be riders taken in descending order from the Longines FEI Jumping Rankings applicable for that specific JTC Tournament.

Group 2:

The invitations in Group 2 can only be used to invite members of JCT Registered Teams in order to complete the applicable Team up to a maximum of four (4) riders. These invitations consist of 30% of the number of riders participating and can include a maximum of two (2) Team riders taken from the Longines FEI Jumping Rankings Top-375 as of August 31 of the preceding year. The unused Group 2 invitation(s) are reallocated to Group 1.

Substitutions are taken in descending order until fifteen (15) days prior to the start of the JTC Tournament (this applies also to the FEI wild card(s)). For the JTC Tournaments organized outside Europe, the deadline is forty-five (45) days prior to the start of the applicable JTC Tournament due to the requirements for horse flights and horse health documents. After this date the invitation(s) will be allocated by the Organizer of the Hosting Event (Group 4).

Group 3:

Group 3 consists of 10% of the number of riders participating. Group 3 consists of one (1) or two (2) FEI wild cards depending on the FEI star level of the Hosting Event. The other riders are home riders selected by the National Federation (NF) of the Hosting Event.

The riders representing the National Federation (NF) of the Hosting Event are selected by the National Federation of the Hosting Event and the FEI wild card(s) by the FEI. Should the National Federation of the Hosting Event and/or the FEI not be able to meet its quota of riders in this group, the quota will be filled by the Hosting Event Organizer inviting additional riders (Group 4).

Group 4:

Group 4 consists of 30% of the number of riders participating selected by the Hosting Event Organizer.

The invitations in Group 4 can only be used to invite members of JTC Registered Teams in order to complete a Team up to a maximum of four (4) riders. It is not obligatory that these riders are to be chosen from the Longines FEI Jumping Rankings. If less than 20% of the riders have to come from Group 4 in order to accommodate JTC Registered Teams, the Hosting Event Organizer can invite individual riders up to 20%. The unused Group 4 invitation(s) are reallocated to Group 1.

The total number of athletes participating in Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4 shall be according to the approved FEI schedule and in any case up to a maximum of 65; provided, however, that the percentages of athletes in Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4; shall be 60% for Groups 1 and 2 (30% for each); 10% for Group 3; and 30% for Group 4.

Group 5:

The invitations in Group 5 can only be used to invite members of teams registered with JTC in order to complete the team up to a maximum of four (4) athletes. Group 5 consists of the team member not competing in the JTC Tournament (unless article 5.3 needs to be applied) but taking part in the rest of the competitions of the Hosting Event (except for the Grand Prix).

Group 5 does not count for the percentages of the invitation system. Riders in Group 5 are invited only to meet the Team quota of a maximum of four (4) riders. If a JTC Registered Team has reached its team quota of four (4) riders through Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4, no rider will be invited from Group 5. Group 5 riders are not permitted to take part in the Grand Prix competition of the Hosting Event.

Remark:

Groups 2, 4 and 5 can only be used to complete the team quota of a maximum of four (4) riders.

7. JTC CLASSIFICATIONS & JTC POINT SYSTEMS

7.1 JTC OVERALL TOURNAMENT CLASSIFICATION FOR JTC QUALIFYING TOURNAMENTS

With view to generating an JTC Overall Tournament Classification of Registered Teams during a JTC Season, Registered Teams competing in a JTC Qualifying Tournament will be awarded with points according to their competition result (position of the Registered Team after the competition) and the point system (“JTC Point System for JTC Qualifying Tournaments”) as outlined below. This point system shall be used for each JTC Qualifying Tournament during a JTC Season, except for the annual JTC Final Tournament. Points awarded to Registered Teams at different JTC Qualifying Tournaments within one (1) JTC Season shall be accumulated towards the JTC Overall Tournament Classification for JTC Qualifying Tournaments and towards the JTC Overall Season Classification.

The JTC Point System for JTC Qualifying Tournaments, with the “JTC Overall Tournament Classification” calculated accordingly and as per the above, shall be as follows:

Team Position*	Points
1.	70
2.	50
3.	25
4.	18
5.	15
6.	10
7.	8
8.	4

(* after competition in the applicable JTC Qualification Tournament).

7.2 JTC OVERALL FINAL TOURNAMENT CLASSIFICATION FOR A JTC FINAL TOURNAMENT

The point system for a JTC Final Tournament (“ JTC Point System for a JTC Final Tournament”) with the “JTC Overall Final Tournament Classification” calculated accordingly and as per the above shall be as follows:

Team Position*	Points
1.	140
2.	100
3.	50
4.	36
5.	30
6.	20
7.	16
8.	8

(* after competition in the applicable JTC Final Tournament).

7.3 OVERALL JTC TOURNAMENT AND OVERALL JTC SEASON CLASSIFICATION TIE BREAK

In case of a tie for any place on the overall JTC Tournament and/or overall JTC Season Classification, the applicable teams are separated by giving preference to the team with the greater number of first place classifications.

In case there is still a tie, the number of second place classifications will count and, if necessary, the number of third place classifications and so on until the tie is broken.

If after applying this method there is still a tie for any place at the conclusion of the last JTC Tournament of the JTC Season, preference will be given to the team with the greatest number of Quarter Final clear rounds (First Rounds) throughout the eight (8) such rounds during the JTC Season (i.e. maximum three (3) results per Round per team) from each Competition throughout the JTC Season.

If there is still a tie, the scores counting (i.e. maximum three (3) results per Round per team) for each team from each Quarter Final Competition will be added together and preference will be given to the team with the lowest overall score.

If there is still a tie, the penalties counting for each team from each Quarter Final Competition will be added together and preference will be given to the team with the lowest overall time.

If notwithstanding the above, there is still a tie, the remaining teams will share the applicable Prize Money equally.

8. TEAM PRIZE MONEY, TEAM BONUS PRIZE MONEY

8.1 TEAM PRIZE MONEY FOR JCT TOURNAMENTS & TEAM PRIZE MONEY DISTRIBUTION

All Registered Teams, up to a maximum of eight (8), competing in a JTC Tournament shall receive Team Prize Money. Teams not registered with JCO are not entitled to Team Prize Money, safe for a Temporary Team as per Clause 5.2.3 of these JTC Rules.

The amount of Team Prize Money for each JTC Tournament must not exceed the amount of Prize Money for the Grand Prix of the applicable Hosting Event. Notwithstanding the above, the overall amount of Team Prize Money available per JTC Tournament shall be as defined by JCO.

The overall amount of Team Prize Money available per JCT Tournament shall be distributed as follows:

QUARTER-FINAL, SEMI-FINAL AND FINAL			
	1st Round	2nd Round	Final Round (Jump-Off)
Position	Classification after 1 st Round	Classification after 2 nd Round	Classification after Final Round
1	-	-	35%
2	-	-	25%
3	-	12.5%	-
4	-	9%	-
5	7.5%	-	-
6	5%	-	-
7	4%	-	-
8	2%	-	-

In the event that there is a tie on points and time in an encounter in any of the Rounds, the Team Prize Money corresponding to the tied position in the classification of the Round will be distributed equally between the tied Registered Teams.

8.2 TEAM BONUS PRIZE MONEY FOR JTC SEASONS & TEAM BONUS PRIZE MONEY DISTRIBUTION

JCO reserves the right to distribute “Team Bonus Prize Money”. The Team Bonus Prize Money shall be available for the Registered Teams only and shall be divided and allocated according to the positions of the Registered Team in the Overall JTC Season Classification as follows:

Position in JTC Season Classification	Team Bonus Prize Money
1.	22.55%
2.	19%
3.	16%
4.	14%
5.	11%
6.	8%
7.	6%
8.	3.45%

Safe for Clause 7.3 of these JTC Rules, in the event that there is a tie on points/positions in the JTC Season Classification, the Team Bonus Prize Money corresponding to the tied position in the classification will be distributed equally between the applicable Registered Teams.

9. GRAND PRIX PARTICIPATION, POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY FOR INDIVIDUAL RIDERS

9.1 GRAND PRIX PARTICIPATION

The sixteen (16) best-positioned Registered Riders following the Quarter-Final (1st Round) of a JTC Tournament - excluding those riders who are invited under Group 5 of the JCT Invitation System as per these JTC Rules - are automatically qualified to compete in the Grand Prix competition of the respective Hosting Event. Those equal on penalties for 16th position are separated by their times in the Quarter Final (1st Round). In case of a further tie, all the riders concerned are permitted to compete in the Grand Prix of the Hosting Event.

9.2 POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY FOR INDIVIDUAL RIDERS

In addition to Clauses 8.1 and 8.2 of these JTC Rules, riders registered for participating and competing in JTC Tournaments with a Registered Team shall receive Prize Money based on their individual performance throughout a JTC Season (“Individual JTC Season Bonus”).

The Individual JTC Season Bonus will be distributed according to an overall individual classification which shall be based on the results that each Registered Rider obtains in each of the Grand Prix Events they competed in during the JTC Season.

The overall individual classification should be formed by accumulating all points for each Registered Rider won across all JTC Qualifying Tournaments and the JTC Final Tournaments.

The following point system will be used for each Grand Prix of a Hosting Event, except for the Grand Prix of the JTC Final Tournament:

Rider Position after Grand Prix	Points
1.	30
2.	25
3.	21
4.	19
5.	17
6.	16
7.	15
8.	14
9.	13
10.	12
11.	11
12.	10
13.	9
14.	8
15.	7
16.	6
17.	5
18.	4
19.	3
20.	2

The following point system will be used for the Grand Prix of the Hosting Event of the JTC Final Tournament:

Rider Position after Grand Prix	Points
1.	60
2.	50
3.	42
4.	38
5.	34
6.	32
7.	30
8.	28
9.	26
10.	24
11.	22
12.	20
13.	18
14.	16
15.	14
16.	12
17.	10
18.	8
19.	6
20.	4

The overall amount of Prize Money available for the Individual JTC Season Bonus per JTC Season shall be distributed as follows:

Rider Position after JTC Season	Percentage
1.	50%
2.	30%
3.	20%

10 MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 OFFICAL DESIGNATIONS OF THE JUMPINGCLASH TEAM CHALLENGE™

10.1.1 JTC Qualifying Tournament

Unless required differently by JCO in writing, it is obligatory for any applicable JCT Qualifying Tournament to be referred to by any Members of Registered Teams and representatives of Hosting Events at all times as the: *“Title Sponsor” National Equestrian League™ presented by “Presenting Sponsor”* (with Sponsor names/designations as applicable) across any and all communications, including any written, print, digital, audio and audio-visual.

10.1.2 JTC Final Tournament

Unless required differently by JCO in writing, it is obligatory for the JCT Final Tournament to be referred to by any Members of Registered Teams and representatives of Hosting Events at all times as: *“Title Sponsor” National Equestrian League™ Final presented by “Presenting Sponsor”* (with Sponsor names/designations as applicable) across any and all communications, including any written, print, digital, audio and audio-visual.

10.1.3 Other Official Designations

In addition to the above, JCO reserves the right to introduce additional official designations, such as e.g. for the JTC Trophy. In such case, JCO shall inform all relevant parties in writing at least ten (10) weeks in advance. No party other than JCO shall have the right to introduce official designations for any elements forming part of a JTC Tournament.

10.2 TIMEKEEPING

Any competition will always be timed with a FEI-homologated timekeeping system. The timekeeping system must be able to measure the time to a precision of three (3) decimal points of a second. The time of each horse/rider combination round will be recorded to two (2) decimal points (1/100th) of a second, the third decimal number will be discarded after the calculation of the elapsed time (the difference between the combination's start time and its finish time).

10.3 CRITERIA FOR HOSTING EVENTS OF A JTC TOURNAMENT

An event hosting a JTC Tournament shall be considered a "Hosting Event". The following criteria must be respected for all Hosting Events of a JTC Tournament:

- a) Each Hosting Event must have CSI5* status;
- b) Each Hosting Event must respect the 5* technical requirements of FEI in effect at the time;
- c) Each JTC Tournament may not have more Prize Money than the Grand Prix competition of the respective Hosting Event;
- d) All Hosting Events must follow a fixed competition format schedule, with the JTC Tournament generally taking place on a Saturday;
- e) Each Hosting Event must have entered into a legally binding JTC Tournament Hosting Agreement.

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