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# **ENDURANCE CONFERENCE**

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## **2019 Rules – Main Changes**

## Art. 800 – General

3. For the purpose of this Codex, the "Trainer" is defined as the person who is in charge of the preparation of the Horse both physically and mentally for Competition. **The registered trainer must have the minimum age of 18 years old.**

### Art. 800.1

Endurance Riding is a Competition to test the Athlete's ability to safely manage the stamina and fitness of the Horse over an endurance course in a Competition against the track, the distance, the climate, the terrain and the clock **without compromising the welfare of the horse.**

## Art. 807.7.1

Being followed, preceded or accompanied on any part of the course by any bicycle, pedestrian, **motorized vehicle**, or an Athlete not in the **same distance competition** under penalty of a Yellow Warning Card.

## Art. 810.2

Whips (or the use of any other item as a whip) and Spurs are prohibited **at any stage during the competition in the Field of Play**.

## Art. 810.5

The Horses' ears should be free of any inserts or attachments. Ear of Horses should not be clogged. Ear plugs are forbidden. Blinkers may be allowed but must permit full forward vision, without modification, and must be removed during **the Horse Inspections, including the final inspection the—vet—gates—**. Definition of blinkers shall be provided in the Endurance Notes for Guidance.

# Art. 812 - WEIGHTS

812.1 At all senior ~~CEI4\*~~ Championship, the minimum riding weight for Athletes must be ~~75kg~~ 70kg to include all riding equipment (Article 812.6).

~~812.3~~ 812.2 At senior CEI3\*, CEI4\* and CEI5\* the minimum riding weight is ~~75-70~~ kg - details to be clearly shown on the approved ride schedule.

~~812.4~~ 812.3 At CEI 1\* and 2\* alternative weight divisions or gender divisions may be allowed, subject to prior approval by the FEI, and must be clearly specified in the ~~approved ride FEI~~ schedule

# Art. 814.1.5.1 – CEI Events

**5 Star:** All rides of 160 km in one day. Prize Money, or in kind value, of more than 50'000CHF.

## General Requirements:

- Needs to have FEI certified data and timing system (see Notes for Guidance);
- The stabling must be in agreement with the Veterinary Regulations;
- President of the Ground Jury, Foreign Judge, Technical Delegate, Chief Steward, President of the Vet Commission, Foreign Vet Delegate and Appeal Committee will be appointed by the FEI, in consultation with the OC;
- A pre-ride briefing conducted in English is mandatory for all officials, trainers and participants.
- For other requirements, please refer to Notes for Guidance.

# Art. 814.1.5.1 – CEI Events

## Technical requirements:

- minimum of 5 different participating National Federations;
- a media, TV broadcast and Communication plan must be sent to the FEI along with the schedule;
- a layout of the venue insuring the correct implementation of the FEI rules must be approved;
- the OC must have successfully organized previously one CEI\*, one CEI 2\* and one CEI 3\* events;
- CEIs 5\* cannot clash with World Championships, Continental Championships and with other CEIs or CEIOs 5\*;
- The dates of all CEI5\* and CEIO5\* Events shall be approved by the FEI Secretary General two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place.
- Note: If one of the above General and Technical requirements is not fulfilled, the event will be downgraded to a 4 Star Level CEI.

# Art. 814.1.5.2 – CEI Events

**4 Star:** All rides of 160 km in one day, or 90-100 km per day over 2 days, or 70- 80 km per day over 3 days or more. Prize Money, or in kind value, from 10'000CHF up to 49'999CHF

## General requirements:

- The stabling must be in agreement with to the Veterinary Regulations;
- President of the Ground Jury, Foreign Judge, Technical Delegate, Chief Steward, President of the Vet Commission, Foreign Vet Delegate and Appeal Committee can be appointed by the FEI, in consultation with the OC;
- For other requirements, please refer to Notes for Guidance.
- A pre-ride briefing is strongly advised for all Officials, trainers and participants. The Pre-ride briefing can be conducted in the national language, with a mandatory translation to English if needed.

**Note:** If one of the above General requirements is not fulfilled, the event will be downgraded to a 3 Star Level CEI.

A 4 Star CEI of 90-100 km per day over 2 days, or 70- 80 km per day over 3 days or more, that has a Prize Money over 49.999CHF will remain as a CEI 4\*.



# Art. 814.1.5.3 – CEI Events

**3 Star:** All rides of 140 km – 160 km in one day, or 90-100 km per day over 2 days, or 70- 80 km per day over 3 days or more. ~~Maximum Pulse at Vet Gates: 64 bpm within 20 minutes.~~ Prize money or in kind value, up to 9'999CHF.

## Art. 814.2.3

A CEIO event shall have the same star rating and requirements as defined for CEIs in Endurance Rules.

CEIOs 3\*, 4\*, 5\* cannot clash with World Championships and Continental Championships if held in the same continent.

## Art. 815.2.4

For ~~4-Star~~ 5-Star, CEIOs and Championships (excluding Young Horse Championships where the minimum age must be ~~7-years~~ 8 years and ~~Championship under 130km~~) Horses must be at least ~~8-years~~ 9 years of age.

# Art. 815.3.1

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Distance completed	0 – 46 km	5 days
	Over 46 – 86 km	12 days
	Over 86 – 126 km	19 days
	Over 126 km -146 km	26 days
	Over 146 Km	33 days

In addition to the above mandatory rest period, 7 extra days of rest will be added to horses that reach average speeds of 20 km/hr or higher at completion.

This rest period will also apply to horses which do not complete the competition whose average speed of completed phases is 20 km/hr or higher.

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## Art. 815.3.6

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If a Horse is not brought to the Final Veterinary Horse Inspection the Athlete will receive 100 penalty points and the Trainer present at the competition may also receive a yellow warning card.

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## Art. 816.1.4

For Horses 8 years old and above who have accumulated a minimum of 480km of 80km distance events or higher in a 36 months period, can be granted an exemption of art. 816.1.2.

For Athletes who have accumulated a minimum of 480km of 80km distance events or higher in a 36 months period, can be granted an exemption of art. 816.1.3.

## Art. 816.2.4

Horses and Athletes, not necessary as a combination, must successfully complete two 2\* events and one 3\* event, or two 3\* events before moving to the new 4\* or 5\* Event.

# Art. 816.3.1 – Championships

## Distances and general requirements:

**Senior Championships** of a minimum of 160 km in one day, need to have FEI certified data and timing system and stabling according to Veterinary Regulations.

**Young Horse Championships** for 8 year olds – distance of 160km.

**Junior and Young Rider Championships** of a minimum of 120 km, maximum of 130km in one day.

**Regional Championships** where the OC can apply for a change of distance to take into account local climatic or other conditions.

Pre-ride briefing conducted in English is mandatory for all Officials, Chef d'Equipe (when applicable), Trainers, Vets and participants.

# Art. 816.3.19 – Regional Championships

816.3.19 Qualification criteria for Regional Championships with a distance equivalent to CEI1\*

**Horses:** 

816.3.20 Horses must have graduated through the qualifying processes outlined for Novice.

816.3.21 Horses must be at least 8 years old.

816.3.22 Horses must have successfully completed at least one CEI 1\*.



816.3.23 The CEI1\* must be achieved no earlier than 24 months prior to, and no later than the close of nominated entries for Championship and/or 60 days prior to the Event, whichever comes first.

# Art. 816.3.19 – Regional Championships

## Athletes:

### 816.3.24

Athletes must have graduated through the qualifying processes outlined above for Novice and CEI-Star qualifying up to, and including, the distance of the event for which a Certificate of Capability is sought.



### 816.3.25

Athletes must have successfully completed at least one CEI 1\*.

### 816.3.26

The CEI1\* must be achieved as a combination no earlier than 24 months prior to, and no later than the close of nominated entries for Championship and/or 60 days prior to the Event, whichever comes first.

### 816.3.27

The minimum riding weight for Regional Championships is 70 kg - details to be clearly shown on the approved ride schedule.



## Art. 824.2.6

At 3 Star or lower star rated Events, the Technical Delegate, if suitably qualified, may also serve on the Ground Jury. For lower level events (1\* and 2\* ) of 30 horses or less, if suitably qualified, the Technical Delegate may also serve as President of the Ground Jury, with the agreement of the FEI.