



Dear Official Veterinarian,

The FEI Veterinary Department would like to update you concerning information relevant to your role as an Official Veterinarian.

1. Status Renewal

After the completion of 2016's veterinary courses, the list of FEI veterinarians has been updated.

Official Veterinarians whose ID card expires on 31 December 2016 and who are up-to-date will find a new card, validated for 4 years, in their [online account](#) as of 01 January 2017. They will be able to print it from their account and will be required to present it at all FEI events where they will officiate. Attention, those who pass the PTV exam between today and 31 December 2016 will find their new ID card in their account by 15 January 2017.

Official Veterinarians who have not passed the required courses or completed the PTV exam will have their function ended and will not be able to officiate until they satisfy the requirements.

Endurance Official Veterinarians and Endurance Veterinary Treatment Officials who have not passed the required exam and courses or who have not officiated at the required minimum number of events will either have their function ended or be downgraded to the lower star level.

The National Federations will receive their list of FEI Veterinarians with all details and explanations.

2. QR Code Scanning

Veterinary Delegates are kindly requested to scan the ID cards of all Official Veterinarians and Permitted Treating Veterinarians on duty at events where they will officiate to verify their validity. To do so, please install applications such as QR Code Reader or Quick Scan on your mobile phone before attending your first event.

3. 2017 Veterinary Courses

To enable new content production, no veterinary courses will be held before 1 July 2017. Next year's course calendar will be published by 1 March 2017. Bulgaria was allowed to hold courses in January to compensate for the lack of available course directors in December.

Please note that Testing Veterinarian Courses will be held in 2017 and will have to be repeated by all Testing Veterinarians every 4 years.

A new format of Regional Veterinary Courses will also be added and comprise the Testing Veterinarian Course, General Veterinarian Course, Advanced Course for EOVs and Course for EVTs. This 5-day course will allow veterinarians with needs of multiple courses to save on travel costs.

4. 2017 Veterinary Course Directors

Current course directors and other FEI veterinarians wishing to be nominated as course directors in 2017 are welcome to apply to the Veterinary Department using the application form available on the [FEI website](#).

The deadline for returning applications is set to 20 January 2017 at the latest.

After consultation with the Veterinary Committee, the Veterinary Department will confirm the new pool of course directors on 13 February 2017.

5. 2017 Veterinary Regulations

After approval by the General Assembly, the 2017 Veterinary Regulations have been posted on the [FEI website](#).

Kindly note that Article 1013.16 has been amended as follows: "Primary VDs may not have been the VD at the same Event, including all levels of competition for more than 3 consecutive years without taking at least a 3 year break from the Event. This prohibition is not applicable to VSMs or TVs."

6. Evaluation of Testing Technician Candidates

We kindly request that should Testing Veterinarians evaluate candidate Testing Technicians for their practical test, that they fill in Section 3 of the Online Testing Report. Failure to do so results in the FEI being unable to register the candidate's result and inform the candidate of the outcome of their test.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your invaluable contribution during this busy year and wish you all a Happy New Year 2017!



The FEI Veterinary Department is available, should you have any questions or concerns.

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