

**ANNEX 1**

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1	<p data-bbox="274 533 593 566"><b>Article 800 – General</b></p> <p data-bbox="304 600 1394 689"><b>Codex For Athletes and Registered Trainers Competing in FEI Endurance Events</b></p> <ol data-bbox="352 730 1394 2067" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="352 730 1394 835">1. This Codex recognises two distinct roles associated with the preparation and participation of horses in FEI Endurance competitions: Athlete and Trainer</li> <li data-bbox="352 882 1182 916">2. The athlete is the rider of the horse in the competition.</li> <li data-bbox="352 960 1394 1066">3. The trainer is responsible for the preparation of the horse for competition as well as advising the athlete on riding tactics during the event.</li> <li data-bbox="352 1111 1394 1256">4. Prior to the event, the trainer is responsible for the conditioning of the horse for the competition which involves exercise programme, nutrition of the horse and seeking appropriate veterinary care and the administration of therapeutic substances under veterinary advice.</li> <li data-bbox="352 1301 1394 1364">5. The athlete, in many circumstances, may also be both the trainer and rider of the horse.</li> <li data-bbox="352 1408 1394 1514">6. To be successful, both the athlete and the trainer must have knowledge of pace and efficient and safe use of the horse across country and must be continually aware of both human and equine safety.</li> <li data-bbox="352 1559 1394 1704">7. The athlete and trainer must not enter a horse for competition or compete a horse that is suffering from an illness, injury or is receiving medication that would adversely affect or enhance the horses' ability to compete.</li> <li data-bbox="352 1749 1394 1895">8. The FEI requires all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of Horses 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.</li> <li data-bbox="352 1939 1394 2067">9. The athlete and the trainer must have knowledge of the Endurance Rules, the Veterinary and FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations in addition to an awareness of the General Regulations. They must insure that they are aware of any annual</li> </ol>

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	<p>changes, regularly reviewing the Endurance Rules, Veterinary Regulations and support a Clean Sport.</p> <p>10. The Athlete and Trainer must abide by these rules and regulations in the preparation for and during competition.</p> <p>11. The FEI has the right to undertake disciplinary actions against an athlete or trainer who does not follow this Codex and FEI rules, to the detriment of the welfare of the horse and the integrity of the sport.</p> <p>12. When Endurance horses are registered with the FEI the name of the Trainer for that horse must also be registered and a registration fee paid. Where the FEI Registered Trainer is also a registered Athlete then no additional registration fee is charged.</p> <p>800.1.1 Endurance Riding is a competition to test the competitor's ability to safely manage the stamina and fitness of the horse over an endurance course in a competition against the track, the distance, the climate, the terrain and the clock.</p> <p>800.1.2 The most important responsibility of the Technical Delegate, the Ground Jury, the Stewards, the Veterinary Commission, the Chef d'Equipe, the Team Veterinarian, the Trainer, Grooms and ultimately the absolute responsibility of the Athlete is to ensure the health and welfare of the horse by diligent application of their skill together with a caring, knowledgeable attitude by the Athlete.</p> <p>800.1.3 To be successful, the competitor Athlete must have knowledge of pace and efficient and safe use of the horse across country.</p> <p>800.1.4 In an Endurance Ride any member of the Genus Equus counts as a "horse".</p> <p>800.2.3 Distances of 80km to 119km must have at least two Vet Gates plus the final inspection (three phases). Distances of 120 km to 139km must have at least three Vet Gates plus the final inspection (four phases). Distances of 140 km to 160 km must should have at least five Vet Gates plus the final inspection. (6 phases) (There may be is a possibility to reduce this to 5 phases subject to the recommendation of the Technical Delegate (TD) and the approval of the President of the Veterinary Commission).</p> <p>800.4 <del>An Endurance Ride is a competition against the clock.</del> The combination that finishes the course in the shortest time will be classified as the winner of the competition after successfully completing all final Veterinary Inspections and medication control as well as other protocols in place for the safety of the horse and Athlete under these Rules, the FEI General Regulations or the FEI Veterinary Regulations. Competitions shall be organised to allow Athletes to establish their own pace to compete against the clock, subject to:</p> <p>800.4.1 Adverse Conditions: Should adverse conditions on course or other considerations such as high humidity, high temperatures arise which might compromise the opportunity to safely complete a course, the Organising Committee (OC) in consultation with the Technical Delegate (TD) may establish a maximum time for a section of the</p>	
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	<p>course or a phase of competition and/or the closing times for one or more Vet Gates, in order to ensure Athletes are not falling too far behind the actual pace of the ride and to ensure horse safety.</p> <p>801.1 The Technical Delegate (TD) and FEI Course designer (when appointed) shall consult with the Organising Committee (OC) to assist in creating a technically challenging course across country within the limits provided by the terrain and weather conditions, to include changes in the footing, that will test the stamina and riding skills of the combination, but not compromise the welfare of the horse.</p> <p>801.2 The course should include naturally occurring or manmade features such as (but not exclusive to) tracks, ditches, steep climbs, descents and water crossings that implements technically challenging factors including but not limited to: footing, terrain, altitude, direction and speed.</p> <p>801.4.1 The course <del>should</del> <b>must</b> not contain more than 10% of <b>hard surface public access roads intended for vehicular use.</b></p> <p><b>801.4.2 Under the absolute control of the Course Designer or Technical Delegate loops of the course must not be specially designed and constructed for high speeds likely to subject the horses to increased risk of injury during competition.</b></p> <p><b>801.8</b> The finish must be long and wide enough to enable several horses to finish at speed without interfering with each other, and must provide sufficient run-out to allow Athletes to safely come to a stop after crossing the finishing line in any potential sprint or gallop. It must be situated as close to the Vet Gate as possible.</p> <p>801.8.1 The 'field of play' is defined as; the defined course (loops or phases), the defined crewing areas on course or within the vet gate, the vet examination area and the hold area at or within the vet gate. For Championships, there will be restricted access to the field of play as defined in the schedule.</p> <p><b>801.8.2</b> The maximum number of grooms allowed within the vet gate will be 5 per horse to take into account availability of space or too ensure that the horse is allowed sufficient space to rest. Access to the vet gate and the vet gate examination area may be <b>further</b> restricted by the Organiser under advice from the FEI Technical Delegate. Such restrictions must be clearly shown in the FEI approved schedule. <b>Such groom access is lost upon removal of the applicable horse from the competition.</b></p> <p><b>801.8.3</b> All horses must remain at all times clearly under observation to FEI Veterinary Officials, Ground Jury and Stewards. No screens, no equipment or barrier of any kind may be used to prevent such</p>	
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	<p style="text-align: center;">observation under penalty of disqualification.</p> <p><b>807.7</b> Forbidden Assistance: The following types of activities are forbidden, subjecting offending Athletes <del>and/or the registered Trainer</del> to a <del>warning</del>, the receipt of yellow card warning(s) or disqualification <del>at the discretion of the GJ</del>, including but not limited to:</p> <p>807.7.1 Being followed, preceded or accompanied on any part of the course by any bicycle, pedestrian or an Athlete not in the competition <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card</del>.</p> <p>807.7.2 Providing aid on any part of the course not specifically designated for such aid <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card</del>.</p> <p>807.7.3 Accepting aid on any part of the course by someone not authorised to provide it <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card</del>.</p> <p>807.7.4 Being followed, preceded or accompanied on any part of the course or immediate adjacent access track as defined (see notes for guidance) by any vehicle (notwithstanding art. 807.6.1) <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card</del>.</p> <p>807.7.5 A third party encouraging a horse to trot in a vet gate <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card</del>.</p> <p>807.7.6 Someone on course encouraging the horse(s) by any means whatsoever <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card and disqualification</del>.</p> <p>807.7.7 Cutting wire fences, or altering a part of an enclosure on or within the course so as to clear a way or to cut down trees or eliminate challenges or alter technical aspects of the course <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card</del>.</p> <p>807.7.8 Accepting any intervention by a third party, whether solicited or not, with the object of giving advantage to the Athlete or their horse <del>under penalty of a yellow warning card and disqualification</del>.</p> <p><del>807.7.9 Conflict of Interest: Officials who may have a real or perceived Conflict of Interest should notify the OC at the time of appointment or as soon as a conflict of interest arises prior to the competition. If the declared conflict of interest, in the opinion of the President of Jury, impairs or appears to impair the integrity of the judging of the competition, the official will have to stand down. Conflicts of Interest should be declared at the pre-ride briefing of officials and athletes.</del></p> <p><b>813.5</b> All horses removed from <del>active</del> competition, voluntarily or otherwise and at any point within the event, must be <del>have been</del> presented for veterinary inspection <del>either by the FEI Veterinary Commission or the FEI Treatment Veterinary Panel</del> within 30 minutes of removal. <del>If removal occurs on course the horse must be inspected by a member of the veterinarian panel as soon as it is returned to the ride base and the horse's veterinary records updated accordingly. Failure to comply will result in the issuing of a yellow card to the Athlete or registered trainer and the imposition of a mandatory rest period for the horse of sixty days.</del></p> <p><b>815.1</b> Mandatory Rest for Horses:</p> <p>815.3.1 After competing in a CEI events, a horse must be given a mandatory minimum rest period, as defined, before it is again eligible to participate in a National or FEI competition (Rest Period commences at Midnight on the day that the ride finishes as denoted by the maximum ride time allowed and finishes at Midnight, the day before published ride start time):</p>	
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	<p>thereby qualifying to move up through each Star category as defined in Art 814.</p> <p>816.2.3 Star System Qualification for Athletes to 3* level will be for <del>life up to five years</del> and can be revalidated by successfully completing an FEI competition applicable to the Athlete's existing status.</p> <p>816.2.4 Star System Qualification for Horses shall be valid for a period of 24 months. Should a horse fail to complete an event at the next level for which it has qualified within that period it will need to re qualify for its existing level again before progressing further.</p> <p><b>817.4 Teams and Individuals</b></p> <p>817.4.1 Teams: If an NF starts three or more combinations all results are available to establish their Team result and are also eligible for individual classification and placing/awards. Only the highest placed three members shall count <del>as for the Team for</del> classification. <del>and to</del> However other Athletes from that same team who successfully complete the competition will also receive a team medal.</p> <p>Should any combination whose result was available to count towards Team Classification, subsequently fail an FEI sampling procedure which results in the loss of that individual's result(s) within the event, the classification of that entire team will become null and void.</p> <p>Such loss of Team classification will not affect the individual classification of the other members of that team.</p> <p>817.4.2 Individuals: If an NF starts fewer than 3 combinations they shall only be eligible for individual classification and placing/awards, but not as a Team.</p> <p>817.4.3 With regard to the number of teams required for Championships, Art. 108 of the General Regulations applies</p> <p><b>819.3 Substitutions:</b></p> <p>819.3.3 An Athlete or a horse, either or both, can only be replaced by another Athlete or horse or by Athlete/horse combination taken from those who have been duly entered and <del>have where such horse has</del> successfully passed the First Horse Inspection.</p> <p>819.3.4 At any Championship or any other CEI 4-Star ride horses can only be substituted by the Athlete's National Federation with horses that have been included on that National Federation's Nominated Entries list and that are qualified according to Art. 818.</p> <p><b>821.2 Horse Inspections:</b></p> <p>821.2.1 Inspections Generally: There are no differences between the Veterinarians responsibilities to evaluate a horse at all inspections. The same standards apply to judging fitness to continue both metabolically, heart rate and in terms of gait evaluation (See FEI Notes for Guidance in respect to the agreed protocol for use of Electronic Vet Gate timing and FEI approved Heart rate Monitoring systems)</p>	
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821.2.2 HR System Protocol

### Article 823 - VETERINARY TREATMENT DURING COMPETITION

Veterinary treatment may not be administered to a horse during the competition without the written approval of the Veterinary Commission. Authorised treatment does not affect classification of the horse. (see FEI Veterinary Regulations)

- FEI Veterinary Regulations (in accordance with all subsequent published revisions, the provisions of which will take precedence).

### CHAPTER V EQUINE TREATMENT & SUPPORTIVE THERAPIES DURING FEI EVENTS

#### Article 1046

#### Treatment with Controlled Medication Substances

1. Controlled Medication Substances, as listed on the FEI Equine Prohibited Substances List (EPSL), which are administered to Horses during or close to an Event may result in an Adverse Analytical Finding in accordance with the EADCMRs.

2. During Events, the administration of treatments and supportive therapies must be authorised by the VC/ VD before administration, using the appropriate Veterinary Form.

3. The use of Banned Substances is always strictly prohibited.

4. The treatment or supportive therapy, if authorised, may only be administered by an FEI Veterinarian with the exception of those substances administered orally or by nebulisation.

In emergency situations where the Horse's welfare is at risk, emergency therapeutic treatments may be administered. Following such administration, a Veterinary Form 1 must be presented for retrospective authorisation and for determination, where appropriate, of whether the Horse can continue competing at the Event. The Veterinary 1 Form must under all circumstances be completed before leaving the Event venue and before the Period of the Event has expired.

5. The use of a Controlled Medication Substance may only be authorised for treatment during an Event in exceptional circumstances, in accordance with these VRs, the EADCMRs and the GRs.

6. No intra-articular administration of any medication is allowed during FEI Events.

7. Treatments administered before an FEI Event (e.g. during transport) may be retro-actively authorised, using the appropriate Veterinary Form (in accordance with these VRs), by the VC/ VD, when appropriate, on arrival at the Event. Retrospective authorisation will not be automatically granted and will be at the discretion of the VD and the GJ.

8. In accordance with the Code of Conduct for the Horse, the VC/ VD must always verify prior to signing the Veterinary Form whether the medication requested, or previously administered, may affect:

- a) the Horse's fitness to compete;

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- b) the fairness of the Competition; and/or  
c) the welfare of the Horse and/ or Athlete.

#### **Article 824 - DUTIES OF OFFICIALS**

The FEI will appoint the President of Jury, the Foreign Judge, the President of the Vet Commission and Foreign Vet Delegate at all 3\* events and all CEIO competitions. For CEI 1\*, 2\*, in special circumstances, the FEI has the right to consult with OCs, in a timely manner, to ask for a different balance of experience and expertise within the team of Officials proposed in the schedule of the competition.

At all CEI 1\*, 2\* and 3\* Events, the FEI may grant dispensation to General Regulations Art.149.10 subject to a request being received from the National Federation concerned and compliance with the conditions as detailed in the FEI Endurance Notes for Guidance.

#### **CODEX for FEI Endurance Officials**

1. The FEI Endurance official is an expert on Endurance, who must have knowledge of the principles of Endurance of the FEI-Rules and, based on his/her star rating is qualified to judge the appropriately rated FEI International Endurance competitions.  
He/She is always representing the FEI.
2. An FEI Endurance official must avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest. An Endurance Official must have a neutral, independent and fair position towards riders, owners, trainers, organizers and other officials and integrate well into a team. Financial and/or personal interest must never influence or be perceived to influence his/her way of judging.

Activities which will lead to or may lead to a "conflict of interest" when officiating at a CEI, include but are not limited to:

- Acting as Team chef of National teams at international level or being responsible/co-responsible for selecting teams and/or individuals or training riders within the NF.
- To be owner/part-owner of horses taking part in the event.
- Being in a situation of financial dependence or gaining financial profit from owners, riders, trainers, organizers or other related organisations.
- Having a close personal relationship with a competitor.
- Nationalistic judging.

An Official is responsible for notifying the FEI of any of the above or other possible conflicts of interest or situations that may be perceived as such.

3. During an Endurance event an official must be punctual and professional in the way of behaviour and duties.

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	<p>4. An official has to be well prepared for the event he/she is judging and has to cooperate well with the organizer and his/her colleagues.</p> <p>5. An official must be dressed appropriately and must always be mindful that he/she is representing the FEI.</p> <p>6. The FEI has the right to undertake disciplinary actions against judges who do not follow the Codex and FEI rules. Such disciplinary actions may consist of: 1) Warning letter 2) Temporary suspension and 3) Temporary/Permanent removal from the FEI Endurance Official's list.</p> <p>7. Conflict of Interest: Officials who may have a real or perceived Conflict of Interest should notify the OC at the time of appointment or as soon as a conflict of interest arises prior to the competition. If the declared conflict of interest, in the opinion of the President of Jury, impairs or appears to impair the integrity of the judging of the competition, the official will have to stand down. Conflicts of Interest should be declared at the pre-ride briefing of officials and athletes.</p> <p>8. Conflict of Interest: Employees of Equestrian Federations, Sponsors and Organising Committees cannot act as an FEI Official at events organised within that Federation or under that Sponsor or Organising Committee.</p> <p><b>Official's Per Diems:</b></p> <p>Daily per Diems are not mandatory in FEI Endurance events. However, for Non Veterinary Officials, per Diems (if any) cannot exceed a maximum per day of CHF 500 (or equivalent local economic value)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level of daily per diem (if any) must be confirmed in writing by the OC to the Officials in advance of their acceptance of their appointment.</li> <li>• Information must be provided by the OC as to whether such per diem is subject to withholding tax or similar within the country of the event.</li> <li>• The basis upon which travel to and from the venue will be arranged or reimbursed is agreed in advance between the OC and the Official.</li> <li>• The provision of accommodation and meals is also provided to the Official in advance of travel.</li> <li>• Payment of per diems and reimbursement of agreed expenses will only be made after the event is completed and all results have been signed off by the President of the Ground Jury.</li> <li>• No other gifts or fees should be provided in addition to the above.</li> <li>• Any of the above shall not be made by any Sponsor directly to Officials, but only by the Organiser.</li> </ul> <p><b>824.6 Independent Governance Advisors (IGAs)</b></p> <p>824.6.1 At all FEI Endurance events the FEI has the right to appoint an Independent Governance Advisor to attend the event and to report back to the FEI in relation to the organisation of the competitions, the venue and the course, the performance of the Officials and the suggested areas for improvement.</p>	
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	<p>824.6.2 The FEI will meet the costs of the IGAs to attend such chosen events other than accommodation costs to be met by the Organising Committee. and the IGAs are at no time acting officials at the event but are available to provide expert guidance or assistance if so required.</p> <p>824.6.3 IGAs are appointed biannually by the FEI. The FEI will appoint a Veterinary IGA and Non Veterinary IGA from each FEI Regional Group. During the period of acting as an IGA that person cannot accept any other FEI Officiating positions in their respective FEI Regional Group.</p> <p><b>824 - OFFICIALS REQUIRED FOR INTERNATIONAL ENDURANCE EVENTS</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Where a Foreign FEI Official is required within the terms of Art. 825, such Foreign Official cannot be resident in the same country or time zone in which the event is taking place</p> <p><b>825.4 CEI 1 &amp; 2 Star Endurance Events</b></p> <p>825.4.12 An Appeal Committee is not required.</p> <p><del>For CEI 1*, 2*, CEI 3* and CEIO competitions, in special circumstances, the FEI has the right to consult with OCs, in a timely manner, to ask for a different balance of experience and expertise within the team of Officials proposed in the schedule of the competition.</del></p> <p><del>At all CEI 1*, 2* and 3* Events, the FEI may grant dispensation to General Regulations Art.149.10 subject to a request being received from the National Federation concerned and compliance with the conditions as detailed in the FEI Endurance Notes for Guidance.</del></p> <p><del>Where a Foreign FEI Official is required within the terms of Art. 825, such Foreign Official cannot be resident in the same country or time zone in which the event is taking place.</del></p>	
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