

Safety Procedure for Prize Giving Ceremonies

Due to the increased safety risk for riders and horses, the FEI recommends that for prize giving ceremonies, especially at indoor shows, only the first 3 placed riders should be in the line up. The remainder of placed riders can make a tour in walk, trot or canter whilst being presented by the speaker. It is up to the OC to decide on the number of these riders as long as they follow the rules for the minimum number. A steward should always assist with the "parade" and /or line up.

It has also come to our attention that at some International Dressage Events very loud music is played in connection with prize giving ceremonies and laps of honour. The Welfare of the Horse and the safety of riders are paramount to the FEI and we would therefore ask that you ascertain that the sound level is not so high as to upset horses and increasing the risk of accidents.

Furthermore, please note that in the interest of safety, no flags or other gadgets/items are permitted to be carried by athletes at prize giving ceremonies.

Lastly, in order to have a harmonious overall impression, only white bandages are permitted for the horses at prize giving ceremonies.

We thank you for your attention in this matter.

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