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CODE OF CONDUCT

FEI CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE

The FEI requires all those involved in international Equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI’s Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the Horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

1. **At all stages during the preparation and training of competition Horses, welfare must take precedence over all other demands.**

   a) Good Horse management

   Stabling, feeding and training must be compatible with good Horse management and must not compromise welfare. Any practices which could cause physical or mental suffering, in or out of Competition, will not be tolerated.

   b) Training methods

   Horses must only undergo training that matches their physical capabilities and level of maturity for their respective disciplines. They must not be subjected to any training methods which are abusive or cause fear or for which they have not been properly prepared.

   c) Farriery and tack

   Foot care and shoeing must be of a high standard. Tack must be designed and fitted to avoid the risk of pain or injury.

   d) Transport

   During transportation, Horses must be fully protected against injuries and other health risks. Vehicles must be safe, well ventilated, maintained to a high standard, disinfected regularly and driven by competent staff. Competent handlers must always be available to manage the Horses.

   e) Transit

   All journeys must be planned carefully, and Horses allowed regular rest periods with access to food and water in line with current FEI guidelines.
2. **Horses and Athletes must be fit, competent and in good health before they are allowed to compete.**

   a) Fitness and competence

   Participation in Competition must be restricted to fit Horses and Athletes of proven competence.

   b) Health status

   No Horse showing symptoms of disease, lameness or other significant ailments or pre-existing clinical conditions should compete or continue to compete when to do so would compromise its welfare. Veterinary advice must be sought whenever there is any doubt.

   c) Doping and Medication

   Abuse of doping and medication is a serious welfare issue and will not be tolerated. After any veterinary treatment, sufficient time must be allowed for full recovery before Competition.

   d) Surgical procedures

   Any surgical procedures that threaten a competing Horse's welfare or the safety of other Horses and/or Athletes must not be allowed.

   e) Pregnant/recently foaled mares

   Mares must not compete after their fourth month of pregnancy or with foal at foot.

   f) Misuse of aids

   Abuse of a Horse using natural riding aids or artificial aids (e.g. whips, spurs, etc.) will not be tolerated.

3. **Events must not prejudice Horse welfare.**

   a) Competition areas

   Horses must only be trained and compete on suitable and safe surfaces. All obstacles must be designed with the safety of the Horse in mind.

   b) Ground surfaces

   All ground surfaces on which Horses walk, train or compete must be designed and maintained to reduce factors that could lead to injuries.
Particular attention must be paid to the preparation, composition and upkeep of surfaces.

c) Extreme weather

Competitions must not take place in extreme weather conditions if the welfare or safety of the Horse may be compromised. Provision must be made for cooling Horses quickly after competing.

d) Stabling at Events

Stables must be safe, hygienic, comfortable, well ventilated and of sufficient size for the type and disposition of the Horse. Clean, good quality and appropriate feed and bedding, fresh drinking water, and washing-down water must always be available.

e) Fitness to travel

After Competition, a Horse must be fit to travel in accordance with the FEI’s guidelines.

4. **Every effort must be made to ensure that Horses receive proper attention after they have competed and that they are treated humanely when their Competition careers are over.**

a) Veterinary treatment

Veterinary expertise must always be available at an Event. If a Horse is injured or exhausted during a Competition, the Athlete must dismount and a veterinarian must check the Horse.

b) Referral centres

Wherever necessary, the Horse should be collected by ambulance and transported to the nearest relevant treatment centre for further assessment and therapy. Injured Horses must be given full supportive treatment before transport.

c) Competition injuries

The incidence of injuries sustained in competition should be monitored. Ground surface conditions, frequency of Competitions and any other risk factors should be examined carefully to indicate ways to minimise injuries.
d) Euthanasia

If injuries are sufficiently severe the Horse may need to be euthanased by a veterinarian as soon as possible on humane grounds and with the sole aim of minimising suffering.

e) Retirement

Every effort should be made to ensure that Horses are treated sympathetically and humanely when they retire from Competition.

5. The FEI urges all those involved in Equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in their areas of expertise relevant to the care and management of the Competition Horse.

This Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse may be modified from time to time and the views of all are welcomed. Particular attention will be paid to new research findings and the FEI encourages further funding and support for welfare studies.

The Code is also available on the FEI’s website: www.fei.org
CHAPTER I - GENERAL

Article 600 - INTRODUCTION

This booklet sets out the rules and qualification procedures for the Equestrian Events at the Paralympic Games. It must be read in conjunction with the Paralympic Charter as well as the IPC Anti-Doping Code applicable at the time of the Paralympic Games, FEI Statutes, FEI General Regulations (GRs), FEI Rules for Para-Equestrian Dressage Events, Classification Manual for Equestrian Competition for Riders with Disabilities, the Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations (EADCMRs), and the FEI Veterinary Regulations (VRs), all of which remain in force except where otherwise specified.

A Tribunal procedure resembling arbitration is provided for in the FEI Statutes and GRs. In accordance with this procedure, the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, has the exclusive jurisdiction to be the final forum to resolve all disputes concerning these Equestrian Events at the Paralympic Games.

The FEI assumes the responsibility for the technical supervision of the preparations of facilities and for the technical control of the Competitions.

Article 601 - COMPETITIONS

The following Competitions will be included in the Paralympic programme:

1. Para-Equestrian Dressage, Team Competition
2. Para-Equestrian Dressage, Individual Championship Competition
3. Para-Equestrian Dressage, Individual Freestyle Competition

See Annex E for Competition schedule.

Article 602 - COMPETITION SCHEDULE

1. The general Competition schedule for the Equestrian Events is agreed between the FEI, the Organising Committee of the Paralympic Games (OCPG) and the International Paralympic Committee (IPC).

2. An explanatory brochure containing the general programme and arrangements giving all details of facilities, installations and FEI Veterinary Regulations (VRs) shall be distributed by the OCPG (in French, English and the language of the host country if not already listed) to the IPC, to the relevant IFs and to all NPCs.

Article 603 - COMPETITION PROGRAMMES

A program containing all details in regard to the Competitions of the International Para-Equestrian Dressage discipline will be produced by the OCPG.
for the public attending the Equestrian Competitions. This programme should include the description of all Competitions, Competition schedule, biographies of up to 10 leading contenders of each Grade, participation list of Athletes and Horses (breeds, age, etc.) as well as a list of Officials functioning.

**Article 604 - CLASSIFICATION, MEDALS & PRIZES**

1. **PARTICIPATION IN THE PARALYMPIC INDIVIDUAL FINALS**
   The number of entries in the Paralympic Individual Grade Events shall not exceed three **(3) per country**. The total number of entries from any country overall across all Grades shall not exceed five (5).

2. **MEDAL COMPETITIONS**
   Only one (1) set of medals will be awarded for the Team Competition (Teams with mixed Grades; combined scores of Team & Individual Championship Test). Five (5) sets of medals will be awarded for the Individual Championship Competition and five sets of medals will also be awarded to the Freestyle to Music Competition (one set per Grade).

3. **PRIZES FOR ALL PARALYMPIC COMPETITIONS**
   Medals will be awarded according to the Paralympic Charter.
   
   **3.1. Individual**
   Medals and diplomas are awarded to the individual Athletes placed 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 3\textsuperscript{rd}. Diplomas are awarded to the individual Athletes placed 4\textsuperscript{th}, 5\textsuperscript{th}, 6\textsuperscript{th}, 7\textsuperscript{th} and 8\textsuperscript{th}.

   **3.2. Teams**
   Medals and diplomas are awarded to all members of Teams placed 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 3\textsuperscript{rd}. Diplomas are awarded to each Team member placed 4\textsuperscript{th}, 5\textsuperscript{th}, 6\textsuperscript{th}, 7\textsuperscript{th} and 8\textsuperscript{th}.

   **3.3. Horses**
   Rosettes (ribbons) and stable plaques provided by the OCPG will be awarded to the Horses of all Athletes who have received a medal or a diploma.

**Article 605 - QUOTA**

**TOTAL QUOTA**

Seventy eight (78) Athletes will be qualified and allowed to participate at the 2012 Paralympic Games, and seventy eight (78) Horses will be allowed to enter the Paralympic stables.

No reserve Athletes/Horses will be permitted.
Article 606 - ELIGIBILITY OF ATHLETES AND HORSES

1. ATHLETES
   1.1. To be eligible for participation in the Equestrian Events at the Paralympic Games, Athletes and Horses must comply with all current FEI Rules and Regulations, be correctly registered with the FEI and must have achieved the Minimum Eligibility Standard (MES) that is outlined in Article 622 (“Qualification Procedure”).
   1.2. From and including the year in which they reach their 16th birthday, Athletes are eligible to take part in the Para-Equestrian Dressage Competitions.
   1.3. 2008 Paralympic Title Holders: No past Paralympic title holder (Team or Individual) will be automatically eligible for the 2012 Paralympic Games.

2. HORSES
   2.1. Age
   For Para-Equestrian Dressage, Horses of any origin and a minimum of 6 years of age (the age being counted from 1st January of the year of birth) are eligible to compete.
   2.2. Registration
   Horses entered for the Equestrian Events at the Paralympic Games must have been registered with the FEI the latest by the date of Final Entries. The National Federation (NF) of the Athlete is responsible to ensure that the Horse fulfils the registration criteria.
   2.3. Passports
   Any Horse entered for Equestrian Competitions at the Paralympic Games must have a valid FEI Passport or an FEI approved national passport with a valid FEI Recognition Card as a means of identification and to establish ownership. These documents must be duly completed and correct at the time of the Competitions in compliance with the VRs.
   2.4. Name of Horse
   No sponsor name of a Horse will be included on any Paralympic participation/entry list, start list or results.

Article 607 - DEADLINES FOR QUALIFICATION OF NATIONS, ELIGIBILITY STANDARD AND CERTIFICATES OF CAPABILITY

1. QUALIFICATION OF NATIONS
   The deadline for NFs/NPCs to qualify for the Paralympic Games is 31st January 2012. Further details on the qualification chronology are outlined in Article 622 (“Qualification Procedure”).
2. **MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PARALYMPIC GAMES**

2.1. **FEI Nominated Entries** must be accompanied by Certificates of Capability and must be received by FEI no later than **18th June 2012**, midnight (Swiss time).

2.2. **Certificates of Capability**

NPCs qualified to take part in the Paralympic Games must send a Certificate of Capability for each Athlete nominated, on a form provided by the FEI (see Annex C), to the FEI no later than **18th June 2012** midnight (Swiss time). Athletes for which Certificates of Capability have not been received on time may not be allowed to participate.

The Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in Competitions satisfying the Minimum Eligibility Standard as laid down in Article 622 (“Qualification Procedure”), confirming that the Athletes have the necessary experience and ability to participate at the required standard.

3. **FINAL ENTRIES: 6TH AUGUST 2012.**

6th August 2012 is the latest date for Final Entries.

These entries will include the Athletes having reached the Minimum Eligibility Standard from countries having achieved qualification according to the procedure established by the FEI and approved by the IPC. All qualifications must have been previously confirmed by the FEI.

Entries for the 2012 Paralympic Games will be submitted by NPCs through a new online sport entries and qualification system (ePEQ). Instructions for the use of ePEQ will be distributed to NPCs in January 2012.

**Article 608 - FILL-UP OF QUOTA**

If a qualified nation finds that it has Athletes who are unable to compete in the Team or in the Individual Competitions after the Nominated Entries of **18th June 2012**, it must inform the FEI immediately, in order to provide the opportunity for other nations to participate.

The fill-up of quota of additional Teams and Individuals may only be made in accordance with the procedure laid down, provided that the total quota of permitted Horses and Athletes is not exceeded (see Art. 605).

**Article 609 - SUBSTITUTIONS**

1. Substitutions will only be allowed in the event of an accident or illness of an Athlete and/or Horse on the production of a certificate from an officially recognised doctor and/or with the permission of the Veterinary Commission.
2. Substitutions can only be made with another Horse or Athlete that was duly entered on the list of Nominated Entries of **18th June 2012**.

3. Substitutions are defined as follows:

   **3.1 Substitution 1** - for Athlete and/or Horse will be permitted between the date of the official Final Entries 6th August 2012 until completion of the Sport Entries sign-off conducted during the relevant NPC’s Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM).

   Substitute Athletes must have met the qualification criteria and Minimum Eligibility Standard (MES) for the respective Event(s), and must also have signed the IPC Eligibility Code Form. In addition, the Athlete’s NPC must have submitted an Accreditation Application Form for the substitute Athlete by the deadline of 20 April 2012.

   NPCs must complete an Official Substitution Application Form, which will be available on request through the LOCOG Sport Entries Team. NPCs must return the completed form to the LOCOG Sport Entries team for consideration and processing.

   Should an Athlete be substituted according to Substitution 1, his Paralympic accreditation will be transferred to the substitute Athlete and the initial Athlete will lose all his rights but may remain in his/her accommodation.

   **3.2 Substitution 2** - for Teams needing to substitute a Team Athlete and/or Team Horse with an Individual Athlete and/or Individual Horse will be permitted in the period between the Declaration of starters and up to two (2) hours before the scheduled starting time of the first Team Test Competition (first grade to go in the Team Test).

   **3.3 All substitutions must be validated by OCPG, competition management and FEI. However, regardless of the situation, all substitutions are subject to final review and approval by the IPC.**

**Article 610 - OFFICIALS**

1. **GROUND JURIES, CLASSIFIERS AND APPEAL COMMITTEE**

   The President and Members of the Ground Jury are appointed by the relevant FEI Technical Committee with the approval of the FEI Bureau. The President and members of the Classification Panel are appointed by the Head Classifier. The President and Members of the Appeal Committee are appointed by the FEI Bureau.

   Their travel and accommodation expenses will be met by OCPG.

2. **VETERINARY COMMISSION**

   **2.1** A Veterinary Commission is responsible for the veterinary supervision of the Equestrian Events. It shall be composed of a President, a
Foreign Veterinary Delegate (FVD) and up to two Associate Members, all of whom must be selected from the FEI List Veterinarians.

2.2. The President and the Associate Members shall be appointed by the FEI Veterinary Committee and the Bureau.

2.3 The FVD shall be appointed by the FEI Veterinary Committee with the approval of the Bureau.

2.4 It is essential that the Veterinary Commission includes internationally recognised experts with specialised knowledge of the Paralympic discipline.

2.5. The powers, obligations and responsibilities of the Veterinary Commission are laid down in the VRs.

2.6. The travel and accommodation expenses of the President and Members of the Veterinary Commission will be met by OCPG.

3. Footing Specialist

For the Dressage arena ground preparations, FEI and OCPG will agree on the appointment of a footing specialist. Travel, accommodation expenses and other fees will be met by OCPG.

Article 611 - FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE

1. Foreign Technical Delegate

1.1. The Technical Delegate shall be appointed by the relevant FEI Technical Committee with the approval of the FEI Bureau in accordance with the FEI General Regulations.

1.2. The Technical Delegate for the next Paralympic Games may be appointed at any time after the conclusion of the last Games. He/She will have an assistant.

1.3. Their powers, obligations and responsibilities are laid down in the GRs and in the respective Rules for the Paralympic discipline concerned.

1.4. The Technical Delegate is required, before the start of the respective Competitions, to:

1.4.1. Check the general layout of the Competition venue;
1.4.2. Ensure that the arenas are thoroughly tested;
1.4.3. Be present before the start of their Events, at least five whole days before the start.

1.5. OCPG will pay for travel expenses (flights, host country transfers and accommodation) to the Paralympic Games itself, and for pre-Paralympic visits (up to max five pre-Games visits) by the Technical Delegate to the 2012 Paralympic venue including the Test event.

OCPG will pay Business class air fares for a journey exceeding 2'500km.

In exceptional cases only, additional visits by the Technical Delegate/Coordinator will be covered by FEI with the approval of the Secretary General.
2. **FOREIGN VETERINARY DELEGATE**

A Foreign Veterinary Delegate (FVD) shall be appointed by the FEI with the agreement of the FEI Veterinary Committee to assist and advise OCPG on the preparations for the Games and approve the veterinary and medication control infrastructure. The FVD will visit the Equestrian venue prior to the Games. The FVD must be at the site of the Games at least three (3) days before the start of the first Competition.

The FVD will liaise, throughout the preparative phase, with the President of the Veterinary Commission and FEI management and will communicate with the veterinary authorities of the host country.

**Article 612 - SECRETARY GENERAL & FEI HEADQUARTERS STAFF**

The FEI Secretary General or his representative will ensure the co-operation between the Technical Delegate and OCPG Competition Management. He will provide support to OCPG for all matters that will require FEI involvement.

The FEI Secretary General, or his representative, must be present at least five days before the start of the first Competition to review and validate entries.

Accommodation expenses for FEI Headquarters Staff and FEI Press Officer will be met by FEI.

**Article 613 – PRESS FACILITIES AND SERVICES**

All press facilities and services available at the 2012 Paralympic Games are outlined in the *Press Facilities and Services Guide* published by the London Organising Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games (LOCOG) in December 2011.

**Article 614 - MEDICATION CONTROL OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES OF ATHLETES**

The IPC Anti-Doping Code (effective as of 03 December 2011) will apply to all Athletes participating in the Paralympic Games.

**Article 615 – MEDICATION AND DOPING CONTROL FOR HORSES**

Medication and Doping Control for Horses will be carried out as set out in the EADCMRs and the VRs:

1. **Selection of Horses for Testing (see also Veterinary Regulations 1016)**

   1.1. The Testing Veterinarian(s) will operate in close liaison with the President of the Ground Jury and the Veterinary Commission/Delegate.
The Testing Veterinarian will, wherever possible, respect any specific request for Horses to be sampled made by the President of the Ground Jury. The President of the Ground Jury will, however, fully consider the proposals of the Testing Veterinarian before deciding on the strategy for sampling at the Event.

1.2. Three possible methods for selection of Horses can be distinguished: obligatory testing (i.e. medal winners), random testing, (i.e. selection agreed by the President of the Ground Jury, Veterinary Commission/Delegate and Testing Official) and spot testing (i.e. if a specific reason necessitates testing of a Horse). Selection of Horses can be made at any time during any Event. Horses can be tested several times during one event.

1.3. It is recommended that a minimum of 5% of all Horses must be sampled.

1.4. For obligatory testing in the Paralympic Games, sufficient Horses must normally be sampled to ensure that at least the following samples are available for analysis:

1.4.1. in all Final Competitions for Individuals, the first three placed Horses;
1.4.2. in Final Dressage Competitions for Teams, one Horse from among all the Horses in each of the first three placed Teams;

2. Post-Arrival Elective Testing - see Article 1025.5 VRs
FEI may offer a Post-Arrival Elective Testing (PAET) service for Horses competing in the Event. Full details will be published in advance of the Event if this service is to be provided.

3. Procedures resulting from positive finding for Prohibited Substances
3.1. All procedures resulting from a positive finding for a Prohibited Substance in a Horse shall be conducted in accordance with the EADCMRs and all related documents, including, but not limited to, the VRs and the FEI Standard for Laboratories.

3.2. The Person Responsible (PR) of a Horse whose A-analysis was positive is not allowed to leave the venue of the Paralympic Games until given permission to do so by the FEI Secretary General, on sanction of elimination from the Paralympic Games.

If the PR contests the validity of the test results, FEI General Counsel, IPC Medical and Scientific Director, and FEI Veterinary Director must be informed immediately by confidential letter. All copies of the original and subsequent analytical documents must be submitted to the FEI General Counsel.
Article 616 - RESPONSIBILITY
Neither the Organising Committee nor the FEI accepts any responsibility for any accident or illness that may befall any Horse, Athlete, Groom or any other person. The same applies in case of damage to cars, saddlery, utensils and all other objects (including damage resulting from theft, loss, fire).
NFs/NPCs are responsible to ensure that each participating Horse is insured for a sufficient amount to cover any eventuality that can occur during or in relation to the Paralympic Games including without limitations, problems during OCPG organised transportation between port of arrival and Equestrian venue in the host country.
All owners and Athletes are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their Horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out a third party insurance providing full coverage for participation in Equestrian Events at home and abroad and to keep the policy up to date.

Article 617 – PROTESTS / APPEALS
1. Presidents of NFs and NPCs, Officials appointed under FEI Rules, Chefs d’Equipe, or if there is no Chef d’Equipe present, the Persons Responsible for the Horses taking part in the Event and Team Veterinarians, are entitled to lodge a Protest or Appeal as set forth more specifically in the GRs.
2. The procedure regarding the lodging of Protests and Appeals is laid down in the GRs and/or the Classification Manual as appropriate.
3. Protests and Appeals to the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee must be accompanied by a deposit to the FEI of the equivalent of CHF 150.
4. Protests and Appeals to the FEI Tribunal must be accompanied by a deposit to the FEI of the equivalent of CHF 500.
5. No deposit is required for Protests concerning an Abuse.
6. Protests and Appeals to the CAS must be accompanied by a deposit to the CAS of the equivalent of CHF 500 pursuant to the CAS Code of Sports-related arbitration.

Article 618 - PARALYMPIC SOJOURN
The Paralympic Sojourn correspondence to the enforcement of the FEI Rules and Regulations on the Paralympic venue.

The "Paralympic Sojourn" will start from the day of arrival of the Horses in the Paralympic stables until the day of the last Competition.
The Paralympic stables will be provisionally opened on 24th August 2012.
Article 619 - OWNERS OF HORSES

1. ACCREDITATION

Each NPC may request accreditation for a maximum of two owners for each Horse allowed in the Paralympic Stables during the Paralympic Games. The access will include the stables in accordance with the VRs along with the training areas and the Athletes’ and Paralympic Family seating.

2. REGISTERED OWNERS

The NF of a Horse belonging to a partnership or a syndicate of owners must inform the FEI by the date of the OCPG/IPC Nominated Entries for NPCs: 18th June 2012 of the name of one owner to ensure that it is entered in the Paralympic Accreditation System.

The name of one owner must be included in the FEI Horse Passport.

Article 620 – SCOREBOARDS, VIDEO BOARDS

An electronic scoreboard must be provided by OCPG within the Main Arena.

Any video board in the Main Arena must be placed at a height such that it will in no way interfere with the Horses’ performance.

Live scoring with running average percentage (average percentage the Athlete has obtained so far in the test, and is updated after every movement) is compulsory. Open scoring/running scoring (showing judges marks per movement during each test) must be provided but must not be visible to Athletes in the arena or the judges. Where the position of the main scoreboard does not allow visibility to the public, additional boards (small score boards) must be positioned in the arena.
CHAPTER II - PARA-EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS

Article 621 - RULES FOR THE PARA-EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS

1. GENERAL
The Para-Equestrian Dressage Competitions at the Paralympic Games are conducted in accordance with the FEI Rules for Para-Equestrian Dressage Events (3rd edition, effective 1st January 2011, including modifications for 01.01.2012), the FEI Classification Manual for Equestrian Competition for Riders with Disabilities (2008, updated in 2011) and the IPC/FEI Qualification Criteria (see Article 622 “Qualification Procedure”).

2. PARTICIPATION IN PARA-EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS
All Athletes must be qualified and eligible to compete according to FEI and IPC Rules. All Athletes must participate in the Individual Championship and Freestyle to Music Competition for their Grade. Those Athletes chosen by their NFs/NPC to represent their nation in the Team Competition (Team Test plus the Individual Championship Test in all five Grades) should do so. Furthermore also Athletes only competing as Individuals may participate in the Team Test but are not obliged to do so.

3. COMPETITIONS
All Competitions will be held in Grades. Athletes must compete in their correct Functional Profile Grade, as stated on their FEI PE ID card, unless they have applied to ride in a higher Grade according to Para-Equestrian Dressage rules.
- Team Test (first part of the Team Competition) open to all Athletes nominated by their NF/NPC to represent their nation in the Team Championship and also open to Athletes competing as Individuals only.
- Individual Championship Test (second part of the Team Competition & first Individual Competition) open to all Athletes.
- Freestyle to Music Test (second Individual Competition) open to all Athletes.

4. DECLARATION OF STARTERS & DRAW FOR THE STARTING ORDER

4.1. Declaration of starters
Declaration of starters should be done no later than two (2) hours before the draw. The exact time of the draw should be published in the schedule.

In the event of an accident or illness of an Athlete declared as a starter, who consequently cannot start in a test, this Athlete may, with the approval of the Organizing Committee, together with Technical Delegate or the President of the Ground Jury, start in a later Competition, but only as an Individual Athlete.

4.2. DRAW FOR THE STARTING ORDER

4.2.1. There must be a separate draw for each Competition. It may be prepared in advance by the OCPG and Technical Delegate and/or the President of the Ground Jury. It shall be published and
presented at a meeting that includes the President or a member of the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate, the Chief Classifier, the President or a member of the Appeal Committee, a senior member of the OCPG Competition Management Team, and the Chefs d'Equipe. Unauthorized persons should not be admitted to this meeting. Chefs must check the draw for the starting order within thirty (30) minutes of presentation.

4.2.2. Where possible, Grade Ia and Grade Ib Athletes should be separated by a class for other Athletes.

4.2.3. The draw for the starting order in Individual Competitions should be made regardless of nationality.

4.2.4. All Athletes recalled for classification must be classified before the draw takes place, allowing time for the Classifiers to complete their task, notify the OCPG and record their compensating aids on a list for the Officials.

4.2.5. A list is prepared of all Athletes, showing their name and number; also their Grade, NPC, and a note of the number of Athletes entered by that NPC in that Grade.

4.2.6. The list is sorted according to:
   a. Grade;
   b. Number of Athletes from each NPC entered in that Grade;
   c. NPC, in alphabetical order;

4.2.7. A blank starting list should be prepared as soon as the declaration of starters has taken place and before the draw is made. A separate draw takes place for each Grade, Ia to IV, in order of the Competitions.

4.2.8. For each Grade, slips of paper are prepared bearing consecutive numbers equivalent to the total number of starters in the Grade being drawn, and the slips placed in ‘Container A’ in a manner that does not show the numbers. In the same way, the names (numbers) of the Athletes together with indication of their nationality should be placed in ‘Container B’ according to the process described in 621.4.2.9 below). A third ‘Container C’ should also be prepared containing the 26 letters of the alphabet.

4.2.9. The order of the Athletes from each NPC with multiple Athletes in the same Grade is drawn. For the Grade being drawn, the NPC or NPCs with three (3) or more entries in that Grade enter the draw first. A letter of the alphabet is chosen at random (by a draw from ‘Container C’), and the first NPC whose name starts with that letter is the first one whose Athletes enter the draw; the other NPCs with three (3) entries will follow in alphabetical sequence.

4.2.10. The Athletes from each of these NPCs in turn have their names drawn from ‘Container B’, together with a number drawn from ‘Container A’. That number determines the starting position of each Individual Athlete.

4.2.11. If however any draw results in an Athlete being placed less than two (2) entries away from another Athlete of the same NPC, the
number drawn is immediately returned to ‘Container A’ and the position is redrawn until there is at least a two (2) entries gap between Athletes from the same NPC. Care must be taken that any one (1) trainer does not have Athletes in more than one (1) arena at similar times if more than one arena is being used.

4.2.12. The procedure is then repeated in the same manner for Athletes from NPCs that have two (2) entries in that Grade.

4.2.13. Athletes from NPCs with only one (1) entry each will be drawn for the remaining starting positions.

4.2.14. For team Competitions, the draw is conducted in the same way. Athletes ride in the drawn order within their Grades. The Chef d’Equipe decides the starting order within the grade for his own Athletes.

4.2.15. The Athletes are then entered in the starting list in the positions they have drawn.

4.2.16. Each Horse keeps the same identification number provided by the Organizing Committee on arrival throughout the Event. It is compulsory that this number be worn by the Horse at all times when outside the stable (from the time of arrival until the end of the Event) so that they can be identified by all Officials including the Stewards. Failure to display this number incurs first a warning and, in the case of a repeated offence, a fine imposed on the Athlete by the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee.

4.2.17. The starting order for Freestyle to Music Competitions where there are ten (10) or more Athletes will be drawn in groups of five (5) using the results of the Individual Competition already held. The first five (5) to compete in the Freestyle will be the five (5) lowest scoring combinations in the Individual Competition. The last five (5) to compete in the Freestyle will be the five (5) highest scoring combinations in the Individual Competition.

4.2.18. When the starting lists are completed copies should be given to FEI Officials and to the representative of each NPC.

5. Classification of the Competitions

5.1 Teams

Both the Team Test and the Individual Championship Test, which are valued at an equal level, count towards the final Team classification. The three (3) highest placed Athletes, determined by their percentage scores in the Team Test and the Individual Championship Test combined, shall be totalled to determine the final Team placing.

Elimination of a Team Athlete (or several Team Athletes) does never lead to elimination of the whole Team but the elimination of the respective Athlete will be counted as a zero (0) percentage result instead. In case of an Athlete’s elimination in the Team Test, the Athlete may nonetheless continue as a Team Athlete in the Individual Championship Test.

In the case of equality of percentages the winning Team is the one whose lowest ranked Team Athlete, out of the three counting results after the
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Team and Individual Championship Test, has the best result in the Individual Championship Test. If still tied the same rule will be applied to the second lowest ranked Athlete in the Individual Championship Test. If still tied the same procedure will be applied to the results in the Team Test.

5.2 **Individuals:**

Individual Championship Test: In case of equality of percentage, the higher collective marks will decide on the better placing. If the collective marks are equal, the collective marks of the Judge at C will be decisive.

Freestyle Test: In case of equality of percentage, the higher artistic marks shall decide. If still tied the higher marks for harmony shall decide. If still tied the higher marks for choreography shall decide.

6. **Horse Inspection**

Horse Inspections will be carried out in accordance with VRs Art 1011 (see Annex H). Nations will present themselves in alphabetical order according to the IPC abbreviations.

7. **Disqualification due to a Positive Doping Test**

7.1 **Under IPC Rules (for Athletes)**

Please refer to the IPC Anti-Doping Code (effective as of 03 December 2011) Articles 10 & 11.

7.2 **Under the FEI EADCMRs (for Horses)**

**Teams:**

Should an Athlete and/or Horse be disqualified for a positive test(s) for a Prohibited Substance under the EADCMRs, the Athlete’s result will be annulled in all Competitions and the entire Team disqualified.

**Individuals:**

If an Athlete and/or Horse is disqualified in the Individual Competition due to a positive test(s) for a Prohibited Substance under the EADCMRs, the Athlete’s results in all Competitions (including the Team Competition(s)) will be annulled. If a disqualified Athlete/Horse is a medal winner, the medals will be re-awarded. The fourth ranked Athlete/Horse will receive the bronze medal. If two (2) or more Athletes/Horses are tied for the fourth place the tie will be broken according to Article 621.5.2.
Article 622 - QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE – PARA-EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE

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**ATHLETE QUOTA**

| Total | 78 |

**ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION**

The qualification is allocated to the NPC not the Individual Athlete or Team.

In the case of the FEI Para Equestrian Individual Ranking Allocation method (Grade Ia and Ib distribution), the qualification is allocated to the NPC not the Individual Athlete but is to be used specifically for an Athlete in the Grade Ia or Grade Ib.

In the case of a Bipartite Commission Invitation, the qualification slot is allocated to the Individual Athlete, not the NPC.

**MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION Per NPC**

An NPC can be allocated a maximum quota allocation of five (5) qualification slots.

**ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for selection by an NPC, Athletes must:
- Have achieved at least a 60% score at a FEI Para Equestrian 3* or above Event in an Individual or Team Competition between 1 January 2010 and 17 June 2012;
- Be internationally classified with either a “Review” or “Confirmed” sport Grade status.
**MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC**  
An NPC can enter a maximum of three (3) eligible Athletes per sport Grade.

An NPC can enter a maximum of one (1) qualified Team in the Team Competition. A Team is comprised of a minimum of three (3) or a maximum of four (4) eligible Athletes. NPCs who have five (5) qualification slots will have four (4) Athletes in the Team and one (1) Individual Athlete, of which at least one (1) Athlete in the Team should be an eligible Athlete in either Grade Ia, Grade Ib or Grade II.

An NPC can have a maximum of five (5) slots.

**QUALIFICATION SYSTEM PRINCIPLES**

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<td>The second (2nd) through the seventh (7th) ranked Teams, not otherwise qualified, on the Para Equestrian Team ranking list* will receive four (4) qualification slots each.</td>
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*the FEI Paralympic Team Ranking List, covering the period of 1 November 2010 to 31 January 2012, is a Team Ranking based on each Team’s best percentage score at one (1) of the FEI Para Equestrian Qualifying Competitions.*
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<td><strong>Regional Distribution of Teams</strong>&lt;br&gt;One NPC from each of the following regions will receive four (4) qualification slots, based on the Para Equestrian Team Ranking List:&lt;br&gt;- Africa&lt;br&gt;- Americas&lt;br&gt;- Asia&lt;br&gt;- Europe&lt;br&gt;- Oceania&lt;br&gt;Should a region not have an eligible Team, this (these) slot(s) will be added to the Para Equestrian Individual Ranking Allocation.</td>
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#### PARA EQUESTRIAN INDIVIDUAL RANKING ALLOCATION

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<td><strong>ONLY</strong> NPCs that have not received qualification slots through either the 2010 FEI World Equestrian Games or Para Equestrian Team Ranking Allocation Methods are eligible to receive qualification slots through the Para Equestrian Individual Ranking Allocation Method*.&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;*the FEI Paralympic Athletes Individual Ranking List, covering the period of 1 November 2010 to 31 January 2012, is an Individual Ranking based on each Athlete’s accumulated ranking points at FEI Para-Equestrian Qualifying Competitions.&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<strong>Regional Distribution</strong>&lt;br&gt;Two (2) qualification slots will be allocated to the NPC(s) with the two (2) highest ranked Athletes from each of the following regions, irrespective of sports Grade.&lt;br&gt;- Africa&lt;br&gt;- Americas&lt;br&gt;- Asia&lt;br&gt;- Europe&lt;br&gt;- Oceania</td>
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<td>Maximum 3 Athletes</td>
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<td>Host Country Allocation</td>
<td>The host country will directly qualify four (4) qualification slots. In the case that the host country has qualified a Team through the 2010 World Equestrian Games, the FEI will allocate the qualification slots according to the Para Equestrian Team Ranking.</td>
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<td>Completion of Quota</td>
<td>In the case of cancellation of Team or Individual entries by an NPC or not using of the qualification slots allocated through the Bipartite Commission Invitation, the Athletes Quota will be achieved by allocating the qualification slots to the Athletes in their order of classification on the Individual Para Equestrian Ranking as of 1 May 2012 not otherwise qualified.</td>
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<td>31 January 2012</td>
<td>FEI Paralympic Athletes/Team Ranking Lists to be established.</td>
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<td>06 February 2012</td>
<td>Start of Bipartite Commission Invitation application process.</td>
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<td>12 March 2012</td>
<td>FEI notifies the NPCs in writing the number of allocated qualification slots.</td>
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<td>26 March 2012</td>
<td>NPCs confirm to FEI in writing the use of allocated qualification slots.</td>
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09 April 2012  FEI confirms in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots and the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitations.

20 April 2012  Deadline for London 2012 Organizing Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs.

06 August 2012  Deadline for London 2012 Organizing Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs.

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

By 26 March 2012, each NPC must confirm in writing (fax and e-mail are accepted) to the FEI the number of qualification slots they will use. NPCs that have not replied by this date will have lost their qualification slots, and the FEI may reallocate these slots.

By 09 April 2012, FEI will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 09 April 2012, it is officially declared that the respective NPC’s will use the allocated quota granted for the London 2012 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use some or all of the qualification slots allocated may be subject to sanctions by the IPC and/or the FEI.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Slots allocated at the 2010 FEI World Equestrian Games
Any qualification slots earned at the 2010 FEI World Equestrian Games and not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated to the NPC with the next highest ranked unqualified Team from this Competition.

Slots allocated from FEI Para Equestrian Team Ranking
Any qualification slots earned from the FEI Para Equestrian Team Ranking Allocation Method that are not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated to the NPC with the next highest ranked unqualified Team.

Slots allocated from FEI Para Equestrian Individual Ranking
Any qualification slots earned from the FEI Para Equestrian Individual Ranking Allocation Method that are not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated to the NPC with the next highest ranked unqualified Athlete in the respective sport class.

Slots allocated to Host Country
Any qualification slots allocated to the Host Country that are not used will be reallocated through the Para Equestrian Team Ranking Allocation.
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CHAPTER III - STABLES, SERVICES AND TRAINING FACILITIES

Article 623 - INTRODUCTION
The Paralympic Games bring together the best qualified Athletes and Horses from all over the world to compete for the most coveted award in the Para-Equestrian sports. It is therefore most important that the accommodation, health and feeding facilities for Horses, Grooms and Athletes and the facilities for training and practice should be satisfactory in every respect. The following guidelines/directives are designed to help OCPGs to provide for the needs of the Horses, Grooms, Athletes and Team Officials. Slight modification(s) to the requirements set out in this chapter may be necessary. Any modification to these requirements must be agreed in writing by the OCPG and the FEI.

Article 624 - STABLES
1. Provision of suitable stables with adequate lighting and ventilation (60 m³ air space for each Horse). Loose boxes must be of at least nine (9) square metres. 20% of the loose boxes must be at least 12 m² and be used to accommodate the largest Horses. They should be disinfected before arrival and after departure of the Horses.

   Preferably the stable design should include a roof some distance above the stalls, reflecting heat and allowing airflow over the stabled boxes or the stables should be air-conditioned.

2. Each Team requires the equivalent of two (2) extra boxes for every 8 Horses, one as a general and feeding-stuff store and the other as a tack room.

3. Each stable block will require:
   3.1. A supply of drinking water and drinking buckets, at least one outlet per 10 boxes.
   3.2. Hot water, cold water hoses and ice readily available.
   3.3. A regular routine for the collection and disposal of used bedding and manure.
   3.4. A supply provision of dust-free straw, wood shavings and/or paper as bedding and good quality water and feed.
   3.5. Fire precautions and a plan for emergencies (it is important to keep passage ways free of obstructing material/tack in case of emergencies)
   3.6. A security system designed to keep all unauthorised persons out of the stable areas (see VRs Art. 1005).
   3.7. CCTV system to monitor entry and exit points of stables including coverage of stable passage ways (new for 2012 London).
   3.8. Tying up facilities in the stables and the passage ways.
3.9. At least one electrical power point for each Team (but preferably on point for every two Athletes due to the need to charge wheelchairs), out of reach of the Horses.

3.10. Sleeping facilities in the stables will not be provided.

3.11. A restroom for Grooms and Athletes in the stable block plus a room for the Team Officials in the stable area.

3.12. Vector and insect control (i.e. screening for insect control if required, sand around stables for tick control, if required).

**Article 625 - CENTRAL SERVICES**

Details and updated information on the design of veterinary facilities can be obtained from the FEI Veterinary Department corresponding to the quarantine needs of the respective country. The final stable plan must be approved by the FEI.

1. All commonly used feeds should be available including hay, bran, oats, barley, sweet feed, pellets or cubes, corn, linseed and carrots, certified free of Prohibited Substances.

2. Storage facilities for feed and bedding.

3. Work shops for repairing tack.

4. A qualified farrier with sufficient assistants is required to provide a quick and reliable service at all times of the day and night.

5. A small isolation stable - not less than 4 boxes - should be provided at some distance from the stable area to provide temporary isolation for Horses thought to be suffering from a contagious infection.

6. Suitable facilities including not less than four (4) boxes must be provided for injured Horses and Horses needing veterinary attention. These can be included in a temporary structure located in a large air-conditioned tent and an experienced veterinary team to provide emergency veterinary treatment and possible surgical procedures. A referral plan with clear transfer arrangements must be in place for any further treatment required. Access by Horse trailers (concrete) is necessary, power, water supply and sewer connection. Referral surgical equine clinic in vicinity is required.

7. At least 4 stables must be set aside as designated treatment areas for supervised treatments by Treating Veterinarians, Team and Veterinarians. See Veterinary Guidance Note 3/2010 Treatment Areas.

8. A service of surveillance and stable checks in the stables during the night.

9. An Office for the use of Veterinary Commission/Delegate within or close to the stable area with access to adequate secretarial facilities.

10. Not less than 4 boxes must be provided for the Medication and Doping Control of Horses.

11. A conference room with microphone, loud speakers and visual aid equipment is required in the vicinity of the management area for the
technical briefing meetings, draws for starting orders and where notices and results can be displayed.

12. A lockable letter box for each nation for official communications to Chefs d’Equipes and the Individual Athletes.

13. A joint working room for Chefs d’Equipe with Wi-fi internet access, work terminal with internet access, access to INFO, telephone, photocopier and secure lockers.

14. A service of surveillance in the stables during the night.

15. A number of rooms to provide adequate facilities for on-site classification procedures (available throughout the entire event).

16. Trot-up runway for the Horse Inspections, of non-slippery tarmac 30-40 in length and at least two(2) meter wide. See Annex H.

17. Dedicated ambulances for transport of injured persons during all Competition and training sessions.

18. At least two (2) Horse ambulances for all Competition days and one (1) for training sessions must be on the venue. The towing vehicles must be four-wheel drive. If a Horse must be removed from the site as part of a referral plan, at least two ambulances must still be available for all Competition days.

19. Access to qualified equine physiotherapy.

**Article 626 - ACCOMMODATION AND CATERING**

1. Grooms must be housed as close to the stables as possible, preferably not further than 500 m.

2. Grooms and other Team Officials resident at the Equestrian site(s) must be provided with adequate washing, bathing or shower facilities, as well as catering facilities and laundry facilities, as close to the stables as possible.

**Article 627 - OFFICE REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFICIALS AND STAFF & PREFERRED LOCATION**

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### Article 628 - SCHOOLING AREAS

**1. GENERAL**

1.1. In all schooling areas the ground surface is of the utmost importance to all Athletes. Great care should be taken to see that the Horses can come to no harm in the selected areas. Deep sand is dangerous. Newly levelled and seeded areas are liable to have soft patches and grass areas may become too hard if there is no provision for watering.

1.2. In general, there should be at least two large areas (50m x 100m) in sand, which are always open to all Athletes. In addition, a large covered area for use in bad weather is much appreciated.

1.3. A number of sand lunging rings (3 of about 20m diameter close to the stable area) allows this activity to go on without interfering with mounted training in the schooling areas.

1.4 A safe training area (minimum size of 20m x 40m) should be allocated for blind Athletes to train without other Athletes present.

1.5 The Chief Steward will provide a timetable for training.

**2. PARA-EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE FACILITIES**

2.1. Sand rectangles of 60m x 20m with a similar type of enclosure and letter markers, as are approved for the Competition Arena, are required for training (approx. one rectangle per 4 teams). The areas should be scheduled on a team basis by the Organising Committee, in agreement with Chief Steward and the Technical Delegate.

2.2. The Athletes/Horses may be authorised to use the Competition Arena, decorated as it will be for Competition, at least once before the start of the Team Test at a time for each Team laid down by the Organising Committee in agreement with the Chief Steward and the Technical Delegates.

**3. TRAINING SESSION**

3.1. No preliminary Training Competitions may be organised.

3.2 Should Competitions take place at night-time, training in floodlights for all Athletes must be organised by the Organising Committee.

3.3 A training session has to be organised also in the Main Arena.
ANNEX A - IPC ELIGIBILITY CODE

Paralympic Charter
To be eligible for participation in the Paralympic Games, an Athlete, Coach, Trainer or other Team Official must comply with the Paralympic Charter as well as with the rules of the NPC concerned as approved by the IPC, and must be entered by his NPC. The above-noted persons must notably:

• respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence, and behave accordingly; and
• respect and comply in all aspects with the World Anti-Doping Code.

By-Law
1. Each IF establishes its sport's own eligibility criteria in accordance with the Paralympic Charter. Such criteria must be submitted to the IPC Executive Board for approval.

2. The application of the eligibility criteria lies with the IFs, their affiliated national federations and the NPCs in the fields of their respective responsibilities.

3. Except as permitted by the IPC Executive Board, no Athlete, Coach, Trainer or Official who participates in the Paralympic Games may allow his person, name, picture or sports performances to be used for advertising purposes during the Paralympic Games.

4. The entry or participation of an Athlete in the Paralympic Games shall not be conditional on any financial consideration.

IPC Athlete Nationality Policy
The “IPC Policy on the Nationality of Competitors” (as approved by the IPC Governing Board on 3 December 2011) will be applicable for the 2012 London Paralympic Games and is available on the IPC website at www.paralympic.org

IPC Entries - Paralympic Charter

As a condition precedent to participation in the Paralympic Games, every Athlete shall comply with all provisions contained in the Paralympic Charter and the rules of the IF governing his sport. Such Athlete must be duly qualified by such IF. The NPC which enters the Athlete ensures under its own responsibility that the Athlete is fully aware of and complies with the Paralympic Charter and the World Anti-Doping Code.
ANNEX B - PROPAGANDA & ADVERTISING

IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines on Equipment & Clothing – 2012 London Paralympic Games

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ANNEX C - FEI CERTIFICATE OF CAPABILITY FOR THE 2012 PARALYMPIC GAMES

To be received by the FEI no later than **18th June 2012**.

The undersigned, acting as President of the National Federation of ………………………………… hereby declares that the hereunder mentioned Athletes and Horses have the required experience and qualifications to take part in the equestrian events at the Paralympic Games for which they have been nominated and that their performances entirely satisfy the Minimum Eligibility Standard (MES) as laid down in the appropriate Regulations and Rules.

The maximum number of Athletes and Horses allowed to be nominated on this form is **three** times the number permitted to be included in the Definite Entries.

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Date ..................................................................

Name of the President of the NF (**Name in capital letters**) ..................................................................

Signature of the President of the NF ........................................... Seal of the NF

**Note:** Information on the official FEI form for Certificates of Capability will be available on the FEI website and sent out to all NFs qualified for the 2012 Paralympic Games, after 1 February 2012.
# ANNEX D - HORSE BREEDS, COLOUR & SEX CODES

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# ANNEX E - COMPETITION SCHEDULE

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(Length of sessions, and therefore starting and finishing times, may be varied according to the number of entries in each Grade. Victory Ceremony times are also provisional.)
Annex F – Medication and Doping Control Procedure during & after the 2012 Paralympic Games

ANNEX F - MEDICATION AND DOPING CONTROL PROCEDURE DURING & AFTER THE 2012 PARALYMPIC GAMES

See EADCMRS and VRs.

Cost of Analysis

Please refer to the IPC Anti Doping Code (effective as of 03 December 2011) Article 7.7.2.
ANNEX G – HEALTH AND QUARANTINE

The competent authority will be the National Veterinary Authority of the host nation which will work with the OCPG and the FEI.

1. Regulations and health conditions for import and re-export of Horses

All Health and Quarantine arrangements must be agreed well in advance with the National Veterinary Authority of the host country and must include information relating to:

1.1. length of any required quarantine period upon arrival of Horses.

1.2. list of disease test types to be carried out during quarantine period.

1.3. protocol regarding Horses testing positive for these tests during the quarantine period and for Horses in contact.

1.4. additional tests required before departure and re-export to the country of origin.

1.5. Distance from quarantine facility to Paralympic venue and distance from Airport to quarantine facilities and any precautions to be undertaken during movement between these locations.

1.6. Provide details of customs' formalities and required border points of entry and exit.

1.7. Provide details of an appointed shipping agent fully experienced in all aspects of international Horse transportation.

1.8. Provide details of the competent Veterinary Authorities responsible in State/Region/Country.

1.9. Provide details of any standard health requirements for which any waivers have been agreed.

2. Transport of Horses

The agreement with the National Veterinary Authority must cover:

2.1. Customs formalities on entry and exit to the host nation.

2.2. Transport plans and routes from port of entry to venue.
3. **Veterinary Equine Clinic**

A plan for the provision of all clinical veterinary facilities and onsite veterinary cover during all Competitions must be provided to the FEI for approval well in advance of the Games.

**3.1.** A Veterinary Equine Clinic with surgical facilities, digital X-rays, ultrasonography, some diagnostic service must be provided at the Paralympic venue. There must be a suitable referral plan to a facility with full surgical, anaesthesia and diagnostic facilities and expertise within 1.5 hours.

**3.2.** The Veterinary Clinic can be a temporary structure located in a large tent, providing there is air-conditioning available. Access by Horse trailers (concrete or stone dust ramp) is necessary, as are power, water supply and sewer connection.

**3.3.** The Veterinary Clinic must maintain a 24-hour rotation of appropriately skilled personnel during the time of the Paralympic Games.

**3.4.** All equipment can be leased if sponsorship is obtained.

**3.5.** A large central space for clinical evaluation, including stocks and imaging equipment (such as digital x-ray, ultrasound, thermography) must be provided.

**3.6.** A smaller room for storage of medicines and bandaging materials must be provided.

**3.7.** A method of charging for medicines dispensed must be implemented.

**3.8.** A small room for rapid turnaround using clinical biochemistry and haematology equipment (i.e. portable laboratory).

**3.9.** Offices for clinical staff, facility for briefing of Team Vets and confidential discussion, and beds and showers for overnight duty personnel must all be provided.

**3.10.** Four (4) stalls for Horses under treatment must be provided.
ANNEX H - HORSE INSPECTIONS

Fig 1  Layout for Horse Inspections in FEI competitions

(The veterinarian(s) watch the Horse’s gait from the centre of the inspection track. The exact location of the Holding Box, entry and exit points for the Horses and the public area may vary depending on the competition venue)
ANNEX I - CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Sport Classification

Note: Sport Classification for Equestrian Athletes will only be available at the London 2012 Paralympic Games under the condition that there are entered Athletes with “review” status by 6th August 2012. In the case all entered Athletes have “confirmed” status, no sport Classification will be offered during the Games.

Introduction
Classification is an integral component of sports for Athletes with a disability. It strives to ensure fair Competition by systematically grouping Athletes according to their functional abilities in each sport. Classification is an ongoing process, organized by each International Paralympic Sport Federation (IPSF).

The goal of the IPC and the OCPG is to ensure that Classification services at the London 2012 Paralympic Games are of the highest quality and are sport and Athlete focused. The IPC and LOCOG’s key objectives are as follows:

- To enable Athletes to focus on preparation for Competition.
- To provide the best possible working environment for ensuring expedient and accurate Classification of those Athletes required to be present for Classification during the London 2012 Paralympic Games.
- To develop transparent policies and procedures for sport class, sport class status allocation and classification-related protests in cooperation with the IPSFs, while maintaining the integrity of the sport specific Classification systems.

Paralympic Sport Class and Paralympic Sport Class Status
The Paralympic Sport Class is the category defined by each IPSF in which Athletes are categorized by reference to his/her functional ability. Athletes are allocated a Sport Class on the basis of Sport’s Classification Rules. Each Athlete’s sport class status is assigned by an international Classification panel in accordance with the rules of the respective IPSF. The designation of a sport class status denotes whether an Athlete’s sport class is consistent or whether it may change over time.

In the context of the Paralympic Games, a sport class status informs NPCs whether an Athlete must attend classification evaluation upon arrival at the London 2012 Paralympic Games. A sport class status also denotes which classification protest opportunities may be available.

Sport Class Status N
Sport class status N (New) is assigned to Athletes who have not been internationally classified according to the relevant sport rules. N-status Athletes are not eligible to be entered in the London 2012 Paralympic Games. Exceptions will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis by the IPC Governing Board for all sports on the Paralympic programme.
If the IPC Governing Board allows an Athlete with a sport class status of N to compete, she/he will be dealt with under similar conditions as Athletes with a sport class status of R, with the sole exception that other NPCs will be able to lodge a protest.

**Sport Class Status R**

Sport class status R (Review) is assigned to Athletes who have been internationally classified according to the relevant sport rules, but are subject to review. This may include Athletes with a changing or progressive condition that requires ongoing evaluation. R-Athletes are required to undergo classification evaluation during the scheduled Classification Evaluation Period and may also be observed during Competition at the London 2012 Paralympic Games according to the relevant sport rules.

All Athletes with a sport class status of R are required to arrive at the London 2012 Paralympic Games in time to be available for Classification during the Classification Evaluation Period for their sport. It is the responsibility of each NPC, through the Chef de Mission, to ensure that Athletes listed on the Classification Evaluation Schedule are available and present for Classification at the designated time, date and location. The Classification Evaluation Schedule will be distributed by email to NPCs after the Final Entries deadline of 6 August 2012.

**Sport Class Status C**

Sport class status C (Confirmed) is assigned to Athletes who have been internationally classified according to the relevant sport rules and are not under review. C-Athletes will not be required to undergo evaluation at the London 2012 Paralympic Games.

**Responsibilities of the NPC**

Only Athletes that meet sport-specific Classification requirements, have a designated international sport class and sport class status, and meet the London 2012 Qualification Standards are eligible for entry to the London 2012 Paralympic Games. It is the responsibility of the NPC to ensure that its Athletes are appropriately classified in the respective sports prior to the Final Entry date of August 6, 2012.

For the first time at a summer Paralympic Games, an online entries system will be used by NPCs to enter their Athletes. This system will be pre-populated with sport class and sport class status information from the Classification Master List (CML) that will be provided by IPSFs and will cover each Athlete submitted for accreditation to the Paralympic Games.

The online entries system will be opened to NPCs on 1 July 2012. NPCs are encouraged to do their utmost to ensure their Athletes are classified before 15 June 2012. Any changes to the sport class and/or sport class status of an Athlete after 15 June 2012 will require NPCs to follow change control processes with the respective IPSF.
Classification Master List (CML)
The purpose of the Classification Master List for each sport is to ensure that accurate classification information is available to both the LOCOG Sport Entries and Classification departments at all times. The CML contains all relevant information on the sport class and the sport class status of each Athlete who is seeking to enter the London 2012 Paralympic Games. NPCs will have the responsibility to verify the Classification status of their Athletes on the basis of the CML which will be sent to them at regular times from February 2012 to May 2012. NPCs should liaise directly with the FEI if the CML contains incorrect Athlete data and/or if an Athlete is not included on the CML.

Classification Procedures
A London 2012 Paralympic Games Classification Guide has been distributed to NPCs and is also available to Athletes on the FEI or IPC website. This guide outlines detailed Classification Rules and Regulations that will apply during the London 2012 Paralympic Games.

For more information on sport-specific Classification, please contact the FEI.

Classification Administration Office
The Classification Administration Office will coordinate Classification evaluation across all venues for all sports. The Classification Administration Office is located at the Sport Information Centre in the Paralympic Village and it will be open from 8am to 8pm on 22 August and 23 August 2012, moving to 7am to 11pm from 24 August until 9 September 2012.

Sport Classification Location and Schedule
Classification Evaluation for Equestrian will take place at the Equestrian Venue in Greenwich Park from 27 August 2012 (08:30) until 28 August 2012 (12:30).

All Athletes with visual impairment must have current IBSA classification. In the unlikely situation that they do not have IBSA classification, they will undergo Classification assessment in the Paralympic Village in London between 27 August 2012 (08:30) and 28 August 2012 (12:30).

Sport Classification Rules
Governance: Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI)