

CRITERIA FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FEI WILD CARD INVITATIONS

1. General

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.

FEI wild card invitations for individuals will be allocated by the FEI Jumping Director at the latest by midnight on the third Monday prior to the week of the event (except for events using an early invitation allocation system). Applications for FEI wild card invitations for individuals must be submitted to the FEI Jumping Department at the latest on the 4th Monday prior to the week of the event and must indicate the Athlete/Horse combination for which the wild card invitation is requested. If an FEI wild card invitation for individuals is withdrawn before the first Monday prior to the week of the event, the FEI may re-allocate it to another Athlete.

FEI wild card invitations for teams at CSIOs (excluding Longines League of Nations™ events) will be allocated by the FEI Jumping Director at the latest six weeks prior to the start of the event. Applications for FEI wild card invitations for teams must be submitted to the FEI Jumping Department at the latest on the 8th Monday prior to the week of the event.

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.

2. Eligibility

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 CSI(O)5* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI 1.55 m or higher competitions run under Table A in the past 12 months prior to the date of the request.
- To be eligible for the FEI wild card invitation at a CSI(O)4* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI 1.50m or higher competitions run under Table A in the past 12 months prior to the date of the request.
- To be eligible for the FEI wild card invitation at a CSI(O)3* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI 1.45 m or higher competitions run under Table A in the past 12 months prior to the date of the request.
- To be eligible for the FEI wild card invitation at a CSI(O)2* event, the Athlete/Horse combination must have achieved a score of four penalties or less in at least two CSI 1.40 m or higher competitions run under Table A in the past 12 months prior to the date of the request.

3. Allocation

The National Federation and Organising Committee 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. 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.

For the avoidance of any doubt, Athlete(s) having received an FEI wild card invitation are not automatically pre-qualified for the Grand Prix of the event and must qualify for the Grand Prix according to the qualification system outlined in the FEI Approved Schedule of the Event.

At CSI(O)2*/CSI(O)3*/CSI(O)4*/CSIO5* 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 Games and/or World and Continental Championships. This information must be included with the request.

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.

For CSIO events, the FEI wild card invitations will not be allocated to any Athlete whose nation is invited with a team.

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

If all eligible Athletes have already received an FEI wild card invitation or 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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