

EVENTING

COURSE DESIGNERS MENTORING PROGRAMME

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Course Designers Mentoring Programme

Introduction

The FEI Course Designer Mentoring Programme aims to provide an alternative and accelerated pathway for transfer-up, under the mentorship of an experienced FEI-approved Mentor, to candidates identified as demonstrating outstanding talent in Course Design.

Principles

The Course Designer Mentoring Programme is:

- ✓ Part of the FEI Education System for Eventing
- ✓ Available to Eventing Course Designers seeking transfer-up from Level 2 to Level 3 and from Level 3 to Level 4, as detailed in the criteria below
- ✓ Covering Mentors' expenses where applicable

Criteria

A Candidate may be invited to the programme upon having received two (2) recommendations from Level 4 Course Designers or Level 4 Technical Delegates, with at least one (1) proposer being a Level 4 Course Designer.

The FEI Eventing Committee must approve candidates to the Mentoring Programme.

Course Designers, once being approved to the Mentoring Programme and when their Mentor considers they are ready, may officiate at one (1) level of competition higher than the one they are currently allowed to. (i.e., a provisional Level 3 can course design at 4* Events and a provisional Level 4 can course design at 5* Events.)

Level 3 Mentoring Programme

Level 2 Course Designers are invited to the Mentoring Programme. For Candidates to be considered, they must:

- ✓ Have acted as Course Designers at three (3) CCI3*, at minimum two (2) different venues within the last five (5) years, and with at least one (1) CCI3* being a Long Format Competition
- ✓ Provide two (2) positive evaluations on their officiating as Course Designers

Once approved by the Eventing Technical Committee:

- ✓ The Official is provisionally transferred-up to Level 3, subject to the conditions of the programme.

The time frame to complete the Mentoring Programme is two (2) years.

Level 4 Mentoring Programme

Level 3 Course Designers are invited to the Mentoring Programme. For Candidates to be considered, they must:

- ✓ Have acted as Course Designers at four (4) CCI4*, at minimum three (3) different venues, and with at least two (2) CCI4* Long Format Competitions
- ✓ Provide three (3) positive evaluations on their officiating as Course Designers

Once approved by the Eventing Technical Committee:

- ✓ The Official is provisionally transferred-up to Level 4, subject to the conditions of the programme.

The time frame to complete the Mentoring Programme is two (2) years.

Mentor Appointment & Responsibilities

All Mentors in the Mentoring Programme for Eventing Course Designers are appointed by the Eventing Technical Committee.

A Mentor is responsible for accompanying a Course Designer part of the Mentoring Programme through the various phases of the process and for completing the required reports.

A Mentor can act as a co-Course Designers or Assistant Course Designer with the Mentee at the event.

The Mentor is responsible for:

- ✓ Discussing and agreeing the course design concept and details prior to the final design
- ✓ Signing off on the final design along with the Technical Delegate and the Organising Committee
- ✓ Accompanying the Course Designer to the course during the course/Jumps set-out
- ✓ Discussing in details with the Course Designer the dressing and final presentation of the course
- ✓ Walking the course with the Course Designer and Technical Delegate, at least one day before the Ground Jury Course walk, if possible
- ✓ Being present throughout the week of the Event, if possible
- ✓ Assessing the Course Designer and provide written reports to the FEI. The outcome of that assessment can either be:
 - Gain of the accelerated transfer-up
 - Return to the previous level and continue the transfer-up process as a regular candidate

Mentor Expenses

Mentors will have their flight ticket, per diem and fees paid by the FEI, unless they are also officiating at the event, in which case the responsibility remains with the Organising Committee.

Mentee & Mentor Work Ethics

Both Mentee and Mentors must abide by the applicable Code of Conduct and commit to act according to the principles, Rules and Regulations of the FEI.