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## PARIS 2024 OLYMPIC & PARALYMPIC GAMES

### Update on qualifications for the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games

The Qualifications table can be downloaded [here](#) in pdf format.

Nations				
	Jumping	Dressage	Eventing	Para Dressage
	20 Teams	14 Teams	16 Teams	9 Teams
France (as host)	X	X	X	X
Australia	X	X	X	
Austria	X	X		
Belgium	X	X	X	X
Brazil	X	X	X	
Canada	X	X	X	
Denmark		X		X
Germany	X	X	X	X
Great Britain	X	X	X	X
Ireland	X		X	
Israel	X			
Italy			X	X
Japan	X		X	
Mexico	X			
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	X			
New Zealand			X	
Poland	X	X	X	
Sweden	X	X	X	X
Switzerland	X		X	
Spain	X	X		
The Netherlands	X	X	X	X
United Arab Emirates	X			
United States of America	X	X	X	X

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### Olympic Games – team qualifications

The Pan American Games 2023, which finished in Santiago (CHI) on 5 November, were the final event for equestrian team qualifications in view of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

No less than 23 nations from five continents have qualified at least one team for the Olympic equestrian events, which will be held from 26 July to 6 August 2024 in Versailles.

These nations are: France (as the host nation), Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Great Britain, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, New Zealand, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain, The Netherlands, United Arab Emirates, and the United States of America.

Some 11 National Olympic Committees, including France as the host nation, will be represented by teams in each of the three equestrian disciplines, as follows: France, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Germany, Great Britain, Poland, Sweden, The Netherlands, and the United States of America.

Twenty nations have qualified teams in Jumping, 14 in Dressage, and 16 in Eventing. The 15<sup>th</sup> team slot in Dressage, meant for Olympic Group F (Africa & Middle East), will be reallocated as per paragraph F (Reallocation of Unused Quota), article 1.5 (Composite Teams) of the Dressage Qualification System, which states:

*1.5 Composite Team (see also the Appendix): A three (3) member team from an NOC. The Composite Team will be selected according to the following process:*

*(i) the respective rankings of each NOC's top three (3) different Athletes in the FEI Olympic Ranking – Dressage shall be added together to give an aggregate ranking;*

*(ii) the NOC with the best aggregate ranking shall be awarded the redistributed quota place;*

*(iii) in the event of a tie (i.e., where the aggregate rankings are the same), the redistributed quota place shall be awarded to the NOC with the highest ranked Athlete on the FEI Olympic Ranking - Dressage. In the event of a further tie, the redistributed quota place shall be awarded to the NOC with the second highest ranked Athlete on the FEI Olympic Ranking - Dressage, and so on. If the tie cannot be broken following this process, the FEI will invite the NOCs/NFs concerned to a draw.*

Additional "composite" teams in Dressage and Eventing may be formed on the basis of the Olympic rankings, should the reallocation procedure be used.

### **Olympic Games – individual qualifications**

The Pan American Games 2023 were also used for individual qualification in Olympic Groups D (North America) and E (Central and South America) in Jumping and Dressage.

In Jumping, Argentina, Chile, and Colombia and in Dressage, Chile and Ecuador qualified one individual athlete each.

Individual qualifications, be based on the FEI Olympic rankings, are ongoing.

For more information on the qualification systems for Jumping, Dressage, and Eventing visit the Paris 2024 Olympic & Paralympic Games [here](#).

### **Paralympic Games – team qualifications**

In Para Dressage, 9 nations have obtained four qualification slots each for their National Paralympic Committee. These teams are: France (as host nation), Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, The Netherlands, Sweden, and the USA.

Team qualifications through the FEI Para Equestrian Regional Team Ranking Allocation, and the FEI Para Equestrian Team Ranking List Allocation as well individual qualifications through the Para Equestrian Individual Ranking List Allocation – Regional Distribution and the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation continue.

The updated Para Dressage Qualification System is available [here](#).

### **Paralympic Games – key qualification deadlines**

Athletes have until **31 December 2023** to attain performances to be recorded on the FEI Paralympic Team and Individual Ranking Lists.

The process of allocating the qualification slots will begin on **4 March 2024** when the FEI will notify the National Paralympic Committees of the number of allocated slots.

Athletes have until **19 June 2024** to attain a Minimum Eligibility Score, which is also the nominated entries date.

The Bipartite Commission Invitation application process will start on **19 February 2024**.

Visit the [FEI Paris 2024 Olympic hub](#) for all information relating to qualifying and MER events, qualification systems, qualified nations (the list above will evolve over the coming weeks and months), rules & regulations, customs & freight guide, and more.

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## **FEI HYBRID GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2023 REMINDER**

The FEI Hybrid General Assembly 2023 will take place on 21 November in Mexico City as part of the FEI General Assembly week, which runs from 18 to 21 November.

The agenda and the annexes for the FEI Hybrid General Assembly 2023 are published in the dedicated **FEI General Assembly Hub** and are available publicly. The hub also contains information on the week's timetable, the various meetings and logistical details. The wrap-up reports summarising the main decisions, which will be taken by the FEI Board on its in-person meeting on 18 November, and the General Assembly along with the presentations and reports will also be published on the hub.

As is customary, you will be able to watch the FEI Hybrid General Assembly on 21 November LIVE and IN REPLAY on the **FEI General Assembly Hub** as well.

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## FEI CAMPUS - NEW COURSES

### Equine Prohibited Substances

We are pleased to inform you that the FEI has published an online course regarding Equine Prohibited Substances on FEI Campus.

The course is suitable for all members of the equestrian community, regardless of their role and has been designed to provide practical advice. It explains how to determine whether a substance can be used at FEI Events, how to treat horses while staying within the rules, as well as how to avoid inadvertent contamination.

We encourage all stakeholders to participate in the course which can be accessed **here**.

### Ethics & Welfare - an Introduction

An ethical and welfare-oriented approach to our day-to-day interactions with horses is vital for a sustainable and societally acceptable interaction with the animals we love.

This FEI Campus course provides all members of the equestrian community with basic knowledge of the societal concerns surrounding the interactions with horses, what our duty of care towards horses involves, and which factors must be considered to ensure that a horse's welfare needs are being met.

The course can be accessed **here**.

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## EVENTING UPDATES

### Frangible Devices

Below you will find the updates applicable as of 1 January 2024.

We are aware that a certain time period is required by Course Designers and Course Builders, to work on building new frangible devices and to incorporate designs into more traditional type jumps which fit the MIM instruction weights and dimensions. We also understand that it is time consuming and costly to update existing frangible fences, therefore:

► As of **1 January 2024**, all newly built fences must comply with the new requirements, however, to help with the inherent inaccuracy of building fences in the field, a margin of up to 25% over the maximum weight has been included in the MIM Instructions.

**All new MIM fences** must be fitted with a **MIM weight plate as of 1 January 2024 latest** (available from MIM <https://mimclip.mimsafe.com/shop/> at no charge and now supplied with all new kits) at time of building.

► All existing MIM frangible fences built **prior to 1 January 2024** may stay in use without changes for the duration of their lifetime use.

► **Updated MIM one pagers** ((Eventing / Risk Management / Deformable & Frangible Devices)

The following have been updated / added:

- Table kit 80320
- Corner kit 80326

- Gate and Wall kit 80324
- Old Gate and Wall kit 00324
- Post and Rail – Oxer kit 80321 **NEW**

Please ensure that newly built fences as of 1 January 2024, comply with the “MIM One-pager correct fitting checks”.

### Cross Country Guide for Officials update

The Cross Country Guide for Officials has been updated on 23 October and is available, in clean and mark-up version, on the **FEI Eventing Rules** page as well as on the FEI Rule App (to display the latest version, you might have to delete the existing XC Guide document from the FEI Rule App library and swipe at the top of the App to refresh the documents)

### Eventing horse fall recommendation 2024

The Eventing Committee and Risk Management Steering Group have agreed to include the following recommendation for implementation by Ground Jury as of 2024:

Following any Horse Fall on Cross Country, a systematic interview/discussion will be held between the Athlete and the Ground Jury (President or Member) and/or the Technical Delegate. The aim is educational in order to better understand the circumstances and to learn for the future – Horse falls are a serious risk factor in our sport and need to be minimised. The discussion is to be recorded in the Judge and/or TD report (a section will be added in the reports).

### Online FEI Eventing and National Safety Officer (NSO) seminar 2024

The Online Eventing Seminar and NSO Seminar will be held on **Saturday 20 January 2024**, for all Eventing Officials, Eventing FEI Athletes, National Federations, NSOs, Course Builders, etc.

The Online NSO Seminar will be held on **Sunday 21 January 2024** for NSOs and NFs. More information will be communicated in due course.

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## FEI CLEAN SPORT - EQUINE ANTI-DOPING UPDATE

We would like to inform our community that from 1 January 2024, the FEI will introduce a new sampling kit used in the collection of Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication samples at events.

The new sampling kits will be provided by **LockCon**, a Swiss company led by industry specialists who have introduced the latest standards and technologies to sample collection. A transition period will take place during 2024, where both the current Berlinger and Australian Racing sampling kits will be used alongside LockCon kits. Berlinger and Australian Racing sampling kits will no longer be used at FEI events from 1 January 2025.

The FEI will provide further information to all the different stakeholder groups in the coming months to ensure a smooth transition period.

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## HUMAN ANTI-DOPING

### ITA (International Testing Agency) November 2023 webinar: “What you need to know for 2024”.

The World Anti-doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List for 2024, which documents all substances and methods prohibited in sport, has recently been published and its changes will come into force on 1 January 2024. Mark Stuart, a sports pharmacist, and ITA Operations Development Senior Manager will be explaining the key changes athletes and Athlete Support Personnel must be aware of.

Alongside the changes to the Prohibited List, David Healy, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Senior Manager, Medical, Science and Medicine, will be providing a reminder on Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs), and we will introduce the recently launched ITA TUE Assistant online tool.

We strongly encourage athletes and athlete support personnel to attend this webinar, which will be delivered in English with simultaneous translation to four additional languages – Arabic (العربية), Spanish (español), French (français) and Russian (русский). Please register via the following link:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_yAkl3pTuRTyvJihw1m9ICA](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yAkl3pTuRTyvJihw1m9ICA)

**Event date:** Wednesday 29 November, 14:00 – 15:00 CET

**Panellists:**

- David Healy, WADA Senior Manager, Medical, Science and Medicine
- Mark Stuart, ITA Operations Development Senior Manager

**Moderator:** Mairi Irvine, ITA Education Team

**ITA Webinars**

The FEI anti-doping programme for humans is delegated to the **International Testing Agency (ITA)**, 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.

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

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## 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:

#### **ALG - FEDERATION EQUESTRE ALGERIENNE**

Mr Zoheir REMILI has been elected as President of the NF.

#### **AUS – EQUESTRIAN AUSTRALIA**

Ms Christie FREEMAN has been elected President of the NF.

#### **CHN – CHINESE EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION**

Please note the correct website address: <https://www.c-e-a.org.cn/>

#### **CRC – FEDERACIÓN ECUESTRE DE COSTA RICA**

Mr Emiliano Alonso ARGUEDAS ZAMORA has been elected as President of the NF.

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