

CONSENT AWARD

dated 30 May 2023 and issued by the

FEI TRIBUNAL

Sitting in the following composition:

Sole Panel Member: Mr Brian Ward (CAN)

in the matter between:

FÉDÉRATION EQUESTRE INTERNATIONALE (FEI)

and

Ahmed Salim Ali AL KALBANI in his capacity as the **Additional Person Responsible** in the following case:

Case: C23-0022 AL KALBANI

FEI Case reference: [REDACTED]

Person Responsible/ID/NF: [REDACTED]

Trainer/ID/NF: Ahmed Salim Ali AL KALBANI/10185288/OMA

Horse/Passport/NF: [REDACTED]

Event/ID: CEI1*100 - Muscat (OMA), 16.03.2023, 2023_CI_0512_E_S_01Event/Date/ID: 08-10.12.2022, 2022_CI_1436_E_S_01

Prohibited Substance(s): Dexamethasone

Bar Code Nos.: 562411829

I. Parties

1. The Fédération Equestre Internationale (the "FEI") is the sole IOC recognised International Federation for equestrian sport. The FEI is the governing body for the FEI equestrian disciplines of dressage, jumping, eventing, driving, endurance, vaulting, and para-equestrian.
2. Mr Ahmed Salim Ali AL KALBANI (FEI ID 10185288), the Additional Person Responsible (the "APR"), is a trainer from Oman, and was the registered trainer for the horse, [REDACTED] (the "Horse"), which competed at the CEI1* 100 in Muscat (OMA), between on 16 March 2023 (the "Event").

II. Factual background and initial proceedings

3. The Horse was tested during the Event and returned a positive result for Dexamethasone, which is a corticosteroid with anti-inflammatory effects. Dexamethasone is a "Controlled Medication Substance" under the FEI's Equine Prohibited Substances list.
4. The FEI informed the APR of the positive result in a notification letter dated 21 April 2023 (the "Notification Letter").
5. In the Notification Letter, the FEI provided the APR with an option to admit the ECM Rule violation, accept the sanctions and benefit from a three (3) month reduction of the otherwise applicable period of "Ineligibility" of six (6) months in accordance with Art. 10.8.1 of the ECM Rules.
6. On 5 May 2023, received by the FEI on 11 May 2023, the APR submitted to the FEI a duly signed Acceptance of Consequences Form.

III. Summary of the proceeding before the FEI Tribunal

7. On 15 May 2023, the FEI submitted to the FEI Tribunal the duly signed Acceptance of Consequences Form together with the Notification Letter and requested that the FEI Tribunal issue a "Consent Award", confirming the accepted consequences that would be imposed on the APR.
8. On 23 May 2023, the Tribunal informed the Parties of the appointment of a one-person hearing panel to adjudicate and approve this case. The Parties were asked to provide any objections to the constitution of the hearing panel by 26 May 2023.

9. On 23 May 2023, the FEI informed the Tribunal that it did not have any objections to the constitution of the No objection to the constitution of the hearing panel was received from the APR.
10. Neither party requested an oral hearing.

IV. Jurisdiction

11. The jurisdiction of the FEI Tribunal, which is not disputed, derives from the:

Statutes 24th edition, effective 19 November 2019 ("Statutes"), Arts. 1.5, 38 and 39.

General Regulations, 24th edition, updates effective 1 January 2023, Arts. 118, 143.1, 159, 164, 165 and 167 ("GRs").

Internal Regulations of the FEI Tribunal, 3rd Edition, 2 March 2018 ("IRs").

FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations ("EADCMRs"), 3rd edition, 1 January 2021, updates effective 1 January 2023.

V. Early Admission and Acceptance of Sanction

12. In accordance with Art. 10.8.1 of the ECM Rules, *"Where Person Responsible and/or member of the Support Personnel and/or other Person, after being notified by the FEI of a potential ECM Rule violation that carries an asserted period of Ineligibility of six (6) months or more (including any period of Ineligibility asserted under Article 10.4), admits the violation and accepts the asserted period of Ineligibility no later than twenty (20) days after receiving notice of an ECM Rule violation charge, the Person Responsible and/or member of the Support Personnel and/or other Person may receive a three (3) month reduction in the period of Ineligibility asserted by the FEI. Where the Person Responsible and/or member of the Support Personnel and/or other Person receives the three (3) month reduction in the asserted period of Ineligibility under this Article 10.8.1, no further reduction in the asserted period of Ineligibility shall be allowed under any other Article."*

VI. Ratification of the Accepted Consequences

13. The APR has explicitly admitted the rule violation and accepted the following consequences (in accordance with the Article 10.8.1 of the ECM Rules):
 - o a period of Ineligibility of three (3) months commencing from the date of the Final Decision by the FEI Tribunal (in case of Voluntary Provisional

Suspension, the already served suspension shall be credited against the imposed Ineligibility Period); and

- o fine of CHF 2'500.

14. The sole panel member confirms that the above Accepted Consequences comply with the ECM Rules and finds no grounds to object to their terms.

ON THESE GROUNDS

1. The sole panel member hereby ratifies the Accepted Consequences in the case C23-0022 AL KALBANI [REDACTED] and incorporates its terms into this Consent Award.
2. Each Party is hereby ordered to perform the obligations and duties pursuant to the Accepted Consequences.
3. The Consent Award is pronounced without costs.
4. This Consent Award is final and is not subject to an appeal as the APR has waived this right.
5. This Consent Award shall be published in accordance with Article 14.3 of the ECM Rules.

DECISION TO BE FORWARDED TO:

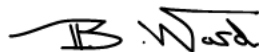
a. The Parties:

- FEI
- Mr Ahmed Salim Ali AL KALBANI (APR)

b. Any other:

- The NF of the APR, the Oman Equestrian Federation

FOR THE TRIBUNAL



Mr Brian Ward (CAN)