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FEI Course for Promotion to FEI 2* Dressage Judge

A course for promotion to FEI 2* Dressage Judge will be organised in connection with CDI Vazgaikiemis (LTU) on 16-18 May 2019. The course is open to eligible national Dressage Judges from all NFs who do not yet have national Grand Prix level competitions, or are only beginning with this level.

The invitation with all the details can be found [here](#).

VETERINARY

FEI issues guidelines on equine influenza outbreak

The FEI has issued guidelines to the equestrian community to protect horses from and prevent transmission of equine influenza, following confirmed outbreaks of the virus in Belgium, France, Germany, Great Britain, Ireland, Nigeria, United Kingdom and the United States of America since the beginning of the year.

The FEI's comprehensive question and answer document on equine influenza is available [here](#).

Equine influenza is a highly contagious virus which causes respiratory disease in horses. The virus is endemic to most countries in the world and outbreaks can have a severe impact on the equine industry, potentially resulting in restrictions on horse movement and cancelled events.

Horses that have been vaccinated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions or FEI requirements will be very well protected against equine influenza. Although no vaccine is 100% effective, it has been clear from recent outbreaks that vaccinated horses have suffered only mild clinical signs of the disease and recovered quickly. Unvaccinated horses have been much more severely affected.

Please ensure that you make your community aware of the FEI requirements to vaccinate and also ensure that they read the FEI guidelines.

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