

2015 FEI WORLD JUMPING CHALLENGE

This year, the FEI WORLD JUMPING CHALLENGE is entering its 37th year of existence. Originally, this Competition was created to provide less experienced jumping riders with an opportunity to compete on an International level without having to leave their own countries. This Competition also contributed to develop jumping - one of the Olympic and most popular equestrian disciplines world-wide. Many riders who have participated in the FEI World Jumping Challenge successfully competed or still compete at elite level.

For this new edition, the format of the series has been revised with the aim to increase National activity and improve the logistical aspect of organisation among other things.

During the 2013 FEI General Assembly, FEI Regional Groups were informed the FEI World Jumping Challenge would be revised and changed to a new "Leagues" format.

Following this announcement, National Federations participating in the FEI World Jumping Challenge were asked to provide feedback on this new format proposition which was presented to them in late December 2013. A survey was sent out to best evaluate the responses of the NFs and as a result, the "League" format was dropped due to the lack of NFs committed/able to organize Regional Finals.

The project of a new format was however maintained, taking into account the feedback received from NFs.

In comparison with the previous format, here is a brief summary of the major changes:

- **Calendar:** 3 Events organised throughout the year in accordance with the FEI World Jumping Challenge rules/format, instead of only ONE.
- **Events format:** Each Event (Cat. A, B, and/or C) will run over 2 rounds, which can be held on the same day or over 2 days maximum.
- **Heights:** Category A: 1.20-1.30m; Category B: 1.10-1.20m; Category C: 1.00-1.10m
- **Course plans:** will be identical for each height category (A, B, C). Two course plans provided per Event – Round 1 and Round 2 (6 in total).

This year, the course plans were designed by Mr. Guilherme Jorge from Brazil. Mr. Jorge will be the course designer at the next Olympic Games in 2016.

The Final of the World Jumping Challenge 2015 will be held in Bulgaria. The Qualification for the Final will be based on the 2014 results in Category A.

All documents and information related to this competition are available on the FEI website: www.fei.org > Events > FEI World Challenges > FEI World Jumping Challenge > Downloads

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