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Introduction

We have pleasure in sending you the last FEI UPDATE, which brings together information from all our departments that you need to be aware of.

To ensure that this information is read by other people interested in equestrian sport, you may "forward to a colleague" who can "join our mailing list" or "unsuscribe from this list". These options are available at the end of this newsletter.

FEI UPDATE communications and supporting documents are available to all on the FEI UPDATE Library.

Message from the FEI Secretary General concerning HQ structure

Further to the introduction of FEI Solidarity and the creation of the FEI Solidarity Committee during the FEI Extraordinary General Assembly on 6 May 2011, the Coaching and Development Department has been transformed into the FEI Solidarity Department and I am happy to announce that Jacqueline Braissant has been appointed Director of FEI Solidarity. She will lead the implementation of objectives of the FEI Solidarity programme elaborated by the FEI Solidarity Committee.

I am also pleased to announce that Sabrina Zeender has been promoted to the position of Director of FEI Governance and Executive Affairs. Sabrina will monitor implementation of Bureau and Executive Board decisions and ensure that statutory requirements and deadlines are respected. She will also follow up with the Heads of Departments on issues raised during Executive Board, Bureau and Heads meetings and is responsible for the overall organisation of the FEI General Assembly, Bureau and Executive Board Meetings, as well as other ad-hoc committees. Until further notice, Sabrina will continue to coordinate the FEI World Equestrian Games™.

I hope you will join me in congratulating Jacqueline and Sabrina.

Ingmar De Vos
SG - CEO

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2012 FEI OFFICIAL CALENDAR - REMINDER

Deadlines for applications for 2012 dates

The process for application for 2012 dates can be consulted here.

Clashes rules, reviewed by the Legal department, can be consulted here.

For any related queries, contact calendar@fei.org.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY INFORMATION

FEI Draft Schedules 2012

We are pleased to announce that the 2012 FEI Schedules are now available on our website for all equestrian disciplines. The FEI HQ have carried out an overall revision in order to harmonise and align the schedules of all disciplines.

You will find one version in a pdf format including green text and further explanations on how you have to fill in each field/section. This version is for consultation and guidance purposes. You will also find the 2012 FEI Schedule in a Word version, which you should use for your events.

We would like to draw your attention to the fact that you will receive all approved schedules in a pdf format without any green text: these will be ready for publication.

Here are the various links for consultation and download of the documents:

- Jumping
- Dressage
- Para-Equestrian Dressage
- Eventing
- Endurance
- Driving
- Vaulting
- Reining

JUMPING

FEI World Cup™ Jumping - Chinese League 2011-2012 Rules

The FEI World Cup™ Rules have been updated for the Chinese League following approval by the Bureau. Please refer to Annexe G of the FEI World Cup™ Rules for more details. The rules are available for download here.

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**DRIVING**

**FEI World Cup™ Driving Four-in-Hand 2011-2012 Rules**

The Rules for the FEI World Cup for Four-in-Hand Driving for the season 2011-2012 can be found [here](#).

**EVENTING**

**FEI Eventing Open Forum, Luhmühlen (GER) 25 August 2011 - summary of discussions**

The summary of the discussions which took place during the FEI Eventing Open Forum, Luhmühlen (GER), 25 August 2011 is now available.

A document compiling the answers received to date can be consulted [here](#).

The initial document "Consultation process for the 2013 Rules revision" can be consulted [here](#).

**VETERINARY**

**17 ALPHA HYDROXYPROGESTERONE (HYDROXYPROGESTERONE HEXANOATE/CAPROATE)**

We would like to inform National Federations that the substance 17 Alpha Hydroxyprogesterone is a Banned Substance for male horses under the Equine Prohibited List. This is because it has the same biological effect on male horses as anabolic steroids, which are already on the List. As you may recall, when the Anti-Doping rules that came into effect on 5 April 2010 were being discussed and presented to National Federations, the FEI explained that while substances would now be specifically named on the Prohibited List, there would be a "catch-all" category for substances with the same "chemical structure or biological effect" as substances already named on the List. This "catch-all", which we explained would be applied very rarely (and has not been applied before), was to protect the integrity of the programme so that it would not be possible to change elements of a substance in order to use it and avoid violating the anti-doping rules.

The catch-all was applied exceptionally to Hydroxyprogesterone because it is so obviously a Banned Substance in male horses due to its use for oestrus suppression and pregnancy maintenance in mares. It has no accepted veterinary use in male horses. In male horses, it has anabolic effects and is known to prevent weight loss and therefore meets all criteria for a Banned Substance. However, for reasons of transparency, and to provide National Federations with as much information as possible, Hydroxyprogesterone has now been named on the Equine Prohibited List as a Banned Substance for male horses so that anyone searching the List will find it easily. For female horses, because the biological effects are not the same as for male horses, Hydroxyprogesterone will be a Controlled Medication going forward.

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2011 WEVA CONGRESS TO HAVE A SPECIAL SESSION DEVOTED TO THE SPORT HORSE ON 3 NOVEMBER 2011

The FEI will run a special session during the World Equine Veterinary Association (WEVA) Conference in Hyderabad, India, which will be opened on 2 November 2011 by HRH Princess Haya. This is International Veterinary Year, celebrating 250 years of the veterinary profession.

The FEI session aims to highlight the contributions of the veterinary profession to equestrian sport, with lectures by eminent speakers in a variety of clinical disciplines in this area. The FEI has chosen the 2011 WEVA Conference to celebrate the very long partnership between equestrian sport and veterinary surgeons. The WEVA programme is not just for veterinarians, and has a large section for lay people. The entire Conference promises to be a very exciting event and offers delegates a great opportunity to visit India.

Hyderabad will also host FEI Veterinarian Courses on 31 October and 1 November 2011. Click here to consult the calendar of courses.

To register please click here.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)

IT workshop - Lausanne (SUI) 3-4 November 2011

The FEI IT department is pleased to invite you to a workshop for NF IT specialists about Web Services that will take place in Lausanne at the FEI HQ on 3-4 November 2011.

The following documentation can be consulted:

- Workshop Invitation
- Subscription Form

Renewal of FEI documents for horses

The procedure for the renewal of FEI documents for horses can be consulted here.

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