



# UPDATE

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## SPORTS

### ENDURANCE

#### Longines FEI World Endurance Championship 2016 - Re-opening of the bid process

The Longines FEI World Endurance Championship 2016 was originally scheduled to take place from 10-17 December 2016 at the Dubai Equestrian Club (DEC). By decision of the FEI Bureau, the bid process will re-open to find a replacement venue outside the UAE for the Championship.

It is expected that the Championship will now take place in September or October, so the qualifying period will be moved back by two months and results starting from September/October 2014, instead of December 2014, will now count for qualification.

The schedule of the new bid is as follows:

- **18 April:** Re-opening of the bid.
- **18 May:** Deadline to submit applications.
- **14 June:** Bureau decision.

The qualification criteria can be found [here](#).

For further information, please refer to the [FEI Press Release](#) issued on 7 April 2016.

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## EVENTING

### New Art. 548.1 of the Eventing Rules

At the recommendation of the Eventing Committee, the FEI Bureau approved the **immediate** modification and implementation of Art 548.1 of the Eventing Rules as follows to allow additional frangible device systems on cross country:

#### ***New Art 548.1 Faults at Obstacles***

*1\* Explanatory note and procedure for the implementation of the penalty for "Activating a frangible device:*

*Each Athlete activating a frangible device will be awarded 11 penalties whenever the activation occurs as expected (i.e. activation by significant pressure exerted by the Horse **which modifies the dimension of** [∅∅]the fence."*

This amendment is in accordance with Art 20.3 (vii) of the Statutes, that stipulates that: *"In an Emergency Situation, the Bureau may, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of votes cast, pass Resolutions which are normally the prerogatives of the General Assembly. In such cases, the National Federations shall be notified promptly of these measures. If a majority of the National Federations eligible to vote, responding within thirty (30) days of the date of the notice, signifies its disapproval, the measure shall be rescinded if possible."*

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## DRESSAGE

### Guidelines for World Breeding Championships

The FEI/WBFSH Guidelines for the World Breeding Championships for Young Dressage Horses have been published on the FEI website and are available [here](#).

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## PARA-EQUESTRIAN

### Classification opportunity for riders with visual impairment

The FEI, in cooperation with the Organising Committee of the CPEDI3\* in Hartpury and the International Blind Sports Federation (IBSA), is pleased to inform you that Para-Equestrian athletes with visual impairment will have the opportunity to be internationally classified in Hartpury (GBR) on 6 July 2016.

No fee will be charged for riders attending this particular IBSA classification and this will remain the only FEI organised classification for visually impaired riders in the year 2016.

National Federations are kindly requested to submit the names of their riders wishing to attend this IBSA classification the very latest **by Monday, 23 May 2016** to Christina Arnesen ([christina.arnesen@fei.org](mailto:christina.arnesen@fei.org)).

As a precondition for IBSA classification, the IBSA Medical Diagnostics Form [here](#) must be duly completed by an ophthalmologist and also submitted to the aforementioned FEI contact person by **23 May 2016**.

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