

FEI™ GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FEI Tribunal Activity Report 2023

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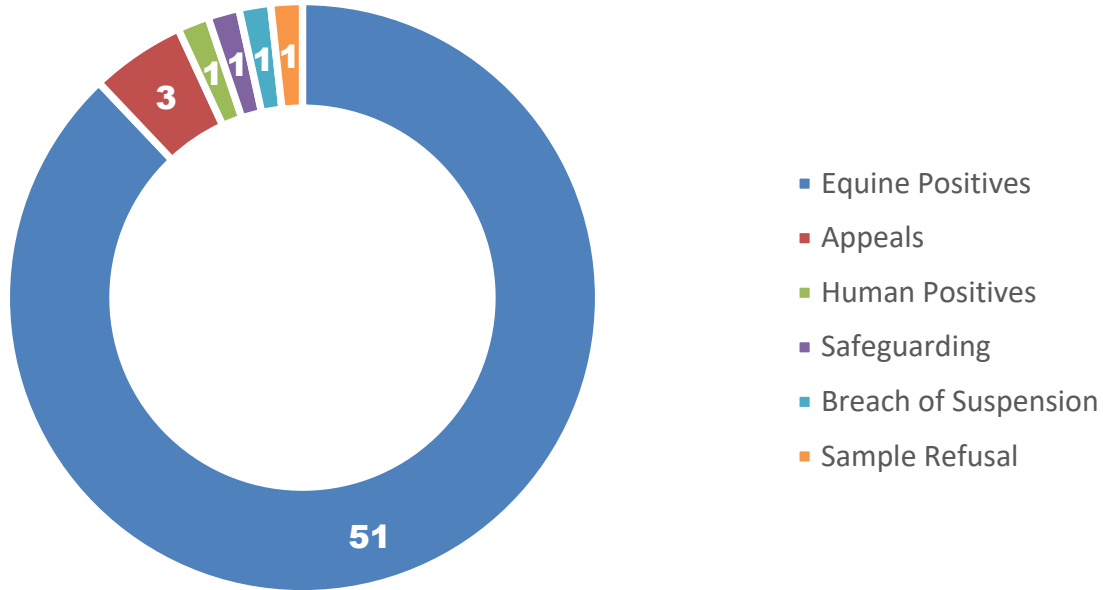
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1. HIGHLIGHTS 2023

- Measures related to Equine Anti-Doping (51) still represent the biggest bulk (89.5%) of total cases handled by the FEI Tribunal (58).
- Significant increase in number of cases handled under the concept of “Consent Award”. In total 44 Consent Awards approved by the FEI Tribunal, representing 86.2%, of the total 51 Equine Antidoping Cases and 75.8% of total cases handled.
- Up to date with ongoing cases. No pending case from previous year (i.e. 2022).
- Concluded process to review the Internal Regulations of the FEI Tribunal (Current version 2018)

2. FEI TRIBUNAL DECISIONS 2023

58 TOTAL CASES HANDLED: 51 Equine Positives and 7 Other related nature



2. FEI TRIBUNAL DECISIONS 2023 – a. Equine Positives

Equine Positives: 51 Sanctions (15 Banned Substances, 36 Controlled Medications)

51 Sanctions (49 Decisions)

2 Cases resulted in no Sanction due to No Fault/Negligence findings.

12 Final Suspension of 18 Months (7 PRs & 5 Trainers)

2 Final Suspension of 12 Months (1 PR & 1 Trainer)

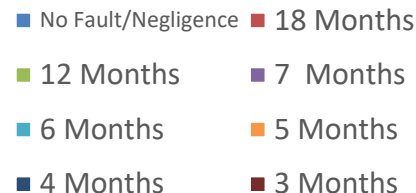
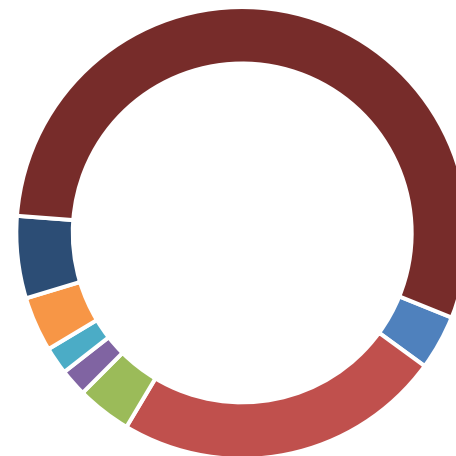
1 Final Suspension of 7 Months (Trainer)

1 Final Suspension of 6 Months (Trainer)

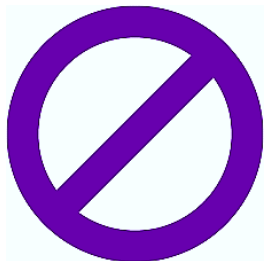
2 Final Suspension of 5 Months (1 PR & 1 Trainer)

3 Final Suspension of 4 Months (2 PRs & 1 Trainer)

28 Final Suspension of 3 Months (8 PRs & 20 Trainers)



2. FEI TRIBUNAL DECISIONS 2023 - a. Equine Positives

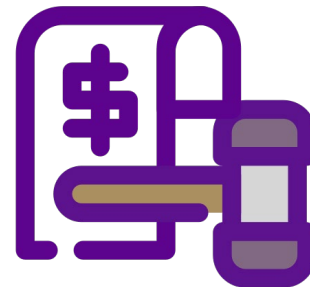


Average Suspension 2023 -> **7.04 Months**

- 14.80 Months for Banned Substances
- 3.81 Months for Controlled Medications
(2022 -> 6.75 Months; 2021 -> 13.80 Months)

Average fine 2023 -> **CHF 2'736**

- CHF 3'667 for Banned Substances
- CHF 2'349 for Controlled Medications
(2022-> CHF 2'713 ; 2021 -> CHF 3'961)



2. FEI TRIBUNAL DECISIONS 2023 – b. Other Cases

- **7 Other Related Cases:**



- Appeals
- Positive Human AD
- Safeguarding
- Sample Refusal
- Breach of Suspension

- **3** Appeals against FEI decisions
- **1** Positive Human Anti-Doping Case
- **1** Safeguarding
- **1** Refusal of Sample collection
- **1** Breach of Suspension

3. HEARINGS, PRELIMINARY DECISIONS AND AGREEMENTS

- **3 Hearings**

- 1 Preliminary Hearing via Conference Call (dealing with 2 related cases)
- 2 Final Hearings via Conference Call / Video
- 0 Final Hearing in person

- **3 Preliminary Decisions**

- 2 Preliminary Decisions involving Controlled Medication & Banned Substance Cases. Lifting of Provisional Suspensions were denied.
- 1 Preliminary Decision involving a Safeguarding matter. Lifting of Provisional Suspension.

- **3 Decisions in connection with an Appeal**

- **3 Agreements submitted to the FEI Tribunal for approval**

4. CAS APPEALS & DECISIONS

- **CAS Decisions issued : 3 Final Arbitral Awards**
 - 1 Disciplinary case: Abuse of Horse, Criminal Act, Conduct that brings the FEI and /or Equestrian Sport into Disrepute. FEI Tribunal Decision Confirmed (10 years suspension).
 - 1 Rules interpretation case: Challenge the validity of the FEI WBFSH Dressage World Breeding Championships for Young Horses Guidelines. FEI Tribunal Decision Confirmed.
 - 1 Field of Play case: Request for Reconsideration of Endurance Penalty Points. Appeal partially upheld.
 - 1 Withdrawn case by Appellant: appeal against a field of play decision.
- **CAS ongoing case : 1**
 - 1 Human Anti-Doping case

THANK YOU