

CRITERIA FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FEI WILD CARD INDIVIDUAL INVITATIONS

Requests for the FEI wild card invitations must come from the Athlete's NF. An NF cannot request FEI wild card invitations for events taking place in their own country.

Applications for FEI wild card invitations must be submitted to the FEI Jumping Department at the latest five weeks prior to the event and must indicate the Athlete/Horse combination for which the wild card invitation is requested. The FEI wild card invitation will be allocated by the FEI Jumping Director at the latest by midnight on the third Monday prior to the week of the event. If an FEI wild card invitation is withdrawn before the first Monday prior to the week of the event, the FEI may re-allocate it to another Athlete.

Athletes can be allocated a maximum of three FEI wild card invitations per calendar year. However, if no other requests for an FEI wild card invitation for any given event have been received, it may be allocated to an Athlete who has already received three wild card invitations.

FEI wild card invitations will be allocated taking into account previous results of the Athlete/Horse combination. The Athlete must fulfill the following requirements with the Horse they wish to ride in the Grand Prix at the event for which they have requested the FEI wild card invitation (if the Athlete has several Horses they may be riding in the Grand Prix, all of them must be indicated in the request):

- To be eligible for the FEI wild card invitation at a CSI5*/CSIO5* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI4*/CSIO4* (or higher level) Grand Prix competitions in the past 12 months.
N.B.: To be eligible to take part in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI World Cup™ Competition at a CSI5* or CSI5*-W event where there is no qualification system in place, Athletes must have achieved, with the Horse with which they wish to compete in the Grand Prix and/or the FEI World Cup™ Competition within the 12 months prior to the definite entries for the event, a result of four penalties or less in the initial round of a 1.50 m Competition or higher run under Table A.
- To be eligible for the FEI wild card invitation at a CSI4*/CSIO4* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI3*/CSIO3* (or higher level) Grand Prix competition in the past 12 months.
- To be eligible for the FEI wild card invitation at a CSI3*/CSIO3* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI2*/CSIO2* (or higher level) Grand Prix competitions in the past 12 months.
- To be eligible for the FEI wild card invitation at a CSI2*/CSIO2* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI1*/CSIO1* (or higher level) Grand Prix competitions in the past 12 months.
- Combinations that have obtained a certificate of capability for the next Olympic Games are eligible to obtain an FEI wild card invitation for CSIO5* and CSI5* events.

The National Federation of the event will be informed of the Athlete who is allocated the FEI wild card invitation and the Horse(s) with which they are eligible to take part in the Grand Prix according to the criteria above.

The FEI must be informed if the Athlete decides to change the Horse they wish to ride in the Grand Prix **or** if the FEI wild card is withdrawn. During the event, the Athlete will only be allowed to ride another Horse than the one/one of those they were allocated the FEI wild card invitation with if the Horse in question is unable to compete and the Athlete can present a veterinary certificate. Failure to comply with the requirements of this paragraph will be sanctioned and the Athlete in question will not be eligible to receive any FEI wild card invitation for the next twelve (12) months.

At CSI2*/CSI3*/CSI4* events, preference may be given to allocating one FEI wild card invitation to a U25 Athlete.

Priority will be given to Athletes trying to qualify and/or prepare for the Olympic Games and/or World and Continental Championships. This information must be included with the request.

N.B.: For Global Champions Tour/Global Champions League events, the FEI wild card invitation will not be allocated to any Athlete who is a member of a GCL team.

If several requests are received for the same event, the FEI wild card invitation will be allocated to the best ranked Athlete on the current Athlete/Horse combination ranking excluding those Athletes who have already received an FEI wild card invitation during the same year.

If all eligible Athletes have already received an FEI wild card invitation, the invitation will be allocated to the eligible Athlete who has received the least FEI wild card invitations during the same year.

If all eligible Athletes have received the same amount of FEI wild card invitations, a draw will take place to allocate the FEI wild card invitation excluding those Athletes who have already received three or more FEI wild card invitations during the same year.

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