

VETERINARY

EDUCATION SYSTEM

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Education System for FEI Veterinarians

Introduction

The FEI Education System is designed to ensure that all FEI Veterinary Officials can fulfil the requirements of their job descriptions, are up-to-date with the current FEI Rules and Regulations, and master the officiating know-how in their discipline. Its goal is to guarantee that FEI Officials apply a consistent approach to the veterinary matters, deliver high-quality officiating and provide a true level-playing field to competitors at all international equestrian events, while keeping the Welfare of the Horse as paramount in their practice at all times.

The FEI Education System offers function-specific career pathways, structured with a gradual four-level (4) system. Veterinarians, upon successfully completing their initial transfer-up process will be listed as Level 1 FEI Veterinarian Officials. They may later evolve up the pathway to higher levels and functions as OV, EOVS and ETVs.

Competencies

To officiate at a given function and level, FEI Veterinary Officials must hold the relevant FEI Official Certificate, which ensures they currently have the following required competencies:

- ✓ Knowledge of FEI Rules and Regulations
- ✓ Knowledge of the sport, the discipline(s), the horse and its well-being
- ✓ Experience in the discipline(s) and the function
- ✓ Interpersonal and communication skills
- ✓ Fitness level required to correctly perform all duties relevant to the role
- ✓ English language proficiency

English language proficiency is mandatory as all FEI Officials are working in an English-speaking environment, are expected to write reports in English, and must understand FEI Rules and Regulations, and course material.

The level of English language proficiency required is in line with the level of officiating, and based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) as a reference:

Level 1	A2	The user can understand phrases related to areas of relevance, can read very short and simple texts, communicate in simple ways and write short messages.
Level 2	B1	The user can understand the main points of clear speeches, can understand a text that consists mainly of high frequency job-related language, can deal with most situations likely to arise, can describe events in a simple way and write simple texts on topics which are familiar.
Level 3	B2	The user can understand complex lines of arguments provided the topic is familiar, can read reports in which the writers adopt particular attitudes or viewpoints, can present clear, detailed descriptions related to the field of interest and write detailed texts related to the subject of interest.
Level 4	C1	The user can understand extended speeches, can understand long and complex texts, express him/herself fluently and spontaneously, present complex subjects and write well-structured texts.

Competency-based Evaluation System

In order to assess, educate, certify and monitor competencies of FEI Veterinary Officials throughout their career, the FEI has implemented the Competency-based Evaluation System (CES). The CES ensures that both during the transfer-up and the maintenance phases of a given function/level, Officials have the required competencies to officiate at international level.

The transfer-up consists of:

- Requirements - to ensure candidates have the minimum level of knowledge and experience before starting their education
- Education with examination(s) - in line with the job description to prepare Officials in taking and assuming their roles and duties
- Certification - to validate Officials' competencies for a given function and level

The maintenance consists of:

- The annual CES Online Assessment
- The triennial CES Maintenance Course
- The annual CES Officiating Review¹

Maintenance is mandatory for all FEI Veterinary Officials and their status is reviewed annually by the FEI on 15 December.

¹ The CES Officiating Review will not be applied, by decision of the FEI Board on 5 June 2024.

All Officials are required to take their assessments and examinations personally.

The FEI reserves the right to verify (by whatever method the FEI may choose) that an assessment/examination has been personally completed by an individual Official. If the FEI concludes that the assessment/examination has not been personally completed by the relevant Official, the FEI can take such action as it deems necessary including, but not limited to the invalidation of the assessment/examination and/or the opening of disciplinary proceedings.

For more information about the Education System and the CES:

Please refer to the Annex "**FEI Education Processes**" published [HERE](#) covering the specificities of equivalency, entering the system, transfer-up, maintenance and re-entering the system. For more information about the terminology used in the FEI Education System, please refer to the Annex "**FEI Education Terminology**" published [HERE](#).

Minimum Requirements for Eligibility to become an FEI Official

For their application to be considered, FEI Veterinary Officials must:

- ✓ Have an appropriate level of English, both written and spoken
- ✓ Be minimum 18 years old
- ✓ Be in good standing with their National Federation
- ✓ Be familiar with and accept the FEI General Regulations, FEI Veterinary Regulations and Annexes, and other relevant FEI manuals and guidelines
- ✓ Accept all applicable Codes and Codes of Conduct
- ✓ Be formally recommended by their National Federation

National Federations are responsible for informing the FEI Veterinary Department of any Official who is not in good standing with the National Federation.

Event Participation

Lists of FEI Veterinary Officials are available on the FEI website for the use of Organising Committees and other interested Stakeholders, and are updated on a daily basis. Only FEI Veterinary Officials who are current with their maintenance status and report submission obligations will be listed, and may officiate at, or be appointed to FEI Events.

FEI Veterinary Officials must abide by the applicable Codes of Conduct and commit to act according to the principles, Rules and Regulations of the FEI.

The duties of FEI Veterinary Officials are outlined in the FEI Veterinary Job Descriptions. However, these documents do not substitute FEI Rules and Regulations.

Permitted Treating Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Provide the name of two (2) Veterinarians who support their application (one must be listed at least as a Level 2 Official Veterinarian)
- ✓ Accept the Permitted Treating Veterinarian Codex

Education

- ✓ Pass the online Permitted Treating Veterinarian Course with examination

Status

- ✓ On passing the examination and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Permitted Treating Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Art. 1097, Permitted Treating Veterinarians are eligible for the following roles at FEI Events:

- ✓ Treating Veterinarian
- ✓ Team Veterinarian
- ✓ Athlete's Private Veterinarian
- ✓ Holding Box Veterinarian
- ✓ Veterinary Control Officer

Maintenance

- ✓ Pass the Permitted Treating Veterinarian Online Assessment every three (3) years
- Permitted Treating Veterinarians who do not take their PTV online assessment before the expiry date will have their function closed.

Level 1 Official Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Be formally recommended by their National Federation
- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of A2 or higher
- ✓ Be listed as a Permitted Treating Veterinarian
- ✓ Have a minimum of three (3) years equine veterinary experience

Education

- ✓ Pass the online Transfer-up Level 1 Course for Official Veterinarians with examination(s)

Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 1 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 1 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 1 Official Veterinarians are eligible for officiating at FEI Events, as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year

Level 2 Official Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Be listed as a Level 1 Official Veterinarian
- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher
- ✓ Have a minimum of five (5) years equine veterinary experience

Education

- ✓ Pass a Transfer-up Level 2 Course for Official Veterinarians with examination(s)
- ✓ For the first discipline: Shadow officiate at three (3) FEI Events with at least two (2) different FEI Mentor Officials who must be at least Level 3 or 4 Official Veterinarians*. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.
- ✓ Complete the education process within three (3) years after application.
- ✓ For every additional discipline: Shadow officiate at one (1) FEI Event with an FEI Mentor Official who must be at least a Level 3 or 4 Official Veterinarian*. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.

*Level 2 Official Veterinarians may be authorised by the FEI Veterinary Department to act as FEI Mentor Officials.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 2 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 2 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 2 Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course every three (3) years
- ✓ Officiate as a Veterinary Delegate or Additional Veterinary Delegate at minimum one (1) FEI Event every three (3) years¹

¹ The CES Officiating Review will not be applied, by decision of the FEI Board on 5 June 2024.

Level 3 Official Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of B2 or higher

and

- ✓ Be listed as a Level 2 Official Veterinarian for a minimum of three (3) years
- ✓ Have officiated as Veterinary Delegate or Additional Veterinary Delegate at a minimum of ten (10) FEI Events

or

- ✓ Be listed as a Level 2 Official Veterinarian for nine (9) consecutive years
- ✓ Have officiated as Veterinary Delegate or Additional Veterinary Delegate at a minimum of six (6) FEI Events

Education

- ✓ For the first discipline: On fulfilling all Level 3 Official Veterinarians requirements, applicants have passed the transfer-up education.
- ✓ For every additional discipline: Shadow officiate at one (1) FEI Event with an FEI Mentor Official who must be at least a Level 3 or 4 Official Veterinarian*. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.

*Level 2 Official Veterinarians may be authorised by the FEI Veterinary Department to act as FEI Mentor Officials.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

Status

- ✓ On fulfilling all Level 3 requirements and education, applicants are listed as Level 3 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 3 Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance course every three (3) years
- ✓ Officiate as a Veterinary Delegate, Additional Veterinary Delegate, Foreign Veterinary Delegate or Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of one (1) FEI Event every three (3) years¹

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Level 4 Official Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of C1 or higher
- ✓ Be in good standing with the FEI

And

- ✓ Have been listed as a Level 3 Official Veterinarian for a minimum of three (3) years
- ✓ Have officiated as a Veterinary Delegate or Foreign Veterinary Delegate at a minimum of five (5) FEI Events (CIs, CIOs, Children's Classics, Challenge Finals, Nations Cups or Regional Championships)

Education

- ✓ Pass the Transfer-up Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians:

First phase:

- Pass online problem-solving case studies
If passed, the Official is invited to an online interview
- Pass an online interview
If passed, the Official is provisionally transferred up to Level 4 and invited to the second phase

Second phase:

- Pass a three-day in-person course at FEI HQ
If passed, the transfer-up to Level 4 is confirmed

If the Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians has already been completed and passed for another FEI Veterinarian Function (Endurance Official Veterinarian or Endurance Veterinary Treating Official), the Official must only fulfill the Requirements and not go through the Level 4 Education phases again.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Transfer-up Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 4 Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 4 Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance course every three (3) years

and

- ✓ Officiate as a Veterinary Delegate, Foreign Veterinary Delegate, President or Member of the Veterinary Commission at minimum one (1) FEI Event every three (3) years¹

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Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher
- ✓ Be listed as a Level 1 Official Veterinarian
- ✓ Have a minimum of five (5) years equine veterinary experience
- ✓ Complete the online Endurance Foundation Course

Education

- ✓ Pass a Level 2 Transfer-up Course for EOVs with examination(s).
- ✓ Shadow officiate at six (6) CEIs with at least four (4) different FEI Mentor Officials who must be Level 3 or 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians acting as Members of the Veterinary Commission. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.
- ✓ Complete the education process within three (3) years of application.

Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians may be authorised by the FEI Veterinary Department to act as FEI Mentor Officials.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 2 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Role at FEI Events

Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance course every three (3) years
- ✓ Officiate as Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of one (1) CEI every three (3) years¹

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Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of B2 or higher
- ✓ Be listed as a Level 2 Endurance Official Veterinarian for a minimum of three (3) years
- ✓ Have officiated as Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of ten (10) CEIs

Education

- ✓ Pass a Level 3 Transfer-up Course for EOVs with examination(s).
- ✓ Shadow officiate at three (3) CEIs with at least two (2) different FEI Mentor Officials acting as Presidents of the Veterinary Commission or Foreign Veterinary Delegates. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.
- ✓ Complete the education process within three (3) years of application.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 3 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance course every (three) 3 years
- ✓ Officiate as Foreign Veterinary Delegate, President or Member of the Veterinary Commission at minimum one (1) CEI every three (3) years¹

¹ The CES Officiating Review will not be applied, by decision of the FEI Board on 5 June 2024.

Level 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of C1 or higher
- ✓ Be in good standing with the FEI

And

- ✓ Have been listed as a Level 3 Endurance Official Veterinarian for a minimum of three (3) years
- ✓ Have officiated as Foreign Veterinary Delegate or President of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of five (5) CEIs

Education

- ✓ Pass the Transfer-up Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians:

First phase:

- Pass online problem-solving case studies
If passed, the Official is invited to an online interview
- Pass an online interview
If passed, the Official is provisionally transferred up to Level 4 and invited to the second phase

Second phase:

- Pass a three-day in-person course at FEI HQ
If passed, the transfer-up to Level 4 is confirmed

If the Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians has already been completed and passed for another FEI Veterinarian Function (Official Veterinarian or Endurance Veterinary Treating Official), the Official must only fulfill the Requirements and not go through the Level 4 Education phases again.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Transfer-up Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance course every three (3) years

and

- ✓ Officiate as Foreign Veterinary Delegate, President or Member of the Veterinary Commission at a minimum of one (1) CEI every three (3) years¹

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Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher
- ✓ Be listed as a Level 1 Official Veterinarian
- ✓ Have minimum five (5) years of equine veterinary experience
- ✓ Complete the online Endurance Foundation Course

Education

- ✓ Pass a Level 2 Transfer-up Course for EVTs with examination(s).
- ✓ Shadow officiate at three (3) CEIs with at least two (2) different FEI Mentor Officials who must be Level 3 or 4 Endurance Official Veterinarians acting as Members of the Veterinary Commission. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.
- ✓ Shadow officiate at three (3) CEIs with at least two (2) different FEI Mentor Officials who must be Level 3 or 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.
- ✓ Complete the education process within three (3) years of application.

Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials may be authorised by the FEI Veterinary Department to act as FEI Mentor Officials.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 2 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials in the FEI Database

Role at FEI Events

Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration, via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance course every three (3) years
- ✓ Officiate as Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of one (1) CEI every three (3) years¹

¹ The CES Officiating Review will not be applied, by decision of the FEI Board on 5 June 2024.

Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of B2 or higher
- ✓ Be listed as a Level 2 Endurance Veterinary Treating Official for a minimum of three (3) years
- ✓ Have officiated as a Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of ten (10) CEIs
- ✓ Have completed two (2) case reports with one (1) metabolic report and one (1) orthopedic report, from situations taking place at FEI Events

Education

- ✓ Pass a Level 3 Transfer-up Course for EVT's with examination(s).
- ✓ Shadow officiate at three (3) CEIs with at least two (2) different FEI Mentor Officials acting as Presidents of the Treating Veterinary Commission. A positive recommendation is required for each shadow officiating.
- ✓ Complete the education process within three (3) years of application.

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Level 3 examination(s) and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course every three (3) years

And

- ✓ Officiate as President or Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of one (1) CEI every three (3) years¹

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Level 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials

Requirements

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of C1 or higher
- ✓ Be in good standing with the FEI

and

- ✓ Have been listed as a Level 3 Endurance Veterinary Treating Official for a minimum of three (3) years
- ✓ Have officiated as President of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of five (5) CEIs

Education

- ✓ Pass the Transfer-up Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians:

First phase:

- Pass online problem-solving case studies
If passed, the Official is invited to an online interview
- Pass an online interview
If passed, the Official is provisionally transferred up to Level 4 and invited to the second phase

Second phase:

- Pass a three-day in-person course at FEI HQ
If passed, the transfer-up to Level 4 is confirmed

If the Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians has already been completed and passed for another FEI Veterinarian Function (Official Veterinarian or Endurance Official Veterinarian), the Official must only fulfill the Requirements and not go through the Level 4 Education phases again.

Status

- ✓ On passing the Transfer-up Level 4 Education with examinations for FEI Veterinarians and fulfilling all requirements, applicants are listed as Level 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials in the FEI Database

Roles at FEI Events

Level 4 Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials are eligible to officiate at FEI Events as set forth in Annex IX of the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing with the Veterinary Regulator of registration via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course every three (3) years

and

- ✓ Officiate as President or Member of the Treating Veterinary Commission at a minimum of one (1) CEI every Three (3) years¹

¹ The CES Officiating Review will not be applied, by decision of the FEI Board on 5 June 2024.

Testing Veterinarians

Requirements

For Permitted Treating Veterinarians and Level 1 OVs:

- ✓ Achieve an English proficiency grade of B1 or higher
- ✓ Be in good standing with the FEI
- ✓ Be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department
- ✓ Have minimum five (5) years of equine veterinary experience

For Level 2, 3 or 4 Official Veterinarians, Endurance Official Veterinarians and Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials:

- ✓ Be in good standing with the FEI
- ✓ Be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department

The FEI Veterinary Department sets the number of Testing Veterinarians per National Federation in accordance with the FEI testing plan.

Education

For Permitted Treating Veterinarians and Level 1 OVs:

- ✓ Attend a Transfer Up Course for Level 2 Official Veterinarians
- ✓ Attend a Testing Veterinarian Course
- ✓ Pass the Testing Veterinarian online examination
- ✓ Shadow officiate at one (1) FEI Event with a Testing Veterinarian acting as FEI Mentor Official. A positive recommendation is required
- ✓ Pass the Testing Veterinarian practical examination
- ✓ Complete the education process within three (3) years of application

For Level 2, 3 or 4 Official Veterinarians, Endurance Official Veterinarians and Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials:

- ✓ Attend a Testing Veterinarian Course
- ✓ Pass the Testing Veterinarian online examination
- ✓ Shadow officiate at one (1) FEI Event with a Testing Veterinarian acting as FEI Mentor Official. A positive recommendation is required
- ✓ Pass the Testing Veterinarian practical examination
- ✓ Complete the education process within three (3) years of application

Access to the Testing Veterinarian online examination is given by the FEI Veterinary Department following attendance at the in-person Testing Veterinarian Course.

It will test the applicants' understanding and knowledge of the FEI Veterinary and EADCM Regulations, the material presented at the course and the FEI Testing Veterinarian Manual. Applicants who do not pass their first attempt may re-attempt the online examination once.

After passing the online examination, the FEI Veterinary Department assigns the applicants to an FEI event to complete their shadow officiating. After receiving a positive recommendation from their FEI Mentor Official, the FEI Veterinary Department assigns the applicants to an FEI event to complete their practical examination with an FEI Testing Veterinarian appointed by the FEI. Applicants who do not pass their first attempt may re-attempt the practical examination once, within 2 years.

Status

- ✓ On fulfilling all requirements, completing all education and passing all examinations, applicants are listed as Testing Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Role at FEI Events

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Art. 1114, Testing Veterinarians carry out EADCM sampling at the FEI Events to which they are appointed, as set forth in the FEI Veterinary and EADCM Regulations. They can be assisted in their duties by Testing Technicians.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Attend a Testing Veterinarian Course every three (3) years
- ✓ Officiate as Testing Veterinarian at a minimum of one (1) FEI Event every three (3) years¹

¹ The CES Officiating Review will not be applied, by decision of the FEI Board on 5 June 2024.

National Head Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Be listed as a Permitted Treating Veterinarian
- ✓ Be nominated by their National Federation

Education

For PTVs and Level 1 Official Veterinarians:

- ✓ Attend an in-person Transfer-up Course for Level 2 Official Veterinarians

For Level 2, 3, 4 Official Veterinarians. Endurance official Veterinarians & Endurance Veterinary Treating Officials

- ✓ On fulfilling all National Head Veterinarians requirements, applicants have passed the transfer-up education

If an examination is not passed, the applicant is given the opportunity of a re-attempt after one year.

Status

- ✓ On fulfilling all requirements, completing all education and passing all examinations, applicants are listed as National Head Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Role

National Head Veterinarians' role is defined in FEI Veterinary Regulations Article 1108.

Maintenance

- ✓ Maintain status as Permitted Treating Veterinarian or Official Veterinarian

Measuring Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Be listed as a Level 2, 3 or 4 Official Veterinarian
- ✓ Be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department

Education

- ✓ Shadow officiate at two (2) Measuring Sessions with two (2) different FEI Mentor Officials acting as Measuring Veterinarians. A positive recommendation is required for each Measuring Session.

Status

- ✓ On fulfilling all requirements, completing all education and passing all examinations, applicants are listed as Measuring Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Role at FEI Events

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Article 1112, Measuring Veterinarians carry out Pony Measuring at the Measuring Sessions to which they are appointed.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course every three (3) years
- ✓ Officiate as a Measuring Veterinarian at minimum one (1) Measuring Session every three (3) years¹

¹ The CES Officiating Review will not be applied, by decision of the FEI Board on 5 June 2024.

Examining Veterinarians

Requirements

- ✓ Be listed as a Level 2, 3 or 4 Jumping Official Veterinarian, Endurance Official Veterinarian or Endurance Veterinary Treating Official
- ✓ Be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department

Education

- ✓ Shadow officiate at two (2) FEI Events with two (2) different FEI Mentor Officials acting as Examining Veterinarians. A positive recommendation is required for each officiating.

Status

- ✓ On fulfilling all requirements, completing all education and passing all examinations, applicants are listed as Examining Veterinarians in the FEI Database

Role at FEI Events

According to FEI Veterinary Regulations Article 1113, Examining Veterinarians examine horses for abnormal limb sensitivity at the FEI Events to which they are appointed.

Maintenance

- ✓ Confirm licensure and good standing via the Annual Disclosures Declaration
- ✓ Pass a CES Online Assessment every year
- ✓ Pass a CES Maintenance Course every three (3) years
- ✓ Officiate as Examining Veterinarian at minimum one (1) FEI Event every three (3) years¹

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