

21 November 2023, Mexico City (MEX)

Committee name	FEI Dressage Technical Committee
Date	18.10.2023
Chair	Maribel Alonso (MEX)

Committee Report	
Pt.	Subject
1	With the great help of Anna Milne and Philippe Maynier in the Dressage department we successfully managed the first half of 2023. Ronan Murphy joined the department as Director on 10 July 2023.
2	FEI Dressage Nations Cup™ Rules 2024 were revised and approved in August 2023. The FEI Dressage World Cup™ Rules 2023-2024 were approved in March 2023, with and update for Article 7 in August 2023.
3	A large number of discussions on the use of tack took place in the DTC. The DTC still follows all research relating to equipment and welfare. To date there is no credible evidence to suggest that the double bridle poses a welfare risk. Thus, the DTC reaffirms the primacy of welfare and maintains its position that the use of the double bridle in top sport is not a welfare issue. The DTC stays abreast of new studies especially those that might require a reassessment of any conclusions.
4	<p>Important Championships/Games in 2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Central American and Caribbean Games in Santo Domingo (DOM) - European Senior Championships in Riesenbeck (GER) - Pan American Games in Santiago (CHI) - Asian Games in Hangzhou (CHN) - European Championships for U25 and Young Riders in Pilisjászfalu (HUN), for Juniors and Children in Kronberg (GER) and for Ponies in Le Mans (FRA) - North American Youth Championships in Williamsburg MI (USA) - World Breeding Championships in Ermelo (NED)
5	Rules revision: Following the full revision in 2022 for 2023, only minor changes were accepted for 2024. The documentation published under "useful documents" was compiled into one Dressage Manual. Discussions are ongoing about a measuring tool to check noseband tightness.
6	The DTC is working on clarifying their tasks and areas of expertise within the new framework of the Terms of Reference for all Technical Committees and Working Groups.
7	The Technical Delegate and Chief Steward for Dressage for the Olympic Games 2024 recommended by the DTC were appointed by the FEI Board in June. The Ground Jury and JSP were recommended in June and appointed in October by the FEI Board. The Officials for the other 2024 Championships will be appointed by the DTC at the end of October.
8	<p>Projects for 2024 include an FEI named series of combined events, to be presented to the FEI Board in November 2023</p> <p>Revision of conflicts of interest to be finalised together with the FEI Legal department.</p>

ANNEX 15.1

FEI™ GENERAL ASSEMBLY

21 November 2023, Mexico City (MEX)

9	An in-person meeting is planned for the first quarter of 2024 as no in-person meeting was possible in 2023 due to scheduling and logistics issues.
---	--