



Lausanne, 20 December 2019

Dear Permitted Treating Veterinarian,

The FEI Veterinary Department would like to update you with some information relevant to your role:

Equine Gastric Ulcer Syndrome (EGUS) webinar

We are pleased to inform you that a new webinar for veterinarians is available on FEI Campus. It features veterinary experts discussing the best practices for the management and treatment of EGUS. The webinar can be accessed [here](#).

Use of FEI logos

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Education System for FEI Veterinarians

Further to our message of 6 December 2019, we kindly remind you to consult the [Education System for FEI Veterinarians](#) that will come into effect on 1 January 2020. The FEI Database will show the new OV, EO, and EVT levels on 15 January 2020 following the criteria available [here](#). FEI Veterinarians are invited to contact [Anne Saez](#) should they have a doubt on the Refresher Courses they need to attend to maintain their status.

Competency-based Evaluation System

All OV, EO, EVT and Testing Veterinarians received an email on 16 December 2019 regarding the CES assessment and their assigned group. OV with multiple disciplines will only be required to take the CES assessment once. Veterinarians with other official functions (judge, steward, TD, CD) will be required to take the veterinary assessment and the assessment(s) relevant to their other function(s).

Group A veterinarians:

OV, EO, EVT and Testing Veterinarians who passed the General Veterinarian Course in 2019, 2018 or 2017. Group A veterinarians will be required to take the online assessment at home between 16 December 2019 and 31 March 2020. Their official functions will be closed on 31 March 2020, should they fail to pass the online assessment within the allocated time period.

Group B veterinarians:

OVs, EOVs, EVTAs and Testing Veterinarians who passed the General Veterinarian Course in 2016 or before. Group B veterinarians will be required to take the online assessment during any Refresher Course held between 1 January 2020 and 15 December 2020. Access to the CES assessment will be given to them on the day of the course. They can however practice with the mock exam to get acquainted with the assessment format and type of questions.

FEI Veterinarians are invited to contact [Anne Saez](#) should they feel they were assigned to the wrong group.

Retired Official Veterinarians

OVs who retired in 2019, 2018 or 2017 due to having reached the age limit of 75 will be able to re-enter the system. NFs must contact [Anne Saez](#) to announce any OV's wishing to recover their functions so they can be communicated the conditions of their reinstatement.

Para-Dressage and Para-Driving OV Functions

OVs will no longer be listed for Para-Dressage and Para-Driving in the FEI Database. Dressage or Driving OV's will be allowed to officiate at all FEI Para-Dressage or Para-Driving events.

New Sampling Forms

As some of you have already experienced, new sampling forms were issued. We would like you to please stick the barcode labels on all three parts of the blue carbon copy and tear it in three parts, one to be retained by you, one for the PR and the last one for the laboratory. The white page stays as a whole page and will be scanned and sent to the FEI. The stickers that are left can be used to fill the sample dispatch form.

Dogs

The Veterinary Department received some complaints regarding veterinarians bringing their dogs to FEI events. We kindly ask dog owners to refrain from being accompanied by their dogs while officiating for the FEI, especially in or around the sampling boxes.

Season's Greetings

The Veterinary Department would like to extend its warmest thanks for all your work in 2019 and best wishes for the New Year.



Sincerely,

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