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Rules for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping

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Preamble

This booklet sets forth the detailed Rules of the FEI World Cup™ Jumping, which is to be read in conjunction with the pertinent Statutes, General Regulations, Jumping Rules and Veterinary Regulations. It is acknowledged that every Eventuality cannot be provided for in these Rules. In cases where there is not a rule to deal specifically with a particular situation, or if the narrowest interpretation of a relevant rule would result in a clear injustice, it is the duty of those responsible to make a decision based on common sense, fair play and in the overall best interest of the sport, thus reflecting as nearly as possible the intention of these Rules and of the General Regulations.

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Article 650 - PRINCIPLES AND GENERAL

1. FEI World Cup™ Calendar (See also JRs Art. 200.8.)

1.1. Establishing of FEI World Cup™ Calendar

The FEI World Cup™ Calendar is presented to the FEI Jumping Committee for acceptance upon recommendations from the established Sub-Committees in the respective regions in agreement with the NFs.

1.2. Deadline for submitting dates

The dates of all FEI World Cup™ Western European League Events must be entered in the FEI calendar by 1 October three years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place. The dates of CSI5*-W events shall be approved by the FEI Secretary General two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place.

The dates of CSI5*-W Events in all other Leagues must be entered in the FEI calendar by 1 October two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place and shall be approved by the FEI Secretary General two years prior to the year in which the event is to take place.

For all other Leagues, the dates of CSI-W Events of 1* to 4* level to be considered for inclusion in the FEI World Cup™ calendar for the coming FEI World Cup™ season must be entered in the FEI calendar by 1 October the year before the season begins.

1.3. Date Restriction – FEI World Cup™ Events and Olympic / Pan Am Games

There shall be no FEI World Cup™ Competition (worldwide) 10 days prior to, all days during and seven days after the Jumping Events at the Olympic Games and 10 days prior to and seven days after the Jumping Events at the Pan American Games on the same continent.

1.4. Date Restriction – FEI World Cup™ Events, 4* and 5* Events and World and Continental Championships

From the Monday of the week preceding and all days during the World and Continental Jumping Championships it is forbidden to host a CSI4*, CSIO4*, CSI5*, or a CSIO5* or an FEI World Cup™ Competition in the same Continent as the Championship.

1.5. Date Restriction – FEI World Cup™ Final

The FEI World Cup™ Final is to be held no earlier than the last week in March and no later than the first week of April, unless an exception is granted by the FEI Jumping Committee. In principle, there may be no FEI World Cup™ Competition 14 days prior to the FEI World Cup™ Final.

1.6 Date Restrictions – FEI World Cup™ Events, CSI5* and CSIO5* Events

CSI5*, CSI5*-W, CSIO5* and CSIO5*-W Events may not clash with the FEI World Cup™ Final or the FEI Nations Cup™ Final; CSI5*, CSI5*-W, CSIO5* and CSIO5*-W Events may not clash with FEI World Cup™ Western European League Events unless the Organisers involved are in agreement.

1.7. Western Europe

A series of indoor FEI World Cup™ Competitions is held between October and March in Western Europe, open to all Athletes qualified according to a formula based on the Longines Rankings.

For the avoidance of doubt, the following countries are considered to be part of Western Europe: Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.

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The FEI Jumping Committee may authorise FEI World Cup™ Competitions outside Western Europe to be held earlier than June, providing that there is a break of at least one week after the FEI World Cup™ Final.

1.8. Western Europe - authorisation to host an FEI World Cup™ Competition

In Western Europe, only Events that are held annually may organise an FEI World Cup™ Competition.

2. Venue for FEI World Cup™ Competitions and FEI World Cup™ Final

Although FEI World Cup™ Competitions may be held outdoors when appropriate to suit local climatic conditions, the FEI World Cup™ is in principle an indoor Competition and the FEI World Cup™ Final must be held indoors in a permanently covered arena.

FEI World Cup™ Competitions take place at selected International Events. In Western Europe a CSI-W must have the status of a CSI-5* Event and must be run over at least three days and offer at least two Competitions per day. In Western Europe FEI World Cup™ Competitions must be held either in a sports arena or in a covered exhibition hall.

3. Maximum number of FEI World Cup™ Competitions per country in Western and Central Europe and South America

3.1. Western and Central Europe – maximum number of Competitions per country

In Western and Central Europe no country may hold more than two FEI World Cup™ Competitions.

The FEI World Cup™ Competition may be organised in each of the fifteen countries in Western Europe with more than 3.5 million inhabitants. If one or more of these fifteen countries cannot host an FEI World Cup™ Competition, a second FEI World Cup™ Competition may be hosted by the major countries. Preference is given to traditional FEI World Cup™ Events.

3.2. Maximum number of FEI World Cup™ Competitions per country – South America

In South America the maximum number of FEI World Cup™ Competitions per country is limited to four.

4. Status of FEI World Cup™ Competitions and Competitions at the FEI World Cup™ Final

4.1 An FEI World Cup™ Competition is considered a Grand Prix. If the FEI World Cup™ Competition is the only FEI Competition at the Event, the Organising Committee must schedule a training session to provide Athletes with the opportunity to jump their Horses in the arena prior to the Competition.

4.2 Of the three Competitions at the FEI World Cup™ Final, the second final Competition is considered a Grand Prix.

4.3 The star level of Events holding FEI World Cup™ Competitions is to indicate the amount of overall prize money only. All CSI-W Events are considered higher level Events with regard to requirements for Horse passports and date clashes.

5. FEI World Cup™ Competition format – Western Europe

In Western Europe, the FEI World Cup™ Competition must be organised according to Art.238.2.

6. Allocation FEI World Cup™ Final

6.1. Allocating Authority

The FEI World Cup™ Final is allocated by the Bureau upon recommendation of the FEI Evaluation Commission in consultation with the FEI Jumping Committee.

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6.2. Withdrawal of Allocated Venue

If, for any reason, the chosen organiser of the FEI World Cup™ Final withdraws, the Bureau upon the recommendation of the FEI Evaluation Commission in consultation with the FEI Jumping Committee will re-allocate the Final under the same conditions that prevailed for the original allocation, preference being given to the organiser next in line in accordance with the original vote of the FEI Evaluation Commission.

6.3. FEI World Cup™ Final - Agreement

The agreement for the organisation of an FEI World Cup™ Final, established by the FEI, is binding.

7. Footing Expert and Computer Data Service Company

The organisers of the FEI World Cup™ Final and of all FEI World Cup™ Western European Events must use the services of an experienced footing specialist and an FEI approved computer data Service Company. These appointments must be presented to the FEI Jumping Committee for approval.

8. Nationality of Athlete

The FEI World Cup™ is a series and is as such a unity with respect to the nationality of Athlete. In principle, an Athlete should end his League with the same nationality with which he started. No exception can be granted unless the proposed change of nationality neither affords an advantage to the Athlete in question, nor places another Athlete at a disadvantage.

Article 651 - ADMINISTRATION AND OFFICIALS

1. Overall Authority for the FEI World Cup™

The FEI has the overall authority for the FEI World Cup™.

2. FEI World Cup™ Director

The FEI designates an FEI World Cup™ Jumping Director with responsibilities subject to agreement with the FEI Secretary General.

3. Responsibilities of an Organising Committee

The Organising Committee of the Event staging an FEI World Cup™ Competition is responsible for the entire organisation of the Event.

4. Appointment of the Foreign Judge

The Foreign Judge is appointed by the FEI in agreement with the Organising Committee. It is recommended that the Foreign Judge acts as President of the Jury during the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

5. Appointment of Officials - FEI World Cup™ Final

The President of the Ground Jury, who must be foreign, the FEI Foreign Veterinary Delegate, the Course Designer, the FEI Foreign Technical Delegate and the President of the Appeal Committee are appointed by the FEI.

6. Travel and Accommodation expenses for FEI appointed Officials – FEI World Cup™ Final

Travel and accommodation expenses of these officials, as well as for the Chairman of the FEI Jumping Committee and the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Director are for the account of the Organiser of the Final. The FEI covers the travel and accommodation expenses at the Final for the FEI Foreign Technical Delegate.

7. Organising Dues

Organising dues will be charged for all FEI World Cup™ Jumping Events on the basis of

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the total amount of prizes in cash and in kind convertible into cash according to the FEI Financial Charges as approved by the General Assembly for the year in question.

Article 652 – SUB-LEAGUE COMMITTEES

1. Sub-League Committees

1.1. Composition

NFs involved may appoint World Cup™ Sub-Committees dealing with matters in Leagues outside of Western Europe. These Sub-Committees normally consist of:

- Representatives of the NFs involved;
- Representatives of the Organising Committees within the League;
- Representatives of the Athletes in the League.

1.2. Appointment of Chairman.

The NFs concerned will appoint the Chairman. In the Event of disagreement among the NFs, the FEI shall appoint the Chairman.

1.3. Athletes' Representative

Where there exists within a League a body representative of all Athletes within the League, that body may appoint the representatives of the Athletes. In all other cases the Chairman will, from time to time, appoint the representatives of the Athletes.

Article 653 – PARTICIPATION

1. Events per League

1.1. Number of FEI World Cup™ Competitions per League

Maximum number of Events in each League:

- 15 international Events (CSI) are selected in Western Europe;
- North American League (USA, Canada and Mexico): The maximum number of Events in each Sub-League is seven;
 - Eastern Sub-League, seven
 - Western Sub-League, seven
- 12 in South America;
- 18 Events in Australia;
- Central European League:
 - 12 North; maximum two per country
 - 12 South; maximum two per country
 - Last Competition (League Final) is considered an extra Competition;
- 12 in any other League.

2. Application Conditions for FEI World Cup™ status

2.1. Application for FEI World Cup™ status

Events in Western Europe applying to obtain FEI World Cup™ status must have been held successfully the previous year as a CSI-5* Event.

Outside Western Europe an Event applying to obtain FEI World Cup™ status must have been held previously as a major national Event or as a CSI.

2.2. Interruption in organisation of an FEI World Cup™ Event

Events that are not held for one year or more, or Events, which change their venue or management, may, in principle, not receive FEI World Cup™ status in the first year following the change.

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FEI World Cup™ status is granted following one successful year as a CSI-5* Event in Western Europe and outside Western Europe as a major national Event or as a CSI. The FEI Jumping Committee may grant, under exceptional circumstances, an exception to the above rule.

2.3. Interruption for two successive years

FEI World Cup™ Events in Western Europe that have been cancelled two successive years cannot be granted World Cup status again before having been held successfully as a CSI-5* Event. Outside Western Europe it has to be a major national Event or a CSI Event.

3. FEI Agreement for League Sponsorship

In Leagues with FEI sponsorship for FEI World Cup™ Competitions, only Events that have signed the sponsorship agreement with the FEI are included in the calendar. This also applies to Leagues without FEI sponsorship where agreements between the Organiser and the FEI are required.

4. Maximum number of starts per Horse.

A Horse may not compete in more than three consecutive weekend FEI World Cup™ Competitions without a break of a full week from FEI World Cup™ Competition.

5. FEI World Cup™ points - Western European Athletes

Western European Athletes competing in North America have the choice of having FEI World Cup™ points count. Should the Western European Athlete decide against having the points count, the Event in question does not count as one of the total number of Events at which the Athlete can obtain points.

6. Western European FEI World Cup™ Competitions

6.1. Maximum number of Athletes

The number of Athletes in a Western European FEI World Cup™ Competition is limited to 40.

6.2. Duration of Events

If, in Western Europe, the Event lasts for four or more days and if there are more than two Competitions each day, three Horses per FEI World Cup™ Athlete may take part in the Event.

7. Western European FEI World Cup™ Events – Entry Fee

No entry fee may be charged at the Western European League FEI World Cup™ Events unless an exception is granted by the FEI Jumping Committee. For the 2017/2018 season, Western European League Events may charge an entry fee of maximum €410.- per Horse.

8. Western European FEI World Cup™ Events – Meals and Accommodation

Western European organisers must provide all Athletes taking part in the FEI World Cup™ Competition with free accommodation and free meals. If requested with the nominated entries accommodation for said Athletes will be extended at the organiser's expense until the morning following the Event.

9. Participation of nominated FEI World Cup™ Horse

The Horse nominated for the FEI World Cup™ Competition or having been ridden in the FEI World Cup™ Competition at an Event may not compete in another Competition on that day, neither before nor after the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

10. Number of International Competitions per FEI World Cup™ Event

There should be sufficient Competitions to allow each Horse to compete once each day.

11. Number of Horses per Athlete in FEI World Cup™ Competitions

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In the Leagues listed below, an Athlete may ride more than one Horse in the FEI World Cup™ Competitions. In such case, the Horse going for FEI World Cup™ points has to be declared before the start of the Competition, and the Athlete must ride this Horse first. Once the Competition has begun, an Athlete may not change his World Cup Horse. However, prior to the beginning of the Competition an Athlete may change his FEI World Cup™ Horse only if his originally declared FEI World Cup™ Horse is scratched from the Competition and the newly declared FEI World Cup™ Horse competes in the same position in the starting order as his originally declared FEI World Cup™ Horse. If more than 100 starters are declared, the competition must be divided, with the FEI World Cup™ Horses in the same group, and the equivalent amount of prize money provided for the additional competition.

Athletes may ride maximum two Horses in FEI World Cup™ Competitions in the following Leagues: Australia, Caucasus, Central America and Caribbean Islands, Central Asia, Central Europe, China League, Japan, New Zealand, South America (North and South) and South Africa.

Article 654 – INVITATION SYSTEM

1. Automatically Qualified – Western Europe

1.1. Invitation System – Western Europe

In Western Europe, the following are invited to each Western European FEI World Cup™ Event and where indicated have the automatic right to compete in the FEI World Cup™ Competition:

1.1.1. Top Ten Western European Athletes, which may include an extra Athlete(s), of the Longines Rankings [updated 29.08.2017]

If one of the above Athletes on the Longines Rankings (August and December lists used for invitations as described in Art. 654.5.2) decides not to compete at an Event, he may be replaced by an Athlete nominated by his NF. Such replacement must be from the top 100 of the Longines Rankings (August or December list, as applicable) or from the top 18 on the FEI World Cup™ WEL standings in the first half of the season. If the NF cannot replace the Athlete in question, he may be replaced by the organiser from the top 45 on the Longines Rankings from a foreign country or from the home country from the top 100 on the Longines Rankings. These Athletes are pre-qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition. **= max 10**

Unused starting places in paragraph 1.1.1 go to paragraph 1.1.5 if the total number is 40 or less and to paragraph 2 if there are more than 40.

1.1.2. NFs hosting an FEI World Cup™ Competition

Each NF of a country organising an FEI World Cup™ Competition in Western Europe may send one Athlete to each FEI World Cup™ Event in Western Europe. These Athletes are pre-qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition. Selection of Athletes must first be made from the Longines Rankings (August or December list, as applicable) position 11 to 100 if the NF has an Athlete in this group wishing to take part at the Event. Otherwise, Athletes may be selected from any position on the Longines Rankings. The Athlete/Horse combination must be approved and selected by the National Federation. **= max 10**

Unused starting places in paragraph 1.1.2 go to paragraph 1.1.5 if the total number is 40 or less and to paragraph 2 if there are more than 40.

1.1.3. Western European countries - 3.5 Million inhabitants

Western European countries with at least 3.5 Million inhabitants, but not organising an FEI World Cup™ Competition in Western Europe, may send one Athlete to each FEI

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World Cup™ Event, provided that at least one Athlete from the country is in the Top 60 of the Longines Rankings (August or December list, as applicable), or 2 in the Top 200. These Athletes are pre-qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

Unused starting places from category 1.1.3 go to category 1.1.5. **= 05**

1.1.4. Three NFs of Athletes with most Points

The three NFs with the most points obtained by having Athletes placed 11 to 60 in the Longines Rankings (August or December list, as applicable) may send a second Athlete to each Event in Western Europe. The following scale of points applies:

- an Athlete placed 11 to 25 = 2 points
- an Athlete placed 26 to 60 = 1 point

In case of a tie the higher individual placing of the country's Athletes in the Longines Rankings divides. Point 1.1.4 only applies to the NFs with six or less Athletes eligible to participate in accordance with paragraphs 1.1.1 and 1.1.2. This restriction does not apply to the home country.

These Athletes only have the automatic right to compete in the FEI World Cup™ Competitions in the first half of the season if there are 40 or less Athletes invited to the Event. From the beginning of the second half of the season, Athletes placed within the top 30 on the FEI World Cup™ standings at the time of the Event are pre-qualified.

Unused starting places in paragraph 1.1.4 go to paragraph 1.1.5 if the total number is 40 or less and to paragraph 2 if there are more than 40. **= 03**

1.1.5. Five additional home Athletes

Five additional Athletes from the home NF are invited to the home Event, nominated by the NF. All of these Athletes are pre-qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

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Sub-total = 33

1.1.6. Organising Committee Wild Cards

The Organising Committee has **7 Wild Cards** to invite additional Athletes. They only have the automatic right to compete in the FEI World Cup™ Competition if there are 40 or less Athletes at the Event. **= 07**

(**NB:** The FEI Wild Card Athlete is included within the seven Organising Committee's Wild Cards if there is no qualifying Competition for the FEI World Cup™ Competition)

Total 40

2. Invitation system with more than 40 Athletes

2.1. More than forty Athletes invited

If an Organiser wishes to invite more than the above 40 Athletes to his Event he has two options:

- Host a qualifying Competition for the seven to ten remaining places among the 7 Wild Cards (Art. 654.1.1.6) and the Athletes not automatically pre-qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition (Art. 654.1.1.4); The maximum number of Athletes that may be invited to qualify for the FEI World Cup™ Competition is 50. The Organising Committee has the right to invite up to a maximum of five additional Athletes who may participate in the Event without competing in the qualifying Competition for the FEI World Cup™ Competition or in the FEI World Cup™ Competition. It must be stated in the Event Schedule that these five Athletes are not permitted to start in these Competitions under any circumstances.

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- Exclude the FEI World Cup™ Competition to the Athletes invited above the number 40. Consequently, the 7 Wild Cards (Art. 654.1.1.6) are automatically pre-qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition. In this case the maximum number of Athletes that may be invited to the Event is 50.

3. FEI Wild Cards

3.1. Allocation of non-Western European FEI Wild Card

One FEI Wild Card is at the disposal of the FEI for all Western European Events. It may only be used for a non-Western European Athlete. This Athlete is not automatically pre-qualified for the World Cup™ Competition.

3.2. FEI Wild Card – Spring Events

One further FEI Wild Card is at the disposal of the FEI for the spring Events. This Wild Card may only be used for non-Western European Athletes. This Athlete is not automatically pre-qualified for the World Cup™ Competition.

4. North American Top Ten Athletes

In North America the top ten North American Athletes on the Longines Rankings, if in good standing with their NF, are automatically qualified to enter all FEI World Cup™ Events in their League.

5. Longines Rankings

5.1. Publication Longines Rankings

The FEI publishes the Longines Rankings, with all Athletes placed in CSI, CSIO, Championships and Games according to the Rules for the Calculation of points for the Longines Rankings as published on the FEI website.

5.2. Western Europe – monthly publication of Longines Rankings

The August and the December publications of the Longines Rankings will be used for invitational purposes for the fall, respectively spring Events in Western Europe. In any case, the list used for the fall Events will not be established prior to approximately 2 August and not later than the first week in September.

The Longines Rankings of approximately 3 December is valid for the spring Events.

6. Prize Money FEI World Cup™ Competitions

The FEI World Cup™ Competition must have the highest prize money at each Event. In Western Europe the minimum prize money has been established as follows:

Prize Money whole Event	Prize Money
Must meet at least the minimum prize money requirements for CSI5* Events.	- FEI World Cup™ Competition : EUR 100'000.- minimum. - The qualifier for the FEI World Cup™ Competition or the Competition held two days prior to the FEI World Cup™ Competition as a replacement for the qualifier for the FEI World Cup™ Competition: EUR 25'000.- minimum and must in any case meet at least the prize money requirements for Longines Rankings Point Group D.

7. IJRC Commitment

The IJRC will make a determined effort to have five Athletes from the top ten on the Longines Rankings participate at each of the Western European FEI World Cup™ Events. However this is a verbal agreement only and the IJRC is not bound by contract.

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Article 655 - COMPETITION FORMULA

1. Formula for FEI World Cup™ Competitions

All FEI World Cup™ Competitions must be run according to Art. 238.2.2 or according to Art. 273.3.3.1, 273.3.3.2, 273.4.3, 273.2.2.

FEI World Cup™ Competitions in the Western and Central European Leagues must be run according to Art. 238.2.2.

The formula of Art.238.2.2 is to read as follows: Table A Competition against the clock with one initial round and one jump-off against the clock. Athletes with equality of penalties for first place in the initial round take part in a jump-off against the clock.

The remaining Athletes are classified according to their penalties and time in the initial round.

The formula of Art. 273.3.3.1, 273.3.3.2, 273.4.3, 273.2.2 is to read as follows: Table A two round Competition against the clock (273.3.3.1) or not against the clock (273.3.3.2) in the first round and against the clock in the second round. Athletes return for the second round in accordance with Art. 273.2.2. Athletes are classified according to their aggregate penalties over both rounds and the time incurred in the second round.

2. Qualifying Competition for FEI World Cup™ Competitions in the Western European League

At Western European League Events if the number of Athletes invited exceeds forty a qualifying Competition must be held to qualify Athletes for the seven to ten open places created in accordance with Art. 654.2.

This Competition must be run according to Art. 238.2.2 or according to Art. 238.2.1. If the qualifying Competition is held the day prior to the FEI World Cup™ Competition this Competition must be run according to Art. 238.2.1. The maximum number of Athletes allowed to take part in this Competition is 50.

3. Starting Time for FEI World Cup™ Competitions in the Western European League

3.1. Western Europe

In Western Europe the FEI World Cup™ Competition must be held during the most beneficial and prominent period of the Event, preferably Sunday afternoon, ending not later than 16:30 hours (4:30 pm) CET. If Saturday is desired, a formal application giving a valid reason must be presented to the FEI.

4. Starting Order in FEI World Cup™ Competitions

4.1. Draw

Unless stated otherwise in the specific rules for any given League, the starting order for all FEI World Cup™ Competitions must be established by a draw.

4.2. Western European League

For all FEI World Cup™ Competitions in the Western European League, Athletes are divided into two groups according to their standing on the Longines Rankings at the time of the Event. There is a draw for the starting position in each group. The last group to start is the group with Athletes highest placed on the Longines Rankings.

In case of Athletes withdrawing after the draw, the following policy will apply for the starting order of the replacement Athletes:

- If an Athlete withdraws and the replacement Athlete is from the same group, the replacement Athlete will start in the same position as the withdrawn Athlete.
- If an Athlete withdraws and the replacement Athlete is not from the same group, the replacement Athlete will start first in the group to which he/she belongs.

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- If two Athletes withdraw at different times the replacement of the first withdrawn Athlete starts first in his or her group. The replacement of the second withdrawn Athlete will start second in the same group and so on.
- If two or more Athletes withdraw at the same time, there will be a draw to decide the order of go of the replacement Athletes, 1st, 2nd, 3rd... in the group concerned.

4.3. Requirement

Athletes taking part in the FEI World Cup™ Competition in the Western European League will be required to have completed at least one round of a table A Competition with their World Cup Horse prior to the day of the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

4.4. AUS and NZL Leagues

For the AUS and NZL Leagues Athletes are divided into two groups according to their FEI World Cup™ standing. There must be a draw for the starting order in each group. The Athletes with the highest number of points start in the last group.

4.5. Athletes with two Horses

Athletes with two Horses must ride the FEI World Cup™ Horse in the first group.

5. FEI World Cup™ Competition Speed and Height

Each FEI World Cup™ Competition is run at a minimum speed of 350m/min. The height of the obstacles can be anything between 1.40 m and 1.60 m. The spread should be proportionate to the height and not more than 2 m. If there is a water jump it cannot be wider than 4 m indoors and 4.50 m outdoors, including guard rail or hedge.

6. FEI World Cup™ Competition Time Recorded

The time has to be recorded in 1/100 of a second.

7. Status of Course Designer

The courses for the FEI World Cup™ Competitions must be designed by Course Designers chosen from the FEI list of at least Level 3 Course Designers.

In Western Europe, any change of a resident Course Designer must be presented to the FEI Jumping Director for approval.

Article 656 – FEI WORLD CUP™ POINTS

1. FEI World Cup™ Point System

1.1. Number of Athletes attributed points

FEI World Cup™ points are awarded to Athletes only (not Athlete/Horse combination) for each FEI World Cup™ Competition. Points are awarded to the 16 best placed Athletes.

1.2. Equality of points

Points won by Athletes who are tied are added and divided equally. Fractions of 0.5 or more are rounded up; fractions of less than 0.5 are rounded down.

1.3. Competitions with less than sixteen Athletes

If there are less than 16 Athletes starting the initial course of an FEI World Cup™ Competition, the scale of points will be reduced accordingly. Only Athletes who have completed the initial round will get points. This does not apply for the New Zealand League, for which the number of points available will be the same for all FEI World Cup™ Competitions (the column used for 16 starters), irrespective of the number of Athletes starting in the Competition.

1.4. Qualifying Competitions with less than 16 Athletes – Outside Europe

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If, outside Western Europe, an Event uses a separate Competition to qualify Athletes for the FEI World Cup™ Competition on the same day and if the number of Athletes finishing the initial round in the FEI World Cup™ Competition is less than 16, the results of the previous qualifying Competition are taken into account for the allocation of the remaining FEI World Cup™ points.

2. Scale of points:

	If 16 or more Athletes have started the initial round	Number of Athletes in the initial round														
		15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
1 st	20 points	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	6	6	6
2 nd	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	3	3	-
3 rd	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	2	1		
4 th	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			
5 th	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1				
6 th	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1					
7 th	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1						
8 th	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1							
9 th	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1								
10 th	7	6	5	4	3	2	1									
11 th	6	5	4	3	2	1										
12 th	5	4	3	2	1											
13 th	4	3	2	1												
14 th	3	2	1													
15 th	2	1														
16 th	1															

Athletes participating in a Competition for FEI World Cup™ points who are placed lower than Athletes who are not participating for points will move up in the classification of the Competition for the purpose of point distribution.

3. Crossing Over of FEI World Cup™ Points from other Leagues

In principle, an Athlete competes in the League in which he is domiciled and may earn points in another League once his own League has started.

An Athlete may earn points in as many Competitions as there are FEI World Cup™ Events in his League. But he may not earn points in another League once the last Competition of his own League has been held. If he wishes to compete in more Competitions he has to declare to the show office prior to each Event if this Competition is to count or not. Failing to do so, the Competition will count, and once the number of permitted Events has been reached, the remaining Events no longer count.

An Athlete may, however, also compete in other Leagues but may only earn points in other Leagues according to Annex A (Cross-Over Points). To be eligible to qualify for the FEI World Cup™ Final, an Athlete must have competed in and earned one point or more at an Event in his own League or in the League in which he is domiciled; Armenian Athletes are exempted from this requirement for the 2017/2018 season. The requirement for Athletes to earn at least one point in their own League in order to be

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eligible to qualify for the Final applies only to Leagues where cross-over points are allowed.

3.1. North American League

No points may be transferred from other Leagues before the North American League has started.

North American Athletes will earn points in the Sub-League (Eastern or Western) in which they are domiciled. However, Canadian, Mexican and USA Athletes obtain World Cup points for their country of citizenship, regardless of where they are domiciled in North America (e.g. Mexican citizens residing in the Eastern Sub-League; Canadian citizens from the Eastern Sub-League residing in the Western Sub-League in USA or Mexico etc). Athletes may earn full points in either the Eastern or Western Sub-League. Should a North American Athlete wish to be registered for the purpose of obtaining points in a North American Sub-League where he is not a resident, he must notify the FEI Headquarters and his NF in writing prior to the first Competition in which he participates.

Although full points may be earned in both the Eastern and Western Sub-Leagues, Athletes may not earn points in more than seven FEI World Cup™ Competitions. An Athlete from one Sub-League may participate in events in the other Sub-League after the last Competition of his own Sub-League but may not earn further points if he has already participated for points in seven FEI World Cup™ Competitions. In each Sub-League, the best 50%, rounded up to the next whole number, of possible results count for qualification for the Final.

4. Number of Competitions counting for FEI World Cup™ Points per League per Athlete.

4.1. Number of Competitions counting for points

In all the Leagues, only the best 50% of the possible results count towards the qualification for the Final, on the following scale:

Number of Competitions in the League (possible results)	Number of Results to count
20 Competitions	10 to count
19	10
18	9
17	9
16	8
15	8
14	7
13	7
12	6
11	6
10	5
9	5
8	4
7	4
6	3
5	3
4	2

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4.2. Exceptions to the Competition scale of points

If in any League the number of FEI World Cup™ Competitions is six or less, the following exceptions to the scale of points to count may be authorised:

6 Competitions	3 or 4 to count
5 Competitions	3 or 4 to count
4 Competitions	2 or 3 to count
3 Competitions	2 to count

4.3. Number of Competitions to count for FEI World Cup™ points in case of Event cancellation

If, after the approval of the FEI World Cup™ Jumping calendar by the FEI Jumping Committee, an Event is cancelled, the following applies:

4.3.1. If the cancellation is known before the start of the League: the number of results to count will be adjusted if necessary;

4.3.2. If the cancellation takes place after the start of the League, the original number of results will count.

4.4. Allocation of FEI World Cup™ points for Central European Competitions

In the FEI World Cup™ Central European League, points can only be given if Athletes from at least three countries participate. In exceptional cases the FEI Jumping Committee may allow an exception.

4.5. League Finals

In Leagues outside Western Europe and North America (USA, Canada and Mexico), the League may conclude with a League Final to which the top Athletes in the point standings are invited to participate; in such cases the Event must be entered in the FEI calendar as a League Final. All Athletes competing in the Final will carry over their points (exception for the Central European League Final; see Annex E).

4.6. League Finals - Formula

The League Final may consist of one or two Competitions as follows (exception for the Central European League Final; refer to Annex E):

4.6.1. League Final as one Competition: Table A jump-off (Art. 238.2.2). Starting order in reverse order of League standings or according to Art. 655.4.

4.6.2. League Final with two Competitions:

- Table C over Table A course (Art. 239);
- Table A jump-off (Art. 238.2.2);

4.6.2.1. Starting order in the Table C Competition is according to the reverse order of League standings.

4.6.2.2. Starting order in the Table A Competition is according to the reverse order of results in the first League Final Competition.

4.7. FEI World Cup™ Points for League Final Competition(s)

4.7.1. The League Final Competition(s) to count 100 % or 150 % or double points; this information must be included in the Draft Schedule.

4.7.2. The points of the League Final Competition(s) are counted as normal FEI World Cup™ Competitions, i.e. if the number of Competitions to count has been reached prior to the League Final, there will be a drop score for the Athlete in question.

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Article 657 - QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ FINAL

1. Qualification per League

Qualified for the Final are:

1.1. Western Europe

Eighteen Western European Athletes with the highest total points in the Western European League.

1.2. North America

Athletes obtain FEI World Cup™ points for their country of citizenship, i.e. USA, Canada or Mexico, regardless of where they are domiciled in North America.

1.2.1. Seven USA Athletes from the East Coast Sub-League.

1.2.2. Three USA Athletes from the West Coast Sub-League.

1.2.3. Two Canadian Athletes from the East or West Coast Sub-League (the two Athletes with the most points).

1.2.4. Two Mexican Athletes from the East or West Coast Sub-League (the two Athletes with the most points).

1.3. Extra Athletes

Any Athlete (extra Athlete) from another League, or who is a citizen of a nation not part of a League, domiciled in a country of the League in which he is participating, having gained at least as many points as the last qualified Athlete in that League (prior to substitution) is qualified for the Final in the League in which he has competed. For the North American League, an Athlete who is a citizen of a nation not part of either Sub-League or from another League must obtain at least as many points as the last qualified USA Athlete (prior to substitution) in the Sub-League in which he is participating (Eastern or Western) to qualify for the Final as an extra Athlete, regardless of whether he is domiciled in Canada, Mexico or the USA.

1.4. Qualification of Finalists from other Leagues

1.4.1 Number of Finalists from other Leagues

The number of finalists from other Leagues will be determined by the FEI Jumping Committee according to the overall standard of their own League.

1.4.2 South African League

The winner of the South African League will qualify for the Final of the following season, i.e. the League winner of the 2016/2017 season will qualify for the 2018 Final. The Horse(s) with which the qualified Athlete participates at the Final must have completed at least one FEI World Cup™ Competition in which the Athlete was eligible to earn points, as the nominated FEI World Cup™ Horse, during the season in which the Athlete qualified (refer to Art. 657.1.10).

1.5. Substitution of FEI World Cup™ qualified Athletes

In case not all qualified Athletes in the final standings of a League or Sub-League can go to the Final, the following applies:

1.5.1 Western European

18 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 27th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

1.5.2 North America - East Coast Sub-League

7 USA places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 12th placed USA Athlete from the East Coast Sub-League in the final standings, extra Athletes included

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- 1.5.3** North America - West Coast Sub-League
3 USA places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 5th placed USA Athlete from the West Coast Sub-League in the final standings, extra Athletes included
- 1.5.4** North America - Canada and Mexico (East and West Coast Sub-Leagues)
2 places each, extra Athlete excluded, substitution up to the last qualified USA Athlete on the substitution list of the respective Sub-League (East or West) in which the qualified CAN or MEX Athlete participated.
- 1.5.5** Central Europe
3 places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 4th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included
- 1.5.6** South America South (consists of ARG, BRA, CHI and URU)*
2 places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 4th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included.
- 1.5.7** Australia
2 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 3rd place in the final standings, extra Athletes included
- 1.5.8** Central America and Caribbean Islands, Japan, South America North (South America North consists of BOL, COL, ECU, PER + VEN)*, New Zealand, China, South East Asia, Central Asia and South Africa
1 place, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 2nd place in the final standings, extra Athletes included
- 1.5.9** Arab
3 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 5th place in the final standings, extra Athletes included
- 1.5.10** Caucasus (consists of ARM, AZE, GEO and IRI), Korea
1 place, extra Athletes excluded, no substitution.

*(PAR may be added to the South America North or South list.)

If in the respective League standings an Athlete is ranked within the number of qualified Athletes for his own League but has not competed in and earned at least one point in his own League, he is ineligible to qualify for the Final. He will however remain in the League standings and the next best ranked Athlete will not move up in the standings for the purpose of substitution. The requirement for Athletes to earn at least one point in their own League in order to be eligible to qualify for the Final applies only to Leagues where cross-over points are allowed [see Art. 656.3].

1.6. Equality of Points

In case of a tie for the winner of a League or the last qualified Athlete, Athletes will be separated by the number of wins, second places etc...

1.7. Wild Cards Host Country

The country holding the Final may nominate in consultation with the FEI Jumping Committee one home Athlete otherwise not qualified for the Final if the host country does not have a qualified Athlete.

1.8. FEI World Cup™ Final Entries

In principle, each Athlete qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Final may enter three Horses.

1.9. Defending FEI World Cup™ Champion

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The holder of the FEI World Cup™ (Defending Champion) is allowed to enter the next Final as an extra Athlete, entering two Horses of his choice.

1.10. Horse Qualification

Effective as of the 2017/2018 season, Horses must be at least nine years old to be eligible to participate in the FEI World Cup™ Final.

Athletes starting in the FEI World Cup™ Final must participate with Horses on which they, during the season, have completed at least one FEI World Cup™ Competition in which they are eligible to gain points, as a nominated FEI World Cup™ Horse. This does not apply to the defending Champion (refer to Art. 657.1.9).

Should an Athlete who has qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Final find it impossible to transport his qualified Horse to the Final due to quarantine restrictions, the FEI Jumping Committee may authorise a special qualifying Competition to be held with a view to qualifying another Horse for this Athlete or may authorise this new pair to participate in an FEI World Cup™ Competition outside the Athlete's League and after his own League has finished. The Athlete/Horse combination must obtain a score of not more than eight penalties in the initial round of the FEI World Cup™ Competition or in the special qualifying Competition.

1.11. Participation of first reserve Athlete

The 1st reserve Athlete on the Final Standings of the League where the Final is held is invited to travel to the site of the Final with two Horses. Should none of the qualified participants of his League drop out, he can compete in the non-FEI World Cup™ CSI Competitions of the Final.

1.12. Eligibility of Athletes and Horses having qualified at outdoor lower level Leagues

All Athletes having qualified at outdoor lower level Leagues must complete the first round of at least one indoor CSI-3* Grand Prix Competition with the FEI World Cup™ qualified Horse. His score in the first round must not exceed eight penalties. This involves the following outdoor Leagues:

- Caucasus League
- Central Asian League
- South America North League
- Central American and Caribbean Islands League
- China League
- South East Asian League
- Korean League

Article 658 – FEI WORLD CUP™ PRE-FINAL

1. Eligible for FEI World Cup™ Pre-Final Participation

The Pre-Final, if held, is open to all Athletes outside of Western Europe and North America (USA, Canada and Mexico), qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Final. For the other Competitions at the Event, other Athletes may be invited.

1. FEI World Cup™ Pre-Final Competition format

1.1. Type of Competition

At the Pre-Final there are two Competitions on two consecutive days:

- Table C, 1.40 m.
- Table A with jump-off 1.45 m.

1.2. Time table

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The two Competitions are held on days one and two of a three-day CSI. On day three the FEI World Cup™ Athletes of the Pre-Final may choose to enter the Grand Prix or a smaller Competition.

1.3. Eligible to Participate

1.3.1. In the Table C Competition only the FEI World Cup™ Athletes as defined in Art. 657.1.5.5, 1.5.7, 1.5.8, 1.5.9 and 1.5.10 may compete.

1.3.2. In the Table A Competition with jump-off, also the Athletes from the host country qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Final and/or invited to the CSI held in conjunction with the FEI World Cup™ Final may compete. On day three all Athletes at the Event must participate.

1.3.3. The FEI World Cup™ Athletes may ride in the two Competitions only qualified FEI World Cup™ Horses. If they have two or more Horses qualified, they may ride all, but only the first in the course counts towards the overall classification of the Pre-Final.

1.4. Training Session

On day one the Competitions are preceded by a training session, held in the morning, with obstacles of approximately 1.35 m in height. There will be no time allowed, no paying audience, no prize-money, no saluting and no classification.

1.5. Overall Classification

An overall classification of the Pre-Final is based on the two Competitions, with points going to the Athletes on their first Horses on the course as follows: winner of both Competitions gets one point more than the number of starters in the first Competition. The second placed gets two points less than the winner, the 3rd placed 3 points less and so on.

Article 659 - FEI WORLD CUP™ FINAL

1. Formula

1.1. Number of Horses per Athlete

An Athlete may enter and ride two different Horses in the three Final Competitions, but only one Horse in each Final Competition.

At the FEI World Cup™ Final Athletes start with zero points.

1.2. Duration

The FEI World Cup™ Final is held over five or six days with a total of three Final Competitions. If the Final lasts five days, day four is a rest day. If the Final lasts six days, days three and five are rest days.

1.3. Competition Schedule

The Competition schedule as well as the formula for the three Final Competitions are binding and are laid down as follows:

1.3.1 First day:

Athletes must be provided with at least one opportunity to ride in the Competition arena prior to the first Final Competition. The OC has the option to hold either a training session or a warm-up Competition, or both, according to the following provisions.

Training session: A training session, with obstacles of approximately 1.40 m in height, may be held in the morning of the first day of the Final. This session is open to all Horses at the Event. There will be no time allowed, no paying audience, no prize money, no saluting and no classification.

Warm-up Competition: There may be one warm-up Competition (with paying audience) in the afternoon or evening, run according to one of the following formulas:

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Competition over two Phases (integrated jump-off), 1.40 m: Table A with jump-off, 1.50 m: Table A, against the clock, 1.40 m. If both a training session and a warm-up Competition are held, a Horse may compete in the training session and in the warm-up Competition. The FEI World Cup™ Horses (maximum two) are to be declared no later than 30 minutes after the end of the warm-up Competition, or if no warm-up Competition is held, no later than 30 minutes after the end of the training session. Only declared Horses may compete in the three Final Competitions. (Refer to Art. 659.1.2.7 for details relating to the substitution of the declared Horse in the third Final Competition.) Athletes are not obliged to participate in the warm-up Competition, but this Competition, if held, is part of the FEI World Cup™ Final.

1.3.2. First Final Competition - Second day

Table C over a Table A course. Art. 239 and 263. Maximum height: 1.60 m. No jump-off in case of equal time. (It is not intended that this course should have the character of a Table C "Speed and Handiness", but rather a type Table A course with bigger fences. The sole purpose for using Table C scoring is to give a skilful Athlete with an unlucky knockdown an opportunity to obtain a reasonable placing).

1.3.3. Second Final Competition - Third day

Table A, against the clock. One round against the clock and one jump-off only against the clock. Art. 238.2.2, Height: 1.50 m-1.60 m. Athletes who are eliminated or who retire in the 1st final Competition are not permitted to take part in this Competition.

1.3.4. Rest day – Fourth day

Every FEI World Cup™ Athlete who has earned points in the first two final Competitions but decides not to enter the 3rd final Competition may compete in the major Competition/Grand Prix of the fourth day.

1.3.5. Third Final Competition - Fifth day

Table A, not against the clock. Two rounds over a Grand Prix course. Height 1.50 m - 1.60 m. The two rounds are approximately equal in the number of obstacles and length of the course, the second round having an increased level of difficulty.

There will be no jump-off for victory of the third Competition.

(For details on the FEI World Cup™ overall classification, refer to Art. 659.4.1.1.)

1.3.6. Declaration for the Third Final Competition

The Horse to compete in the third Final Competition of the FEI World Cup™ Final must be entered no later than 30 minutes after the publication of the standings after the 2nd Final Competition. It may not compete on the rest day.

1.3.7. Substitution of the declared Horse in the third Final Competition

If for veterinary reasons the Horse declared under Art. 659.1.3.6 is unable to take part in the third Final Competition, the Athlete may present his second Horse at the second Horse Inspection; if found fit to compete, this Horse may be substituted for the declared Horse in the third Final Competition, providing it does not compete on the rest day. If an Athlete's second Horse is not presented to the second Horse Inspection it may not take part in the third Final competition. However, if the Horse declared under Art. 659.1.3.6 does not pass the second Horse Inspection, it may be re-inspected the following morning.

1.3.8. Eligible for the first round of the third Final Competition

The 30 best-placed Athletes (plus ties) from the provisional classification following the second Competition are allowed to compete in the first round of the third final Competition. Qualified Athletes unable to start will not be replaced.

1.3.9. Eligible for the second round of the third Final Competition

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The 20 best-placed Athletes (plus ties) from the provisional classification following the first round are allowed to start in the second round of the third Final Competition.

Athletes with a clear score in the first round are allowed to start in the second round, even if their total score does not bring them into the top 20 Athletes (plus ties) allowed for the second round. However, they will compete only for the classification and prize money of the Competition itself, and their score in the second round will not be taken into consideration when calculating their position in the final overall ranking of the FEI World Cup™ Final.

1.3.10. Starting time of the third Final Competition

The third Final Competition may not start later than 15.00 hours (3pm), to end before 18.00 hours (6pm).

2. Limitation on participation of FEI World Cup™ Horse

Horses competing in an FEI World Cup™ Final Competition may only compete in one Competition on that day.

3. Point system for the FEI World Cup™ Final

3.1. First two Final Competitions

In the first two Final Competitions points are given to all Athletes having finished the initial round.

3.2. Point System

The winner of each Competition gets one point more than the number of starters in the first final Competition. The second placed gets two points less than the winner, the third placed three points less than the winner, and so on.

3.3. Athletes eliminated or retiring

Athletes who have been eliminated or have retired in the initial round of the first two Competitions do not get points.

3.4. Equality of points among Athletes

Points won by Athletes who are tied are added up and divided equally. Fractions of 0, 5 and more are rounded up; fractions of less than 0, 5 are rounded down.

3.5. Transformation of points to penalties

After the second Final Competition, FEI World Cup™ points are transformed into penalties. The Athlete with the highest number of FEI World Cup™ points after two Competitions will have 0 penalties. For all other Athletes the number of penalties will be calculated by multiplying with the coefficient of 0.50 the difference between their number of World Cup points and the FEI World Cup™ points of the leading Athlete after two Competitions.

3.5.1. In this procedure all decimals are rounded down.

4. FEI World Cup™ Final Overall Classification

4.1. Classification

The overall winner will be the Athlete with the lowest number of penalties after the three Final Competitions. An Athlete who qualifies for the second Final Competition but who does not start in that Competition cannot be ranked higher than Athletes who started in both the first and second Final Competitions.

4.1.1. If Athletes are tied for first place after the three final Competitions, there will be a jump-off against the clock over a reduced course of at least six obstacles.

In case of equality of penalties and time in this jump-off a second jump-off, against the clock, will be held over the same course.

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Athletes not in the jump-off but tying on penalties will be separated for the purpose of the FEI World Cup™ Final overall classification by their time in the second round of the third Final Competition.

5. Starting Order

The starting order for the three Final Competitions is established as follows:

5.1. FEI World Cup™ Final First Competition

The starting order in the first Final Competition is based on the final standings in the Leagues according to the following formula.

5.1.1. The provisional starting list will be established by dividing the Athletes into four sections, as follows:

League with one qualification place

- Section 4 the qualified Athlete
- Section 3 no Athlete from the League
- Section 2 no Athlete from the League
- Section 1 no Athlete from the League

League with two qualification places

- Section 4 the best qualified Athlete
- Section 3 the next best qualified Athlete
- Section 2 no Athlete from the League
- Section 1 no Athlete from the League

League with three qualification places

- Section 4 the best qualified Athlete
- Section 3 the next best qualified Athlete
- Section 2 the next best qualified Athlete
- Section 1 no Athlete from the League

League with four qualification places

- Section 4 the best qualified Athlete
- Section 3 the next best qualified Athlete
- Section 2 the next best qualified Athlete
- Section 1 the next best qualified Athlete

League with five qualification places

- Section 4 the two best qualified Athletes
- Section 3 the next best qualified Athlete
- Section 2 the next best qualified Athlete
- Section 1 the next best qualified Athlete

League with seven qualification places

- Section 4 the two best qualified Athletes
- Section 3 the next two best qualified Athletes
- Section 2 the next two best qualified Athletes
- Section 1 the next best qualified Athlete

League with eighteen qualification places

- Section 4 the five best qualified Athletes
- Section 3 the next five best qualified Athletes
- Section 2 the next four best qualified Athletes
- Section 1 the next four best qualified Athletes

Athletes from Canada and Mexico, for the purpose of the draw, are added to the number of Athletes in the Sub-League through which they have qualified according to their

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position in the Sub-League final classification to establish the total number for that Sub-League.

5.1.2. To further explain the above Athletes from Leagues with four or more finalists entered are equally distributed among the four sections. If the number of finalists entered from any given League cannot be evenly divided by four, remaining Athletes are placed in the higher number sections, as follows:

Number of Athletes	Sections			
	1	2	3	4
Western Europe 18	4	4	5	5
N. America East Coast, USA 7	1	2	2	2

5.1.3. The defending champion (Art. 657.1.9) is placed in Section 4 (the number of Athletes in Section 4 may therefore be increased by one). The one extra home Athlete (Art. 657.1.7), if applicable, is put in Section 1 as an additional Athlete in that Section. Athletes domiciled outside their own League who compete as extra Athletes in the League in which they are domiciled are placed in the section for the League through which they have qualified according to their position in the League final classification as additional Athletes in that Section.

5.1.4. Within the Sections, all starting places are drawn by name and number. Last to start in the 1st Final Competition is section 4, 3rd last to start is section 3, 2nd to start is section 2 and 1st to start is section 1.

5.2. Starting order second and third FEI World Cup™ Final Competitions

In the second Final Competition, the starting order is according to the reverse order of FEI World Cup™ points allocated after the first Final Competition. The starting order in Rounds A and B of the third Final Competition is, respectively, according to the reverse order of penalties (i.e. FEI World Cup™ points transformed into penalties – refer to Art. 659.3.5) after the second Final Competition, and after Round A of the third Final Competition.

5.2.1. Athletes with equality of points (after the first Final Competition) or penalties (after the second Final Competition or after Round A of the third Final Competition) will retain the same starting order among themselves as in the previous Competition or round, whichever is applicable.

6. Time Recorded

The time has to be recorded in 1/100 of a second.

7. Course Designer

If there are two course designers at a final Event, the one responsible for the three final Competitions must also design the courses for the warm-up Competition, if held.

8. Horse Inspections

All Athletes must present their own horse(s) at the first Horse Inspection, if held on the day preceding the first Final Competition, and at the second Horse Inspection which must be held after the second Final Competition and prior to the Grand Prix. Any Athlete who fails to present his Horse in person at either of these inspections without first obtaining the permission of the FEI World Cup™ Director or his representative, will be fined EUR 1'000.

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Article 660 - MEDICATION CONTROL

Medication control is compulsory at the FEI World Cup™ Final, at the Western European League Final and at all CSI-W held with international participation. Medication control is desirable at the other FEI World Cup™ Competitions. The medication control is to be conducted in accordance with the Veterinary Regulations.

Article 661 – EXPENSES

661.1. Transport and Lodging

Organising Committees of the FEI World Cup™ Final are required to meet the conditions laid down in the FEI/OC/NF Working Agreement.

661.2. Transport Contribution for Finalists

Transport contributions are allocated to finalists in accordance with the FEI/OC/NF Working Agreement.

Article 662 - PRIZE MONEY

662.1. Minimum Prize Money

In the Western Europe League the minimum prize money has been established as laid down in Article 654.6.

662.2. First prize

If, as first prize, a car is offered, the Organising Committee may, from its own funds, add cash to the value in kind of the car, providing the conditions of 127.2 FEI General Regulations are not contravened.

Article 663 – AUTHORISATION OF EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES

The FEI Jumping Committee has the authority to allow reasonable exceptions to the above rules.

ANNEX A

CROSSOVER POINTS

Athletes from (below) can earn points from (right)	Western Europe	Central Europe	Central Asia	North America East Sub-League	North America West Sub-League	South America South	Australia	New Zealand	Japan	South Africa	South East Asia	Arab	Caucasus	China	Central Am. & Caribbean	South America North	Korea
Western Europe		NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Central Europe	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Central Asia	FULL	NO		FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
North America East SL	FULL	NO	NO		FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
North American West SL	FULL	NO	NO	FULL		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
South America South	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Australia	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
New Zealand	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Japan	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	FULL	NO	NO	NO
South Africa	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
South East Asia	FULL	NO	NO	FULL	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Arab	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Caucasus	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL	FULL		FULL	FULL	FULL	NO
China	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	FULL	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO
Central America & Caribbean	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		FULL	NO
South America North	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	FULL		NO
Korea	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	

Countries/regions involved in the North American EAST Coast Sub-League :
USA AHSA Zones 1-7, eastern Canada (Ontario and east of Ontario).

Countries/regions involved in the North American WEST Coast Sub-League:
USA AHSA Zones 8-12, western Canada (Manitoba and west of Manitoba) and Mexico.

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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 Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the Horse must be paramount. Welfare of the horse must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences. The following points must be particularly adhered to:

1. General Welfare:

a) Good Horse management

Stabling and feeding must be compatible with the best Horse management practices. Clean and good quality hay, feed and water must always be available.

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 methods which are abusive or cause fear.

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 personnel. 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. Fitness to compete:

a) Fitness and competence

Participation in Competition must be restricted to fit Horses and Athletes of proven competence. Horses must be allowed suitable rest period between training and competitions; additional rest periods should be allowed following travelling.

b) Health status

No Horse deemed unfit to compete may compete or continue to compete, veterinary advice must be sought whenever there is any doubt.

c) Doping and Medication

Any action or intent of doping and illicit use of medication constitute a serious welfare issue and will not be tolerated. After any veterinary treatment, sufficient time must be allowed for full recovery before Competition.

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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 be trained and compete on suitable and safe surfaces. All obstacles and competition conditions 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 injury.

c) Extreme weather

Competitions must not take place in extreme weather conditions that may compromise welfare or safety of the Horse. Provision must be made for cooling conditions and equipment for Horses 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. Washing-down areas and water must always be available.

4. Humane treatment of horses:

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 stop competing and a veterinary evaluation must be performed.

b) Referral centres

Wherever necessary, Horses 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 being transported.

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.

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d) Euthanasia

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

e) Retirement

Horses must be treated sympathetically and humanely when they retire from Competition.

5. Education:

The FEI urges all those involved in equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in 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.

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Rules for the FEI World Cup™ - South East Asian League

1. LEAGUE PRINCIPLES & GENERAL

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|--|--|
| - Participating Countries | All South East Asian member NFs (BRU, CAM, INA, MAS, MYA, PHI, SIN, THA) |
| - Dates | May to December |
| - Minimum Competitions | 3 |
| - Maximum Competitions | 9 (included is the League Final), eventually maximum 12 |
| - Maximum number of events per country | 3 |
| - Venue Types | Outdoor / Indoor |
| - Types of event | CSI |

2. ADMINISTRATION & OFFICIALS

- The FEI appoints the Foreign Judge for each event who will also act as President of the Ground Jury for the FEI World Cup™ Competition.
- The Course Designer must be chosen from the FEI list of Level 3 Course Designers at least and be approved by the FEI.

3. FEI WORLD CUP™ SUB COMMITTEE

- The FEI World Cup™ Sub-Committee South East Asian League consists of the following persons appointed as representatives by the NFs involved in the League:
 - President THA NF: Mr Harald Link (THA) - Chairman
 - FEI World Cup™ Jumping Director: Mr John P. Roche
 - FEI World Cup™ South East Asian League: Coordinator Col. Aniruth-Deva Sam Fuangvick
 - Dato Fathil (MAL)
 - Quizer Ambak (MAL)
 - INA NF President
 - PHI NF Secretary General
 - SIN NF President: Mrs Melanie Chew (SIN)
 - MAL NF Secretary General: Maj. Yap (MAL)
 - Mr Nai Yue HO (SIN)
 - Representative OC INA
 - Representative OC THA
 - Athlete representative
- The Committee will hold at least one meeting per year which all members are obliged to attend.

4. EVENTS

- The FEI World Cup™ South East Asian League consists of a minimum of three and a maximum of nine FEI World Cup™ events per season which includes a League Final. This number may increase to twelve maximum as the League develops. The venue and date for the League Final is selected by the FEI World Cup™ Sub-Committee South East Asian League.
- The FEI World Cup™ venues are selected in consultation with the FEI World Cup Co-ordinator by each respective NF of the country in which the events are due to be

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hosted and are submitted by the respective NFs to FEI HQ for approval by the FEI Jumping Committee prior to the 1st October the season prior to which the events are due to take place.

5. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS

- Invitations for the FEI World Cup™ Competitions must be extended to all NFs in the South East Asian League.
- The host NF may invite additional foreign non-League Athletes to take part in the CSI-W. Refer to annex A for crossover of FEI World Cup™ points for non-South East Asian Athletes. In addition, non-South East Asian Athletes residing in a South East Asian may compete in the FEI World Cup™ South East Asian League as extra Athletes (refer to Art. 657.1.3). All Athletes must be entered by their NFs for the CSI-W.
- Two Horses per Athlete are permitted at each FEI World Cup™ event.

6. FOOTING FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ EVENTS

- Quality of the grounds, obstacles with greater variation and technical quality of venues is paramount to safeguard the welfare of the Horse and thus organisers should ensure that they are of the highest standards. Organisers who ignore these issues run risk of losing the right to organize an international event.

7. PRIZE MONEY

- Prize money should be sufficient to allow Athletes cover their costs.
- Prize money stated on the invitation must be paid in full to Athletes without any hidden deductions.

8. TRANSPORTATION OF HORSES TO FEI WORLD CUP™ EVENTS

- Horse welfare here is paramount.
- Everything possible should be made to guarantee the transportation process with the minimum of negative impact on Horses.
- The type of trailers should be adequate for long distance travel.
- All necessary papers should be in order to guarantee minimum processing time at the borders.
- An attempt will be made on a regional level to aid NFs with their respective authorities, in order to facilitate the process of entry and exit from each country into the next.

9. FEI WORLD CUP™ COMPETITION – South East Asian League

- One FEI World Cup™ Competition per event is held. If the number of Athletes is excessive, that is more than 60 a qualifying Competition must be held on a different day prior to the FEI World Cup™ Competition. This Competition is run according to Art. 238.2.1 if held the day prior to the FEI World Cup™ and according to Art. 238.2.2 if held more than one day prior to the FEI World Cup™ Competition.
- The FEI World Cup™ Competition is run according to the following conditions:
 - The number of Athletes permitted to participate in the FEI World Cup™ Competition is limited to 60.
 - This Competition is open to all Athletes of the FEI World Cup™ South East League and Foreign Athletes invited to the CSI-W.

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- The number of Horses allowed per Athlete for this Competition is one. However, if the number of Athletes is insufficient (refer to Art. 254.6) each Athlete may be permitted to ride two Horses in this Competition.
- When an Athlete takes part with more than one Horse in the FEI World Cup™ Competition, the Horse with which the Athlete wishes to obtain FEI World Cup™ points must be declared to the Ground Jury. The Athlete must ride this Horse first.
- Once the Competition has begun, an Athlete cannot change his FEI World Cup™ Horse.
- This Competition must be run under Table A, Competition against the clock, according to Art. 238.2.2, with a height of the obstacles between 1.40m and 1.60m and with a speed of 350 m/min. The spread must be proportional to the height and not more than 2m. If there is a water jump, it cannot be wider than 4m outdoor
- There can only be an individual classification for this Competition.
- The starting order in the first round of the FEI World Cup™ Competition is established according to a draw.

10. POINTS

- FEI World Cup™ points are awarded to Athletes only (not Athlete/Horse combination) for each FEI World Cup™ Competition in accordance with the FEI World Cup™ rules Art. 656.
- Points may be carried over from certain other Leagues (Refer to annex A).

11. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ FINAL

- The number of Athletes qualified for the Final from the South East Asian League will be one. There will be substitution to second place in the South East Asian League Overall Standings. All Athletes having qualified at outdoor lower level Leagues must complete the first round of at least one indoor CSI-3* Grand Prix Competition with the FEI World Cup™ qualified Horse. His score in the first round must not exceed eight penalties.

12. FEI CALENDAR AND FRANCHISE FEES

- Each NF will be invoiced by the FEI a Calendar Fee of CHF **500.-** once the date is entered in the calendar whether the Event is held or not. Fee for Calendar addition received after the deadline date is CHF 1'000. Fee for modifying the approved Calendar is CHF 500.
- The FEI Franchise Fee per FEI World Cup™ event is **CHF 500.-**

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Rules for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping - Arab League [updated 29.08.2017]

1. LEAGUE PRINCIPLES & GENERAL

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| - Participating Countries | All Group VII members |
| - Dates | September to January [NB: The season may extend until the 1 st week of February if the Event is held in the UAE] |
| - Minimum number of Events | 3 |
| - Maximum number of Events | 16 |
| - Maximum number of Events per country | 3 (exception : UAE = 4) |
| - Venue Types | Outdoor and Indoor |
| - Types of Event | CSI and CSIO |

2. ADMINISTRATION & OFFICIALS

- The FEI appoints the Foreign Judge for each Event who will also act as President of the Ground Jury for all FEI World Cup™ Competitions.
- The Course Designer must be chosen from the FEI list of Level 3 Course Designers at least and be approved by the FEI.

3. FEI WORLD CUP™ SUB-COMMITTEE

- The FEI World Cup™ Sub-Committee Arab League consists of the following persons appointed as Representatives by the NFs involved in the League:
 - Chair: Mr Sami Al Duhami (Group VII)
 - Haider Zubi (Group VII)
 - Sultan Al Yahyaee (UAE)
 - Hussam Zummit (LBA)
 - Badre Fakir (MAR)
 - Ali Al Rumahihi (QAT)
- FEI World Cup™ Jumping Director Mr John P. Roche
- FEI World Cup™ Arab League Coordinator Mr Karim Badaro (LIB)
- NF representatives on the Sub-Committee are rotated annually in alphabetical order of the NFs involved in the League.
- The Sub-Committee will hold at least one meeting per year where representatives of all Group VII NFs will be invited to attend.

4. EVENTS

- The FEI World Cup™ Arab League consists of a minimum of three and a maximum of 16 FEI World Cup™ Events per season.
- One week rest is mandatory if Competitions are more than 1000 km apart.
- The FEI World Cup™ Arab League calendar must be submitted to the FEI by 1 October the year before the next FEI World Cup™ season. Dates for CSI5*-W Events must be received by the FEI by 1 October two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place.

5. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS

- Invitations for the FEI World Cup™ Events must be extended to include at least 50% Foreign Arab League Athletes.
- The host NF may invite additional foreign non-League Athletes to take part in the CSI-W. All Athletes must be entered by their NFs for the CSI-W.
- In addition to the Arab League Athletes and non-Arab League Athletes invited for all the Competitions of the CSI-W, the host NF may also invite additional Athletes who are permitted to take part in the small Competitions only each day.
- Three Horses per Athlete are permitted at each FEI World Cup™ Event in order to allow Athletes to give greater experience to young Horses should the Event hold

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Competitions especially for young Horses. Permitting a third Horse will help Athletes better manage their Horses, participate in more Competitions and train youngsters over smaller courses.

6. FOOTING FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ EVENTS

- Quality of the grounds, obstacles with greater variation and technical quality of venues is paramount to safeguard the welfare of the Horse and thus organisers should ensure that they are of the highest standards. Organisers who ignore these issues run risk of losing the right to organize an international Event.

7. PRIZE MONEY

- Prize money should be sufficient to allow Athletes cover their costs.
- Prize money stated on the invitation should be paid in full to Athletes without any hidden deductions.

8. TRANSPORTATION OF HORSES TO FEI WORLD CUP™ EVENTS

- Horse welfare here is paramount.
- Everything possible should be made to guarantee the transportation process with the minimum of negative impact on Horses.
- The type of trailers should be adequate for long distance travel
- All necessary papers should be in order to guarantee minimum processing time at the borders.
- An attempt will be made on a regional level to aid NFs with their respective authorities, in order to facilitate the process of entry and exit from each country into the next.

9. QUALIFYING COMPETITION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ COMPETITION

- One qualifying Competition per Event is held before each FEI World Cup™ Competition.
- This Competition is run according to the following conditions:
 - The number of Athletes permitted to participate in the qualifying Competition for the FEI World Cup™ Competition is open.
 - This Competition must be open to all Foreign Arab League Athletes invited to the CSI-W.
 - The number of Horses allowed per Athlete for this Competition is two.
 - When an Athlete takes part with more than one Horse in the qualifying Competition for the FEI World Cup™ Competition, the Horse with which the Athlete wishes to qualify for the FEI World Cup™ Competition must be declared to the Ground Jury. The Athlete must ride this Horse first. This also applies to Athletes who are not eligible for points, i.e. participating foreign non-Arab League Athletes. For the avoidance of doubt, should an Athlete taking part with two Horses withdraw his declared World Cup Horse, he must start his second Horse in the starting position drawn for the declared World Cup Horse.
 - Once the Competition has begun, an Athlete cannot change his FEI World Cup™ Horse.
 - This Competition must be run under Table A, Competition against the clock, according to Art. 238.2.1 without a jump-off, with a minimum height of 1.40m and a maximum height of 1.45m, at a speed of 350 m/min.
 - There can only be individual classification in this Competition.

10. FEI WORLD CUP™ COMPETITION – ARAB LEAGUE

- The FEI World Cup™ Competition is open to the top 30 placed Athletes in the qualifying Competition, provided they were not eliminated or retired.

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- Only one Horse per Athlete is allowed in this Competition.
- If the home country does not have an Athlete among the top 30 qualified Athletes, the highest placed home Athlete in the qualifying Competition may compete in the FEI World Cup™ Competition as an extra Athlete bringing the starting field to 31. If there is a home Athlete among the top 30, the number of Athletes in this Competition is limited to 30.
- If non-Arab League Athletes are among the top 30 placed Athletes in the qualifying Competition the number of Athletes eligible for participation in the FEI World Cup™ Competition will be increased by selecting Arab League Athletes in order of classification of the qualifying Competition until the 30th Arab League Athlete is qualified.
- If one or more qualified Athlete(s) decide(s) not to participate, the next best placed Athlete according to the result of the qualifying Competition may take his place, providing that the Athlete concerned has not been eliminated or retired in the qualifying Competition. Such replacements are allowed until two hours before the start of the FEI World Cup™ Competition.
- If the best placed Athlete, according to the results of the qualifying Competition, is a non-Arab League Athlete, both this Athlete and the next best placed Arab League Athlete will be eligible for participation in the FEI World Cup™ Competition.
- Athletes qualified for this Competition can participate with the Horse of their choice.
- The FEI World Cup™ Competition is run according to the following formula:
 - Over a two round Competition with the first round against the clock and the second round against the clock (Art. 273.3.3.1). The top 25% (including FEI World Cup™ Athletes and non-World Cup Athletes) of Athletes from the first round, in any case all clear rounds, qualify for the second round based on their penalties and time in the first round.
 - Classification will be according to Art.273.4.3. Those not qualified for the second round are placed according to their penalties and time in the first round.
- If the FEI World Cup™ Competition takes place on the 2nd day of a 3 day Event, the Athletes will be allowed to enter the Grand Prix or a smaller Competition on day 3 with the FEI World Cup™ Horse.
- If the FEI World Cup™ Competition is the Grand Prix on day 3, day 1 should include a Competition with obstacles of approximately 1.35 m in height.
- Each FEI World Cup™ Competition is run at a minimum speed of 350m/min. The height of the obstacles may be anything between 1.40 m and 1.60 m. The spread must be proportional to the height and not more than 2m. If there is a water jump, it cannot be wider than 4m outdoors.
- The starting order in the first round of the FEI World Cup™ Competition is established according to a draw.

11. POINTS

- FEI World Cup™ points are awarded to Athletes only (not Athlete/Horse combination) for each FEI World Cup™ Competition in accordance with the FEI World Cup™ rules Art. 656.
- Points may not be carried over from other Leagues. Only points earned at FEI World Cup™ Competitions held in Arab League countries will count. (See Annex A)

12. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ FINAL

- The number of Athletes qualified for the Final from the Arab League will be three. There will be substitution to fifth place in the Arab League Overall Standings.



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13. FEI CALENDAR AND FRANCHISE FEES

- Each NF will be invoiced by the FEI a Calendar Fee of CHF 500.- once the date is entered in the calendar whether the Event is held or not.
- The FEI Franchise Fee per FEI World Cup™ Event is CHF 2'000.-.

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Rules for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Central European League

The FEI World Cup™ Jumping Central European League is divided into the two Sub-Leagues as follows:

Central European Sub-League North

BLR
CZE
EST
LAT
LTU
POL
RUS
SVK
UKR

Central European Sub-League South

BUL
CRO
GRE
HUN
ROU
SLO
TUR

Rules for both Sub-Leagues

- All FEI World Cup™ Jumping courses must be built at least according to the following specifications:
 - Number of obstacles 12
 - Min./max. Height 1.40 – 1.60 m
 - At least 2 vertical obstacles with a minimum height of 1.60 m
 - At least six other obstacles with a minimum height of 1.45 m
 - All spread obstacles must have a minimum spread of between 1.50 – 2.00 m
 - Max. spread of triple bar 2.20 m
 - Min./max. length of the course 500/700 m
 - Speed outdoor 375 m / min
 - Speed indoor 350 m / min
- All FEI World Cup™ Jumping Competitions selected as qualifying Competitions in which Athletes and Horses may earn a Certificate of Capability for the FEI World Equestrian Games™ and/or the FEI European Jumping Championship must be built according to the specifications established in the Jumping Rules, Annex VIII, Art. 6.
- Each Sub-League may have a maximum of twelve FEI World Cup™ Jumping Events;
- No country may have more than two FEI World Cup™ Events with the exception of the country hosting the final Event which may have a maximum of three;
- All FEI World Cup™ Competitions must be run according to article 238.2.2;
 - The best ten results per Athlete count for the FEI World Cup™ standings prior to the League Final as qualification for the Central European League (CEL) Final, regardless of the Sub-League in which the points were earned;
- The top ten Athletes on the previous season's final FEI World Cup™ standings of each Sub-League must be invited to the first qualifier of the following season in their

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respective Sub-League; these Athletes are not automatically qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition at the first qualifier.

- The top ten Athletes on the FEI World Cup™ standings of each Sub-League three weeks prior to a given FEI World Cup™ Event in either Sub-League must be accepted to that Event, providing that the entry procedure is followed according to the Event Schedule. Such Athletes are automatically qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition in their own Sub-League. This also applies to CSIO-W Events.
- The starting order for each FEI World Cup™ Competition is established in accordance with the provisions laid down in article 655.4 FEI World Cup™ rules;
- NFs hosting two Events must organise one Event either as a CSIO-2* at least or as a CSI-2* at least, not as 1* Event;
- Regardless of the star level of the Event, the technical specifications (Art 655.5) for FEI World Cup™ qualifiers must be followed and the organiser must offer at least 10'000 CHF in prize money for the FEI World Cup™ Competition;
- The entry fee which includes stabling fee and first bedding cannot exceed 410 Euro per Horse for CSI3*/CSI4* Events or 350 Euro for CSI2*/CSI1* Events;
- The FEI World Cup™ Jumping Competition must be the Competition with the highest prize money at each Event, with the exception of FEI Nations Cup Competition;
- Both Sub-Leagues must have common starting and finishing dates;
- Both Sub-Leagues will conclude with a common Final, which may be in addition to the above list of Events.

FEI World Cup™ Jumping Central European League (CEL) Final Event

- The CEL Final will be allocated two years in advance.
- The CEL Final takes place over four days and includes three FEI World Cup™ Competitions.
 - Day 1: Table C Competition over a Table A course at 1.45m.
 - Day 2: Table A according to Art 238.2.2 at 1.50m
 - Day 3: (only non- FEI World Cup™ Competitions)
 - Day 4: Table A 238.2.2 at 1.55m
- Athletes qualified for the CEL Final carry the points of their five best qualifiers into the final. In addition, points are given as follows in the three Competitions of the CEL Final:
 - 1st Competition: points to the ten best placed: 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.
 - 2nd Competition: points to the sixteen best placed as per the normal FEI World Cup™ points table;
 - 3rd Competition: double points to the sixteen best placed based on the FEI World Cup™ points table.

If Athletes are placed ex-aequo in any of the three Competitions the points for the relevant placings will be added together and divided equally among the Athletes concerned. In case of a tie on points after the CEL Final, the best result in the 3rd Competition of the final will be the determining factor; in case of further ties the best result of the 2nd Competition is taken into account and so on until a tie no longer exists.

- Athletes wishing to take part in the FEI World Cup™ Final must take part in the CEL Final in the same year;

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- The top 20 Athletes from each of the FEI World Cup™ Central European Sub-League standings, plus those tying for 20th place in each Sub-League are qualified for and invited to participate in the League Final;
- Substitutions from both Sub-Leagues may be made to 35th position on each of the Sub-League standings at the end of the season;
- The maximum number of Athletes that may be invited to the League Final is 100. In addition to the top 20 Athletes invited from each Sub-League, the host nation may also invite a limited number of foreign Athletes and up to approximately 10 home Athletes to fill the quota of 100 Athletes. These extra Athletes are entitled to receive prizes but are not permitted to participate for FEI World Cup™ points. If an extra Athlete is placed within the top 10 in the first Competition of the League Final or in the top 16 in the second or third Competition, he is entitled to the relevant prize for his placing but may not earn points toward the overall standings; the next best-placed eligible Athlete will move up in the classification for the purpose of point distribution.
- Each Athlete is permitted to participate with three Horses during the Event;
- The Final Event must be held indoors;
- The FEI World Cup™ Central European League Final Event must be held at least three weeks prior to the FEI World Cup™ Final;
- The Organising Committee of the FEI World Cup™ Central European League Final Event must offer at least 100'000 Euro in prize money for the entire Event and at least three Competitions counting for the Longines Rankings;
- At least 25'000 Euro will be offered as prize money for the Grand Prix Competition;
- The entry fee per Horse cannot exceed 410 Euro for CSI3*/CSI4* Events or 350 Euro for CSI2*/CSI1* Events; the stabling fee and first bedding is included in this amount;
- There will be no transport allowance offered by the Organising Committee;
- The Organising Committee will ensure that special low rates will be offered for accommodation to each Athlete taking part in the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Central European League Final Event.

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FEI World Cup™ Jumping – North American League

1. General

The North American League will consist of:

1.1. Seven Events in eastern Canada (Ontario and east of Ontario) and eastern USA (USJHA zones 1-5). Events in USHJA zones 6-8 to be included in the Eastern Sub-League as determined by the FEI Jumping Committee.

1.2. Seven Events in western Canada (Manitoba and west of Manitoba), western USA (USHJA zones 9-12), and Mexico. Events in USHJA zones 6-8 to be included in the Western Sub-League as determined by the FEI Jumping Committee.

1.3. In total fourteen Events, each of which has minimum CSI3* status.

2. Time Period for the League

The North American League will begin June 1st and finish no later than three weeks before the FEI World Cup™ Final. No FEI World Cup™ Competition may be held in North America during December and January unless granted otherwise by the FEI Jumping Committee.

3. Event Conditions

3.1 All FEI rules and Regulations must be respected, including but not limited to stable security, stable size, schooling, and medication.

3.2 Stables must have a minimum size of 3m x 3m, stables must have a certain standard/quality, that is be safely constructed, have a roof and be dry.

3.3 Footing must be of at least minimum standard, that is, the footing must be either sand or grass and provide a certain elasticity and give.

3.4 An experienced footing expert must be appointed by the OC.

3.5 The OC must provide obstacle materials in perfect condition, clean and in sufficient quantity to foresee replacement during the Event. The obstacles must be varied in design and shapes, in order to provide the course designer with sufficient flexibility to design the courses. The obstacles must be properly painted if the material is not rustic, poles cannot weigh more than 15 kilos and must in general be either 3.50 m or 4.00 m in length, cups can have a depth of 18 mm minimum and 30 mm maximum, approved safety cups must also be used, planks cannot weigh more than 15 kilos.

A maximum of 30% of these obstacles may be sponsored obstacles. No product placement shall be authorised on the course during the FEI World Cup™ Competition, such as a car in the middle of the arena.

3.6. The general Event organisation must be acceptable; that is the show must be efficiently run, start lists and results sheets must be timely produced.

3.7 Each North American League Event must offer at least the minimum prize money established for 3* Events according to the CSI/CSIO prize money requirements published on the FEI website for the year in which the Event takes place.

3.8 The FEI World Cup™ Competition must have at least USD 100'000.- in prize money and it must be the highest prize money Competition of the Event.

3.9. There must be at least two additional Competitions counting for the Longines Rankings meeting the minimum prize money required for Longines Rankings Point Group D.

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3.10. The Event must be held over minimum three days.

3.10.1 The FEI World Cup™ Competition must be run according to article 238.2.2: one round against the clock followed by a jump-off in case of a tie for first place. Participation in the FEI World Cup™ Competition is limited to 40 participants with one Horse each.

3.10.2 If an Organiser accepts the entries of more than 40 Athletes for the CSI-W, the international Competition held two days prior to the FEI World Cup™ Competition will serve as qualification for the FEI World Cup™ Competition. This qualification Competition must be run either according to article 238.2.2 or 238.2.1. Participation in this Competition is limited to two Horses per Athlete. Athletes participating with two Horses in the qualification Competition must declare which Horse will be participating for qualification purposes and must start first with that Horse; only the results of the declared Horse will count. Athletes are not required to ride the same Horse in the FEI World Cup™ Competition as in the qualification Competition but must have completed the initial round of one FEI competition at the same event with their FEI World Cup™ Horse prior to the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

3.11. Starting order in the FEI World Cup™ Competition

The starting order may be established either according to the reverse order of qualification for the FEI World Cup™ Competition, or according a draw to be carried out as follows:

Athletes are divided into two groups according to their standing on the Longines Rankings at the time of the Event. There is a draw for the starting position in each group. The last group to start is the group with Athletes highest placed on the Longines Rankings.

4. CSI-W Status

4.1. CSI-W status is granted by the FEI Jumping Committee based on a bidding process for a three-season period.

5. Calendar Application Dates

The dates for the FEI World Cup™ North American League calendar must be entered in the FEI calendar by 1 October three years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place (see Art. 650.1.2).

6. Qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Final

The number of Athletes eligible to compete at the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Final through the North American League is as follows (Art. 657.1.2-1.3-1.5):

- a. Seven USA Athletes from the Eastern Sub-League
- b. Three USA Athletes from the Western Sub-League
- c. Two Canadian Athletes from the Eastern or Western Sub-League (the two Athletes with the most points)
- d. Two Mexican Athletes from the Eastern or Western Sub-League (the two Athletes with the most points)
- e. Extra Athletes

7. Mandatory Fees per Horse

The maximum mandatory fee that may be charged per Horse inclusive of all administrative and venue fees except the entry fee per Competition is USD 1'000 for CSI5*-W and CSI4*-W, and USD 750.- for CSI3*-W Events. A detailed breakdown of these fees must be included in the Schedule. National Federation fees and MCP fees are

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additional fees and are not included in the mandatory fee; FEI fees, i.e. organising dues on prize money and calendar fees, may not be charged to Athletes.

8. Start Fee per Horse for the two compulsory Longines Rankings Competitions and additional International Competitions (excluding FEI World Cup™ Competition)

8.1 For the two compulsory Longines Rankings Competitions which must offer at least the minimum prize money required for Point Group D the maximum start fee that may be charged per Horse for each of these Competitions is determined according to the percentage indicated in Jumping Rules Annex VI for the star level of the event:

For CSI5*-W: Maximum 1% of the prize money of the Competition;

For CSI4*-W: Maximum 2% of the prize money of the Competition;

For CSI3*-W: Maximum 3% of the prize money of the Competition.

The exchange rate for Canadian Events is established according to the exchange rate established by the FEI in August of the year preceding the Event.

8.2 If other International Competitions are included in the Schedule, the maximum start fee that may be charged per Horse for each of the additional International Competitions is according to the same percentages indicated under paragraph 8.1.

9. Start Fee for FEI World Cup™ Competition

No start fee can be charged for the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

10. Points – Refer to Art. 656.3.1.

11. Extra Athletes – Refer to Art. 657.1.3.

12. Crossover of Points

Crossover points are allowed between the North American League and the Western European League and vice versa.

13. North American Top Ten Athletes – Art. 654.4

In North America the top ten North American Athletes on the Longines Rankings, if in good standing with their NF, are automatically qualified to enter all FEI World Cup™ Events in the North American League.

14. Hosting Fee

Each Organising Committee in the FEI World Cup™ North American League is charged an annual FEI hosting fee of 4'000 CHF.

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Rules for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping – China League

1. LEAGUE PRINCIPLES & GENERAL

- Participating NFs:	CHN, HKG, TPE
- Dates	May to November
- Minimum Number of Events	3
- Maximum Number of Events	12
- Venue Types	Outdoor and Indoor
- Franchising Fee per Event	Amount established by the FEI

2. FEI WORLD CUP™ SUB-COMMITTEE

The Sub-Committee is composed of the following:

- Chair: Mr Zhang Bao Sheng
- Deputy Chair: Sven Holmberg
- Secretary General: Cai Hao
- A representative of the Chinese Equestrian Federation: To be appointed by NF CHN
- A representative of the Organising Committees: Mr Cao Jing
- A representative of Equestrian Clubs: To be appointed by the Sub-Committee
- A representative of the Athletes: Mr Liu Tong Yian
- A representative of Group VIII NF outside China: Mr Nai Yue Ho
- A representative of the media: To be appointed
- A representative of horse owners: Mr Chen Yun Bo
- A representative of international Event Organisers: Mr Volker Wulff
- FEI World Cup™ Jumping Director: Mr John P. Roche

3. FORMAT OF COMPETITIONS

The League consists of Events organized over two to four days with minimum two Competitions per day.

Events may be held indoors or outdoors.

Each Horse may only start once per day.

The program must include a qualifying Competition for the FEI World Cup™ Competition at a height that is 5 cm less than the FEI World Cup™ Competition. The starting order in the qualifying Competition is decided by a draw. If Athletes are permitted to ride two horses in the qualifying Competition, the Horse with which the Athlete wishes to qualify for the FEI World Cup™ Competition must be declared to the Ground Jury prior to the start of the qualifying Competition; the Athlete must ride this Horse first.

The dimensions of obstacles in the FEI World Cup™ Competition at the first two or more Events of the League must have a height of at least 1.45 m and the height of obstacles in the final FEI World Cup™ Competition of the League must have a height of at least 1.50 m. All FEI World Cup™ competitions must be run at a speed of 350m/min.

Courses must be built by a Course Designer of minimum Level 3 and judged by at least one Level 3 Judge from the relevant FEI list of Course Designers, respectively Judges. The Course Designer and Judge invited must be prepared, if on the list of FEI Course Directors, to direct seminars in conjunction with the Event.

The qualifying Competition for the FEI World Cup™ Competition must be judged under Art. 238.2.1 and the FEI World Cup™ Competition must be judged under Art. 238.2.2.

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To be eligible to start in the FEI World Cup™ Competition the Athlete must have completed the initial round of the qualifying Competition for the FEI World Cup™ Competition and the Athlete/Horse combination must have completed the initial round of at least one FEI Competition prior to the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

If Athletes are permitted to ride two horses in the FEI World Cup™ Competition they must start with the horse counting for FEI World Cup™ points first. In this cases Horses are divided into two groups for the starting order: Horses with which Athletes are competing for FEI World Cup™ points and Horses not competing for points (second Horse). All Horses competing for points will start in the first group. In all cases the starting order of Horses competing for points in the FEI World Cup™ Competition is in reverse order of the classification of the declared World Cup Horses in the qualifying Competition. Horses not competing for points will start in the second group; the starting order in this group will be according to the same starting order as in the first group. In case of a tie for any place there will be a draw to decide the starting order among those tying.

The Organising Committee of an FEI World Cup™ Event in the China League must be able to supply at least five Athletes from visiting NFs that are members of the China League as defined above, with Horses capable of competing at the level required by the rules for the China League. Any modification to this paragraph must be agreed in writing with the respective NFs involved. Further details with respect to the exchange of Athletes between member NFs participating in the FEI World Cup™ Event must be covered in the Event Schedule.

At the discretion of the Organising Committee the FEI World Cup™ points at the final Event of the League can be valued at 150% or 200%. The value of the points for the final Event must be specified in the Schedule.

4. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ JUMPING FINAL

One Athlete from the China League (Chinese, Hong Kong or Chinese Taipei Athlete) will qualify for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Final. There will be substitution to the second place in the China League standings (refer to Art. 657.1.5.8). Any Athlete from another League who is domiciled in a country of the China League and having gained at least as many points as the China League World Cup Athlete who qualifies for the FEI World Cup™ Final will qualify for the Final as an Extra Athlete.

As the Athlete qualified for the Final will not be able to transport a Horse from China due to quarantine restrictions, he must participate at the Final with a Horse based outside of China. In order to comply with the provisions of Art. 657.1.10 this Athlete/Horse combination will be allowed to participate at one FEI World Cup™ Jumping Event in Western Europe as the FEI wildcard invitation (refer to Art. 654.3) or in a special qualifying Competition authorised by the FEI and must obtain a score of not more than eight penalties in the initial round of the Competition. Notwithstanding the above, this Athlete/Horse combination must also comply with the provisions of 657.1.12. The same applies for the extra Athlete(s) qualifying through this League.

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Rules for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping - Central America and Caribbean Islands League

1. LEAGUE PRINCIPLES & GENERAL

Countries within the league: CRC, CUB, DOM, ESA, GUA, HON, NCA, PAN, PUR,

- Dates:	1 June until three weeks before the Final
- Min. number of events:	3
- Max. number of events per country:	4
- Venue types:	Outdoor and Indoor
- Franchising fee per event:	None
- Calendar fee:	According to FEI regulations
- Prize Money :	Strongly Recommended
- Entry Fee per event:	Max. USD 350.00
- Accommodation & Meals:	At Athlete's expense
- First bedding:	At OC's expense
- Horse Feed :	At Athlete's expense

Composition of the Sub League Committee: TBC

Transportation, Quarantine & Custom Fees: All fees to be covered by the Athletes.

2. FORMAT OF COMPETITIONS

The League consists of events organised over two or three days according to a daily programme as indicated below. The last event should preferably be held indoors.

Each Horse may only start once per day.

The FEI World Cup™ Competition in the first two Events must have a height of at least 1.40 m and the final Competition of the League must have a height of at least 1.50 m. All Competitions are run at 350 m/min.

Courses must be built by an International Course Designer of minimum Level 3 and judged by at least one International Judge from the relevant FEI list of Course Designers, respectively Judges. The Course Designer and Judge invited must be prepared and qualified to hold seminars in conjunction with the Competition depending upon the financial possibilities of the Organizing Committee.

Two day version

Day 1

Comp. 1: 1.20 – 1.25 m/min judged under Art. 238.2.1 or 274.5.3

Comp. 2: 1.30 - 1.40 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2 or 274.5.3. This Competition decides the starting order of the FEI World Cup™ Competition on the following day. The best placed Athlete in this Competition starts last in the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

Day 2

Comp. 3: 1.30 m at 350 m/min judged under Art. 238.2.2

Comp. 4: For all Events of the League except for the last Event: 1.40 – 1.45 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2 (FEI World Cup™ Competition). World Cup points according to Art.656. Starting order according to reverse order of classification in

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Competition 2. If an Athlete has more than one Horse in the FEI World Cup™ Competition he must start first with his nominated World Cup Horse. For the last FEI World Cup™ Event of the League the height of obstacles in this competition must be at least 1.50 m.

Three day version

Day 1

Comp. 1: 1.20 – 1.25 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.1 or 274.5.3

Comp. 2: 1.40 m at 350 m/min judged under Art. 238.2.2 or 274.5.3

Day 2

Comp. 3: 1.25 – 1.30 m at 350 m/min under Art. 238.2.1, 239 or 269

Comp. 4: 1.45 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.1. This Competition decides the starting order of the FEI World Cup™ Competition on the following day. The best placed Athlete in this Competition starts last in the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

Day 3

Comp. 5: 1.30 m at 350 m/min judged under Art. 238.2.2

Comp. 6: For all Events of the League except for the last Event: 1.40 – 1.45 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2 (FEI World Cup™ Competition). World Cup points according to Art. 656. If this Competition is considered a League Final the Event must be entered in the FEI calendar as a League Final and points may be valued at 150% or 200% (Art. 656.4.7); this information must be included in the Draft Schedule. For the last FEI World Cup™ Event of the League the height of obstacles in this competition must be at least 1.50 m.

Starting order according to reverse order of classification in Competition 4. If an Athlete has more than one Horse in the FEI World Cup™ Competition he must start first with his nominated World Cup Horse.

The program above serves as an example and may be modified depending on the level and the number of participants.

3. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ JUMPING FINAL

One Athlete from the Central America and Caribbean Islands League will qualify for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Final. There will be substitution to the second place in the Central America and Caribbean Islands League standings (refer to Art. 657.1.5.8).

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Rules for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping –South America North League

1. LEAGUE PRINCIPLES & GENERAL

Countries within the league: BOL, COL, ECU, PER, VEN

- Dates:	1 June until three weeks before the Final
- Min. number of events:	3
- Max. number of events per country:	4
- Venue types:	Outdoor and Indoor
- Franchising fee per event:	None
- Calendar Fee :	According to FEI regulations
- Prize Money :	Strongly Recommended
- Entry Fee per event:	Max. USD 350.00
- Accommodation & Meals:	At Athlete's expense
- First bedding:	At OC's expense
- Horse Feed :	At Athlete's expense

Composition of the Sub League Committee: TBC

Transportation, Quarantine & Custom Fees: All fees to be covered by the Athletes.

2. FORMAT OF COMPETITIONS

The League consists of events organised over two or three days with a minimum of two Competitions per day according to a daily programme as indicated below. The last event should preferably be held indoors.

Each Horse may only start once per day.

The FEI World Cup™ Competition in the first two Events must have a height of at least 1.40 m and the final FEI World Cup™ Competition of the League must have a height of at least 1.50 m. All Competitions are run at 350 m/min.

Courses must be built by an International Course Designer of minimum Level 3 and judged by at least one International Judge from the relevant FEI list of Course Designers, respectively Judges. The Course Designer and Judge invited must be prepared and qualified to hold seminars in conjunction with the Competition depending upon the financial possibilities of the Organizing Committee.

Two day version

Day 1

Comp. 1: 1.20 - 1.25 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.1 or 274.5.3

Comp 2: 1.30 - 1.40 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2 or 274.5.3. This Competition decides the starting order of the FEI World Cup™ Competition on the following day. The best placed Athlete in this Competition starts last in the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

Day 2

Comp 3: 1.30 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2

Comp 4: For all Events of the League except for the last Event: 1.40 – 1.45 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2 (FEI World Cup™ Competition). World Cup points according to Art.656. Starting order according to reverse order of classification in Competition 2. If an Athlete has more than one Horse in the FEI World Cup™

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Competition he must start first with his nominated World Cup Horse. For the last FEI World Cup™ Event of the League the height of obstacles in this competition must be at least 1.50 m.

Three day version

Day 1

Comp 1: 1.20 – 1.25 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.1 or 274.5.3

Comp 2: 1.40 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2 or 274.5.3

Day 2

Comp 3: 1.25 – 1.30 m at 350 m/min under Art 238.2.1, 239 or 269

Comp 4: 1.45 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.1. This Competition decides the starting order of the FEI World Cup™ Competition on the following day. The best placed Athlete in this Competition starts last in the FEI World Cup™ Competition.

Day 3

Comp 5: 1.30 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2

Comp 6: For all Events of the League except for the last Event: 1.40 – 1.45 m at 350 m/min judged under Art 238.2.2 (FEI World Cup™ Competition). World Cup points according to Art. 656. If this Competition is considered a League Final the Event must be entered in the FEI calendar as a League Final and points may be valued at 150% or 200% (Art. 656.4.7); this information must be included in the Draft Schedule. For the last FEI World Cup™ Event of the League the height of obstacles in this competition must be at least 1.50 m.

Starting order according to reverse order of classification in Competition 4. If an Athlete has more than one Horse in the FEI World Cup™ Competition he must start first with his nominated World Cup Horse.

The program above serves as an example and may be modified depending on the level and the number of participants.

3. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ JUMPING FINAL

One Athlete from the South America North League will qualify for the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Final. There will be substitution to the second place in the South America North League standings (refer to Art. 657.1.5.8).