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FEI APPOINTS TODD HINDE OF AUSTRALIA AS NEW DIRECTOR OF JUMPING

Todd Hinde (AUS), 35, has been appointed as the new FEI Director of Jumping.

Hinde, who holds a wealth of experience in Jumping as an athlete and chef d'équipe of the Australian team, comes to the FEI from Equestrian Australia where he has been serving as High Performance Jumping Manager since 2019.

This key appointment was made following an extensive recruitment process, which was open to candidates worldwide.

Todd Hinde will take up his new position in principle in September.

Read the full Press release [here](#).

HORSE WELFARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF PROPOSED FEI RULES CHANGES

The first drafts of the proposed FEI Rule changes have been published and are now available online [here](#).

The focus of this year's modifications is on horse welfare with strong proposals featured in the FEI General Regulations, the FEI Veterinary Regulations, and several discipline rules, including Jumping, Dressage, Driving and Vaulting. New proposals specifically linked to horse welfare have been included in the FEI Endurance Rules, which are undergoing a full revision this year in accordance with the [FEI Periodical Rules Revision Policy](#).

Key proposals include the introduction of a general provision harmonising the approach to measuring the tightness of nosebands across all FEI Disciplines using an FEI Objective Measuring Tool; the modification of Article 431.4 Dress of the FEI Dressage Rules specifying that spurs are optional but when they are used, they must be made of metal; as well as various improvements to biosecurity at FEI Events featured in the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

For more detailed explanations and links to the memos outlining the proposed rule changes for each discipline, please check the [dedicated press release](#).

FEI RANKINGS MONTHLY UPDATE

The FEI oversees around 70 Rankings and Standings across all its disciplines, from World Rankings calculated on a monthly basis for Athletes, Horses and/or combinations, to league, team and regional-based standings for Series such as the FEI World Cup™ and FEI Nations Cup™, as well as a variety of youth categories, among others.

Each month, we will bring you a snapshot of the main movers and shakers across these rankings. This month, we have a special spotlight on the FEI Endurance Young Riders World Ranking, and a rising star from China for the special "Ranking Spotlight".

Discover the latest Ranking news [here](#).

FEI TACK, EQUIPMENT & DRESS DATABASE AND FEI TackApp

Following the successful launch of the [FEI Tack, Equipment & Dress Database](#) and its mobile version the *FEI TackApp*, the FEI would like to provide the community with an update and clarification, following several queries received from different stakeholder groups.

The FEI Tack, Equipment & Dress Database is still in its first phase of development, as tack, equipment and dress items are currently being entered into the system. This entails uploading existing tack, equipment and dress items with accompanying photographs and/or videos across all FEI disciplines and marking them as "Permitted", "Not Permitted", "Not Applicable", with exceptions where required.

Due to the high number of tack that is being used, or is attempted to be used, in FEI Competitions, this first phase of populating the Database will continue in the following months. Please note that pending items, which have not yet had their designation processed by the FEI, are temporarily marked as "Not Applicable (N/A)". The FEI is currently developing an additional designation "Pending Review", which will be used for those items so that the "N/A" designation can be used for items that are truly Not Applicable, i.e. not used in certain FEI disciplines.

This first phase is the most time consuming and once concluded, the number of new items being uploaded to the Database will diminish significantly.

Once the first phase is concluded, a thorough review will be carried out to ensure consistency across disciplines and a good quality of photographic and video content.

Each time a new item of tack, equipment and dress is added or amended, it will appear in the "Recently Updated" section of the Database.

Following an FEI decision, all "Not Applicable (N/A)" items which will be marked as "Not Permitted" items, will be uploaded into the Database only once a month i.e. on the first Monday of each month. These items will appear in the "Recently Updated" section of the Database. This will allow all stakeholders to acquaint themselves with any new item that may be relevant to them for upcoming competitions. At a later stage, the FEI aims to develop notification alerts which users will be able to activate for their respective discipline(s), when a new item (marked "Not Permitted") is added.

All other "Permitted" items will be uploaded into the Database on a regular basis. Together with items being amended during the final review, "Permitted" items will also appear in the "Recently Updated" section of the Database.

The FEI will continue with developing new features of the FEI Tack, Equipment & Dress Database, to further enhance its practicality and usefulness. In the future, FEI Officials and others will be able to submit new items of tack, equipment and dress directly to the FEI via the *FEI TackApp* for review and eventual designation in the Database.

In the meantime, we are grateful for your patience while the Database is being populated and perfected. We strive to make the FEI Tack, Equipment & Dress Database and its mobile version, the *FEI TackApp*, an essential, indispensable and user-friendly tool for FEI Officials, Athletes, their Support Personnel and other stakeholders.

FEI EDUCATION & OFFICIALS

FEI Driving Level 1 Stewards and FEI Eventing Level 1 Technical Delegates

A Transfer-up Programme with an online course is now available for:

- National Driving Stewards to become FEI Driving Level 1 Stewards
- National Eventing Technical Delegates to become FEI Eventing Level 1 Technical Delegates

Any questions regarding the Transfer-up Programme for National Officials should be addressed as follows:

- FEI Driving Level 1 Stewards, please contact driving@fei.org.
- FEI Eventing Level 1 Technical Delegates, please contact eventingofficials@fei.org.

PARA DRESSAGE UPDATES

Para Dressage Knowledgebase

The **Event Organisers Guide** on the **FEI Knowledgebase** has been updated with a specific chapter on **Para Dressage Events**. The FEI Knowledgebase provides access to information, documents, photos and other resources to assist people involved in organising and delivering equestrian events and competitions. The Para Dressage chapter includes discipline specific information on producing a schedule, official and volunteer requirements, venue requirements as well as practical advice on running a competition. In addition to the chapter on Para Dressage, the Guidelines for **Organising Classification at Para Equestrian Events** have also been included in the Event Organisers Guide, so that it is no longer a stand-alone document and is easily available to Organisers.

Manual for Para Dressage Technical Delegates

A Manual for FEI Para Dressage Technical Delegates has been published on the **FEI Para**

Dressage Officials page. This was created to assist Technical Delegates in organising Championships and Games, with operational details, practical guidance and check-lists. It will remain a working document that can be updated as needed.

ITA WEBINARS

The management of the FEI's human anti-doping programme has been delegated to the **International Testing Agency (ITA)**. The ITA is an international organisation whose mission is to manage anti-doping programmes, independent from sporting or political powers, for International Federations (IFs), Major Event Organisers (MEOs) and other anti-doping organisations.

The ITA organises monthly webinars which we highly encourage athletes and their support personnel to take part in or watch on replay. All webinars are delivered in English with simultaneous translation in Arabic, Spanish, French and Russian (Русский).

The list of upcoming webinars as well as the webinars available on replay can be found [here](#).

FEI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023 - SAVE YOUR SEAT!

Get your tickets!

With the championship season 2023 soon underway, we suggest you save the date and already secure your tickets in order to be a part of the live action in your favourite discipline. Below you will find the list of FEI European Championships for Seniors 2023 along with the link to their website and ticketing.





FEI DIRECTORY

Updates to the FEI Database

Monthly summary on the key changes/updates in the FEI Database with regards to the FEI's member National Federations. All details can be found on the FEI Database by clicking on each NF's name listed below:

CAY - CAYMAN ISLANDS EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION

Ms Mary ALBERGA and Ms Eve VAN DEN BOL have been elected respectively as President and Secretary General of the NF.

KAZ - EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

Mr Dauren ASKAT has been elected as President of the NF.

POL - FEDERATION EQUESTRE POLONAISE

Mr Marcin KAMINSKI has been elected as President of the NF:

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