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## Rules for the FEI Jumping World Cup™

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### **Preamble**

This booklet sets forth the detailed Rules of the FEI Jumping World Cup™, 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**

In accordance with Jumping Rules Art. 200.8, CSI5\*, CSI5\*-W, CSIO5\* and CSIO5\*-W Events may not clash with the FEI World Cup™ Final or the FEI Nations Cup™ Final; Events that are part of a Series may not clash or overlap with the FEI World 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 Ranking.

For the avoidance of doubt, the following countries are considered to be part of Western Europe: Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland,

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Iceland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.

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. Eligibility requirements for Horses taking part in Grand Prix Competitions as detailed in JRs Art. 261.4.4 apply also to FEI World Cup™ Competitions. 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.

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### **6. Allocation FEI World Cup™ Final**

#### **6.1. Allocating Authority**

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

#### **6.2. Withdrawal of Allocated Venue**

If, for any reason, the chosen organiser of the FEI World Cup™ Final withdraws, the Board 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/her League with the same nationality with which he/she 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. 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.

### **3. 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.

### **4. Appointment of Officials - FEI World Cup™ Final**

The President of the Ground Jury, who must be foreign, the FEI Foreign Veterinary Delegate the FEI Foreign Technical Delegate are appointed by the FEI. The Course Designer is appointed by the OC with the agreement of the FEI.

### **5. Travel and Accommodation expenses for FEI appointed Officials – FEI World Cup™ Final**

Travel and accommodation expenses of these officials, as well as for the Chair of the FEI Jumping Committee and the FEI 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.

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### **6. Organising Dues and Calendar Fees**

Organising dues will be charged for all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events on the basis of the total amount of prizes in cash and in kind convertible into cash according to the FEI Financial Charges as approved by the FEI General Assembly for the year in question. Calendar fees will be charged according to the FEI Financial Charges as approved by the FEI General Assembly for the year in question.

### **7. Hosting Fees**

Hosting fees for FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events may be charged at the discretion of the FEI.

## **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 Chair.**

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

#### **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 Chair 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 minimum number of Events is eight;
- 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;
- Arab League: The number of events in each Sub-League is not limited;
- 12 in any other League.

### **2. Application Conditions for FEI World Cup™ status**

#### **2.1. Application for FEI World Cup™ status**

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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.

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 2021/2022 season, Western European League Events may charge an entry fee of maximum € 450.- 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



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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**

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/her World Cup Horse. However, prior to the beginning of the Competition an Athlete may change his/her FEI World Cup™ Horse only if his/her 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/her 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, Central America and Caribbean Islands, Central Europe, China League, Eurasian 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 Ranking**

If one of the above Athletes on the Longines Ranking (August and December lists used for invitations as described in Art. 654.5.2) decides not to compete at an Event, he/she may be replaced by an Athlete nominated by his/her NF. Such replacement must be from the top 100 of the Longines Ranking (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/she may be replaced by the organiser from the top 45 on the Longines Ranking from a foreign country or from the home country from the top 100 on the Longines Ranking (August or December list, as applicable). 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

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be made from the Longines Ranking (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 Ranking. The Athlete/Horse combination must be approved and selected by the National Federation. If the NF cannot send an Athlete, he/she may be replaced by the OC from the top 45 on the Jumping Longines Ranking from a foreign NF or from the home NF from the top 100 on the Jumping Longines Ranking (August or December list, as applicable). These athletes are pre-qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition. = **max 11**

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 World Cup™ Event, provided that at least one Athlete from the country is in the Top 60 of the Longines Ranking (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. = **03**

### **1.1.4. Three NFs of Athletes with most Points**

The three NFs with the most points obtained by having Athletes ranked below the last Athlete selected under Art. 654.1.1.1 down to rank 60 in the Longines Ranking (August or December list, as applicable) may send a second Athlete to each Event in the Western European League. The following scale of points applies:

- an Athlete ranked below the last Athlete selected under 654.1.1.1 to rank 25 = 2 points
- an Athlete ranked 26 to 60 = 1 point

In case of a tie on points, the sum of the Longines Ranking of each NF's Athletes ranked below the last Athlete selected under 654.1.1.1 down to rank 60 will be the deciding factor, the NF with the lowest combined rankings being given priority. Paragraph 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.

= **05**

**Sub-total = 32**

### **1.1.6. Organising Committee Wild Cards**

The Organising Committee has **8 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. = **08**

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

**Total 40**

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### **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/her Event he/she has two options:

- Host a qualifying Competition for the eight to eleven remaining places among the 8 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.

Or

- Exclude the FEI World Cup™ Competition to the Athletes invited above the number 40. Consequently, the 8 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. Invitation System – Other Leagues**

Refer to Annexes C, D, E, F, G, H and I respectively for details relating to the invitation of Athletes to Events in the South East Asian League, the Arab League, the Central European League, the North American League, the China League, the Central American and Caribbean League and the South America North League. For all other Leagues, the following applies:

- Invitations to FEI World Cup™ Event in each League must be extended to all NFs in the League.
- The 20 best Athletes on the League standings from the previous season must be invited to the first Event of the League in the following season; the ten best Athletes on the League standings after the first Event must be invited to the remaining Events.

### **5. Longines Ranking**

#### **5.1. Publication Longines Ranking**

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

#### **5.2. Western Europe – monthly publication of Longines Ranking**

The August and the December publications of the Longines Ranking will be used for invitational purposes for the fall, respectively spring Events in Western Europe. In any

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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 Ranking 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 : Must meet at least the minimum prize money required for Longines Ranking Point Group A (refer to JRs Annex VI, Art. 1)- 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 Ranking Point Group D.

### **7. IJRC Commitment**

The IJRC will make a determined effort to have five Athletes from the top ten on the Longines Ranking 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.

## **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.

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### **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 Ranking 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 Ranking.

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.
- If two Athletes withdraw at different times the replacement of the first withdrawn Athlete starts first in his/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, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>... in the group concerned.

#### **4.3. Requirement**

Athletes taking part in the FEI World Cup™ Competition will be required to have completed the initial round of an FEI Competition, as described in JRs Art. 261.4.4, 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. If the FEI World Cup™ Competition is run under JRs Art. 273.3, the FEI World Cup™ Horse must also be ridden first in the second round, regardless of the result in the first round.

### **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 maximum. 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 4.00 m, including the take-off element.

### **6. FEI World Cup™ Competition Time Recorded**

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

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### 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

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 <sup>st</sup>	20 points	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	6	6	6
2 <sup>nd</sup>	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	3	3	-
3 <sup>rd</sup>	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	2	1		
4 <sup>th</sup>	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			
5 <sup>th</sup>	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1				
6 <sup>th</sup>	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1					
7 <sup>th</sup>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1						
8 <sup>th</sup>	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1							
9 <sup>th</sup>	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1								
10 <sup>th</sup>	7	6	5	4	3	2	1									
11 <sup>th</sup>	6	5	4	3	2	1										
12 <sup>th</sup>	5	4	3	2	1											

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13 <sup>th</sup>	4	3	2	1
14 <sup>th</sup>	3	2	1	
15 <sup>th</sup>	2	1		
16 <sup>th</sup>	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/she is domiciled and may earn points in another League once his/her own League has started.

An Athlete may earn points in as many Competitions as there are FEI World Cup™ Events in his/her League. But he/she may not earn points in another League once the last Competition of his/her own League has been held. If he/she wishes to compete in more Competitions he/she 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/her own League or in the League in which he/she is domiciled; Armenian Athletes are exempted from this requirement for the 2020/2021 season. 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.

If during any given season a League is not activated, i.e. the League has no FEI World Cup™ Events or has fewer than the minimum number required to run the League, Athletes from that League may earn points as extra Athletes in another League without being required to be domiciled in the other League. Such Athletes are also exempted from the requirement to compete in and earn at least one point in their own League.

#### 3.1. North American League

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

North American Athletes may earn points in all North American League Events. 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 USA or Canada, etc.). For the purpose of qualification for the Final, USA Athletes will be registered as East USA (USEF Zones 1-7) or West USA (USEF Zones 8-12) according to where they are domiciled. USA Athletes domiciled in eastern Canada (Ontario and east of Ontario) are considered as East USA Athletes; USA Athletes domiciled in western Canada (Manitoba and west of Manitoba) or in Mexico are considered as West USA Athletes. Should an East USA Athlete wish to be registered as a West USA Athlete or vice-versa for the purpose of qualification for the Final, he/she must notify the FEI Headquarters and his/her NF in writing prior to the first Competition in which he/she participates.

The best 50%, rounded up to the next whole number, of possible results count for qualification for the Final.

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### **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
3	2

#### **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 Jumping World Cup™ 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.



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### **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.

## **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 East USA (USEF Zones 1-7).

1.2.2. Three USA Athletes West USA (USEF Zones 8-12).

1.2.3. Two Canadian Athletes (the two Athletes with the most points).

1.2.4. Two Mexican Athletes (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/she 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/she has competed. For the North American League, an Athlete who is a citizen of a nation not part of the North American League or from another League, and who is domiciled in USEF Zones 1-7 or eastern Canada, respectively in USEF Zones 8-12, western Canada or Mexico, must

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obtain at least as many points as the last qualified East USA, respectively West USA, Athlete (prior to substitution) to qualify for the Final as an extra Athlete.

### **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 2019/2020 season will qualify for the 2021 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 27<sup>th</sup> place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

#### **1.5.2** North America

14 places, extra Athletes excluded, as follows:

- 7 USA Athletes - East USA (USEF Zones 1-7)
- 3 USA Athletes – West USA (USEF Zones 8-12)
- 2 CAN Athletes
- 2 MEX Athletes

Substitution in descending order of the final North American League standings, extra Athletes included

#### **1.5.3** Central Europe

3 places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 4<sup>th</sup> place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

#### **1.5.4** South America South (consists of ARG, BRA, CHI and URU)\*

2 places, extra Athletes excluded; substitution up to 4<sup>th</sup> place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

#### **1.5.5** Australia

2 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

#### **1.5.6** 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, and South Africa

1 place, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

#### **1.5.7** Arab League

##### **1.5.7.1** Middle East Sub-League: 3 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 5<sup>th</sup> place in the final Sub-League standings, extra Athletes included

##### **1.5.7.2** North African Sub-League: 2 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 5<sup>th</sup> place in the final Sub-League standings, extra Athletes included

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### **1.5.8** Korea

1 place, extra Athletes excluded, no substitution

### **1.5.9** Eurasian League:

3 places, extra Athletes excluded, substitution up to 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the final standings, extra Athletes included

\*(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/her own League but has not competed in and earned at least one point in his/her own League, he/she is ineligible to qualify for the Final. He/she 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**

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/her choice.

## **1.10. Horse Qualification**

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/her 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/her 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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/her League drop out, he/she can compete in the non-FEI World Cup™ CSI Competitions of the Final.

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### **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/her score in the first round must not exceed eight penalties. This involves the following outdoor Leagues:

- 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**

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. 657.1.5.3, 1.5.5, 1.5.6, 1.5.7 and 1.5.8 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.

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### **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: 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> final Competition may compete in the major Competition/Grand Prix of the fourth day.

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### **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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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/her 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**

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.

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### **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.

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

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- 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 fourteen qualification places**

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

### **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

**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
<b>Western Europe</b> 18	4	4	5	5

**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 1<sup>st</sup> Final Competition is section 4, 3<sup>rd</sup> last to start is section 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> to start is section 2 and 1<sup>st</sup> 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.



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**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/her Horse in person at either of these inspections without first obtaining the permission of the FEI Jumping Director or his/her representative, will be fined EUR 1'000.

## **Article 660 - EQUINE ANTI-DOPING CONTROLLED MEDICATION PROGRAMME (EADCMP) TESTING**

EADCMP Testing is compulsory at the FEI World Cup™ Final, at the Western European League Final and at all CSI-W held with international participation. EADCMP Testing is desirable at the other FEI World Cup™ Competitions. The EADCMP Testing is to be conducted in accordance with the Veterinary Regulations and FEI Equine Anti-Doping Controlled Medication 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**

For the avoidance of doubt, as the FEI World Cup™ Competition has the status of a Grand Prix (refer to Art. 650.4), the minimum prize money requirements established in JRs Annex VI for the Grand Prix Competition at 3\*/4\*/5\* Events apply to the FEI World Cup™ Competition at CSI/CSIO3\*-W, CSI/CSIO4\*-W and CSI/CSIO5\*-W Events. For CSI/CSIO-W Events that include a Grand Prix in addition to the FEI World Cup™ Competition, the minimum prize money requirements apply only to the FEI World Cup™ Competition; the Grand Prix Competition at such Events cannot offer more prize money than the prize money offered for the FEI World Cup™ Competition. *[Refer to Art. 662.1.1 for date of implementation at Western European League Events.]*

**662.1.1 Western European League:** In the Western Europe League the minimum prize money has been established as laid down in Article 654.6. The minimum prize money requirements established in FEI Jumping Rules Annex VI for Grand Prix Competitions, applicable to the FEI World Cup Competition™ as it has the status of a

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Grand Prix, will come into effect at Western European League Events as of the 2021/2022 season.

### **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.

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### CROSSOVER POINTS

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

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## ANNEX B

### **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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## ANNEX C

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

#### 1. LEAGUE PRINCIPLES & GENERAL

- 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	<b>Outdoor / Indoor</b>
- 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 South East Asian Equestrian Federation: Col. Fuangvich Aniruth-Deva (THA), Chair
  - FEI Jumping Director
  - South East Asian League Coordinator: Dr Zherwin M. Acosta, D.V.M. (THA-PHI)
  - Representative OC MAL: Mr Azni Azar
  - Representative OC SIN: Mr Nai Yue HO
  - Representative OC INA: Mr Rafiq Radinal
  - Representative OC THA: Mr Phutthiphat Sethchaivut
  - Officials' representative: Mr Peter Abishaganaden
  - Athlete representative: Mr Qabil Ambak
- 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 Coordinator by each respective NF of the country in which the events are due to be 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.

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### **5. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS**

- Invitations to each FEI World Cup™ Event in the South East Asian League must be extended to all NFs in the League.
- The 20 best Athletes on the League standings from the previous season must be invited to the first Event of the League in the following season; the ten best Athletes on the League standings after the first Event must be invited to the remaining Events.
- 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 League NF 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/her 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/her score in the first round must not exceed eight penalties.

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### **Rules for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ - Arab League** [updated 10 Sept 2020]

#### **1. LEAGUE PRINCIPLES & GENERAL**

The FEI World Cup™ Arab League is open to all FEI Group VII NFs and is divided into two Sub-Leagues as follows:

North African Sub-League:

Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco  
Sudan, Tunisia

Middle East Sub-League:

Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait,  
Lebanon, Oman, Palestine, Qatar  
Saudi Arabia, Syria, UAE, Yemen

The following principles apply to each Sub-League:

- Dates	September to January [NB: The season may extend until the 3 <sup>rd</sup> week of February if the Event is held in the UAE]
- Minimum number of Events	3
- Maximum number of Events per country	3 (exception : UAE = 4)
- Venue Types	Outdoor and Indoor
- Types of Event	CSI and CSIO
- Level of Events	Min. 2* for the 2020/2021 season; Min. 3* as of the 2021/2022 season [NB: star level refers only to amount of prize money offered, not to height of Competitions; all CSI-Ws are considered higher level Events, see Art. 650.4.3]

#### **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:
  - Chair: Mr Hussam Zummit (LBA)
  - Mr Sami Al Duhami, Chair Group VII (KSA)
  - Mr Haider Zubi (BRN)
  - Sultan Al Yahyaee (UAE), Deputy Chair Group VII (UAE)
  - Ms Nadia Chahbi (MAR)
  - Mr Ali Al Rumahihi (QAT)
  - Ms Sara Baban (KSA)
  - Mrs Hannan El Derini (EGY)
  - Mr Ashraf Ellaithy (EGY)
  - FEI Jumping Director
  - FEI Group VII Coordinator, Mr Mohammed AlNakhi (UAE)
- The Sub-Committee will hold at least three meetings per year where representatives will be invited to attend physically or virtually.

#### **4. CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Each Sub-League consists of a minimum of three FEI World Cup™ Events per season.
- Date clashes between FEI World Cup™ Events within each Sub-League are not permitted, and between Sub-Leagues should be avoided if possible.

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- 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.
- If an FEI World Cup™ Arab League Event is cancelled two years in a row, FEI World Cup™ status will be withdrawn from that Event.

### **5. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS**

- Invitations for the FEI World Cup™ Events in each Sub-League 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 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 to 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 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.

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- The number of Horses allowed per Athlete for this Competition is one or two, where the OC can choose and indicate this in the approved Event Schedule.
- 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/her declared World Cup Horse, he/she must start his/her second Horse in the starting position drawn for the declared World Cup Horse.
- Once the Competition has begun, an Athlete cannot change his/her 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 1.45m, 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 has the status of a Grand Prix.
- The maximum number of starters is 40.
- The FEI World Cup™ Competition is open to the 25 best placed Arab League Athletes in the qualifying Competition as a minimum, provided they were not eliminated or retired.
- After selecting the 25 best placed Arab League Athletes, the quota for the Competition will be filled by selecting additional Athletes in descending order of the classification.
- Only one Horse per Athlete is allowed in this Competition.
- If the home country does not have an Athlete among the top 25 qualified Arab League Athletes, the highest placed home Athlete in the qualifying Competition may compete in the FEI World Cup™ Competition as an extra Athlete before filling the quota for the Competition.
- In case there are less than 25 Arab League Athletes taking part in the qualifying competition, all Arab League riders will qualify to the FEI World Cup Competition, provided they were not eliminated or retired. The remaining Athletes will be selected in descending order of the classification of the qualifying competition, until the quota for the Competition is reached.
- 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/her place, providing that the Athlete concerned has not been eliminated or retired in the qualifying Competition. Such replacements are allowed until 9:00 a.m. on the day of 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.

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- 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.
- Each FEI World Cup™ Competition is run at a minimum speed of 350m/min. The height of the obstacles may be anything between 1.45 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 Arab League Athletes only (not Athlete/Horse combination) for each FEI World Cup™ Competition, ignoring the placing of non-Arab League Athletes taking part in the Competition. At CSI5\*-W Arab League Events, full points will be allocated to Arab League Athletes, ignoring the placing of non-Arab League Athletes taking part in the Competition, in accordance with the column used for 16 starters in the point scale established in FEI World Cup™ rules Art. 656, i.e. 20 points to the best placed Arab-League Athlete, regardless of whether less than 16 Arab League Athletes started in the initial round.
- Points may be carried over between Arab League Sub-Leagues but 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)
- Arab League Athletes will earn points in the Sub-League (Middle East or North African) in which they are domiciled. Athletes may earn full points in both the Middle East and North African Sub-Leagues.

#### **As of the 2021/2022 season:**

- In each Sub-League, the best 50%, rounded up to the next whole number, of possible results count for the Sub-League's overall standings.
- **Number of Competitions to count for FEI World Cup™ points in case of Event cancellation**  
If, after the approval of the FEI Jumping World Cup™ calendar by the FEI Jumping Committee, an Event is cancelled, the following applies:
  - If the cancellation is known before the start of the League: the number of results to count will be adjusted if necessary;
  - If the cancellation takes place after the start of the League, the original number of results will count.

### **12. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ FINAL**

- The number of Athletes qualified for the Final from the Middle East Sub-League will be three; the number of Athletes qualified for the Final from the North African Sub-League will be two. There will be substitution to fifth place in the respective Sub-League overall Standings.

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### Rules for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Central European League

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

#### Central European Sub-League North

CZE  
EST  
LAT  
LTU  
POL

SVK  
UKR

#### Central European Sub-League South

BUL  
CRO  
GRE  
HUN  
ROU  
SLO  
TUR

#### Rules for both Sub-Leagues

- All FEI Jumping World Cup™ 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. length of the course outdoor 400 m
- Min. length of the course indoor 350 m
- Speed outdoor 375 m / min
- Speed indoor 350 m / min
- All FEI Jumping World Cup™ 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.
- Each Sub-League may have a maximum of twelve FEI Jumping World Cup™ 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;

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- 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 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; in addition the five best Athletes on the FEI World Cup™ standings of the other Sub-League three weeks prior to the Event in question will also be automatically qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Competition at that Event. 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™ Competitions 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 the maximum amount established for the star level of the Event (see Jumping Rules Annex VI, CSI/CSIO Requirements, Art. 2.1 and Art. 3);
- The FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition must be the Competition with the highest prize money at each Event, with the exception of FEI Nations Cup Competition. For Events that include a Grand Prix Competition in addition to the FEI World Cup™ Competition, the Grand Prix cannot offer more prize money than the FEI World Cup™ Competition (refer also to Art. 662.1 and to JRs Annex VI, Art. 1);
- 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 Jumping World Cup™ 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; this Competition must be called the Grand Prix.
- 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:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Competition: points to the ten best placed: 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Competition: points to the sixteen best placed as per the normal FEI World Cup™ points table;
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Competition: double points to the sixteen best placed based on the FEI World Cup™ points table.

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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 3<sup>rd</sup> Competition of the final will be the determining factor; in case of further ties the best result of the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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;
- The top 20 Athletes from each of the FEI World Cup™ Central European Sub-League standings, plus those tying for 20<sup>th</sup> 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 35<sup>th</sup> 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/she is entitled to the relevant prize for his/her 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 Ranking;
- If the Final Event is held as a 2\* Event the prize money offered for the Grand Prix Competition must meet at least the minimum required for Longines Ranking Point Group D. If the Final Event is held as a 3\* or higher level Event, the prize money offered for the Grand Prix must meet at least the minimum required for the Longines Ranking Point Group according to the star level of the Event as established in JRs Annex VI, Art. 1;
- The entry fee per Horse cannot exceed the maximum amount established for the star level of the Event (see JRs Annex VI, Art. 2.1); 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 Jumping World Cup™ Central European League Final Event.



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### **FEI Jumping World Cup™ – North American League**

#### **1. General**

The North American League will consist of minimum 8 Events in North America (defined as Canada, Mexico and USA), each of which has minimum CSI4\* status.

1.1 The North American League Events will be allocated by the FEI Board upon recommendation of the Jumping Committee based on a bidding process established by the FEI for a three-season period.

1.2 Events will be allocated with regard to appropriate geographic distribution and with at least one Event allocated to Canada and Mexico each. If there are no suitable Events in Canada and/or Mexico, the Jumping Committee may recommend allocation to another Event in the USA.

#### **2. Time Period for the League**

In principle, the North American League will begin at the end of September and finish no later than three weeks before the FEI World Cup™ Final.

#### **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. Each North American League Event must comply with the requirements laid down in JRs Annex VI, Art. 1 (CSI Requirements Worldwide) and Art. 2.2 (Additional Requirements for North America).

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 50% 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 the star level of the Event 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 offer at least the minimum prize money required for Longines Ranking Point Group B (for 4\* Events), respectively the minimum prize money required for Longines Ranking Point Group A (for 5\* Events), and it must be the highest prize money Competition of the Event. Refer to JRs Annex VI, Art. 1.

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3.9. At 4\* Events there must be at least two additional Competitions counting for the Longines Ranking meeting at least the minimum prize money required for Longines Ranking Point Group D. At 5\* Events there must be at least three additional Competitions counting for the Longines Ranking meeting at least the minimum prize money required for Longines Ranking Point Group D. Refer to JRs Annex VI, Art. 1.

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 Athlete 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.

3.10.3 If an Organiser accepts 40 or fewer Athletes for the CSI-W, a qualification competition is not required for Athlete qualification. However, a qualification competition can be utilised to further limit the number of Athletes for the FEI World Cup™ Competition if desired. This qualification Competition must be run in accordance with the specifications outlined in Art. 3.10.2.

3.10.4 Organisers may include a Warm-Up Competition in the Schedule.

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 Ranking 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 Ranking.

### **4. 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).

### **5. Qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Final**

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

- a. Seven USA Athletes from East USA (USEF Zones 1-7)
- b. Three USA Athletes from West USA (USEF Zones 8-12)
- c. Two Canadian Athletes (the two Athletes with the most points)
- d. Two Mexican Athletes (the two Athletes with the most points)
- e. Extra Athletes

Substitutions of qualified Athletes will be made in descending order of the final North American League standings.

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### **6. Entry Fees per Horse**

Entry fees may be charged in accordance with the requirements established for the star level of the Event in JRs Annex VI, Art. 2.2 (Additional Requirements for North America). A detailed breakdown of the entry fees must be included in the Schedule. The entry fee includes the stabling costs, the use of all facilities at the Event, the right to participate in all Competitions in accordance with the conditions in the Schedule (no start fees may be charged), and administrative/office fees. Refer to the definition of fees in the Glossary of the JRs for details on additional fees that may be charged by the OC. FEI fees, i.e. organising dues on prize money and calendar fees, may not be charged to Athletes.

### **7. Points – Refer to Art. 656.3.1.**

### **8. Extra Athletes – Refer to Art. 657.1.3.**

### **9. Crossover of Points**

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

### **10. Invitation System for the North American League**

If an Organiser wishes to limit the number of Athletes invited for their CSI-W Event, the following invitation system will apply:

#### **10.1 Fall Events (Events that occur before 1 January of the FEI Jumping World Cup™ season)**

Fall Events must use the following invitation quotas (Exception – Toronto see below):

- 60% Longines Ranking list published three months prior to the Event
- 20% Home Athletes
- 20% OC Invites

Toronto

- 50% Longines Ranking list published three month prior to the Event
- 25% Home Athletes
- 25% OC Invites

#### **10.2 Spring Events (Events that occur after 1 January of the FEI Jumping World Cup™ season)**

Spring Events must use the following invitation quotas:

- 30% Longines Ranking list published three months prior to the Event
- 30% North American League World Cup™ Standings after the last Fall Event. Within this category 30% or a minimum of four Athletes designated West must be invited based on the North American League World Cup™ Standings after the last Fall Event.
- 20% Home Athletes
- 20% OC Invites

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### Rules for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ – 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

#### 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 Jumping Director

#### 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.

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™

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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. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS**

- Invitations for each FEI World Cup™ Event in the China League must be extended to include at least 50% foreign China 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 China League Athletes and the non-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.

### **5. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI JUMPING WORLD CUP™ FINAL**

One Athlete from the China League (Chinese, Hong Kong or Chinese Taipei Athlete) will qualify for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final. There will be substitution to the second place in the China League standings (refer to Art. 657.1.5.6). 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/she 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 Jumping World Cup™ 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 Jumping World Cup™ - 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
- 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 Competition 2. If an Athlete has more than one Horse in the FEI World Cup™ Competition he/she must start first with his/her nominated World Cup Horse. For the

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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/she must start first with his/her 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. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS**

- Invitations to each FEI World Cup™ Event in the Central American and Caribbean League must be extended to all NFs in the League.
- The 20 best Athletes on the League standings from the previous season must be invited to the first Event of the League in the following season; the ten best Athletes on the League standings after the first Event must be invited to the remaining Events.

### **4. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI JUMPING WORLD CUP™ FINAL**

One Athlete from the Central America and Caribbean Islands League will qualify for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final. There will be substitution to the second place in the Central America and Caribbean Islands League standings (refer to Art. 657.1.5.6).

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### **Rules for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ –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
- 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™ Competition he/she must start first with his/her 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.



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### 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/she must start first with his/her 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. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS**

- Invitations to each FEI World Cup™ Event in the South America North League must be extended to all NFs in the League.
- The 20 best Athletes on the League standings from the previous season must be invited to the first Event of the League in the following season; the ten best Athletes on the League standings after the first Event must be invited to the remaining Events.

### **4. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI JUMPING WORLD CUP™ FINAL**

One Athlete from the South America North League will qualify for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final. There will be substitution to the second place in the South America North League standings (refer to Art. 657.1.5.6).

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### Rules for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ – Eurasian League



#### **Preamble**

The Eurasian League is comprised of FEI Regional Group III countries. The main goal of the Eurasian League is to expand the capabilities of FEI Group III athletes, promote mutual understanding between athletes through fair competition, and strengthen friendship between the countries of the Eurasian space.

These Rules must be read in conjunction with the Rules of the FEI Jumping World Cup™, the FEI Statutes, the FEI General Regulations (GRs), the FEI Jumping Rules (JRs), the FEI Veterinary Regulations (VRs) and all other relevant FEI rules and regulations.

#### **1. REGIONS**

The Eurasian League is a single sports space for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events held on the territory of the FEI Group III countries and is divided into three regions: European (Belarus, Moldova, Russia), Caucasian-Caspian (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Iran), Central Asian (Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan).

The star level of Events holding FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions is to indicate the amount of overall prize money only. Regardless of the star level, competitions held in each region must be open to all NFs of the Eurasian League and provide equal opportunities to qualify for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League Final.

#### **2. PRINCIPLES AND GENERAL**

**2.1. FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League Calendar** (See also JRs Art. 200.8)

**2.2. Establishing of FEI World Cup™ Eurasian League Calendar**

The allocation of CSI-Ws per Eurasian League Region is decided by the FEI Group III NFs in agreement with the Eurasian Equestrian Association (EEA). Clashes are not allowed between Eurasian League Events.

**2.3. Deadline for submitting dates**

The dates of CSI-W Events in the Eurasian League, to be considered for inclusion in the FEI Jumping World Cup™ calendar for the coming FEI Jumping World Cup™ season must be entered in the FEI calendar by 1 October the year before the season begins.

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The dates of the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League Final must be entered in the FEI calendar by 1 October two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place in agreement with the Eurasian Equestrian Association (EEA). EEA signs a contract with the Organizing Committee to host the League Final.

**2.4. Date Restrictions** – World and Continental Championships (Europe and Asia), Olympic, Asian Games and FEI World Cup™ Final FEI Jumping Rules Art. 200.8 applies.

**2.5. Time Period for the Eurasian League. Venue for FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League Events and FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League Final.**

In principle, the Eurasian League will begin at the end of April and finish at the end of November. Although FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League Events can be held outdoors and indoors, the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League Final must be held indoors in a permanently covered arena.

**2.6. The following principles apply to each regions:**

European (Belarus, Moldova, Russia), Caucasian-Caspian (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Iran), Central Asian (Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan).

- Maximum number of Events per country: 2 (exception: Russia = 6)

- If one or more of the Eurasian countries cannot host an FEI Jumping World Cup™ Event, this FEI Jumping World Cup™ Event may be hosted by the major countries. Preference is given to traditional FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events.

- Venue Types: Outdoor and Indoor

- Types of Event: CSI and CSIO

- Level of Events: 1\* - 2\* *[NB: star level refers only to amount of prize money offered, not to height of Competitions; all CSI-Ws are considered higher level Events, see Art. 650.4.3]*

- The FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League consists of a minimum of nine FEI Jumping World Cup™ Events per season which excludes a League Final.

- The venue and date for the League Final is selected by the EEA.

- The FEI Jumping World Cup™ venues are selected in consultation with the EEA by each respective NF of the country in which the Events are due to be hosted and are submitted by the respective NFs to FEI HQ for approval by the FEI Jumping Committee by 1 October the year before the Events are due to take place.

## **3. ADMINISTRATION & OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Responsibilities of an Organising Committee**

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

### **3.2. Appointment of the Foreign Judge**

The Foreign Judge is appointed by the FEI in agreement with the EEA for each Event who will also act as President of the Ground Jury for all FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competitions.

### **3.3. Appointment of Officials**

The Members of the GJ must be chosen by Eurasia Equestrian Association (EEA) from the FEI list.

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The Course Designer must be chosen by Eurasia Equestrian Association (EEA) from the FEI list of Level 3 Course Designers at least and be approved by the FEI.

### **4. PARTICIPATION AT EVENTS (Invitation System)**

- Invitations to each FEI Jumping World Cup™ Event in the Eurasian League must be extended to all NFs in the League.
- The 20 best Athletes on the League standings from the previous season must be invited to the first Event of the League in the following season.
- The ten best Athletes on the League standings after the first Event must be invited to the remaining Events.
- EEA may invite additional foreign non-Eurasian League Athletes to take part in the CSI-W. Refer to annex A for crossover of FEI Jumping World Cup™ points for non-Eurasian League Athletes. In addition, non-Eurasian Athletes residing in a Eurasian League NF may compete in the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian 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 Jumping World Cup™ event.

### **5. FOOTING FOR THE FEI JUMPING 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.

### **6. PRIZE MONEY**

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

### **7. TRANSPORTATION OF HORSES TO FEI JUMPING WORLD CUP™ EVENTS**

- Horse welfare 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.

### **8. FEI JUMPING WORLD CUP™ COMPETITION – EURASIAN LEAGUE**

- One FEI Jumping 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 Jumping World Cup™ Competition. This Competition is run according to Art. 238.2.1, and held the day prior to the FEI Jumping World Cup™.
- The FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition is run according to the following conditions:
  - The number of Athletes permitted to participate in the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition is limited to 60;

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- This Competition is open to all Athletes of the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League and Foreign Athletes invited to the CSI-W;
- 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/her 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 1.50m and with a speed outdoor 375 m/min, indoors 350 m/min;
- The spread must be proportional to the height and not more than 1.90m. If there is a water jump, it cannot be wider than 3.50m outdoor;
- There can only be an individual classification for this Competition;
- The starting order in the first round of the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition is established according to a draw;
- The entry fee which includes stabling fee and first bedding must be in accordance with the entry fee that may be charged according to the star level of the Event (see Jumping Rules Annex VI, CSI/CSIO Requirements);
- The FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition must be the Competition with the highest prize money at each Event, with the exception of Nations Cup Competition. For Events that include a Grand Prix Competition in addition to the FEI World Cup™ Competition, the Grand Prix may not offer more prize money than the FEI World Cup™ Competition (refer also to Art. 662.1 and to JRs Annex VI, Art. 1).

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

### **Day 1**

Comp. 1: 1.20 – 1.25 m at 350 m/min judged under Art.238.2.1 or 274.1.5.3

Comp. 2: 1.40 m at 350 m/min judged under Art. 238.2.2 or 274.1.5.3

### **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.

### **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 – 1.50 m at 350 (375) m/min judged under Art.238.2.2 (FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition). World Cup points according to Art. 656.

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If an Athlete has more than one Horse in the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition he/she must declare in advance which is the World Cup horse and must start first with his/her nominated World Cup Horse.

The Organising Committee of the Event staging an FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition has the right, by prior agreement with the EEA and the FEI, to declare that it wants to hold the FEI World Cup™ Competition as a qualifying Competition in which Athletes and Horses may earn a Certificate of Capability for the FEI Jumping World Championship and/or the FEI Jumping European Championship or the Olympic Games. In this case the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Competition must be built according to the specifications established in the Jumping Rules, Annex VIII.

### **9. POINTS**

**9.1. 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.

#### **9.2. Crossing Over of FEI World Cup™ Points from other Leagues.**

In principle, an Athletes of the Eurasian League may earn points in another League once his/her own League has started.

An Athlete may earn points in as many Competitions as there are FEI World Cup™ Events in the Eurasian League. But he/she may not earn points in another League once the last Competition of the Eurasian League has been held. If he/she wishes to compete in more Competitions he/she 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.

To be eligible to qualify for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final, an Athlete must have competed in and earned one point or more at an Event in the Eurasian League.

Points may be carried over from certain other Leagues:

Western Europe – FULL.

Central Europe – FULL.

### **10. FEI JUMPING WORLD CUP™ COMPETITION – EURASIAN LEAGUE (EAL) FINAL EVENT**

- The EAL Final will be allocated two years in advance.
- The EAL 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 Jumping World Cup™ Competitions)

Day 4: Table A 238.2.2 at 1.55m

- Athletes qualified for the EAL 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 EAL Final:

1<sup>st</sup> Competition: points to the ten best placed: 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1;

2<sup>nd</sup> Competition: points to the sixteen best placed as per the normal FEI World Cup™ points table;

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3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Competition of the final will be the determining factor; in case of further ties the best result of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Competition is taken into account and so on until a tie no longer exists.

- The best 40 Athletes from the FEI World Cup™ Eurasian League on the overall standings regardless of the region to which the athletes belong, are invited to participate in the League Final;
- The maximum number of Athletes that may be invited to the League Final is 60. In addition to the top 40 Athletes invited from League, the EEA may also invite a limited number of foreign Athletes and up to approximately 10 home Athletes (host country) to fill the quota of 60 Athletes. These additional Athletes are entitled to receive prizes but are not permitted to participate for FEI World Cup™ points. If an additional 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/she is entitled to the relevant prize for his/her 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™ Eurasian League Final Event must be held the latest by the end of November;
- To be eligible to qualify for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final, an Athlete must have competed in the Eurasian League Final;
- The Organising Committee of the FEI World Cup™ Eurasian League Final Event must offer at least CHF 50'000 in prize money for the entire Event and at least one Competition counting for the Longines Ranking;
- The entry fee cannot exceed € 400 per Horse, 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 Jumping World Cup™ Eurasian League.

### **11. QUALIFICATION FOR THE FEI WORLD CUP™ FINAL**

The number of Athletes qualified for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final from the Eurasian League will be three.

Namely:

One Athlete with the highest points from Central-Asia (Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan);

One Athlete with the highest points from the Caspian-Caucasian (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Iran);

One Athlete with the highest points from the European (Belarus, Moldova, Russia).

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### **11.1. Substitution of FEI Jumping World Cup™ qualified Athletes**

In case not all qualified Athletes the Eurasian League can go to the Final, the following applies: Only one substitution up to 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the final overall Eurasian League standings can be made for the entire League. If the 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Athlete on the overall Eurasian League standings is already qualified for the FEI Jumping World Cup™ Final as the highest ranked Athlete from his/her region there will be no further substitution.

### **11.2. Horse Qualification**

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). Horses must be at least nine years old to be eligible to participate in the FEI World Cup™ Final.

Should an Athlete who has qualified for the FEI World Cup™ Final find it impossible to transport his/her 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/her 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.