

PROPOSALS FOR GENERAL REGULATIONS CHANGES OF ARTICLE 112 (FEI CALENDAR) AND APPENDIX K – CALENDAR APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND CONSEQUENCES OF CANCELLATIONS OF JUMPING EVENTS

Article 112 - Official Calendar

1. The Secretary General approves the official Calendar for the following year as follows: ~~unless the relevant Sport Rules provide other deadlines~~

- In principle by 31 July for CSI5* and CSIO5* Events
- In principle by 30 November for any other Events in all Disciplines

2. The dates for FEI Events shall be published as soon as possible after allocation.

3. The Secretary General shall have the authority to remove any Competition and/or Event from the Calendar and/or to not accept any Competition and/or an Event in the Calendar if justified circumstances relating to a Competition or the Event are established. See also Appendix K - Calendar Application Procedure and Consequences of Cancellations of Jumping Events.

4. Applications or modifications for CIs shall be sent by the relevant NF to the Secretary General no later than:

Category of Event	Deadline
CSI5* and CSIO5* Events	1 May of the year prior to the Event ¹
All other events in all Disciplines	1 October of the year prior to the Event

~~as early as possible in order that they arrive at the latest by 1 October.~~ The above deadlines apply unless an earlier date is specified by the relevant Sport Rules or a different date is specified in writing by the Secretary General. Only one (1) date may be proposed for each Event.

In the event a CI is part of a Series, the application should indicate this information.

Applications for CIs that arrive after the deadline mentioned above are considered as Late Date Applications or modifications and may only be considered by the FEI within the relevant deadlines specified in the Applications for CIs and CIMs Guidelines as approved by the FEI Board and published by the FEI at least twelve (12) weeks prior to the Event, unless there is a Force Majeure eEvent. See also additional Jumping requirements in Appendix K - Calendar Application Procedure and Consequences of Cancellations of Jumping Events.

~~5.1. Application and modifications for CIMs shall be sent to the Secretary General as early as possible, and no later than four (4) weeks prior to the commencement of the Event.~~

~~6.1. Prior to the Decision on the Calendar, the Secretary General may propose modifications to the dates requested by applicants in order to establish an improved Calendar.~~

7.5. (i) For a Late Date Application and/or modification for higher level those Events in Jumping, Dressage and Eventing as defined in the relevant Rules specified under paragraph (ii) below and received after the deadline set out in paragraph 4 above, only a NF and/or OC of another same or higher level eEvent that is at the same or higher level that may be deemed to be affected by the acceptance of such Late Date Application and/or modification may be provided the opportunity to give relevant information to the Secretary General. For the avoidance of any doubt, the switch of Venues within the same FEI Named Series or FEI Series approved by the FEI on the same Dates approved in the FEI Calendar shall be accepted and not considered as Late Date Application.

After an evaluation of the information received (if any) and the Late Date Application or modification request (as the case may be), the Secretary General shall have the right to accept or reject the Late Date Application or modification. Any such Decision by the Secretary General shall be duly motivated.

(ii)

- In Jumping: CSI4*; CSI5*; CSIOs; World Cup Events
- In Dressage: CDI4*; CDI5*; CDIOs; World Cup Events
- In Eventing: CCI4*-S or L; CCI5*-L; CCIOs

6. Priority of FEI Championships and other high level Events may be regulated for each Discipline in the Sport Rules.

~~7. Application and modifications for CIMs shall be sent to the Secretary General as early as possible, and no later than four (4) weeks prior to the commencement of the Event within the relevant deadlines~~

¹ For the avoidance of any doubt, NFs may send Calendar Applications for CSI5* and CSIO5* by 1 May 2023 for Events taking place in 2024 and such Calendar Applications are not considered as Late Date Applications.

specified in the Applications for CIs and CIMS Guidelines as approved by the FEI Board and published by the FEI.

7-8. Prior to the Decision on the Calendar, the Secretary General may propose modifications to the dates requested by applicants in order to establish an improved Calendar.

8-9. No NF or OC may organise any International Event which has not been published in the Official Calendar or approved by the Secretary General.

Appendix K – Calendar Application Procedure and consequences of cancellations of Jumping Events

All references to 5*, 4* and 3* Jumping Events in this Appendix include:

- CSI;
- CSIO; and
- FEI World Cup Events.

1.1. Calendar Application Fees and Calendar Application Deposit

A. The Calendar Application Fees as specified in FEI Financial Charges apply.

B. Each Calendar Application for a 3*, 4* and 5* Jumping Event taking place on or after 1 January 2024 is subject to the payment of a deposit (a "Calendar Application Deposit") in the amount specified in the table below.

Upon receipt of the Calendar Application, the FEI will issue an invoice to the NF for the applicable Calendar Application Deposit, such invoice to be paid within 30 days.

The Calendar Application Deposit paid in relation to an Event will be credited against the related Organising Dues payable to the FEI after that Event has taken place.

CALENDAR APPLICATION DEPOSIT	
5*:	CHF 10'000
4*:	CHF 5'000
3*:	CHF 2'500

If the Event is cancelled (other than by reason of a Force Majeure Event), the FEI will retain the Calendar Application Deposit and it will not be credited against Organising Dues of future Events of the Organiser (or Related Organiser). For more details about Cancellations see section 1.4 below.

1.2. Late Date Application Fee and Date Changes to the Approved Calendar

Any Late Date Application Fee and Date Changes to the Calendar Fee as specified in the FEI Financial Charges shall apply. Calendar Application Deposits are also payable for Late Date Applications and the process set out in paragraph [] above shall apply, it being understood and agreed that the FEI Secretary General may take appropriate action including the removal of the Event if the applicable Calendar Application Deposit has not been paid.

1.3. Calendar Applications for 5* Jumping Events

Applications for all CSI5* and CSIO5* Events must be received by the FEI Secretary General by 1 May prior to the year in which the Event takes place².

Dates must be subsequently confirmed by the National Federations/OCs by 1 June of the year before the Event takes place. The FEI Secretary General shall then approve the Calendar for all 5* Jumping Events for the following year by 15 July. If 15 July falls on a non-business day in Lausanne, Switzerland, the Calendar shall be approved on the following business day.

For all other Jumping Events, the FEI Secretary General shall receive Calendar Applications by 1 October prior to the year in which the Event will take place.

1.4. Cancellations of 5* and 4* Jumping Events

The below Cancellation Fees apply for 5* and 4* Jumping Events only. These Cancellation Fees do not apply to cancellations due to *Force Majeure Event*. It shall be for the FEI Secretary General to decide in their sole discretion if the stated reason for the cancellation of an Event qualifies as a Force Majeure Event. Any other cancellation of other Jumping Events or for Events in any categories in the other FEI Disciplines may be dealt with according to other provisions of the FEI Rules and Regulations.

² For the avoidance of any doubt, NFs may send Calendar Applications for CSI5* and CSIO5* by 1 May 2023 for Events taking place in 2024 and such Calendar Applications are not considered as Late Date Applications.

(all amounts below are in CHF)

1st CANCELLATION:

As of 1 January 2024: OC's first cancellation during a Calendar Year

	<u>Cancellation more than 12 weeks before the Event</u>	<u>Cancellation less than 12 weeks but more than 8 weeks before the Event</u>	<u>Cancellation less than 8 weeks but more than 4 weeks before the Event</u>	<u>Cancellation during the period 4 weeks before the Event week up until the start of the Event & during the Event</u>
<u>5*</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2'500</u>	<u>7'500</u>	<u>12'500</u>
<u>4*</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>2'500</u>	<u>7'500</u>

Any Cancellation Fee stated above shall be paid within 30 days of receipt of an invoice from the FEI. If the amount is not paid within the 30 day deadline, the next Jumping Show of the OC (or Related OC) (after the 30 day deadline) in the Calendar will be removed (and the Calendar Application Deposit related to the cancelled Event and the removed Show will be lost). Any OC that is fined under this mechanism shall not be entitled to make a Late Date Application for the current year either directly or via a Related OC.

The above penalty mechanism will not apply in case of cancellation due to a Force Majeure Event.

2nd CANCELLATION:

As of 1 January 2024: OC's (or Related OC's) second cancellation within a 365 day period after the 1st Cancellation.

	<u>Cancellation more than 12 weeks before the Event</u>	<u>Cancellation less than 12 weeks but more than 8 weeks before the Event</u>	<u>Cancellation less than 8 weeks but more than 4 weeks before the Event</u>	<u>Cancellation during the period 4 weeks before the Event week up until the start of the Event & during the Event</u>
<u>5*</u>	<u>2'500</u>	<u>7'500</u>	<u>12'500</u>	<u>20'000</u>
<u>4*</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>2'500</u>	<u>7'500</u>	<u>12'500</u>

Any Cancellation Fee stated above shall be paid within 30 days upon receipt of an invoice from the FEI. If the amount is not paid within the 30 day deadline, the next Jumping Show of the OC (or Related OC) (after the 30 day deadline) in the Calendar will be removed (and the Calendar Application Deposit related to the cancelled Event and the removed Show will be lost). Any OC that is fined under this mechanism shall not be entitled to make a Late Date Application for the current year either directly or via a Related OC.

The above penalty mechanism will not apply in case of cancellation due to a Force Majeure Event.

3rd CANCELLATION:

As of 1 January 2024: OC's (or Related OC's) third cancellation in a 365 days period after the 2nd Cancellation.

OC's (or Related OC's) Shows in all FEI Disciplines in the Calendar for the next 365 day period shall be removed from the FEI Calendar (and the Calendar Application Deposit related to the cancelled Event and the removed Show(s) will be lost). Any OC that is fined under this mechanism shall not be entitled to include any Event in any FEI Discipline in the FEI Calendar during that 365 day period either directly or via a Related OC.

The above penalty mechanism will not applied in case of cancellation due to a Force Majeure Event.

New Definitions or updated Definitions to be added in the Definitions section of the GRs:

Calendar Application: A formal request from an OC, through their NF, to organise an FEI Event or FEI Events on specific date(s) and to be considered by the FEI to be included in the FEI Calendar.

Force Majeure Event: Any event or circumstance arising from or attributable to acts, events, omission or accidents which are not reasonably foreseeable by, and which are beyond the reasonable control of and which could not have been reasonably prevented by, a party-, including, by way of example, any abnormally inclement weather, flood, lightning, storm, fire, explosion, earthquake, subsidence, structural damage, epidemic, pandemic or other natural physical disaster, war, military operations, riot, crowd disorder, strike (save for any strike affecting a party's own employees or sub-contractors), lock-outs or other industrial action, terrorist action, civil commotion and any legislation, regulation, ruling, decision or omission (including failure to grant any necessary permissions except where the ability to grant such permission is within that party's control) of any relevant government, court or any competent national or international authority.

Related Organiser: An Organiser is considered as a '**Related Organiser**' of another Organiser if:

- (i) It is, de facto, run or controlled, directly or indirectly, by some (or all) of the same Person/entities as who, de facto, run or control, directly or indirectly, the other Organiser (past or present); or
- (ii) It (or the Person running the Event(s) it organises (or proposes to organise)) acts in accordance with the directions or instruction of the other Organiser (past or present); or
- (iii) It (or the people running the Event(s) it organises (or proposes to organise)) acts (or has acted) in accordance with the directions or instructions of some (or all) of the same Person/entities who, de facto, run or control (or have run and/or controlled), directly or indirectly, the other Organiser (past or present)

It shall be for the FEI Secretary General to determine, in their sole discretion, whether or not an Organiser is considered as a "Related Organiser" of another Organiser. Factors that the FEI Secretary General may consider in determining this include, but are not limited to:

- The overlap of Persons involved in the de facto organisation of the Events of the two Organisers (regardless of whether or not those people hold formal positions in the organising entity);
- Family relationships;
- Common venue(s);
- Common sponsor(s);
- Common/similar Event date(s);
- Information provided by the relevant National Federation(s);