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FEI Championships and Finals available to bid for:

We would like to inform NFs and Organisers that applications can still be submitted for the following FEI Championships and Finals.

FEI Championships and Finals taking place in 2021

- FEI Jumping Children’s Classics Final
- FEI Jumping Asian Championship for Juniors

FEI Championships and Finals scheduled for allocation by the FEI Board in June 2021

2022

- FEI Jumping European Championships for Veterans
- FEI Jumping Children’s Classics Final
- FEI Jumping South American Championship for Young Riders, Juniors, Pre-Juniors & Children
- FEI Jumping World Challenge Final
- FEI Jumping Asian Championship for Juniors
- FEI Driving World Championship for Young Horses

2023
- FEI Jumping Children’s Classics Final
- FEI Jumping South American Championship for Young Riders, Juniors, Pre-Juniors & Children
- FEI Jumping World Challenge Final
- FEI Jumping Asian Championship for Juniors
- FEI Driving World Championship for Ponies Four in Hand/Pairs/Singles
- FEI Driving World Championship for Young Horses
- FEI Driving European Championship Four in Hand

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- FEI Para Driving World Championship for Singles

Applications can be made via the FEI Online Bidding Platform. Please contact bidding@fei.org if you have any questions on the process.

ELECTIONS & APPOINTEMENTS 2021 - APPLICATION PROCESS NOW OPEN

The process for candidatures for elections and appointments to be made in 2021 is now open. The complete list of positions including details on job specifications and the relevant procedures in terms of deadlines, timelines and candidate requirements are available in the Governance/Elections section of inside.FEI.org.

There are 15 positions open to candidacies, including Chairpersons for Group V, Jumping, Dressage and Eventing Committees; three members of the FEI Tribunal; as well as open positions for members of the following Committees: Jumping, Dressage, Eventing, Para Equestrian, Driving, Veterinary (x2) and Medical. The deadline to receive applications for all open positions is 1 May 2021 23:59 CEST.

Equestrian is one of the only sports where men and women compete as equals at all levels, and in order to further ensure gender equality and geographical diversity in the decision making process, the FEI Board strongly supports diversity and gender balance, and encourages National Federations not yet represented on FEI Board and Standing Committees to present candidatures for the open positions.

For any questions on Elections & Appointments 2021, please contact Julie.schlaefli@fei.org.

FEI RULES REVISION 2021

As per the FEI Periodical Rules Revision Policy, a number of FEI Rules and Regulations are reviewed every four years. For 2021, the following Rules – Jumping, Dressage, Para Dressage, Driving & Para Driving - were supposed to be fully reviewed.

However, due to Covid-19 mitigating factors, and with the agreement of the Dressage, Para Equestrian and Vaulting Technical Committees, the Board have agreed to:

- Postpone the full review of the Dressage and Para Dressage Rules to 2022 in order to:
  - Accommodate the review process of the Championships competition format at the Olympic and Paralympic Games to be held in 2021.
  - Allow for testing and insights on the new Code of Points for Dressage so that it can be introduced at the same time.
  - And finally, accommodate for the postponed Para Forum which will now be taking place in January 2022 due to Covid-19.
- Bring forward the full review of the Vaulting Rules to 2021 (initially due to be fully reviewed in 2022) as a new concept that fulfils the needs of each class and level is ready to be presented and will benefit from being introduced in 2022 rather than 2023.

Based on this, the Rules to be reviewed as part of the FEI Periodical Rules Revision Policy in 2021 are:

- Jumping Rules
- Vaulting Rules
- Driving & Para Driving Rules

We would like to highlight the deadline of 1 March 2021 for National Federations and Stakeholders with whom the FEI has signed an MOU to propose Rules changes as per the FEI Statutes. You will find all the key dates, timelines and templates for the Rules Revision Process 2021 in the Governance/Rules Revision of inside.FEI.org.

FEI SPORTS FORUM 2021 - NEW DATES

The FEI Sports Forum dates have been moved from 19-20 April to 01-02 June 2021. Both in-person and online formats are being considered.

FEI GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2021 - NEW DATES

The dates for the FEI General Assembly 2021, which is set to take place in South Africa, have changed from 13-16 November to 11-14 November 2021 for logistical reasons, and hence the FEI General Assembly will take place on Sunday 14 November 2021.

TOKYO 2020 PLAYBOOKS

The Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games Playbooks for all the key Games stakeholders are now available [here].

The Playbooks are the basis of a collective game plan to ensure that all Olympic and Paralympic Games participants and the people of Tokyo and Japan are safe and healthy this summer. They outline the responsibilities of all Games participants and the rules that must be followed – starting 14 days before travel as well as entry to Japan, throughout the Games, and departing. The dedicated playbooks for each of the stakeholder groups are as follows:

- Press
- Broadcasters
- International Federations (and ITOs)
- Athletes & Officials

FEI OFFICIALS

Covid-19 and travelling/attending Events

The health, well-being and safety of our Athletes, Officials and our fans is our top priority!

For Officials attending FEI Events, there are many additional considerations to take into account in light of the pandemic, the different national restrictions in place and the FEI Policy for Enhanced Competition Safety, which applies to all FEI Events taking place as of 1 July 2020.

We have recently published a “handy” [Checklist for Officials] when travelling to Events during Covid-19 which was originally created by the International Dressage Officials Club (IDOC) and which is of value to the entire community in these complicated times, especially when it comes to logistics around travel.

We would also like to highlight the following links, which will provide you with additional guidance on all matters related to “officiating” during the Covid-19 pandemic, so that you can make informed decisions and be fully prepared for any eventualities whilst travelling or attending an Event:

- [FEI Covid-19 FAQs for Officials] where we cover questions relating to your role/responsibility with regards to Covid-19 at an Event.
- [FEI Insurance Coverage for Officials] where you will find a summary of the current insurance coverage for FEI officials specifically appointed and sent by the FEI to an event or a meeting, including additional pages/updates to the Policy dedicated to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- [FEI Return to Play], a dedicated hub where you will find all the measures, guidelines and recommendations in place for Events including a risk assessment tool, a decision making tree, and additional Guidelines and Protocols for specific disciplines and roles at Events.

FEI CAMPUS

FEI 2021 Rules Explainer Videos now available on FEI Campus

For the fifth year in a row, the Education & Officials Department is presenting the major FEI Rule changes in video format.

These videos are mainly aimed at Officials and Athletes who are required to be up-to-date with the different rules. For the wider audience these videos will serve a rather informative purpose, providing a deeper understanding of our sport. The goal of these short videos is to highlight the most impactful rule changes and their rationale in each discipline, as well as more general regulations including the Equine Anti-Doping Controlled Medication Regulations and the Anti-Doping Rules for Human Athletes which underwent a full review in 2020.

You can access all the videos on [FEI Campus] by clicking on the relevant discipline pages as well as the Veterinary hub. Here are the direct links:

- [FEI Jumping Rules Changes 2021]
- [FEI Dressage & Para Dressage Rules Changes 2021]
- [FEI Eventing Rules Changes 2021]
- [FEI Driving & Para Driving Rules Changes 2021]
- [FEI Endurance Rules Changes 2021]
- [FEI Vaulting Rules Changes 2021]
- [FEI Reining Rules Changes 2021]
- [FEI Veterinary Regulations Changes 2021]
- [FEI General Regulations Changes 2021]
- [FEI Equine Anti-Doping Controlled Medication Regulations Changes 2021]
- [FEI Anti-Doping Rules for Human Athletes Changes 2021]

EVENTING

FEI Eventing Zone Rankings

The [FEI Eventing Zone Rankings] have been updated and are available on the FEI Database:

- 2020 Leaders of the Eventing Zone Rankings
  - North Western Europe: Oliver Townend (GBR)
  - South Western Europe: Felix Vogg (SUI)
  - Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia: Aleksandr Markov (RUS)
  - North America: Boyd Martin (USA)
  - Central and South America: Carlos Lobos Muñoz (CHI)
  - Africa and Middle East: Usman Khan (PAK)
  - South East Asia and Oceania: Tim Price (NZL)

- Final 2020 FEI Eventing World Athletes Rankings Top 3
  - 1. Oliver Townend (GBR)
2. Tim Price (NZL)
3. Piggy March (GBR)

2021 FEI Eventing World Athlete Rankings
The Board approved the proposed modifications to the 2021 Rules for the FEI Eventing World Athlete Rankings, which can be found here. The updated Ranking rules relate the number of Ranking points to the number of Dressage starters for all FEI Eventing Events.

FEI Eventing Athletes Categorisations
FEI Eventing Athletes Categorisations have been processed, taking into account results obtained between 01 July 2012 and 31 December 2020. The updated categories are available here.

FEI Eventing Dressage tests
All 2021 FEI Eventing Dressage tests are available and can be accessed here. The CC1* test as well as the CC13* B tests are new, minor modifications or clarifications have been included in the other tests. Track-changed versions of the tests are available on request.

FEI Eventing Officials appointments
Edited Guidelines on the Appointment of Officials at CC15*-L Events, approved by the FEI Eventing Committee, are now available online here, published together with the Guidelines on Appointment of Officials at FEI Eventing Championships and the list of Eventing Officials appointed at 2021 FEI Eventing Championships.

FEI Eventing Nations Cup™
The 2021 FEI Eventing Nations Cup™ rules have been approved and published with the final classification rules and minimum prize money have been adapted to the current Covid-19 situation. The tie break procedure for the final classification has been updated as well.

FEI Eventing Cross Country Guide for Officials
To be read in conjunction with the 2021 FEI Eventing Rules, the Cross Country Design Guide for Officials has been updated and is available online here. These important guidelines are updated on a regular basis to provide information on best practices, Cross Country philosophy and detailed explanations on all Cross Country fences, frangible technologies, ground lines and front shoulders.

FEI Eventing FAQ on Tack and Equipment
The updated version of the Eventing FAQ on Tack and Equipment is now available online here. The updated Eventing Steward Manual will be available shortly on the same page.

FEI Eventing Risk Management
The FEI Eventing Risk Management and NSO Seminar can be watched again here. The presentations and reports will be available shortly on the same page.

Reminder: As of 1 January 2021, all Cross Country fences, at all FEI levels, which can be fitted with a frangible technology, must be fitted with frangible devices. A Useful instruction manual and explanatory videos are available here.

VAULTING

FEI Vaulting Code of Points
The FEI Vaulting Technical Committee have made certain amendments to the FEI Vaulting Code of Points and the updated document, in effect since 1 January 2021, is now published in the FEI Vaulting Rules page of inside.FEI.org. The 2021 updates specifically include modifications to Individuals’ exercises.

The aim of this Code of Points is, to precisely describe all exercises which could potentially be shown at International level, in order to give a valuable supporting tool to judges and athletes. It is a living document which will be updated on a yearly basis by the dedicated working group.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the FEI Vaulting Department.

VETERINARY

FEI Equine Prohibited Substances List: call for suggestions by List Group
The 2021 Equine Prohibited Substances List effective since 1 January 2021 is available in PDF format for download in the Anti-Doping rules page of inside.FEI.org. The review process for changes to the 2021 Equine Prohibited Substances List is now underway and details regarding this process are explained here.

In preparation for the 2022 List, we invite National Federations, Veterinarians, Athletes, Grooms, Judges and other interested parties to submit their suggestions for consideration by the List Group via the FEI Prohibited List Suggestions Form. Please complete all fields, including information regarding the substance, its use, application and specific reasoning for inclusion or change of category as applicable.

Suggestions should be submitted to Caterina Termine no later than 15 March 2021 for consideration during 2021.

FEI DIRECTORY

Updates to the FEI Database
Monthly summary on the key changes/updates in the FEI Database with regards to the FEI’s member National Federations. All details can be found on the FEI Database by clicking on each NF’s name listed below:

FIN - THE EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF FINLAND
Ms Marjukka MANNINEN has been elected President.

KUW - KUWAIT EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION
Mr Masoud Jawhar HAYAT has been elected President and
Ms Nabilah Abdullah Abdulrahman EL ALI has been elected as Secretary General.
Main email address: sg.kef@kuwaitolympic.org

**LTU - LITHUANIAN EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION**
New postal address: V. Gerulacio g. 10, 08314 Vilnius
New Phone number: +370 627 040358

**TTO - TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION**
Please note the new acronym. Changed from TRI to TTO.

**TUN - FEDERATION TUNISIENNE DES SPORTS EQUESTRES**
Mr Hatem MARNAOUI has been elected as President.

**USA - US EQUESTRIAN**
Mr Thomas F.X. O’MARA has been elected President.

**RSA - SOUTH AFRICAN EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION**
Ms Sharlene VENTER serves as Acting Secretary General.
New postal address: 29 Macintyre Road, Glenferness, 1686 JOHANNESBURG