

EHV-1: UPDATES PUBLISHED ON INSIDE.FEI.ORG

(As the dedicated EHV-1 hub is no longer available, hyperlinks to the hub have been removed from the original texts below. All content has been replicated in the Annexes section of the EHV-1 Report. Hyperlinks to other areas on [Inside.FEI.org](https://www.inside.fei.org) remain in the document.)

24 MARCH 2021

Stakeholder consultation on FEI post-EHV-1 Return To Competition protocols

The FEI hosted a stakeholder consultation session on 24 March 2021 to review comprehensive draft Return To Competition protocols. These measures are aimed at, in the short term, minimising the risks associated with the restart of FEI competitions in mainland Europe on 12 April 2021 and, in the long term, increasing biosecurity knowledge, skills and awareness among all FEI stakeholders in order to prevent a recurrence of the devastating EHV-1 outbreak.

The proposed Return To Competition protocols, a number of which are already covered in the FEI Veterinary Regulations or FEI General Regulations, were presented by FEI Veterinary Director Göran Åkerström and generated valuable input from stakeholders. FEI Legal Director Mikael Rentsch discussed the legal provisions for enhanced FEI jurisdiction in the event of a disease outbreak at an FEI Event.

Areas covered in the draft requirements include biosecurity plans and mitigation plans for outbreaks of infectious disease for all FEI Events; mandatory advance PCR testing (for certain designated events only) and temperature monitoring; enhanced Examination on Arrival external to the event stabling area for all horses; athlete self-certification for the health status of their horses; stabling (including isolation stables and restrictions on access); minimising nose-to-nose contact between horses; control of dogs; and the importance of basic hygiene.

The proposals, which received broad consensus from the group, cover pre-event, the duration of the event and post-event.

The topic of vaccinations was discussed and the FEI Veterinary Director advised that there are no vaccines which are effective against the neurological form of the virus that has caused the current outbreak. Vaccinated horses have still become sick and, in addition, there are currently very limited supplies of EHV vaccines available in Europe.

In a brief opening address, FEI President Ingmar De Vos reiterated that there will be a full and thorough investigation into the circumstances of the outbreak and that the findings will be published. "Our goal is to learn from this and not to point fingers", he said. He also thanked participants and the wider community for the incredible team and individual efforts to contain the outbreak.

He stressed the need for continuing to work together. "The measures we put in place – both short-term and long-term - and especially how effective they are, will depend on our ability as a community to collaborate, to agree to the same set of principles and to fully endorse and implement them in each of our respective areas of responsibility.

"This outbreak in Europe has been devastating. But everyone in this virtual room has shown great solidarity so far, and I am confident today will be another milestone in our collective effort to overcome this, to learn from it and to make us stronger for the future."

Stakeholders who joined the two-hour online session included Athlete Representatives Pedro Veniss (Jumping) and Beatriz Ferrer Salat (Dressage), Eleonora Ottaviani (International Jumping Riders Club), Klaus Roeser (International Dressage Riders Club), Peter Bollen (Equestrian Organisers), Dominique Megret (Jumping Owners Club), Quentin Simonet and Ulf Helgstrand (European Equestrian Federation), together with international grooms Heidi Mulari (Steve Guerdat) and Kirsty Pascoe (Jérôme Guery), and FEI Events Stable Manager Patrick Borg.

FEI Veterinary Committee Chair Jenny Hall was also part of the meeting, alongside the Chairs of

the FEI Technical Committees – Stephan Ellenbruch (Jumping), Frank Kemperman (Dressage), David O'Connor (Eventing), Karoly Fugli (Driving), Christian Lozano (Endurance), Pavla Krauspe (Vaulting) and Amanda Bond (Para Dressage). FEI Headquarters was represented by the Discipline Directors, IT, Veterinary, Legal and Communications Departments.

At the conclusion of the meeting, FEI Secretary General Sabrina Ibáñez outlined next steps, advising the group that feedback from the stakeholder consultation session will now be incorporated into the draft proposals. The proposed measures, which were discussed by the FEI Veterinary Committee yesterday, will be further reviewed at tomorrow's FEI Veterinary Epidemiology Working Group meeting before being finalised and presented to the FEI Board for approval. By-laws for some of the temporary measures will need to be put in place, and rules for the long-term requirements.

The community will be advised of the new requirements before the end of March in order to allow sufficient time for implementation.

30 MARCH 2021

FEI publishes Return To Competition measures for mainland Europe

The FEI published the Return To Competition measures that will allow for a safe resumption of international sport in mainland Europe on 12 April following a six-week shutdown to control the spread of the neurological form of the Equine Herpes Virus (EHV-1).

The measures focus on six key areas: Pre-event venue preparation by Organisers; Athlete pre-event preparation; Examination on Arrival; Onsite at Event Venue; Departure from Events; and Jurisdiction.

The Return To Competition measures, which were comprehensively reviewed at a stakeholder consultation session last week and fine-tuned by both the FEI Veterinary Epidemiology Working Group and the FEI Veterinary Committee, have now been approved by the FEI Board.

Stakeholders who joined last week's two-hour online consultation session included Athlete Representatives Pedro Veniss (Jumping) and Beatriz Ferrer Salat (Dressage), Eleonora Ottaviani (International Jumping Riders Club), Klaus Roeser (International Dressage Riders Club), Peter Bollen (Equestrian Organisers), Dominique Megret (Jumping Owners Club), Quentin Simonet and Ulf Helgstrand (European Equestrian Federation), together with international grooms Heidi Mulari (Steve Guerdat) and Kirsty Pascoe (Jérôme Guery), and FEI Events Stable Manager Patrick Borg.

The measures include a series of temporary provisions, which will remain in place until **30 May 2021**, providing a science-based safety margin to allow for monitoring of any further related outbreaks. This date can be extended if required and advance notice will be provided to the community. These temporary provisions will be formalised in legally binding By-Laws which will be published during the week commencing 5 April 2021.

The FEI Veterinary Epidemiology Working Group has agreed that there is currently no evidence indicating that it would be unsafe to return to international competition in mainland Europe as planned on 12 April, provided the mandated enhanced preventive measures are implemented and there are no further linked outbreaks. The Group will continue to monitor the evolution of the European outbreak on a daily basis.

The FEI HorseApp will be updated with new modules, which will allow for enhanced traceability as part of the EHV-1 Return To Competition measures. These will be launched in the second week of April.

The Return To Competition measures, which clearly outline roles and responsibilities, are available online and for download in the dedicated EHV-1 hub. Additional documentation will be added in the coming days.

9 APRIL 2021

FEI Board approves Return To Competition By-Laws

The FEI Board has approved legally binding By-Laws for the Return To Competition measures published on 30 March 2021. These By-Laws, which are available in the Forms & Downloads of the Return To Competition section, formalise the temporary provisions in the measures that are not covered by either the FEI Veterinary Regulations or the FEI General Regulations.

The By-Laws, which come into force on 12 April 2021, will remain in effect until 30 May 2021, except where indicated otherwise. This period may be extended by the FEI based on an assessment of the EHV-1 situation.

The By-Laws are applicable in the following 37 countries in mainland Europe: Albania; Andorra; Austria; Belgium; Belarus; Bosnia & Herzegovina; Bulgaria; Croatia; Czech Republic; Denmark; Spain; Estonia; Finland; France; Germany; Greece; Hungary; Italy; Latvia; Liechtenstein; Lithuania; Luxembourg; Moldova; Republic of North Macedonia; Monaco; Netherlands; Norway; Poland; Portugal; Romania; Slovenia; Serbia; Switzerland; Slovakia; Sweden; Ukraine and Turkey.

Please note that where there is a mandatory requirement for a negative PCR test for EHV-1 – that is events with more than 400 horses and overnight stabling, and for all horses prior to being transported by plane to an FEI event – there is a change to the timeline, as agreed by the FEI Veterinary Epidemiology Working Group. The original text, as published on 30 March, required that the sample must be taken no earlier than **96 hours** before arrival at the event, but this has now been amended to **120 hours** due to concerns about the turnaround time for getting test results back from laboratories.

EHV-1 Return To Competition Athlete Information Seminar

The FEI hosted an athlete information seminar this evening (9 April) for athletes entered in FEI events during the first two weeks following the return to competition on 12 April, and the 66 National Federations that those athletes represent. The athletes were asked to invite their grooms to attend. The FEI Athlete Representatives, plus the International Jumping Riders Club (IJRC) and the International Dressage Riders Club (IDRC) were also invited. Events in four FEI disciplines – Jumping, Dressage, Eventing and Endurance – are scheduled for the period 12 April to 30 May 2021.

The session was led by FEI Secretary General Sabrina Ibáñez, with FEI Veterinary Director Göran Akerström presenting the Return To Competition measures specifically applicable to athletes and grooms, as well as the areas of responsibility for the Organisers, such as stabling, that are particularly relevant to athletes.

FEI Information & Sports Technology Director Gaspard Dufour presented the new features on the FEI HorseApp that will allow for greater traceability, and FEI Legal Director Mikael Rentsch was also on the panel to answer questions.

The full presentation from this evening's session is now available in the Forms & Downloads of the Return To Competition section on the dedicated EHV-1 hub. The information will also be used to create a factsheet that will be published on 12 April in English, Dutch, French, Germany, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish.

The FEI is also hosting a training session for Veterinarians and has initiated a series of meetings with Organisers to guide them through their obligations under the Return To Competition measures.

12 APRIL 2021

Special EHV-1 Edition – Monday 12 April 2021

Following the FEI Update Special EHV-1 Edition on 30 March announcing the Return To Competition measures/requirements to ensure the safe resumption of international sport in mainland Europe from 12 April, we would like to draw your attention to the latest information/news and resources available.

We urge all concerned stakeholders and concerned parties to share and familiarise themselves with all the information below and the requirements outlined on the EHV-1 hub in the dedicated Return To Competition section.

EHV Relief Fund

The EHV Relief Fund, created by Jumping athletes Emile Hendrix, Peter Charles and Frederick Goltz to provide financial support to Athletes and Owners facing financial hardship due to the costs of emergency veterinary treatment for their horses as a result of the EHV-1 outbreak in Europe, has already received support from the FEI, European Equestrian Federation, International Jumping Riders Club, Jumping Owners Club and Equestrian Organisers. In addition, Riders Help Riders, the fundraising campaign set up by German event organiser and sports marketer Axel Milkau, has joined forces with the Fund.

Guidelines outlining eligibility criteria for reimbursement from the EHV Relief Fund are now available [here](#), together with the application form. Details of how to donate to the Fund are also available on the EHV Relief Fund page.

Return To Competition Factsheet for Athletes & Grooms

The FEI has created a Return to Competition Factsheet for Athletes and Grooms outlining all the key requirements that need to be met for Horses entered in competitions in mainland Europe from 12 April to 30 May 2021. This Factsheet is available in seven languages (see below) and can be found in the Return to Competition section of the EHV-1 hub: English, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish.

Return To Competition – New FEI HorseApp Modules & Guidelines for Stakeholders

The FEI has added four new modules to the FEI HorseApp to monitor and facilitate key mandatory requirements in the Return to Competition Measures.

There are detailed guidelines and video tutorials for all the different stakeholder groups (Athletes, Organising Committees, Officials, Grooms, Owners, National Federations and Trainers) providing step-by-step instructions to use the new modules on the FEI HorseApp available [here](#).

Note: For Grooms to use the FEI HorseApp, they must have an active FEI ID account. Grooms can register with the FEI [here](#) and guidelines are available [here](#).

➤ **PCR Tests**

As stipulated in the Return To Competition Measures, for any Event/Show with more than 400 Horses of any category, it is mandatory to provide proof of a negative PCR test for EHV-1 taken no earlier than 120 hours prior to arrival at the event. Click [here](#) to see the list of Events.

A specific module has been added to the FEI HorseApp to allow an FEI registered user to upload a copy of the relevant negative PCR test to a Horse's profile. Athletes, Grooms, Owners, National Federations and Trainers can connect to the FEI HorseApp using their FEI ID number and provide the relevant document by taking a photo with their smartphone or tablet and uploading it directly to the Horse's FEI profile in a few simple clicks.

Click [here](#) for the full details and guidelines.

➤ **Examination on Arrival (for FEI Veterinarians)**

The FEI Veterinarian conducting the Examination on Arrival will need to scan the Horse's microchip with a reader connected via Bluetooth to the FEI HorseApp, and also manually record the Horse's temperature in the FEI HorseApp.

FEI Veterinarians assigned to upcoming FEI Events have been contacted and invited to follow online training sessions.

Click [here](#) for the full details and guidelines.

➤ **Check-In**

In accordance with Art. 3.3.1 of the **and in line with traceability objectives, the FEI may request a Horse(s) to be "checked-in"** to inform the FEI of its whereabouts. Athletes, Grooms, Owners and Trainers can connect to the FEI HorseApp using their FEI ID number and check-in their Horse.

Click [here](#) for the full details and guidelines.

➤ **Check Out**

Under the new Return To Competition measures, it is compulsory for the Organising Committee to formally 'check out' a horse by scanning the horse's microchip or passport using the FEI HorseApp prior to leaving the Event. This ensures traceability should a disease outbreak occur.

Click [here](#) for the full details and guidelines.

The FEI HorseApp, including the Return To Competition modules, is available for download on the [Apple App Store](#) for iOS devices and [Google Play Store](#) for Android devices.

27 APRIL 2021

EHV-1 Return To Competition REMINDER

Following the Return To Competition in mainland Europe on 12 April, we kindly request all concerned National Federations to make sure their athletes and stakeholders are up to date regarding the measures and requirements in place until 30 May 2021, and in particular with regards to:

- The list of Events with +400 horses requiring a negative PCR test for EHV-1 prior to arrival (updated as and when necessary).
- Requirements for Athletes prior to an Event (documents they need to fill in/take with them to Events).

You will find the above and all the relevant information on the EHV-1 hub in the dedicated Return To Competition section, including detailed instructions regarding pre-Event preparation, the FEI HorseApp, check out, as well as a factsheet for Athletes in seven languages and all the relevant

forms, guidelines and checklists for the different stakeholder groups to meet the Return To Competition requirements in place.

For all the latest updates on EHV-1, [click here](#).

Thank you for your support and collaboration.

27 MAY 2021

NF News – FEI Board approves EHV-1 By-Laws

According to the FEI Board Resolution of 30 March 2021, the FEI issued the EHV-1 By-Laws (Return To Competition measures) to apply to all Events in Mainland Europe held under FEI jurisdiction from 12 April to 30 May 2021.

Based on the experience gained during this time, and following the assessment made together with the FEI Veterinary Epidemiology Working Group and in close cooperation with the relevant stakeholders (including but not only the Equestrian Organisers), the FEI Board has approved certain amendments and extensions to the EHV-1 By-Laws as defined below.

The EHV-1 By-Laws as detailed below will be applicable in Mainland Europe from 31 May 2021 – 31 December 2021. The measures will be included in the draft 2022 FEI Veterinary Regulations and, subject to approval at the FEI General Assembly, will be implemented globally from 1 January 2022.

1. Further to a declared outbreak of suspected or confirmed neurological EHV, increased jurisdiction for the FEI Secretary General to stop events and to request the Persons Responsible to register the GPS location of their horse(s) via the FEI HorseApp (***)
2. All Organising Committees (OCs) to submit the Biosecurity Plan to the Veterinary Delegate (VD) at least 10 days in advance of the opening of the stables (*)
3. Mandatory use of FEI HorseApp by the VD/VC or a veterinarian assigned by the VD/VC at Examination on Arrival with registration of horses' rectal temperatures (**)
4. Mandatory checkout of horses by the OC using the FEI HorseApp (*)
5. Mandatory rectal temperature checks of all horses twice daily at events, with the readings posted on a chart outside each horse's box (**)
6. Isolation of entire transport in cases of horses arriving with rectal temperature over 38.5C to the Examination on Arrival (**)
7. Isolation unit requirements (protocols, equipment) (**)
8. Cleaning and disinfection requirements including sealed boxes (**)
9. Mandatory isolation overflow (*)
10. Self-declaration by athlete including horse rectal temperatures for the 10 days before arrival to the event (from 1 August 2021 this must be recorded on the FEI HorseApp by the PR/Groom) (*)
11. For events with horses staying on the venue over consecutive weeks – onsite venue inspection by the FEI Veterinary Department or a veterinarian appointed by the FEI Veterinary Department at least once annually. FVD appointed by the FEI Veterinary Department (appoint FVDs from neighbouring countries when possible). Until 1 July 2021, the FEI Veterinary Department will accept the already appointed Veterinary Delegate for the role as Foreign Veterinary Delegate. (****)
12. At events with more than 400 horses onsite at any one time, additional VDs are required (1/400 horses) based on the maximum number of horses for all FEI Event categories as declared in the Event Schedule. (Changes will not be allowed after the deadline for amendments to the Event Schedule) (*)
13. There must be a sufficient number of Treating Vets appointed by the OC. (At least 1/200 horses) (****)

14. Before flights alternatively entering Pre-Export Quarantine going to FEI Events, each horse must present a negative PCR result for EHV 1 and 4, and for Equine Influenza sampled by a nasopharyngeal swab. The sample must be taken no more than 96h before the flight or entrance to the Pre-Export Quarantine (*).
15. The VD/VC must ensure that any horse displaying fever or neurological signs at an FEI Event is sampled using a nasopharyngeal swab and sent to a laboratory listed by the FEI. The FEI Veterinary Department will fund the analysis and costs for shipping and material for the index case (****).

LEGEND:

- * Prolongation of certain by-laws (some are amended).
- ** Clarification of existing VRs.
- *** Already approved by the FEI Board.
- **** New by-law.

All points listed above, except number 1, are to be considered Emergency Board Resolutions as per Article 20.3 of the FEI Statutes.

Please note that NFs have until **27 June 2021** to signify their disapproval of any of the above Emergency Board Resolutions by sending an email to [Francisco P. Lima](mailto:Francisco.P.Lima@fei.org), Director Governance & Institutional Affairs.

29 JULY 2021

Submission of EHV-1 related information through updated FEI HorseApp

The EHV-1 By-Laws, which have been in place since 31 May 2021, protect FEI horses and global equestrian sports from the transmission of infectious diseases before, during and after FEI Events.

In accordance with EHV-1 By-Law No.10, Athletes/Grooms must provide a signed Horse Health FEI Self-Certification form for all horses attending an FEI Event in mainland Europe, including mandatory temperature monitoring for the 10 days leading up to their arrival at an FEI Event.

As of 1 August 2021 this information must be submitted via the FEI HorseApp for all Events taking place in mainland Europe. This means for all Events starting in week 32 (09 August 2021 – 15 August 2021).

An updated version of the FEI HorseApp will allow Athletes, Grooms, Owners, Endurance Trainers and Athlete Managers to easily submit the required information via the mobile application. Paper copies will no longer be accepted.

General information regarding the FEI HorseApp can be found on [Inside.FEI.org](https://www.fei.org/inside-fei) and guidelines on how to use the new functionalities can be found [here](#).

Please find below the communication that was sent to the relevant Stakeholders.

For any questions, please contact: usersupport@fei.org.

29 JULY 2021

Special EHV-1 Edition – sent to FEI stakeholders 29 July 2021

Dear Athletes and Athlete Managers,
Dear Grooms, Owners and Endurance Trainers,

The **EHV-1 By-Laws**, which have been in place since 31 May 2021, protect FEI horses and global equestrian sports from the transmission of infectious diseases before, during and after FEI Events.

In accordance with the EHV-1 By-Law No.10, it is necessary to provide a signed Horse Health FEI Self-Certification form for all horses attending an FEI Event in mainland Europe, including mandatory temperature monitoring for the 10 days leading up to their arrival at an FEI Event.

As of 1 August 2021, this information must be submitted via the FEI HorseApp for all Events taking place in mainland Europe. This means for all Events starting in week 32 (09/08/2021 – 15/08/2021).

The updated version of the FEI HorseApp will allow for:

- Managing and overseeing multiple Horses.
- Reporting on a Horse's temperature twice a day.
- Filling in the Horse Health FEI Self-Certification form.
- Uploading all the required information on the go and from a mobile application.

Paper copies of the required documentation will no longer be accepted.

Guidelines on how to use the new functionalities on the FEI HorseApp can be found [here](#) and general information regarding the FEI HorseApp can be found on [Inside.FEI.org](#).

For any questions, please contact: usersupport@fei.org.

We thank you in advance for your kind cooperation.

16 SEPTEMBER 2021

Extract from FEI Update, Number 08/2021

VETERINARY: SANCTIONS FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH EHV-1 RELATED REQUIREMENTS IN MAINLAND EUROPE

To maintain a necessary level of biosecurity and to complement the introduction of the mandatory use of the FEI HorseApp, the FEI Board approved the application of specific sanctions.

In particular, the sanctions will be applied with regards to non-compliance of:

- **EHV-By-Law 5**
Mandatory rectal temperature checks of all horses twice daily at events, with the readings posted on a chart outside each horse's box.

Note: *The requirement to have the readings posted on a chart outside the horse's box during the event will be replaced on 1 October 2021 with a requirement to have the temperature recorded via the FEI HorseApp.*

- **EHV-By-Law 10**
Horse Health Status Self-declaration by Athlete/Groom including horse rectal temperatures for the 10 days before arrival to the event. (as of 1 August 2021 the Horse Health Status Self-declaration and the temperature recording must be recorded on the FEI HorseApp by the Athlete/Groom or another person responsible).

The sanctions, to be implemented as of 1 October 2021, can be found on the **EHV-1 hub** and will be proposed as permanent measures in the 2022 FEI Veterinary Regulations that will be put forward for approval at the FEI General Assembly 2021.

The FEI will contact all the concerned and relevant stakeholder groups in the coming days and we recommend all National Federations to share this information with their community.

Sanctions for non-compliance with EHV-1 By-Laws

The proposed sanctions apply per Horse and will be issued by FEI Headquarters following an automated process put in place by the FEI IT Department. The fine (where applicable) will be issued to the Person Responsible. Sanctions are not appealable. If the Ground Jury fails to eliminate a Horse when elimination is the applicable sanction (set out below), the FEI Headquarters shall be entitled to retroactively disqualify the relevant Horse.

The FEI may also, in accordance with EHV By-Law 1, impose EHV related requirements & restrictions against Athletes, Horses, FEI Officials, OCs at any time, even if an FEI Event is over.

For the purpose of establishing multiple violations of the requirements set out in the EHV-1 By-Laws, the period to take into consideration shall be 12 months from the first offence. For the avoidance of doubt, multiple violations at an Event will have the consequences set out in the relevant By-Law but, for the purpose of calculating multiple violations within a 12 month period, violations will be counted on a "Per Horse, Per Event" basis.

For example, for a horse that already has one violation, if the PR fails twice to take the horse's temperature and register it on the HorseApp at an Event and also fails to complete the Horse health status declaration form (as per By-Law 10.2), the appropriate sanction would be a fine of CHF200 (as per By-Law 5.2). However, these violations would count as 1 (general) violation for the purpose of calculating multiple violations within the 12 month period.

Horses blocked in the FEI Database will be unblocked after the Athlete/Groom has registered 10 consecutive days of twice taken rectal temperatures in the FEI HorseApp.

For more details on EHV-1 and the measures put in place by the FEI, please visit the **FEI EHV-1 hub**.

1 OCTOBER 2021

NF NEWS: Sanctions - EHV-1 By-Laws

Dear National Federations,

We would like to draw your attention to the upcoming sanction system related to the **EHV-1 By-Laws** and Horse Health Requirements, which will come into force on **1 October 2021** for all Events in Mainland Europe (*all Events that start on or after 1 October 2021*).

You will note that the FEI Board decided yesterday (see full [Board Meeting Wrap-Up](#)) that the first month (from 1-31 October) should be considered as a transition period to reinforce the required procedures and educate the community of the consequences of non-compliance with sanctions to be implemented officially as of 1 November 2021.

The sanctions will be applied with regards to non-compliance of:

- **EHV-1 By-Law No. 5.** Mandatory rectal temperature checks of all horses twice daily at events, with the readings entered in the FEI HorseApp.
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- **EHV-1 By-Law No. 10.** Horse Health Status Self-declaration by Athlete/Groom including horse rectal temperatures for the 10 days before arrival to the event, both entered in the FEI HorseApp.

The sanctions apply per Horse and will be issued by FEI Headquarters following an automated process. The fine (where applicable) will be issued to the Person Responsible. Sanctions are not appealable. If the Ground Jury fails to eliminate a Horse when elimination is the applicable sanction, the FEI Headquarters shall be entitled to retroactively disqualify the relevant Horse.

The FEI may also, in accordance with EHV-1 By-Law No.1, impose EHV related requirements & restrictions against Athletes, Horses, FEI Officials, OCs at any time, even if an FEI Event is over.

For the purpose of establishing multiple violations of the requirements set out in the EHV-1 By-Laws, the period to take into consideration shall be 12 months from the first offence. For the avoidance of doubt, multiple violations at an Event will have the consequences set out in the relevant By-Law but, for the purpose of calculating multiple violations within a 12-month period, violations will be counted on a "Per Horse, Per Event" basis.

Horses blocked in the FEI Database will be unblocked after the Athlete/Groom has registered 10 consecutive days of twice taken rectal temperatures in the FEI HorseApp.

The EHV-1 By-Laws can be found [here](#) and the Sanctions are described [here](#).

A dedicated team at FEI Headquarters are providing IT support for all FEI HorseApp queries. Information on the FEI HorseApp for Athletes, Grooms, Owners, Trainers, Veterinarians, Organisers & National Federations, and how to use it can be found [here](#).

We urge all National Federations to inform their Athletes and to use this month of education to ensure their stakeholders are fully up to speed on the EHV-1 By-Laws prior to sanctions being officially implemented on 1 November 2021.