Main decisions by the FEI Board
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The main decisions taken by the FEI Board at its in-person meeting in Lausanne (SUI) on 19-21 June 2019 are summarised below:

**Governance**

The Board agreed that changes to the sport rules should be made only every four years in order to facilitate easier implementation by the whole community. Urgent repairs, such as those involving horse welfare and safety of athletes, as well as correction of inconsistencies, errors or contradictions would be allowed during the quadrennial cycle. The proposal will be put forward to the General Assembly for approval in November 2019.

**Jumping**

The FEI Board was provided an overview of the recommendations that came out of the discussions from the Future of Jumping round table which took place in Lausanne on 4-5 June 2019. An executive summary of the Jumping round table will be published on the FEI website in due course.

The FEI Board was provided with a detailed outline of the proposed modifications to the Longines FEI Jumping North American League. Changes to the format and structure of the series to enhance its appeal were approved. A bidding process will be opened for the allocation of qualifiers which will be approved by the FEI Board, based on the recommendations of the FEI Jumping Committee.

The FEI Board approved clarifications and modifications to the rules of the following series: the Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™, FEI Jumping World Cup™, FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ Youth and the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping. Modifications to the qualification system for the Youth Olympic Games 2022 were also approved.

The FEI Jumping Committee advised the FEI Board that they did not recommend approval of the proposed rules for a new competition, the Longines Masters Riders Lab Challenge, and had requested the organiser to provide a revised proposal for consideration later in the year.

All proposed amendments to the Jumping rules that will be voted on at the FEI General Assembly in November 2019 will be published on Inside.FEI.org and sent to National Federations and stakeholders for further consultation on 8 July, as per the statutory deadline.

**Dressage**

The FEI Board approved financial support for the FEI Dressage World Cup™ 2020/2021 season, and also approved full implementation of an evaluation system for the FEI Dressage World Cup™ series, which was run as a pilot phase for the 2018/2019 season. It was also agreed that a bidding process for the series will be implemented as soon as possible.

All proposed amendments to the Dressage rules will be published on Inside.FEI.org and sent to National Federations and stakeholders for further consultation on 8 July, as per the statutory deadline.
Para Dressage

The Para Dressage Committee has proposed reverting to the previous Championship format which will allow non-team members to compete in two tests. Subject to approval at the FEI General Assembly in November, the current format at world and continental Championships will be revised to permit non-team members to compete in both qualifiers for the Freestyle.

Additionally, the Board was advised that the Para Dressage Committee has proposed that medals at all Championships, in line with the proposal for Dressage, should have only one individual medal in each Grade. This will harmonise both Dressage and Para Dressage with the other FEI disciplines.

The number of medals for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games will remain unchanged.

All proposed amendments to the Para Dressage rules will be published on Inside.FEI.org here and sent to National Federations and stakeholders for further consultation on 8 July, as per the statutory deadline.

Eventing

The Board was updated on ongoing projects in Eventing, including restructuring of Officials’ education, and the increased success of the FEI Eventing Nations Cup™ series, which provides an Olympic qualifying slot to the nation that finishes top of the series.

The proposed rules amendments include the mandatory implementation of frangible technology, where appropriate, at 4* and 5* events, with a three-year rollout period commencing in 2020. Additional proposals include rewording of the flag rule for narrow fences on Cross Country and review of the Eventing sanction system. The full proposed rules modifications will be published on Inside.FEI.org here and sent to National Federations and stakeholders for further consultation on 8 July, as per the statutory deadline.

Endurance

The FEI Board was provided with a detailed explanation of the complete revision of the FEI Endurance Rules that has been prepared by the FEI Endurance Temporary Committee, together with the FEI Endurance, Legal and IT departments. The main amendments focus on the 16 recommendations presented at the FEI Sports Forum 2019, some of which have been amended following feedback during the Sports Forum itself and subsequent consultation with stakeholders.

The Endurance Temporary Committee has a follow-up teleconference later this month to finalise the proposed rules amendments which will be published on Inside.FEI.org here and sent to National Federations and stakeholders for further consultation on 8 July, as per the statutory deadline.

Driving

Modifications to the FEI Driving World Cup™ series rules were approved by the FEI Board.
All other proposed rules amendments which require General Assembly approval will be published on Inside.FEI.org here and sent to National Federations and stakeholders for further consultation on 8 July, as per the statutory deadline.

**Vaulting**

Modifications to the FEI Vaulting World Cup™ series rules for 2019/2020 were approved by the FEI Board.

The Board approved the creation of a new Vaulting Challenge series and its rules. The series, which is based on three different levels, is designed to promote the development of the discipline in new countries.

The Board also discussed the introduction of a new Young Riders CVI2* category, which is aimed at bridging the gap between juniors and seniors in order to encourage athletes to remain in the sport. This is part of the proposed rules amendments that will be published on Inside.FEI.org here and sent to National Federations and Stakeholders for further consultation on 8 July, as per the statutory deadline.

**Reining**

The FEI Board gave the mandate to FEI Headquarters to prepare a recommendation on FEI Reining for the General Assembly in November.

**Veterinary**

The Board was presented with a model for funding and administration of the new FEI Pony Measuring System, which will be voted on at the FEI General Assembly in November for potential implementation from 2020.

**Clean Sport**

The Board was presented with an update on the global Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Programme (EADCMP) and approved changes to the Equine Prohibited Substances List.

**International Movement of Horses/IHSC**

The Veterinary Director briefed the Board on the IHSC/OIE workshops, international horse movement and the impact of Brexit, and the implementation of the European Animal Health Law in 2021. Updated guidelines on Brexit will be published on Inside.FEI.org.

**Olympic Games & Paralympic Games**

The Director of Games Operations provided the Board with an update on preparations for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, including the Ready Steady Tokyo test event, which takes place from 12-14 August 2019.

Additional updates were made on the test events for the new Olympic formats for Jumping and Dressage, which took place last week in Hagen (GER). The Board was also given details of the multiple testing of the Olympic format for Eventing, in Poland, Ireland, Italy and New Zealand. Following these tests, some adjustments will be made to the Olympic Regulations and, following approval by the FEI Board, these will go to the IOC for sign-off.
The Board approved the Technical Officials for the Paralympic Games. These will be published on Inside.FEI.org in due course.

**Continental Games**

The FEI Board was given an overview of the progress on preparations for the Pan-American Games in Lima (PER) following the operational trial exercise which took place in May testing veterinary organisation logistics and venue layout. The Board was informed that everything is on track for successful Games next month (26 July – 11 August).

**World Championships 2022**

The FEI Board was provided with an update on the FEI World Championships 2022.

**Allocation of FEI Named Events**

**Championships**

The full list of Championships allocated at the FEI Board meeting is:

**2020**
- FEI Dressage European Championships U25 - Pilisjászfalu (HUN), July or August (dates to be confirmed)
- FEI Dressage European Championships for Children - Pilisjászfalu (HUN) July or August (dates to be confirmed)

**2021**
- FEI European Championships – Jumping, Dressage & Para Dressage, Driving, Vaulting - Budapest (HUN), 9-22 August or 16-29 August (dates to be confirmed)
- FEI Jumping European Championships for Young Riders, Juniors & Children - Oliva, Valencia (ESP), 19-25 July
- FEI Jumping European Championships for Veterans - Le Mans (FRA), July or August (date to be confirmed)
- FEI Dressage European Championships U25 - Donaueschingen (GER), 12 - 15 August
- FEI Eventing European Championships for Young Riders & Juniors - Segersjö (SWE), 26-29 August
- FEI Eventing European Championships - Haras du Pin (FRA), 11-15 August
- FEI Driving World Championships for Ponies, Four-in-Hand, Pairs, Singles - Haras du Pin (FRA), 16-19 September
- FEI Endurance World Championships for Young Riders & Juniors - Ermelo (NED), 6-11 September
- FEI Endurance European Championships - Ermelo (NED) 6-11 September
- FEI Endurance World Championship for Young Horses - Arbore, Sardinia (ITA), 15-19 September
- FEI Vaulting World Championship for Juniors - Le Mans (FRA), July - August (date to be confirmed)

**FEI Driving World Cup™ series legs**

The legs of the FEI Driving World Cup™ series for the 2019-2020 season were allocated as follows:
- Lyon (FRA) 30 October-3 November 2019
- Maastricht (NED) 08-10 November 2019
- Stuttgart (GER) 13-17 November 2019
- Stockholm (SWE) 28 November-01 December 2019
- Budapest (HUN) 30 November-01 December 2019
- Geneva (SUI) 12-15 December 2019
Regional Groups & Continental Associations

The Board was updated on the request by the Ukrainian National Federation to move from Regional Group III to the European Equestrian Federation (EEF). Following the approval of this request by the concerned Regional Groups, the Board agreed that this would be put to the FEI General Assembly 2019 for approval.

Education & Officials

The Board approved the propose timeline for the Officials’ Competency Evaluation System (CES) 2019 and 2020.