

<b>Committee name</b>	<b>FEI Dressage Technical Committee</b>
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<b>Committee Report</b>	
<b>Pt.</b>	<b>Subject</b>
1	<u>Dressage Judges Working Group</u> : The working group finalised their work and presented the final report (approved by the FEI Board in November 2018) to the DTC. The input from the NFs and stakeholder groups was discussed and included where useful according to the opinion of the TC. The main content of the report was already presented at the last FEI Sports Forum(s). It will now be the task of the DTC to implement the proposals made in the report. Here I would like to thank the members of the DJWG and the sub working groups for their support and positivism.
2	<u>Stakeholders</u> : Representatives of the official stakeholder groups were invited to a DTC meeting in March to discuss pending issues. It showed again that these kinds of meetings are important to have a good communication with these groups.
3	<u>Tests</u> : In September an event was organised in Warendorf (GER) to try out some new dressage tests. (short GP, Intermediate A and B, Children) Present were representatives of experts groups and several tests for different levels were ridden and judged. Especially several shorter Grand Prix tests were showed and the experts, and later the DTC, agreed about one new test. This new short GP test will not be introduced before the Olympic Games 2020 as it may not have any impact on the qualification process. The DTC will now discuss the introduction of the new tests soon.
4	<u>Olympic format</u> : The new format for the coming Olympic Games in Tokyo was tested successfully at the Youth CDI in Hagen. The test event was very useful and only some small changes were made in the Olympic Rules for dressage.
5	<u>Nations Cup</u> : The Nations Cup in dressage still needs some development and a group of Organizers started the discussion about the future of this series. We hope to present a new concept in the coming year.

6	<p><u>World Cup</u>: Together with the Organisers of the WEL, the DTC is working with the goal of making the first test (GP) more attractive. A first test was done during the CDI-W event in Olympia London December 2018. Not only a shorter format for the Grand Prix test, but also the general presentation of the competition is under discussion, and more try-outs will be done. The Freestyle competition format will not be changed. At the same time the DTC together with HQ prepared a new bidding process.</p>
7	<p><u>New technical tools</u>: After the successful introduction of the Degree of Difficulty system for the Freestyle, this year big steps were made with the introduction of the so called E-scribe system. With this system the paper scribe is not necessary anymore and the points of the judges are directly entered into the computer system by a scribe. At the end of the test the final result is directly announced.</p>
8	<p><u>Amateurs</u>: There is some discussion going on regarding the competitions for amateurs. The first step is to formulate a clear definition for amateurs in the FEI disciplines and after that the details can be discussed about the possible competitions and rules for this group of riders.</p>
9	<p><u>Agenda 2020</u>: For the coming Olympic year several important issues are on the agenda for the DTC. The Report of the DJWG will be a main issue, but also issues as Nations Cup series, use of equipment and the welfare of the horse. Here I take the opportunity to thank the hard working colleagues in the DTC and the Team in HQ for their hard work and support for the dressage sport.</p>