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Main FEI Endurance Rule Changes 2020

Welfare of the Horse



Horsemanship

Fair play





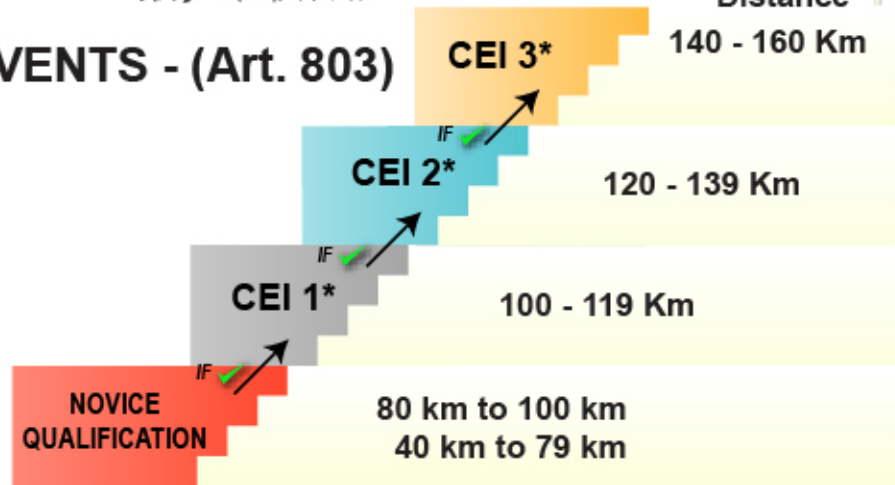
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SUCCESS

Distance

STAR LEVEL OF EVENTS - (Art. 803)



MINIMUM ATHLETE WEIGHT (ART. 805) (RIDING EQUIPMENT EXCEPT FOR THE BRIDLE.)

- Young Rider/Junior Competitions
- Young Rider/Junior Championships



60 kg



70 kg

Senior
CEI 1* and CEI 2*

- CEI 3*
- CEIOs
- Championships



75 kg



Max number of people around the horse: 4 identified crew members plus the rider (Art 813.2 & 813.3)



PRESENTATION TIME REQUIREMENTS (HEART RATE ASSESSMENT - ART. 816.6)



64 bpm



MAX

15 MIN

After Each loop

After 15 sec. if HR more than 59 bpm, count heart rate for 60 sec. (ANNEX 5: 9.3 (i))



64 bpm



MAX

20 MIN

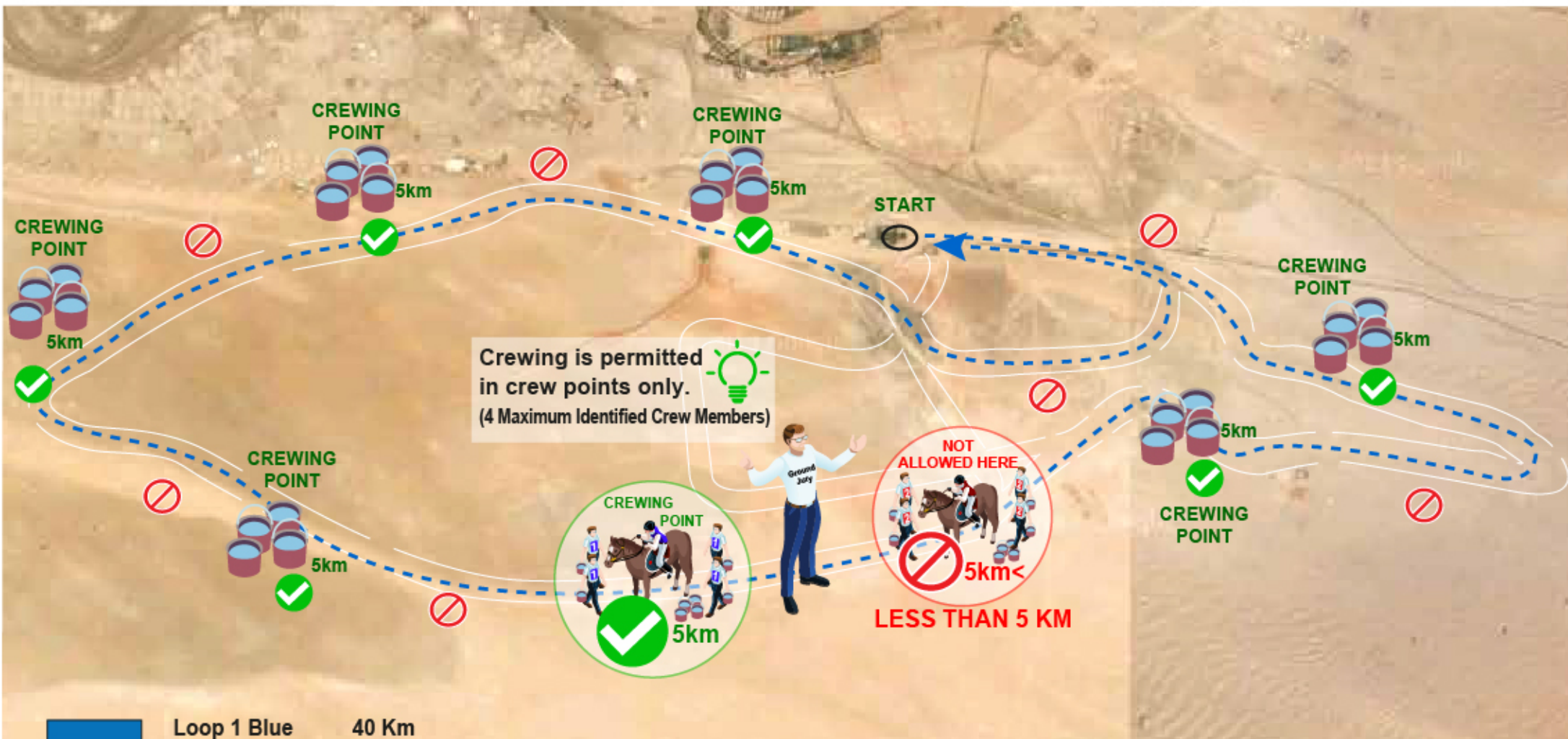
Final loop



ART. 816.6.5





At the first Vet Gate after the halfway point on the course or at the third Vet Gate (whichever comes first), and at each subsequent Vet Gate, Horses that present at the Vetting Area with a heart rate greater than 68 bpm at the first presentation must pass a heart rate reinspection and a compulsory re-inspection before being permitted to start the next Loop.



Crewing is permitted in crewing points only.
(4 Maximum Identified Crew Members)

NOT ALLOWED HERE
5km <
LESS THAN 5 KM

Loop 1 Blue 40 Km

-  ALLOWED
-  NOT ALLOWED

PERMITTED ASSISTANCE (Art. 822.4)

Art. 813.2.2 The maximum number of Identified Crew Members allowed on the Field of Play is **four per Horse**

Art. 822.4.1 The designated areas on a course where crewing is permitted are called 'crew points'.

Art. 822.4.2 There must be **at least 5km between crew points**. Crewing outside the designated crew points is prohibited and will result in Disqualification.

Art. 822.4.3 The Drinking water on the course at least every 10 km

DYES INCLUDING HENNA (ART. 824)



Dyes (including henna) may not be used on the Horse at any time on the Field of Play as it may obstruct the veterinary inspection and identification of the Horse. Barrier cream or other topical skin cream may be used on the Horse, provided that it is removed before presentation for Horse Inspections or at the request of any Veterinarian or Official anywhere on the Field of Play. Failure to comply with this provision will result in Disqualification.

TACK AND EQUIPMENT (Art. 825)

PERMITTED TACK (ART. 825.2)



1 825.2.1 A correctly fitted bridle and saddle are required on the course.

2 825.2.2 Gags and 'bitless bridles' are permitted

3 825.3 Martingales are permitted provided that they do not unduly restrict the free movement of the head of the Horse

4 825.2.4 Reins must be attached to the bit or (for bitless bridles) directly to the bridle.

5 825.2.5 Any shank (lever arm) on any bit may not exceed 8 cm.

6 825.2.6 Leather or plastic nosebands are permitted. A noseband may never be so tightly fixed that it risks causing (or causes) irritation to the skin. It must be adjusted to allow at least two fingers under the noseband on the front of the nose.

Tack condition:
 Horse tack must be in a safe condition and correctly fitted to avoid the risk of pain or injury to the Horse. Officials may require any ill-fitting tack/equipment to be removed or altered. The use of any ill-fitting equipment that risks causing (or causes) pain or injury to the Horse may be considered as Horse Abuse (see also the FEI Veterinary Regulations).

7 825.2.7 Cheek pieces (meaning two strips of sheepskin or similar material that is attached to the cheek pieces of the bridle) are permitted.

8 825.2.9 Fly masks are permitted only if specifically authorised by the Ground Jury to take account of the local conditions, and provided that they

- (i) do not unduly obstruct the Horse's vision or hearing,
- (ii) do not serve any purpose other than to protect the Horse from insects, and
- (iii) are removed during Horse Inspections.

9 825.2.8 Blinkers and visors (similar to Blinkers, but with holes cut in one or both cowls permitting limited side or rear vision) are permitted Unless specified otherwise in the Competition Schedule, provided that they allow full forward vision without any interference. They must be removed during Horse Inspections.

10 825.2.10 Equi-boots and pads are permitted.

11 825.2.11 Head collars are permitted only if the Horse can be adequately controlled and does not pose any safety risk to any person or other Horse. Otherwise (and in most cases) a bridle must be used.

TACK AND EQUIPMENT (Art. 825)

PROHIBITED TACK/EQUIPMENT (Art. 825.3)



825.3.1 Any type of rein that might unduly restrict the free movement of the head of the Horse, including draw (running) reins/French reins.

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825.3.2 Rein additions such as handles.

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825.3.3 Metal chain nosebands.

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825.3.4 Whips (including any other item that is used as a whip).

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825.3.5 Spurs

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825.3.6 Anything placed inside or covering the Horse's ears (for example, ear plugs or similar and ear bonnets/hoods), except for fly masks

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825.3.7 Any material covering the Horse's eye(s) or otherwise obstructing the Horse's vision, including eye covers or eye shields (these are similar to Blinkers, but in place of the eye cowls, the eyes are covered with mesh or other transparent material or by an opaque cover). See Annex 8 for diagrams.

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ANNEX 8: DIAGRAMS OF BLINKERS AND CHEEK PIECES

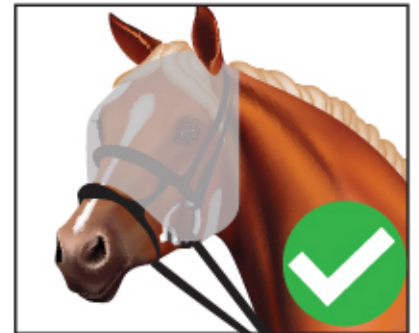
The following provides illustration or permitted/prohibited Blinkers and cheek pieces, as described in Article 825.2.7, 825.2.8 and 825.3.7



NOSE BAND



FLY MASK



EAR PLUGS



EAR BONNETS/HOOD



ROOTS



Minimum age Requirements for Horse (Art. 827)



Minimum age Requirements for Horse - Championships



1*
CHAMPIONSHIPS

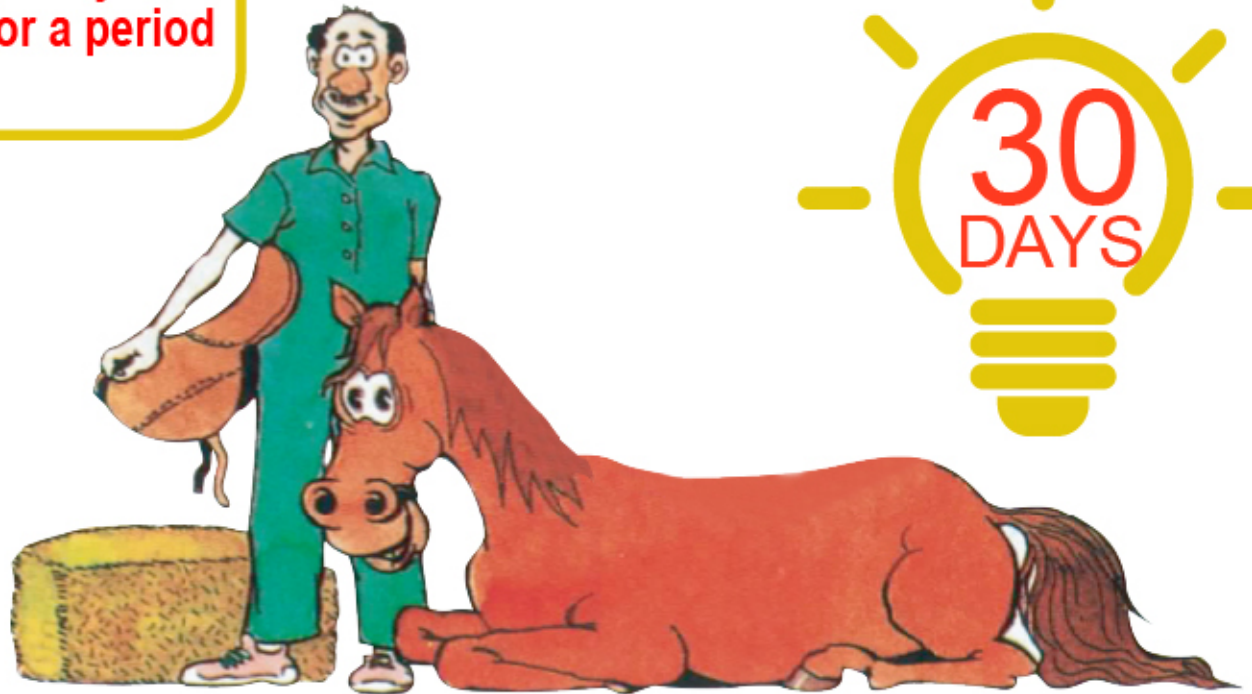
2* Young Rider/Junior Championships
2* Senior Championships
2* Young Horse Championships

3* SENIOR
CHAMPIONSHIP

NEW TRAINER

(THE ROLE OF THE TRAINER ART. 828.3)

Any change in the Trainer, **the Horse may not Participate in any Competition for a period of 30 days**



EXEMPTIONS FROM NOVICE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (Art. 832.4)

Exemptions for HORSES



1. 8 years old or older at the time of request.
2. In the three years prior to the request it has successfully completed a cumulative minimum of 480 km in competitions over distances of 80 km.
3. At least one competition of 80km or more at the age of 8 years old or older.



Exemptions for ATHLETE



1. Completed a cumulative minimum of 480 km in Competitions over 80 km or more in the three years prior to the request.



Qualification for CEI Events

CEI QUALIFICATIONS (Art. 833.3)

833.3 The qualification procedure for CEI star levels.

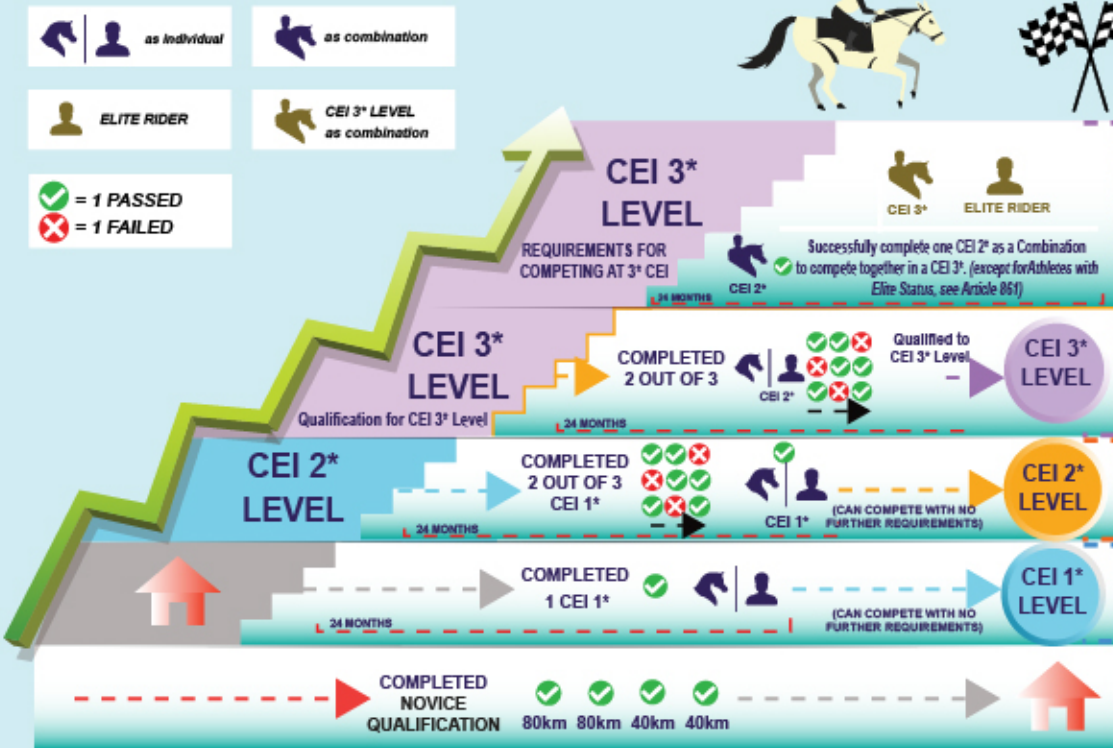


DIAGRAM 1

833.3 The qualification procedure for CEI star levels.

CEI 1* Athletes and Horses are qualified to compete at the CEI 1* level once they have successfully completed all the novice qualifications, but no earlier than six months (for Athletes) and one year (for Horses) after the successful completion of their first novice ride. Athletes and Horses must successfully complete a CEI 1* within two years of qualifying for the CEI 1* level. If they fail to do so, they will lose their CEI 1* qualification and must update their novice qualifications to re-qualify for the CEI 1* level.

CEI 2* Athletes and Horses are qualified to compete at the CEI 2* level once they have successfully completed two out of three consecutive CEI 1* within a two-year period.

CEI 3* Athletes and Horses may only compete at the CEI 3* level if they are qualified as a Combination. To so qualify, they must have successfully completed (i) two out of three consecutive CEI 2*, and (ii) one CEI 2* together as a Combination (except for Athletes with Elite Status, see Article 861), all within a two-year period. (The Combination ride may be one of the two qualifying successful rides or may be a separate third ride).

Qualification for Championships

CHAMPIONSHIPS (Art. 836)

836.1 Additional CEIs to be successfully completed and Combination requirements



DIAGRAM 2

836.1 To qualify for Championships, Horses and Athletes must have:
















836.1.1 graduated through the qualifying processes for novice and CEI star qualifications, up to and including the star level of the Championship (for example, for a 2* Championship, the Athlete and Horse must each be qualified for the CEI 2* level); and

836.1.2 successfully completed the relevant additional number of CEIs (or CEIOs of the same star level) specified in the Diagram 2 above. Of those additional rides:

(a) one or two (as specified in the Diagram 2 above) must have been undertaken by the relevant Athlete and Horse as a Combination; and

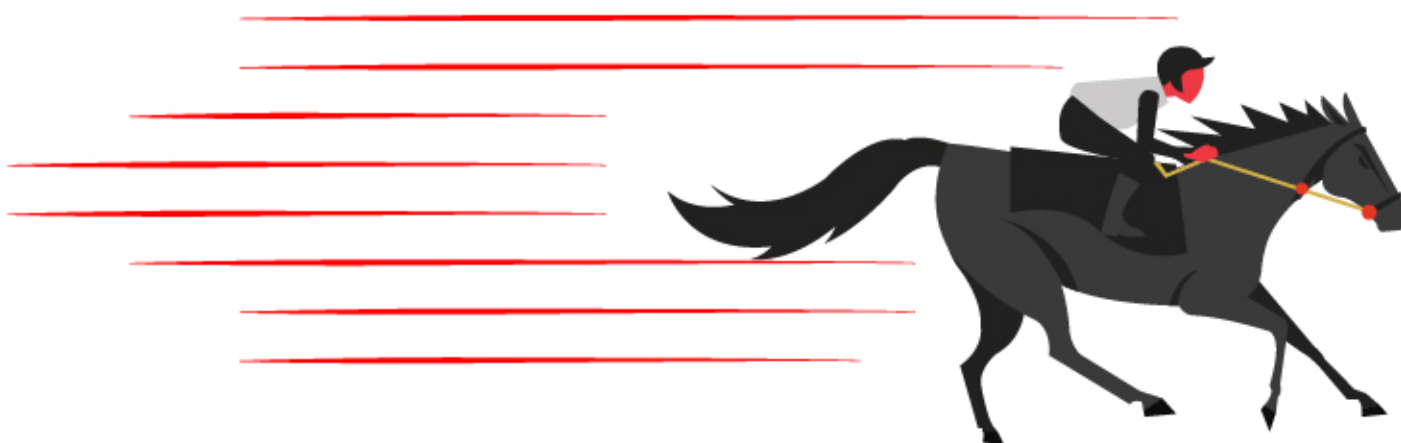
(b) that ride (or one of those two rides) must have (i) been a single-day event over the same distance as the Championship (or greater distance), and (ii) taken place prior to, but no more than two years prior to, the deadline for Nominated Entries for the Championship or 60 days prior to the Championship (whichever comes first).

CONSEQUENCES OF REPEATED FTQ AND/OR DSQ DESIGNATIONS WITH **AVERAGE LOOP SPEED EXCEEDING 20 KM/HOUR** - ART. 837.1

Number of FTQ and/or DSQ in a one-year rolling period with average speed > 20 km/hour	Consequences	Conditions for speed restriction to be lifted
  <p>More than speed of 18 km/h</p> <p>2 FTQ/DSQ</p> <p>2 Consecutive</p>	<p>Speed restricted to no more than 18 km/hour at future Competitions.</p>	  <p>Less than speed of 18 km/h in each loop</p> <p>CEI ANY → FREE SPEED</p>
  <p>More than speed of 18 km/h</p> <p>3 FTQ/DSQ</p>	<p>Speed restricted to no more than 18 km/hour at future Competitions.</p>	  <p>Less than speed of 18 km/h in each loop</p> <p>CEI ANY → FREE SPEED</p>
  <p>More than speed of 18 km/h</p> <p>4 FTQ/DSQ</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Demoted by one qualification level. Speed restricted to no more than 18 km/hour at future Competitions. 	  <p>Less than speed of 18 km/h in each loop</p> <p>CEI ANY → FREE SPEED</p>
  <p>More than speed of 18 km/h</p> <p>5 FTQ/DSQ</p>	<p>Demoted to national level (all novice qualifications must be completed before progressing again through the CEI star qualification levels).</p>	 <p>NOVICE</p> <p>80km 80km 40km 40km</p>

1 year rolling period

CALCULATING AVERAGE SPEED AND SPEED RESTRICTIONS (ARTICLE 838)



(more than 20 km/h)

CALCULATING AVERAGE SPEED AND SPEED RESTRICTIONS

814.2 Loop time is calculated from the time the Combination crosses the start line of a Loop until it reaches the end line of that Loop. Loop time does not include any recovery time or time spent in the Vetting Area.

814.3 Loop speed is the average speed of the Combination over a Loop, calculated by dividing the length of the Loop by the time taken by the Combination to complete the Loop.

838.1 The average speed of a Combination over a course is the average speed over all completed Loops.

1. If a Loop is not completed, then the speed of that partial Loop does not count towards the average
2. If a Horse fails to complete the first Loop, no average speed will be recorded.

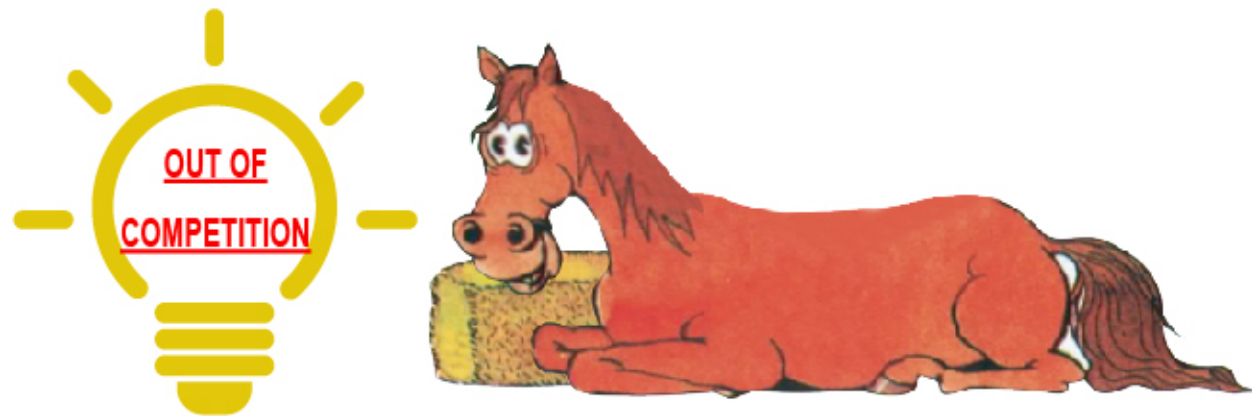
838.2 To comply with the speed restriction of 16 km/hour (Novice Rides) or of 18 km/hour

1. The average speed of a Combination in each Loop must be no more than the applicable speed restriction.
2. If the average speed of a Combination exceeds the applicable speed restriction on any Loop, the Combination will be classified as Failed to Qualify-Speed (FTQ-SP)

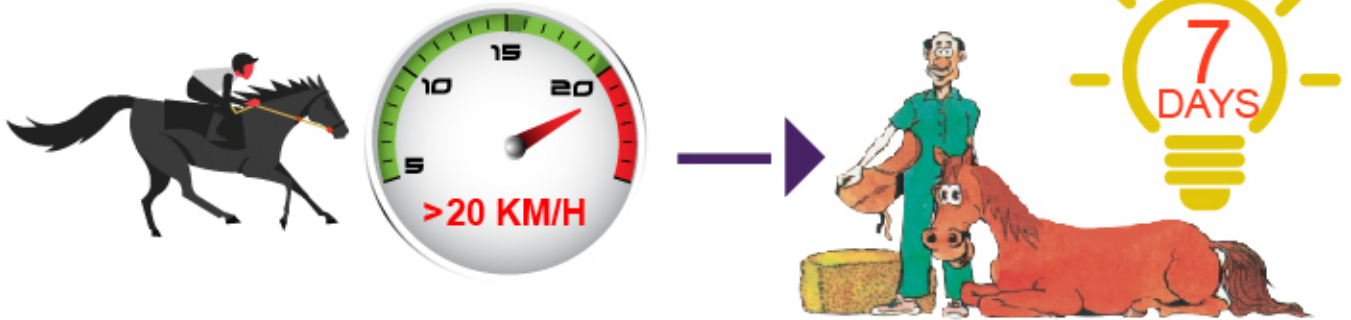
MANDATORY OUT OF COMPETITION PERIODS (MOOCP) - Art. 839 (effective 1st July 2020)

Standard MOOCP (839.1) After competing in a **National Event** or **FEI Event**, a Horse may not compete in any **National Event(s)** or **FEI Event(s)** for the following Mandatory Out of Competition Period:

Distance completed / Mandatory Out of Competition Period



Additional Mandatory Out Of Competition Period - Art 839.2















Horses that exceed an average of 20 km/hour over completed Loops of a course.

7 days rest in addition to normal MOOCP.

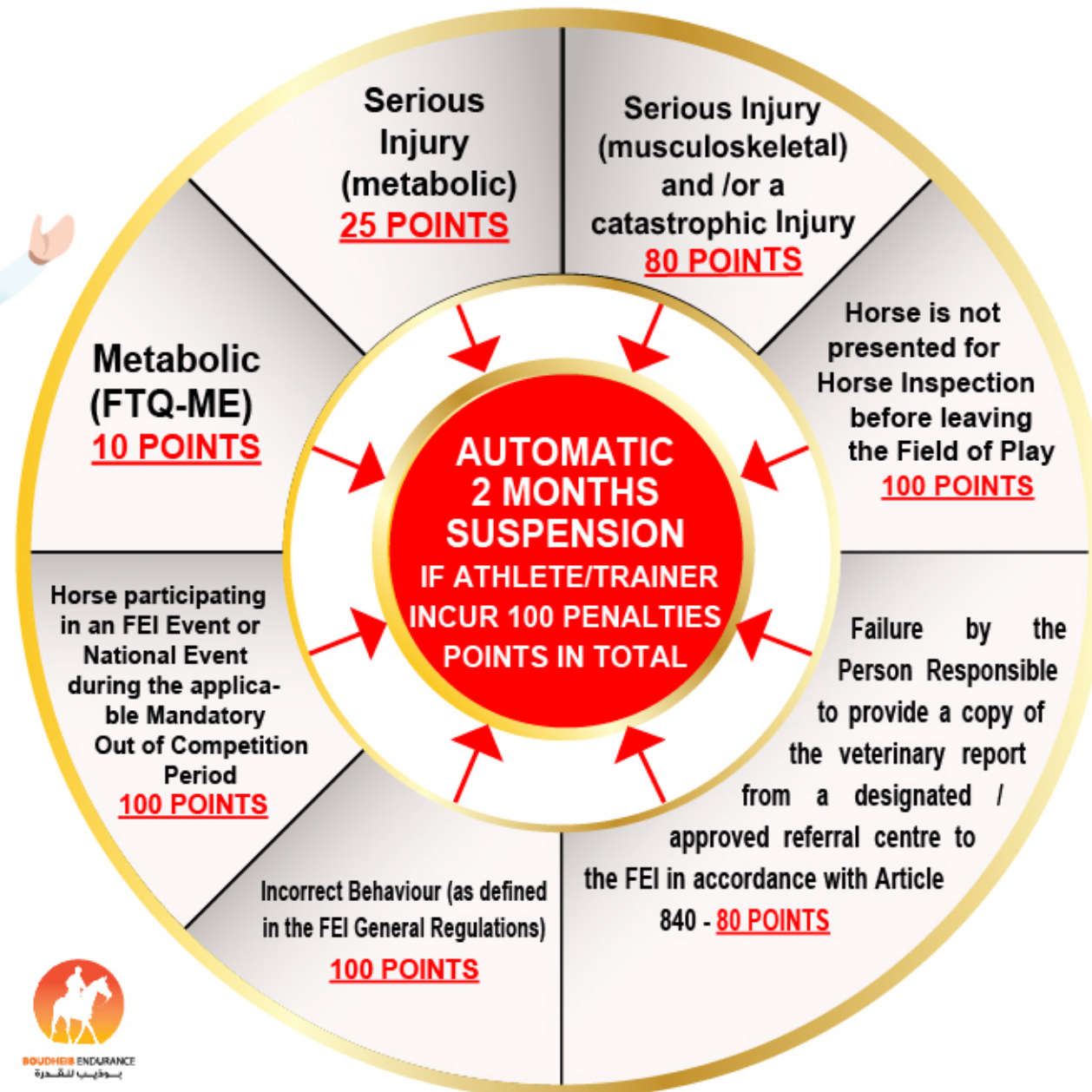
Incident

Additional MOOCP and other consequences

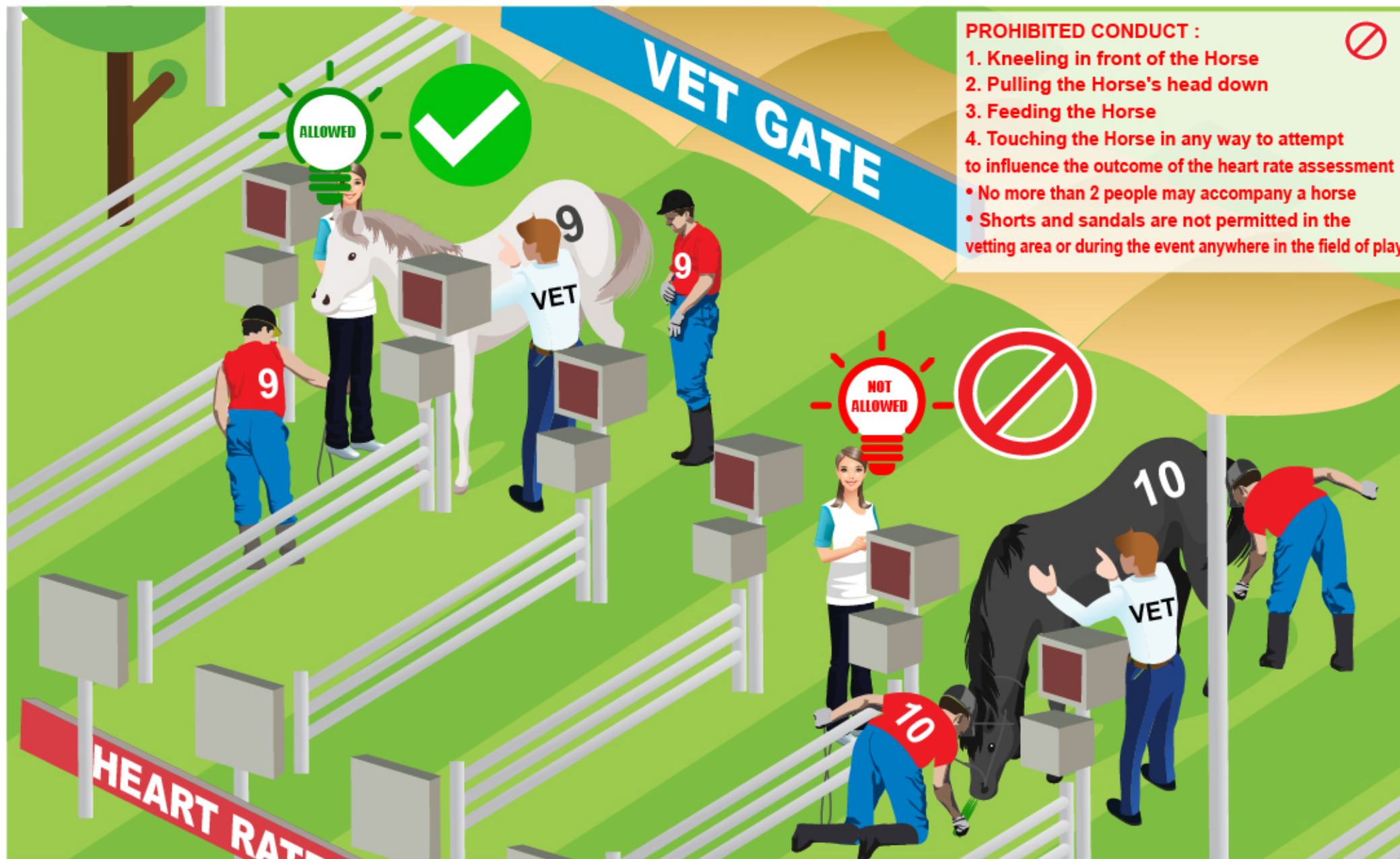
 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>ME + ME</p> <p>12 months</p> </div>	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>14 days in addition to normal MOOCP</p> </div>
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 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>GA + GA + GA</p> <p>12 months</p> </div>	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>180 days in addition to normal MOOCP <i>Horse must undergo a specific examination protocol before being eligible to compete in any FEI Events or National Events (the protocol for this examination is set out in Annex 7).</i></p> </div>
 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Serious Injury (musculoskeletal)</p> </div>	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>180 days in total <i>(subject to extension under Article 839.2.3)</i></p> </div>
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 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Failure by the Person Responsible to provide a copy of the veterinary report from a designated/approved referral centre to the FEI Veterinary</p> </div>	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>180 days in total <i>(and Horse will not be permitted to compete until the veterinary report is provided)</i></p> </div>

ATHLETE AND TRAINER PENALTY POINTS (Art. 864)

Incident / Penalty points



ANNEX 5- 10. DECORUM DURING HORSE INSPECTIONS

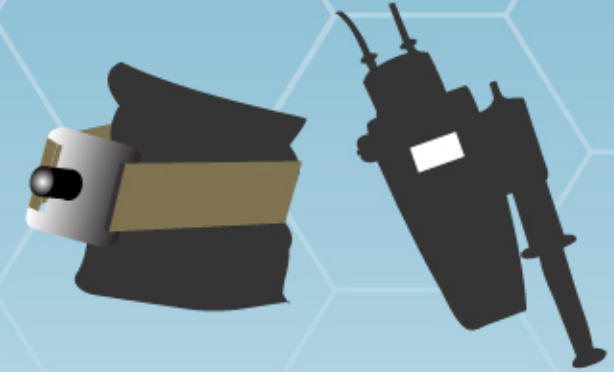


PROHIBITED CONDUCT :

1. Kneeling in front of the Horse
 2. Pulling the Horse's head down
 3. Feeding the Horse
 4. Touching the Horse in any way to attempt to influence the outcome of the heart rate assessment
- No more than 2 people may accompany a horse
 - Shorts and sandals are not permitted in the vetting area or during the event anywhere in the field of play



HORSE EXAMINED



Negative
No Actions

Positive

- 1) The Horse is Disqualified
- 2) The Horse will be sampled EADCM (urine and/or blood)
- 3) A Mandatory Out of Competition Period of 4 weeks will apply to the Horse (applicable at CEIs and CENs)

NOTES:

- Withdrawal not allowed.
- No appeal
- No re-examination

Failure to Submit to a Hyposensitivity Control System Examination

1. **Refusal**: A refusal to have his/her Horse examined will have the following consequences:

- a) The Horse is Disqualified
- b) The Horse will be sampled EADCM (urine and/or blood)
- c) A Mandatory Out of Competition Period of 4 weeks will apply to the Horse (applicable at CEIs and CENs)
- d) The Person Responsible will receive a Yellow Warning Card

2. **Difficult Horse**: In the event that the Horse is "difficult" and cannot be examined, two attempts will be made to examine the Horse. If it is not possible to proceed with an Examination after such two attempts, the Horse shall be Eliminated and not allowed to compete at the Event at stake.

3. **Withdrawal**: It is not allowed to withdraw a Horse in order to avoid an Examination.

General Points

- All Endurance Horses are subject to Hyposensitivity Control System Examination throughout the Period of an Event, including, but not limited to:

1. Pre-ride; 2. During the ride 3. After the ride.

- The Ground Jury and/or the Veterinary Commission shall decide on the targeted Horse(s) and the reason for targeting must be recorded.
- All Horses selected to be tested must submit promptly to the Examination
- Horses may be selected randomly and/or targeted.
- Horses may be examined once or on multiple occasions during the Period of an Event.
- There is no Appeal and no re-examination allowed if a Horse fails the Examination.
- If a PR is Disqualified under this Examination three (3) times in any twelve (12) month period, he/she will be automatically suspended for two (2) months unless exceptional circumstances dictate otherwise.

ANNEX 7: EXAMINATION AFTER THIRD (OR SUBSEQUENT) FTQ-GA

After a Horse Fails to Qualify for irregular gait (FTQ-GA) for a **third (or subsequent) time in a rolling year**, the following procedure must be applied before the Horse may return to Competition to ensure that the Horse has properly recovered before competing again:

1. Notification:

- 1.1 The Horse must be flagged in the FEI database as having Failed to Qualify for irregular gait three (or more) times in a rolling year.
- 1.2 If an Athlete intends to ride a Horse that has had three (or more) Failures to Qualify for irregular gait in a rolling year, that Athlete (or the Trainer) must notify the FEI Endurance Department of the Horse's next Competition **at least four weeks prior to** the Horse's next Competition.
- 1.3 The FEI Endurance Department will inform the FEI Veterinary Department of the Horse's status and ask for it to arrange for the Horse to be examined. The FEI Endurance Department will also inform the President of the Ground Jury of the Horse's status and the additional examination.
- 1.4 The FEI Veterinary Department will inform the Foreign Veterinary Delegate and Veterinary Commission of the Horse's status and the required additional examination.



2. Examination procedure:

- 2.1 Before the First (Pre-Ride) Inspection, a panel of three Veterinarians (including the President of the Veterinary Commission, Foreign Veterinary Delegate, and a member of the Veterinary Commission) must carry out a detailed examination to determine if the Horse is fit to compete.
- 2.2 The examination must consist of, but is not limited to:
 - (a) Walk and trot on a straight line;
 - (b) Walk and trot both ways in a circle; and
 - (c) Palpation of relevant tissues.
- 2.3 The panel of Veterinarians must notify the Ground Jury of the results of the examination (in accordance with the FEI Veterinary Regulations). The Ground Jury must decide whether or not the Horse is fit to continue to the First (Pre-Ride) Inspection.
- 2.4 During the Competition, the Veterinary Commission must closely monitor the Horse.
- 2.5 If the Horse **passes the Final Horse Inspection**, the FEI Endurance Department will remove the flag from the Horse's profile on the FEI database.