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# Importance of NSO role to communicate / implement Risk Management recommendations/rules

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# Felicisimo Aguado Arroyo, ESP NSO

- NSO role has helped to spread Risk Management awareness and convince people by getting them to implement what is best for the discipline (frangible devices, Officials' roles, etc.).
- Increase Risk Management focus at national events, especially lower level competitions.
- Help develop education of Officials (Judges, Course Designers, Technical Delegates, etc.) through annual meetings where Statistics, XC fence building, Rules, Protection (Horse and Riders, medical and veterinary care) are covered.

# Hamish Butler-Gallie, NZL NSO

- NSO became a stand-alone position on ESNZ Eventing New Zealand's Technical Advisory Group (TAG) in 2018
  - NSO has become a leadership position in ESNZ Eventing helping with the philosophic and cultural changes within the sport with respect to risk management.
- NSO has been one of the course leader/director for over 80% of ESNZ Eventing Officials Education Seminars since 2019
  - All officials must attend every three years to maintain status or upgrade
  - 3-4 Eventing Education Seminars are run every year by TAG around New Zealand
  - Revised syllabus and format for seminars and 360 development assessment process was introduced in 2020 by TAG

# Hamish Butler-Gallie, NZL NSO

- NSO was one of the drivers behind the development of New Zealand's own Guidelines to Cross-Country for Eventing Officials first published in 2019
  - This document provided guidance on objectives, design and construction at national levels from CCH65 to CCN105 as well as overall design, vision and objectives for XC at nationally
- Collection, analysis, and reporting of Fall data to FEI and nationally since 2018
  - Every national eventing conference now includes update on Fall date and comparison with performance against other countries e.g Australia, USA, Ireland, Netherlands
  - Fall data presented and discussed at Eventing Official Seminars
  - Fall data used to help support rules changes in relation to risk management

# Lars Christensson, SWE NSO

- National Sub-Committee: lucky to have a competent group of people, joining together in a Sub-Committee with a pro-active approach, wanting to develop – being open-minded is important.
- Asking ourselves questions; is this what we want? – what do we want the future Sport to look like? – challenge the old "Truths"
- Discussions: Dialogue with Riders – Organisers – Officials
- Suggestions: Testing – Recommendations – Implementation – Rules



# Lars Christensson, SWE NSO

- Examples: max 16 penalties in SJ, MIMs, Profiles, Groundlines, Flag Rule, Cross Country Guideline for Course Builders and Officials
- Communication - as an NSO try to bring our National ideas and actions to the FEI and the Eventing Community and bring back experiences from the rest of the World, CD Trends/ RM and FEI Rules to align NF Rules and recommendations





# Laurent Bousquet, RMSG Member

- My role is to be a link between the FEI, the FRA NF and FRA NSO to explain and implement the FEI rules into the FRA national rules
- Improve education by having close link/discussions with trainers, riders, etc.
- Spread Risk Management awareness and increase the focus at lower level competitions
- Help develop education of Officials (Judges, Course Designers, Technical Delegates)
- Present to the RMSG concepts which have been tried in national events, such as elimination in SJ if more than 16 penalties or the spotters/observers on XC which was set up with 50-60 people.

# Laurent Bousquet, RMSG Member

- After 1 year we realized that many people in this group were not fully involved in the process. The spotters were reduced to 10-12 people, giving them more responsibilities and power.
- It's more efficient but it's still difficult to implement this system all over the country.
- FRA Safety Committee was set up in 2019 with 50 people representing different sensitivities of French Eventing in order to involve as many people as possible in the Risk Management process.
- A Steering Group was set-up (which I chair) of 9 people chosen amongst the members of the committee to drive it.



**Thank you! Any questions?**