

Committee name	FEI Veterinary Committee
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Chair	Jennifer Hall

Committee Report	
Pt.	Subject
1	Meetings
	The Veterinary Committee has held two hybrid meetings and one online meeting.
2	Veterinary Regulations
	The Veterinary Regulations have undergone a review to adapt to the proposed Key Event Requirement process. In addition minor changes in accordance with the Rules Revision Process have been proposed.
	The previous Equine Influenza vaccine shortage has been resolved and the derogation of the booster intervals that were provided for through a Board Emergency Resolution, came out of force on 1 April 2023.
3	Biosecurity
	There has been no major outbreaks of infectious disease impacting FEI Events during 2022.
	The Veterinary Department has continued to appoint and remunerate Foreign Veterinary Delegates (FVDs) to a proportion of FEI Events. Breaches of the biosecurity requirements and protocols have been reported by these FVDs. Actions have been taken to improve the standards at the specific venues.
	The Veterinary Director presented on FEI Biosecurity at the World Veterinary Congress in Taiwan. The Senior Veterinary Advisor has presented at the Federation of European Equine Veterinary Associations (FEEVA) and other conferences.
4	Games & Championships
	Members of the Veterinary Department have been onsite to support the World Championships in Endurance in Butheeb, the European Championships in Milano, Riesenbeck, Ermelo and Haras du Pin, the PANAM Games in Santiago, the FEI Longines World Cup Finals in Omaha and the FEI Longines Nations Cup Final in Barcelona.
	Advisory support has been provided to Paris 2024 and Asian Games.

5	Clean Sport
	<p>A new improved sample collection kit from LockCon has been designed for the FEI. This has been subject to a thorough evaluation process and will replace the current kit from Berlinger.</p> <p>Limb Sensitivity Testing for Jumping (LSCJ) and Endurance (HSC) has been conducted at FEI Events around the world. HSC has been introduced to Latin America for the first time. More detail will be presented during the General Assembly.</p>
6	Pony Measuring
	33 Measuring Sessions have been carried out and two more are planned. As of 24/10 1888 ponies have been measured with 1817 measured in and 71 measured out.
7	FEI Equipment Expert Group
	The FEI Equipment Expert Group has continued its work. The group now has two scientific equestrian experts with Professor Hillary Clayton and Dr Rachel Murray. The FEI TackApp has improved the visibility of the groups work.
8	Education
	<p>The updating of course content for the FEI Veterinary Courses has continued. In person courses in addition to online courses have been held for the FEI Official Veterinarians.</p> <p>A Clean Sport Course for the FEI Campus has been launched.</p>
9	Veterinary matters – Endurance
	A working group has been formed by the Veterinary and Endurance Committees with the objective to develop protocols that further prevents metabolic risks associated with Endurance Rides. The working group has held two meetings and continues its work into 2024.
10	Research
	The Veterinary Department supported by the Veterinary Committee has commissioned research projects within the fields of biosecurity, physiology, oral cavity health, Clean Sport, and evaluation of fitness to compete. Several projects are funded through the FEI Veterinary Research Fund.

11 International Movement of Horses	
	<p>The work is mainly carried out through the International Horse Sport Confederation on which work a separate presentation will be held at the FEI General Assembly.</p> <p>The Veterinary Director has together with the Director of Technology and Sports Services and USEF, met the USDA APHIS at the US Embassy of the European Union to discuss matters related to import and export of horses to and from the US.</p> <p>The Veterinary Director has liaised with DG Santé of the European Commission on operational matters such as Health Certificates for the Asian Games and long term strategic matters in relation to the revised EU legislation on transportation of horses.</p>