

# **VETERINARY** **EDUCATION SYSTEM**

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# Education System for FEI Veterinarians

## General Principles

The Education System for FEI Veterinarians provides a series of learning experiences that are based on the FEI Regulations and their application at international equestrian events. It aims at ensuring that all accredited veterinarians apply a consistent approach to veterinary matters at all FEI events, keeping the welfare of the horse at the heart of their practice at all times.

The career pathway offered to FEI Veterinarians is gradual. It starts with a common core pertaining to the treatment of competition horses and the provision of veterinary services and follows with a progressive specialisation towards various official functions and associated levels.

National Federations are responsible for the number of FEI Veterinarians needed in the country to develop the equestrian disciplines. National Federations should designate a National Head Veterinarian to oversee the respective National Education Systems.

National Federations have to submit a written application for a national veterinarian to enter the FEI Education Pathway. The written application has to confirm that the applicant fulfils the requirements set forth in this document. In the Transfer-Up process, National Federations have the right to object an applicant, with valid reasons.

The FEI Veterinary Department normally accepts the applicants put forward by the National Federations provided that the requisite criteria are met, and/or unless exceptional circumstances warrant otherwise. Should such a situation arise, the FEI Veterinary Department will communicate its concerns directly to the relevant National Federation, and consult with them to reach a consensus.

FEI Veterinarians must maintain up-to-date knowledge of relevant FEI Rules, Regulations and horse welfare matters.

FEI Veterinarians' competence and performance are regularly evaluated and their status is reviewed annually by the FEI Veterinary Department.

## Minimum Requirements for Eligibility to become an FEI Veterinarian

For their application to be considered, FEI Veterinarians must:

- ✓ have an appropriate level of English, both written and spoken
- ✓ be minimum 18 years of age
- ✓ be licensed with the relevant veterinary regulatory body in their home or host country
- ✓ be in good standing with their National Federation
- ✓ be familiar with the FEI General Regulations, FEI Veterinary Regulations, EADCM Regulations and FEI Discipline Rules
- ✓ accept the applicable Codices and Code of Conduct
- ✓ be formally recommended by their National Federation

National Federations are responsible for informing the FEI Veterinary Department of any FEI Veterinarian who is no longer in good standing with the National Federation.

## Event Participation

[Lists of FEI Veterinarians](#) are available on the FEI website for the use of Organising Committees and other interested Stakeholders, and are updated on a daily basis. Only FEI Veterinarians who are current with their status maintenance and report submission obligations will be listed, and may officiate at, or be appointed to FEI events.

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

FEI Veterinarians' duties are outlined in their relative job descriptions. However, these documents do not substitute FEI Rules and Regulations.

## Permitted Treating Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ provide the name of 2 veterinarians who support their application (one must be listed at least as a Level 2 Official Veterinarian)
- ✓ accept the Permitted Treating Veterinarian Codex

### Education

- ✓ pass the Permitted Treating Veterinarian online course with examination

### Status

- ✓ on passing the examination and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Permitted Treating Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Art. 1101 Permitted Treating Veterinarians are eligible for the following roles at FEI events:

- ✓ Treating Veterinarian
- ✓ Team Veterinarian
- ✓ Athlete's Private Veterinarian
- ✓ Holding Box Veterinarian
- ✓ Veterinary Control Officer

### Maintenance

- ✓ pass the Permitted Treating Veterinarian online assessment every 3 years

Permitted Treating Veterinarians who do not take the online examination before the expiry date will have their function closed.

## Level 1 Official Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ be listed as a Permitted Treating Veterinarian
- ✓ have a minimum of 3 years equine veterinary experience
- ✓ be formally recommended by the National Federation

### Education

- ✓ pass the Level 1 Official Veterinarian online course with examination

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 1 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 1 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 1 Official Veterinarians are eligible for officiating at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

### Maintenance

- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year

## Level 2 Official Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ be listed as a Level 1 Official Veterinarian
- ✓ have a minimum of 5 years equine veterinary experience at the time of application
- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher

### Education

- ✓ pass a Transfer Up Course
- ✓ first discipline: complete 3 FEI events with at least 2 different Level 3 or 4 Official Veterinarians, acting as FEI Mentor Officials
- ✓ complete the education process within 3 years of applying
- ✓ every additional discipline: complete 1 FEI event with a Level 3 or 4 Official Veterinarian, acting as FEI Mentor Official

Level 2 Official Veterinarians may be authorised by the FEI Veterinary Department to act as FEI Mentor Officials.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

### Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 2 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 2 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 2 Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance Course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Veterinary Delegate or Additional Veterinary Delegate at a minimum of 1 FEI event every 3 years

## Level 3 Official Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of B2 or higher
- and
- ✓ have been listed as a Level 2 Official Veterinarian for a minimum of 3 years
  - ✓ have officiated as Veterinary Delegate or Additional Veterinary Delegate at a minimum of 10 FEI events
- or
- ✓ have been listed as a Level 2 Official Veterinarian for 9 consecutive years
  - ✓ have officiated as Veterinary Delegate or Additional Veterinary Delegate at a minimum of 6 FEI events

### Education

- ✓ On fulfilling all requirements, applicants have passed the transfer-up education

### Status

- ✓ On fulfilling all Level 3 requirements, applicants are listed as Level 3 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 3 Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Veterinary Delegate, Additional Veterinary Delegate, Foreign Veterinary Delegate or Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 FEI events every 3 years



## Level 4 Official Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of C1 or higher
- ✓ be in good standing with the FEI
- ✓ have been listed as a Level 3 Official Veterinarian for a minimum of 3 years
- ✓ have officiated as Veterinary Delegate or Foreign Veterinary Delegate at a minimum of 5 FEI events (CIs, CIOs, Children's Classics, Challenge Finals, Nations Cups or Regional Championships)

### Education

- ✓ pass the Level 4 blended learning programme:
  - the online Level 4 Official Veterinarian examination
  - an in-person course of 3 days for those who passed the online examination

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

The objective of this interactive course is to enhance the participants' communication and interpersonal skills. This will allow them to officiate at international events more effectively, while ensuring rule compliance and technical requirements at the highest level.

Through theory and action learning, participants will enhance their abilities to look, act and sound calm and confident, achieve greater credibility and project a commanding presence.

Participants will acquire the awareness, motivation and skills to improve their decision-making process and obtain the desired outcomes with less conflict.

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 4 blended learning programme with examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 4 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 4 Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

## **Maintenance**

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Veterinary Delegate, Foreign Veterinary Delegate, President or Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 FEI events every 3 years

## Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ be listed as a Level 1 Official Veterinarian
- ✓ have a minimum of 5 years equine veterinary experience at the time of application
- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher

### Education

- ✓ pass the online Endurance Foundation Course
- ✓ pass a Transfer Up Course
- ✓ complete 6 CEIs with at least 4 different Level 3 or 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians, officiating as Members of the Veterinary Commission and acting as FEI Mentor Officials
- ✓ complete the education process within 3 years of application

Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians may be authorised by the FEI Veterinary Department to act as FEI Mentor Officials.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 2 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Role at FEI Events

Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 CEIs every 3 years

## Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ have been listed as a Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarian for a minimum of 3 years
- ✓ have officiated as Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 10 CEIs
- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of B2 or higher

### Education

- ✓ pass a Transfer Up Course
- ✓ complete 3 CEIs with at least 2 different Presidents of the Veterinary Commission or Foreign Veterinary Delegates, acting as FEI Mentor Officials
- ✓ complete the education process within 3 years of application

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 3 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Foreign Veterinary Delegate, President or Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 CEIs every 3 years

## Level 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of C1 or higher
- ✓ be in good standing with the FEI
- ✓ have been listed as a Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarian for a minimum of 3 years
- ✓ have officiated as Foreign Veterinary Delegate or President of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 5 CEIs

### Education

- ✓ pass the Level 4 blended learning programme:
  - the online Level 4 Endurance Official Veterinarian examination
  - an in-person course of 3 days for those who passed the online examination

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

The objective of this interactive course is to enhance the participants' communication and interpersonal skills. This will allow them to officiate at international events more effectively, while ensuring rule compliance and technical requirements at the highest level.

Through theory and action learning, participants will enhance their abilities to look, act and sound calm and confident, achieve greater credibility and project a commanding presence.

Participants will acquire the awareness, motivation and skills to improve their decision-making process and obtain the desired outcomes with less conflict.

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 4 blended learning programme with examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

## **Maintenance**

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Foreign Veterinary Delegate, President or Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 CEIs every 3 years

## Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials

### Requirements

- ✓ be listed as a Level 1 Official Veterinarian
- ✓ have a minimum of 5 years equine veterinary experience at the time of application
- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher

### Education

- ✓ complete the online Endurance Foundation Course
- ✓ pass a Transfer Up Course
- ✓ complete 3 CEIs with at least 2 different Level 3 or 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians, officiating as Members of the Veterinary Commission and acting as FEI Mentor Officials
- ✓ complete 3 CEIs with at least 2 different Level 3 or 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials, acting as FEI Mentor Officials
- ✓ complete the education process within 3 years of applying

Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials may be authorised by the FEI Veterinary Department to act as FEI Mentor Officials.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 2 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials in the FEI Database

### Role at FEI Events

Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 CEIs every 3 years

## Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials

### Requirements

- ✓ have been listed as a Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Official for a minimum of 3 years
- ✓ have officiated as Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 10 CEIs
- ✓ provide 2 case reports (1 metabolic and 1 orthopedic) from situations taking place at FEI events
- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of B2 or higher

### Education

- ✓ pass a Transfer Up Course
- ✓ complete 3 CEIs with at least 2 different Presidents of the Treating Veterinary Commission, acting as FEI Mentor Officials.
- ✓ complete the education process within 3 years of application

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 3 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance Course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as President or Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 CEIs every 3 years



## Level 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials

### Requirements

- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of C1 or higher
- ✓ be in good standing with the FEI
- ✓ have been listed as a Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Official for a minimum of 3 years
- ✓ have officiated as President of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 5 CEIs

### Education

- ✓ pass the Level 4 blended learning programme:
  - the online Level 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Official examination
  - an in-person course of 3 days for those who passed the online examination

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

The objective of this interactive course is to enhance the participants' communication and interpersonal skills. This will allow them to officiate at international events more effectively, while ensuring rule compliance and technical requirements at the highest level.

Through theory and action learning, participants will enhance their abilities to look, act and sound calm and confident, achieve greater credibility and project a commanding presence.

Participants will acquire the awareness, motivation and skills to improve their decision-making process and obtain the desired outcomes with less conflict.

### Status

- ✓ on passing the Level 4 blended learning programme and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials in the FEI Database

### Roles at FEI Events

Level 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex X of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

## **Maintenance**

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance Course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as President or Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of 2 CEIs every 3 years

## Testing Veterinarians

### Requirements

For Permitted Treating Veterinarians:

- ✓ be in good standing with the FEI
- ✓ be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department
- ✓ have a minimum of 5 years equine veterinary experience at the time of application
- ✓ achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher

For Level 2, 3 or 4 Official Veterinarians, Endurance Official Veterinarians and Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials:

- ✓ be in good standing with the FEI
- ✓ be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department

The FEI Veterinary Department sets the number of Testing Veterinarians per National Federation in accordance with the testing plan of the FEI.

### Education

For Permitted Treating Veterinarians:

- ✓ pass a Transfer Up Course for Level 2 Official Veterinarians
- ✓ attend a Testing Veterinarian Course
- ✓ pass the Testing Veterinarian online examination
- ✓ pass the Testing Veterinarian practical examination
- ✓ complete the education process within 3 years of applying

For Level 2, 3 or 4 Official Veterinarians, Endurance Official Veterinarians and Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials:

- ✓ attend a Testing Veterinarian Course
- ✓ pass the Testing Veterinarian online examination
- ✓ pass the Testing Veterinarian practical examination
- ✓ complete the education process within 3 years of applying

Access to the Testing Veterinarian online examination is given by the FEI Veterinary Department following attendance at the in-person Testing Veterinarian Course. It will test the applicants' understanding and knowledge of the FEI Veterinary and EADCM Regulations, the material presented at the course and the FEI Testing Veterinarian Manual. Applicants who do not pass their first attempt may re-attempt the online examination once.

After passing the online examination, the FEI Veterinary Department assigns the applicants to an FEI event to complete their practical examination with an FEI Testing Veterinarian appointed by the FEI. Applicants who do not pass their first attempt may re-attempt the practical examination once, within 2 years.

### **Status**

- ✓ on passing the practical examination and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Testing Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### **Role at FEI Events**

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Art. 1115, Testing Veterinarians carry out EADCM sampling at the FEI events to which they are appointed, as set forth in the FEI Veterinary and EADCM Regulations. They can be assisted in their duties by Testing Technicians.

### **Maintenance**

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ attend a Testing Veterinarian Course every 3 years
- ✓ pass the Testing Veterinarian online examination every 3 years

Testing Veterinarians who do not pass the online examination will have their function on hold and may re-attempt the online examination once. Two failures will result in the Testing Veterinarians needing to take an oral assessment, which will be recorded, with a panel of at least 2 designated examiners. If they fail at the oral assessment, their function will be closed and they will not be allowed to resume the training process.

## Measuring Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department
- ✓ be listed as a Level 2, 3 or 4 Official Veterinarian

### Education

- ✓ complete 2 Measuring Sessions with at least 2 different Measuring Veterinarians, acting as FEI Mentor Officials

### Status

- ✓ on fulfilling all educational requirements, applicants are listed as Measuring Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Role at FEI Events

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Article 1113, Measuring Veterinarians carry out Pony Measuring at the Measuring Sessions to which they are appointed.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass an CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance Course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Measuring Veterinarian at a minimum of 2 Measuring Sessions every 3 years

## Examining Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department
- ✓ be listed as a Level 2, 3 or 4 Jumping Official Veterinarian, Endurance Official Veterinarian or Endurance Veterinary Treating Official

### Education

- ✓ complete 2 FEI events with at least 2 different Examining Veterinarians, acting as FEI Mentor Officials

### Status

- ✓ on fulfilling all educational requirements, applicants are listed as Examining Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Role at FEI Events

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Article 1114, Examining Veterinarians examine horses for abnormal limb sensitivity at the FEI events to which they are appointed.

### Maintenance

- ✓ confirm licensure and good standing via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ pass a CES Maintenance Course every 3 years
- ✓ officiate as Examining Veterinarian at a minimum of 2 FEI events every 3 years

## National Head Veterinarians

### Requirements

- ✓ be nominated by their National Federation
- ✓ be listed as a Permitted Treating Veterinarian

### Education

If they are not listed as an Official Veterinarian:

- ✓ pass the Level 2 Official Veterinarian In-Person Transfer Up Course of 2 days

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

### Status

- ✓ on fulfilling all educational requirements, applicants are listed as National Head Veterinarians in the FEI Database

### Role

National Head Veterinarians' role is defined in FEI Veterinary Regulations Article 1110.

### Maintenance

- ✓ Maintain status as Permitted Treating Veterinarian or Official Veterinarian

## Competency-based Evaluation System (CES)

The Competency-based Evaluation System addresses the following areas:

- ✓ knowledge of FEI Rules and Regulations (CES)
- ✓ soft skills in order to interact effectively and harmoniously (CES)
- ✓ fitness level required to correctly perform all duties relevant to the role (CES)
- ✓ English language proficiency

FEI Veterinarians are required to take an annual online assessment (CES) on FEI Campus. FEI Veterinarians are assessed on their knowledge of the FEI Veterinary Regulations and other relevant Rules and Regulations.

FEI Veterinarians require a specified level of English language competence as they are working in an English-speaking environment and will be expected to write reports in English, and to ensure they understand FEI Rules and Regulations and course material.

The level of English language proficiency required will differ according to the level at which they are officiating. The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is used as reference:

Level 1	A2	The user can understand phrases related to areas of relevance, can read very short and simple texts, communicate in simple way and can write short messages.
Level 2	B1	The user can understand the main points of clear speech, can understand text that's consist mainly of high frequency job related language, can deal with most situations likely to arise, can describe in a simple way events and can write simple texts on topics which are familiar
Level 3	B2	The user can understand complex lines of arguments provided the topic is familiar, can read reports in which the writers adopt particular attitudes or viewpoints, can present clear, detailed descriptions related to the field of interest and write detailed text related to the subject of interest.
Level 4	C1	The user can understand extended speech, can understand long and complex texts, can express himself fluently and spontaneously, can present complex subjects and can write well-structured texts.

FEI Veterinarians who completed FEI's official English assessment and did not reach the minimum required English proficiency level according to their function and level are given the opportunity to improve their English with a 12-month online learning license with the FEI's language training partner, at reduced cost.

Once a year, and no earlier than 3 months after the initial attempt, another English assessment attempt may be requested.



## Maintenance

On 15 December of each year, the FEI Veterinary Department will review the status of all FEI Veterinarians to ascertain their compliance with the maintenance requirements. Failure to fulfil the maintenance requirements will result in either attending an In-Person Maintenance course, a transfer down to one level lower or a closure of the function.

- ✓ Official Veterinarian who do not take the CES Online Assessment by 15 December annually will have their functions closed.
- ✓ Official Veterinarians who do not attend the CES Maintenance Course within the 3-year time period will have their functions closed.
- ✓ Official Veterinarians who do not pass the CES Maintenance Course will be transferred down to one level lower.
- ✓ Official Veterinarian who fail to officiate at the minimum number of events over a rolling 3-year cycle will be transferred down to one level lower, unless they complete 1 FEI event with a Level 3 or 4 Official Veterinarian, acting as FEI Mentor Official within the following year

## Annex FEI Education Terminology