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Preamble

The present Special Regulations are effective from 1st January 2002.

As from this date, all other texts covering the same matter (other editions, official minutes or Bulletins, any circulars) issued previously are superseded.

Although this booklet sets out detailed rules of the FEI governing the participation and the Events and Championships for Pony Riders and Children, it must be read in conjunction with the Statutes, the General Regulations, the Veterinary Regulations and the Rules of each of the appropriate disciplines.

Every eventuality cannot be provided for in these Rules. In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances, it is the duty of the Jury to make a decision in a sporting spirit and approaching as nearly as possible the intention of these Regulations, the General Regulations, the Veterinary Regulations and the Rules concerned of the FEI.

Code of Conduct

The Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) expects all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI's Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

- At all stages during the preparation and training of competition horses, welfare must take precedence over all other demands. This includes good horse management, training methods, farriery and tack, and transportation.
- Horses and competitors must be fit, competent and in good health before they are allowed to compete. This encompasses medication use, surgical procedures that threaten welfare or safety, pregnancy in mares and the misuse of aids.
- Events must not prejudice horse welfare. This involves paying careful attention to the competition areas, ground surfaces, weather conditions, stabling, site safety and fitness of the horse for onward travel after the event.
- 4. Every effort must be made to ensure that horses receive proper attention after they have competed and that they are treated humanely when their competition careers are over. This covers proper veterinary care, competition injuries, euthanasia and retirement.
- 5. The FEI urges all involved with the sport to attain the highest levels of education in their areas of expertise.

A full copy of this Code can be obtained from the Fédération Equestre Internationale, Avenue Mon-Repos 24, CH-1000, Lausanne 5, Switzerland. Telephone: +41 21 310 47 47. The Code is available in English & French. The Code is also available on the FEI's website: <u>www.horsesport.org</u>.

Part I Pony Special Regulations

Chapter I Introduction

Article 3100 General

1. Pony competitions as a parallel to Junior competitions offer to the young competitors an introduction to Equestrian Sport which can be kept within a reasonable economic basis, important when the age of the competitors is taken into consideration.

2. The objective of the following Special Regulations is to standardise Pony Events, taking into consideration specific problems applying to Pony Riding.

Article 3101 Priority of the Regulations

In all matters not covered by the present Regulations, the General Regulations, the Veterinary Regulations and Special Rules of each discipline shall apply.

Chapter II Eligibility

Article 3102 Pony Competitor

1. A rider may compete as a Pony competitor from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 12 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 16.

2. No Pony competitor may be classified as a professional.

3. A Pony competitor may compete in competitions for Juniors and/or Young Riders - if of the appropriate age - without losing his status as a Pony competitor.

4. Competitors of the appropriate age may take part in competitions and Championships of more than one category, but in each discipline only in one of these Championships in any one calendar year. (Art. 124.5)

Article 3103 Pony

1. A pony is a small horse whose height at the withers, having been measured on a smooth level surface, does not exceed 148 cm without shoes or 149 cm with shoes (see Appendix C, Annexes I and II).

2. In any International Events and Championships, Ponies must be at least six years old.

Chapter III Events and Championships

Article 3104 Events

1. National Events (CNPs) (Art. 105)

In order to make participation in International Events as easy as possible, it is recommended that National Rules and Regulations should conform as closely as possible to these International Rules and Regulations.

2. International Events

The following types of Events are established: International Events (CIPs) and Official International Events (CIOPs).

3. International Events (CIP) (Art. 106)

3.1 A CIP is an International Event open to individual competitors from the host country and from an unrestricted number of foreign countries.

3.2 Strictly unofficial team competitions, which may not be described as a "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events and must be limited to 2-3 competitors in Dressage and to 4 in Three Day Event and in Jumping.

3.3 At least three Jumping competitions and/or two Dressage competitions or a Three Day Event must be open to foreign competitors and must be held under the FEI Rules.

3.4 International Events for Pony Riders are categorised as follows :

Jumping :	CSIP Category A	CSIP Category B
Dressage :	CDIP	

Three Day Event : CICP** (Two star)

CICP* (One star)

The different requirements for categories and star levels are defined by the Bureau and published periodically in the FEI Bulletin.

4. Official International Events (CIOP) (Art. 107)

4.1 A CIOP is an International Event open to 3 or more countries represented by teams.

4.2 It must include the official competitions for teams and individuals as specified in the rules of the appropriate disciplines.

4.3 Not more than two CIOPs may be run during one year in the same country, one indoor and one outdoor.

4.4 A CIOP may, at the discretion of the Secretary General of the FEI, be allowed into the calendar during the year, provided it does not interfere with any International Event for Ponies already inserted in the calendar.

4.5 A CIOP may be organised with the competitors riding borrowed Ponies except in the Continental Championships.

4.6 The Event is open to one team from the host nation and one from each of the foreign countries.

4.7 A Pony team of any discipline consists of four competitors and Ponies of which the results of the best three count. A team of three is acceptable.

5. International Team Events (CSIE)

These are possible in accordance with Senior Jumping Rules (Art. 270).

6. International Events with borrowed ponies (Art. 116)

6.1 By agreement of the Secretary General, CIPs and CIOPs may be organised using ponies provided by the Organising Committee.

6.2 The rules for borrowed horses as outlined in Article 4103.6 of the Rules for Children events must be applied.



7. All entries for events, including Championships, to which these Regulations apply must specify the pony or ponies on which each competitor is entered and, subject to paragraph 6, no competitor may ride any pony other than the one with which he has been entered.

Article 3105 Annual Continental Championships

1. Each year, a Continental Championship may be organised within each Continent in Jumping, Dressage and Three Day Event. (Art. 110)

2. The annual Continental Championships are open to all nations within the Continent. NFs outside the Continent may be invited if authorised by the Secretary General of the FEI, but no rider may take part in two Championships in the same discipline within one calendar year.

3. The FEI approves the organisation of CIOPs and Championships. Organising should alternate among the nations of the Continent, giving the Pony competitors the possibility to visit as many foreign countries as possible.

4. Jumping, Dressage and Three Day Event Championships should be, as far as possible, organised within the Event to save travel costs.

5. The Championships must be organised in strict accordance with the General Regulations of the FEI, the Rules of the discipline concerned and the present specific Rules and Regulations.

6. At least four nations, including the host nation, must be represented, except outside Europe where Continental Championships may be held with any number of regional teams from at least two countries including the host nation. The NFs of the nations concerned will determine the basis of the regional teams.

7. Teams and individuals invited under paragraph 2 above are eligible for prizes but not for medals or title classification.

8. The Championships will, as far as possible, be organised during the long school holidays.

9. The Championships will be held out of doors.

10. Reasonable entry fees may be charged. Whenever possible no entry fee should be charged for the competitions constituting the Championships.

11. Only teams and/or individuals officially entered by their NF may participate.

12. A pony rider and/or pony may only compete in one discipline in any one calendar year if held at the same Event.

Chapter IV Other Specifications

Article 3106 Expenses and Privileges

1. Events

Organising Committees of Events open to Ponies are free to offer and negotiate financial and accommodation assistance, either in hotels, or youth hostels or with private families, with the National Federations of the invited competitors. The General Regulations do not apply to these Events but may serve as a basis for negotiation by the Organising Committees.

2. Championships and CSIOPs

2.1 NFs are responsible for the travelling expenses of their Chefs d'Equipe, competitors, grooms and ponies to and from the location of these Championships and CSIOPs. (Also Team Veterinarian for TDE).

2.2 For the Organising Committees the same applies as under paragraph no 1 but with the following minimum :

stabling and fodder for the ponies,

- possibility for the grooms to stay in the immediate vicinity of the stables,

- one main meal, preferably in the evening provided free of charge for riders and Chefs d'Equipe (either on the show-ground or otherwise),

- if accommodation is not offered free, then suitable accommodation should be arranged or recommended and prices for same quoted in the schedule,

- Article 132.1 to apply,

- agent and Veterinary fees of entering and leaving the frontier of the organising country and/or the show-grounds to be arranged and paid by the Organising Committee.

2.3 The General Regulations apply in the case of Officials.

3. All privileges are to be awarded from one day before the Event and the Championships until one day after.

4. The Chefs d'Equipe are responsible for the behaviour of their team and/or individuals throughout the Event. They and their NF are responsible for any damages that occur. If the competitors are not lodged in private homes the Chefs d'Equipe must stay with their team and/or individuals.

The Appeal Committee has the authority to assess any costs for damages. It may impose a fine according to FEI legal procedure and has the right to disqualify the team and/or individuals for unacceptable behaviour at any stage throughout the Event.

Article 3107 Prizes

1. Preferably prizes in kind are to be awarded in Pony Events. At Championships and CSIP Cat. B events only prizes in kind can be awarded; prize money is not allowed.

2. In all Events, one rosette and a prize in kind or souvenir must be awarded for each commenced four competitors with a minimum of five prizes. It is recommended that stable plaques should be awarded to the first four individuals.

3. In Championships, the following minimum number of awards must be presented :

3.1 In the preliminary and in the consolation competitions prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four competitors with a minimum of five prizes.

3.2 In the Team Championship, medals (see General Regulations). FEI Cup will be distributed at the General Assembly to the winning NF. In addition, prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes for each of the competitors in the teams taking the first four places.

3.3 In the Individual Championship, FEI medals (see General Regulations). In addition prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four competitors with a minimum of five prizes.

4. At the Championships, the prize giving ceremonies, including the presentation of medals and rosettes and of any prizes awarded under paragraph 6 must be given particular importance and held in the arena with the prize winners properly dressed and mounted on their ponies.

5. All Chefs d'Equipe and competitors shall be presented with a souvenir or a plaque by the Organising Committee.

6. Organisers should award as many extra prizes as possible, for example:

6.1 Girl competitor with the best style.

6.2 Boy competitor with the best style.

6.3 Leading girl competitor.

6.4 Leading boy competitor (prizes 6.3 and 6.4 should be awarded according to a formula predetermined by the Organising Committee).

6.5 most sporting or most unfortunate competitor (such as one who has not been able to compete or whose pony has gone lame etc.).

Article 3108 Schooling of Ponies / Identification throughout the Event

1. Under penalty of disqualification, it is not permitted for a competitor's pony to be ridden by anyone other than the competitor himself, mounted in the saddle from the arrival until the conclusion of the whole Event or Championship. However, lunging, work in hand, etc., by someone other than the competitor, under the supervision of the stewards, are permitted (Art. 147, 244.5, 422.7, 441 and 516.2).

2. Ponies must stay in the designated stables throughout the entire event. Failure to do so will entail disqualification.

3. Each pony keeps the same identification number provided by the Organising Committee on arrival, throughout the event. It is compulsory that this number is always worn by the pony whenever it leaves the stables, so that it may be identified by all Officials including the Stewards.

Failure to display this identification number clearly incurs first a warning and, in the case of repeated offence, a fine imposed on the competitor by the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee (Art. 242.1.7) according to FEI legal procedure.

Article 3109 Officials

1. At CSIP Cat. B events the President of the Ground Jury must be an International Judge, foreign or from the host country.

2. For CSIP Cat. A, CDIP, CCIP and CIOP events the appointment of judges must be in accordance with Articles 262, 437 and 553 of the Jumping, Dressage and Eventing Rules respectively.

3. In CSIP Cat. A and CSIOPs one Foreign Judge is required. In CSIPs Cat. B a Foreign Judge is not required but recommended.

4. Dressage will require a minimum of three judges, and Three Day Event three judges only, of whom at least one must be from a country other than the host country in CIPs and at least two in CIOPs.

4.1 Moreover, the Organising Committees should be strongly advised to include in the Ground Jury and the Appeal Committee, officials who have experience of Pony events.

5. For Continental Championships in Jumping, Dressage and Three Day Event, the President of the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate (in Dressage the President or one member of the Ground Jury shall act as Technical Delegate) and the Foreign Veterinary Delegate must be appointed by the Pony Riders Committee.

For Pony Jumping Championships, a minimum of two judges of the Ground Jury must be selected from the list of International or Official Jumping Judges. The other Judges can be selected from the list of candidate Jumping Judges.

6. In Dressage Championships, it is compulsory to have five judges of which a minimum of three must be from a country other than the host country.

7. In Jumping competitions if there is a water jump, there must be an additional judge who is a member of the Ground Jury.

At Championships and in the Team Competitions and Grand Prix at CSIOPs the water jump judge must be at least an International Candidate Judge (Art. 211.10 and 262.2.6).

Article 3110 Course Designers and Technical Delegates

1. For the appointment of Course Designers and Technical Delegates refer to Articles 264, 446 and 553.

2. In addition to the responsibilities imposed by the General Regulations, a Technical Delegate at Championships for Ponies and at International Events (if there is a Technical Delegate), will have the responsibility and the authority to check that all facilities are adequate, that the behaviour of participants is correct and that social and educational functions are conducted with the utmost care, always bearing in mind the welfare of the participants and the development of the best spirit of sportsmanship and fair play.

Article 3111 Passports and Certificates of Measurement

1. The General Regulations of the FEI apply (Art. 139).

2. The passport for ponies must include an FEI Official Measurement Certificate (see Appendix C) issued and authenticated by the NF being represented by the pony. The procedures and method for measurement are defined in Appendix C.

3. The certificate for ponies under eight years must be issued not earlier than 30 days prior to the first FEI event in which the pony competes in each calendar year. No further measurement of ponies of eight years and older is required except in the case of a pony representing a new NF or in the case of a pony requiring remeasurement in terms of sub-paragraph 5 below.

4. If a pony is not in possession of a fully and correctly completed Measurement Certificate at an event, the Ground Jury may order the pony to be remeasured by the Veterinary Commission. Failure to agree to the pony being remeasured will entail disqualification from the entire Event.



The Veterinary Commission will then report the result of the remeasurement to the Ground Jury, which must then exclude the pony from competing if it is overheight (Art. 3103.1).

5. If the Ground Jury is not satisfied that the height of a pony is as stated on its Measurement Certificate it may request, through the FEI, that the NF being represented by the pony remeasure the pony at the expense of the NF. A note must be made on the identification pages (pages 14 to 27) of the passport stating that the pony is required to be remeasured prior to its being allowed to compete in further FEI events. Remeasurement must be made within one month after the date of receipt by the National Federation of the request from the FEI. At least two Measuring Veterinarians must remeasure the pony neither of whom may be the same Veterinarian who signed the Measurement Certificate in question. The remeasurement procedure must take place at a University Veterinary Clinic. At the time of remeasurement, the physical condition of the pony must, in the opinion of the Measuring Veterinarians, be such that the pony is fit to compete.

The pony may not compete in further FEI events without a fully and correctly completed Measurement Certificate being presented to the President of the Ground Jury on arrival at the first FEI event in which the pony next competes.

The NF represented by the pony is required to advise the FEI of the outcome of the remeasurement procedure and to provide the FEI with a copy of the newly issued Measurement Certificate. If the pony is remeasured overheight, it will be disqualified from the event from which it was referred. If the pony is found to measure within the height, the pony will henceforth be eligible to compete and no further remeasurements will be required except in the case of the pony representing a new NF. A note must be made in the passport of the pony stating that the pony has been remeasured in terms of this article.

6. If at the remeasurement proceedings, the pony is found to be over height, the owner of the pony may request a further remeasurement within a period of fourteen days from the date of the first remeasurement. This request must be submitted to the National Federation in writing with a copy to the FEI. The second remeasurement, which shall take place at a University Veterinary Clinic, must be performed within fourteen days of receipt by the NF of the request and will be undertaken by at least two

Veterinarians who are not the same Veterinarians as those who performed the initial remeasurement. The results of the second remeasurement will be final except in the case of the pony representing a new NF.

In the case of all four Measuring Veterinarians from the relevant NF being ineligible as a result of having already measured the pony, the NF may appoint (with the approval of the FEI) two further FEI recognised veterinarians to perform the second remeasurement procedure.

7. The Veterinary Regulations of the FEI apply to ponies and should be referred to for all veterinary matters including vaccinations, identification and medication control.

8. No FEI Measurement Certificate may be issued to a pony that has undergone a surgical operation on the withers. Any previous certificates issued to such ponies in the past must be cancelled.

9. Regarding Veterinary Examinations, Inspections, etc., please refer to Appendix D of this Rule-Book.

Article 3112 Weight

No minimum weight will be required from the participants in the Championships and in the Events.

Article 3113 Members of the FEI Pony Riders Committee

If present, a member of the Pony Riders Committee shall have his name, if submitted in time, published in the programme. Access to stable areas in accordance with FEI Stable Security Regulations (VR 1005.2 & GR 147).

Article 3114 Schedule

1. The Organising Committee must furnish the following information :

1.1 Type of Event.

1.2 Description of individual competitions.

1.3 Prizes, trophies to be awarded.

1.4 Veterinary Inspection (incl. Certificate of Measurement, see Art. 3111).

1.5 Logos permitted/not permitted (GR Art. 136).

1.6 List of Judges, Technical Delegate, Course Designer, etc.

1.7 Programme of competitions.

1.8 Programme of social events.

1.9 Lodging of Chefs d'Equipe and competitors which may be in a hotel or with private families.

1.10 Arrangements for parents including a list of hotels where parents can book directly and not through the Organising Committee.

1.11 Accommodation of grooms.

1.12 Stabling of ponies.

- 1.13 Local transportation arrangements.
- 1.14 Arrival and departure dates, outside which no expenses will be paid.

1.15 Other useful information including passport and visa requirements, climate, type of clothes needed, etc.

2. Several copies of this schedule should be sent to all NFs at least 8 weeks before the start of the Event and Championship.

Chapter V Rules for Pony Jumping Events and Championships

Article 3115 General

The Pony Jumping Events and Championships must be conducted in accordance with the Rules for Jumping Events except where specifically modified below.

Article 3116 Obstacles

1. At Championships and CSIOPs the course shall consist of 10 to 12 obstacles requiring no more than 15 efforts. The maximum number of combinations shall be one double and one triple or three doubles.

1.1 At other events courses shall not exceed the above specifications and should, if necessary, be modified according to the standard of the competitors and ponies taking part.

2. Obstacles must be strong and impressive in appearance. It must be taken into consideration that ponies are lighter in weight than horses and must be able to effect knock-downs.

3. In Championships the maximum height and spread of obstacles, except in a jump-off, shall be as follows :

3.1 In the Consolation Competition dimensions may not exceed the height of 1.25 m, spread 1.40 m (1.60 m for the triple bars).

3.2 In the qualifying Competitions and the Team Championship, height 1.30 m, spread 1.40 m (1.60 m for the triple bars).

3.3 In the Individual Championship, height 1.35 m, spread 1.45 m (1.60 m for the triple bars).

4. At CSIOPs the maximum height and spread shall not exceed those specified for similar competitions at a Championship.

4.1 At CSIP Cat. A events, the same maximum dimensions shall apply, but a height of 1.20 m and a spread of 1.30 m in the first round are recommended.

4.2 At CSIP Cat. B events the height in first round must not exceed 1.20 m.

5. In any jump-off the obstacles may (subject to Art. 246.1) be raised and spread by a maximum of 10 cm but may never exceed a height of 1.40 m or a spread of 1.50 m (1.60 m for triple bars).

6. The water jump, including the take-off, may not exceed 3.30 m. At Championships and CSIOPs a minimum of 3 m including take-off is recommended.

7. The minimum distance between the obstacles of a combination is 7 m, and the maximum distance is 11 m.



Article 3117 Practice Obstacles

1. Obstacles in the exercise and warming-up areas may not exceed the dimensions (height and spread) of those to be used in the relevant round of the competition for which the riders are preparing.

2. For competitors schooling over obstacles without reference to a particular competition the maximum height of 1.35 m and spread of 1.45 m must be observed.

Article 3118 Speed

The speed for all competitions must be 350 m per minute.

Article 3119 Dress and Salute

1. When mounted protective headgear secured by a three point retention harness is compulsory.

2. All competitors should acknowledge the Ground Jury by an inclination of the head without removing their hats.

3. Dark coat or club uniform coat. White or fawn breeches or jodhpurs with boots. White shirt and tie or hunting stock. Spurs optional but if used only blunt metal spurs no longer than 1.5 cm are allowed.

Article 3120 Loss of Hat and Unfastened Retention Harness

1. A competitor who loses his hat or whose retention harness becomes unfastened during the course of his round must recover and replace it. He is not penalised for doing so, even if he dismounts, but the clock will not be stopped.

2. A competitor who jumps or attempts to jump an obstacle or who passes through the finish with a retention harness incorrectly fastened will be eliminated, unless the Ground Jury decides that he was so far committed to jump an obstacle or a combination of obstacles or at the finish that he could not be expected to pull up before attempting the jump or the finish.

Article 3121 Inspection of Saddlery

Bridle must be ordinary snaffle or pelham (see table of permitted bits under Appendix B). Reins must be attached to the bits. Only running unrestricted martingales are allowed. Gags and hackamores, hoods and blinkers are not allowed. This article applies at all times from the arrival until the conclusion of the whole event or Championship.

The Ground Jury can decide whether bits or spurs are abnormal or cruel and therefore may not be used.

A steward must be appointed to check the saddlery of each pony before it enters the arena.

The same rules for saddlery apply for the practice arena, as apply for the competition arena.

Article 3122 Continental Jumping Championships

1. Entries

After the approval of the Secretary General of the FEI, the schedule, together with the invitation, are sent to the NFs of the appropriate Continent by the NF of the host country.

2. Teams

2.1 Each NF may enter one team of not more than six competitors and six ponies from which five competitors and five ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship and four to start in the Team Championship.

2.2 The Organising Committee must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the competitors.

3. Individuals instead of teams

An NF which cannot send a complete team may enter one or two individual competitors with one pony each.

4. NFs are entitled to send one groom for each two ponies with a maximum of two grooms per team.

5. The entries shall be made in three phases in accordance with the General Regulations.



6. Declaration of Starters and Order of Starting

See Articles 254 and 320.1. Article 325.4 does not apply to the qualifying competitions.

7. Competitions

First day

7.1 Individual Championship - First Qualifying Competition for the Individual Championship

Open to all competitors Article 238.2.A2.

7.2 Individual Championship - Second Qualifying Competition for the Individual Championship

Open to all competitors Article 238.2.A2.

Second day

7.3 Consolation Competition

Open to competitors who were not qualified for the Individual Championship (see under 7.4 hereunder).

This competition is judged under Table A against the clock (Art. 238.2.A2).

A rotation of the original drawn order must be effected.

7.4 Individual Championship

7.4.1 Running

This competition consists of two rounds A and B (B to be different from A) judged under Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock for the first, second and/or third place (Art. 283.3.2).

Open to the top 50% of the competitors who have completed the two qualifying competitions, including those who tie for penalties with the last rider qualified. The penalty points obtained in the two qualifying competitions are added together for each competitor.

All competitors who complete round A go forward to round B, but not competitors who are eliminated or who have retired after round A. The penalties in the two rounds are added.

In the case of a jump-off, the jump-off course must be taken from round B with at least 6-8 obstacles including one combination.

7.4.2 Starting Order

The starting order for round A will be fixed by a separate draw between all qualified competitors in the presence of the Chefs d'Equipe.

The starting order for round B will follow the reverse order of the total penalties in round A, i.e. the competitor with the highest total penalties will start first and the competitor with the lowest total will start last. Competitors with the same number of penalties will start according to the time they took to complete round A, the slowest in round A going first.

7.4.3 Individual Classification

The classification is decided by totalling the penalties for jumping and for exceeding the time allowed by each competitor in the rounds A and B of the Individual Championship (under 7.4 above).

In case of equality of penalties for the first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and second places (Art. 3116.5).

The other competitors will be placed by adding their penalties in the two rounds A and B; those with the same number of penalties are placed equal.

Third day

7.5 Second Consolation Competition

This competition is judged under Table A against the clock (Art. 238.2.A2). Open to the fifth competitor in each team and for those individual competitors not taking part in the Team Championship. See also paragraph 7.6.2. A rotation is mandatory.

7.6 Team Championship

7.6.1 This competition is run in two identical rounds according to Table A not against the clock with a possible jump-off against the clock in case of equality for first, second and/or third place. Speed 350 m per minute (Art. 269).

The second round will be limited to eight teams. The host nation may compete as a ninth team if not placed among the aforementioned eight teams.



7.6.2 In the interest of the sport at any time after the Individual Championship Competition and before the draw for the Team Competition, the Ground Jury, if it considers that participation would not be for the benefit of a team or their ponies, may, at its discretion and after consulting the relevant Chef d'Equipe, withdraw a team from the Team Championship and place it in the second competition.

8. Obstacles and Courses

Refer to Article 3116 above.

9. Team classification

9.1 The classification is decided by adding the penalties incurred by the 3 best competitors of each team in each of the two rounds of the Team Championship (see under 7.6 above).

9.2 In the case of equality between the teams for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is necessary. If two jump-offs are required the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and second places (Art. 3116.5).

9.3 The other teams will be placed according to their added penalties in the two rounds; those with equal penalties are placed equal.

10. Jury and Technical Delegate

The President of the Ground Jury and the Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Pony Riders Committee. Their appointment as well as that of the members of the Jury must comply with the requirements laid down in the General Regulations and in accordance with Article 3109.5 of the present Regulations.

11. Appeal Committee

The composition of the Appeal Committee and the appointment of its President and Members must comply with the requirements of the General Regulations.

12. Veterinary Commission

The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of its President and Members must comply with the requirements laid down in the Veterinary Regulations (Art. 1008).

13. Prizes and Souvenirs

The allocation of prizes and souvenirs must comply with the requirements laid down in Article 3107 of the present Regulations.

14. In all circumstances not covered by the present Regulations, the Ground Jury, being guided by the General Regulations of the FEI and the Rules for Jumping Events will give such decisions as they consider will best produce a fair classification for the Championship.

Article 3123 Events other than Championships

1. CSIOPs

1.1 The Schedule must include an official Team Competition and a Grand Prix according to Article 238.3.AM3, 4, 5, 6 or Article 283.3.1, 3.2 or 3.3. The Organising Committee may, with the permission of the FEI, invite additional riders of the host nation.

1.2 Subject to paragraph 2 below, the relevant provisions of Article 3122 will apply to CSIOPs.

2. CSIPs and CSIOPs, other than Championships

2.1 Official and unofficial team competitions, when held, will so far as practicable, be run according to Article 269. Articles 3122.7.6.2 and 9.4. will apply.

2.2 There will be no jump-off for first place in team or individual competitions except, where specified in the Regulations or the Schedule.

2.3 Organising Committees should not feel bound to adhere to the programme of competitions prescribed for a Championship but, subject to paragraph 1.1 above (CSIOPs), are encouraged to formulate a Schedule which they consider to be the most suitable for the occasion, enjoyable for the competitors and entertaining for spectators.

2.4 While competitions under Article 238 should not be neglected, thought should also be given to competitions under Table C and the special competitions listed in Articles 271 to 286, but competitions under Article 267 (Puissance) and Article 272 (Six Bar and Obstacles in Line competitions) are not permitted.



2.5 Where natural obstacles are available, a competition entitled "Pony Derby" may be organised on the lines of Article 285 but without a specified length of course. This is to be run over one round under Table A or Table C, with one jump-off over a shortened course (Art. 3116.5).

2.6 Article 269.7.2 is not applicable to team competitions.

 $2.7\ \mbox{Competitions}$ for boys and girls can be organised, except for a Championship.

Chapter VI Rules for Pony Dressage Events and Championships

Article 3124 General

The Dressage Pony Events and Championships must be conducted in accordance with the Rules for Dressage Events except where specifically modified below.

Article 3125 Arena

International Pony Dressage competitions take place on a 20x60 m arena, preferably sand arena. If possible the practice arena must be of the same consistency as the competition arena and the same dimensions.

Article 3126 Dressage Tests

The following Dressage Tests are used in the International Events and the Championships :

- Preliminary Competition Test
- Team Championship Test (also Consolation Test)
- Individual Championship Test

The Pony Riders Freestyle Test is optional for use at International Events but may not be scheduled at Championship Events.

These Tests are inserted under Annexes I to IV of Appendix A, of the present Regulations and can also be found on <u>www.horsesport.org</u>.

All these tests must be carried out from memory at the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Events}}$ and $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Championships}}.$

Article 3127 Weight

No restriction (Art. 3112).

Article 3128 Dress

Dark coat or club uniform coat. White or fawn breeches or jodhpurs, white shirt with tie or hunting stock, hunting cap. Gloves must be worn. Boots. Top hat or bowler not allowed. No whip of any kind may be used. Spurs optional but if used, blunt metal spurs no longer than 1.5 cm.

When ever mounted, protective headgear must be worn.

Article 3129 Saddlery

1. English type saddle must be used. At all times the pony must be ridden in ordinary snaffle (see Appendix B) with cavesson noseband, dropped noseband, crossed noseband or flash noseband.

2. All parts of a metal bit coming into the horse's mouth must be of the same metal. (Particular reference is made to Art. 428.2).

3. Inspection of Saddlery

A Steward must be appointed to check the saddlery of each pony before it enters the arena or starts a Test.

In the Dressage Test, the checking of the bit must be done with the greatest caution. If the competitor so requests, the bit may be checked immediately after the test has been completed. However, should the bit in such a case be found not to be permitted, the competitor shall be eliminated.



Article 3130 Continental Dressage Championships and CDIOPs

1. Entries

After the approval of the Secretary General of the FEI, the schedule, together with the invitation, are sent to the NFs of the appropriate Continent by the NF of the host country.

2. Teams

Each NF may enter one team of not more than five competitors and five ponies from which four competitors and four ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship and four to start in the Team Championship.

For CDIOPs, but not Championships, an OC is free to invite up to 2 extra individuals per country and maximum 4 of the host country, i.e. a total of 6 competitors per NF may travel to the Event.

The same privilege must, however, be extended to all NFs.

The Organising Committee must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the competitors.

3. Individuals instead of teams

An NF which cannot send a team may enter one or two individual competitors with one pony each.

4. NFs are entitled to send one groom for each two ponies with a maximum of two grooms per team.

5. The entries shall be made in three phases in accordance with the General Regulations.

6. Declaration of Starters and Order of Starting

See Articles 424 and 425 of the Senior Dressage Rules.

7. Competitions

First Day

7.1 Preliminary Competition

Compulsory for all Competitors - No ride-off (Preliminary Competition Test, Appendix A, Annex I).

Second Day

7.2 Team Championship and Individual Qualifying Competition

Compulsory for all competitors (Team Championship Test, also Consolation Test, Appendix A, Annex II).

Third Day

For order of starting refer to Article 425.5 Dressage Rules.

7.3 Consolation Competition

Open to the 12 best placed competitors/ponies not competing in the Individual Championship (7.4) - No ride-off. (Team Championship Test, Appendix A, Annex II).

7.4 Individual Championship

Open to the top 50% of the Team Championship and Individual Qualifying Competition (see 7.2), maximum 12, including those who tie for the last qualified placing (Individual Championship Test, Appendix A, Annex III).

Important note :

If, at the day of Definite Entries, the number of competitors exceeds 40 then the Preliminary Competition will be spread over 2 days and will start on the day of the Veterinary Inspection, and there will be no Consolation Competition.

8. Team Classification

8.1 In competition 7.2, the winning team (the three best competitors) is the one with the highest total of marks, the second the one with the next highest total and so on.

8.2 If two or more teams gain the same number of marks, the winning team is the one whose third classified competitor has the best result.

9. Individual Classification

The final Individual Classification is determined by adding the percentages in competitions 7.2 and 7.4 and dividing by two. In case of equality of score for one of the first three places, the individual classification in competition 7.4 will be the deciding factor. If still equal the highest total collective marks will decide on the better placing.



10. Ground Jury and Technical Delegate

The President or a Member of the Ground Jury/Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Pony Riders Committee as Technical Delegate. His appointment as well as that of the members of the Ground Jury must comply with the requirements laid down in the Dressage Rules (Art. 437) and in accordance with Article 3109.5 of the present Regulations.

11. Appeal Committee

The composition of the Appeal Committee and the appointment of the President and Members of this Committee must comply with the requirements laid down in the General Regulations. For CDIPs there need only be an Appeal Committee President, who must be an active or retired International Dressage Judge.

12. Veterinary Commission

The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of its President and Members must comply with the requirements laid down in the Veterinary Regulations (Art. 1008).

13. Prizes and Souvenirs

The allocation of prizes and souvenirs must comply with the requirements laid down in Article 3107 of the present Regulations.

14. Miscellaneous

In all circumstances not covered by the present Regulations, the Ground Jury, being guided by the General Regulations of the FEI and the Rules for Dressage Events will give such decisions as they consider will best produce a fair classification for the Championship.

Chapter VII Rules for Pony Three Day Events Competitions and Championships

Article 3131 General

With the exception of Championships (see Article 3137), Pony Eventing competitions (CICP* and **) are governed by the Rules of

Eventing for CIC and CIM concerning Appointment of Officials, Appeal Committee, sequence of Tests, Stable Security and Pony Inspections. It is however recommended that at a CCIP** a Pony Inspection should be held before the Dressage Test, and also before the Show Jumping Test if that is the final Test in the event.

Article 3132 Definition and Levels

International Three Day Events for Ponies are denoted by their level. Levels are indicated by stars.

The star levels for Three Day Events are :

One STAR $({}^{\ast})$: introduction to Three Day Event for competitors and ponies.

Two STAR (**) : (level of the European Pony Championship) for competitors and ponies with experience.

A CCIP consists of three parts : Dressage Test, Cross-country Test and Jumping Test. The Cross-country Test has two phases only : Phase A : Roads and Tracks and Phase D : Cross-country.

A Championship must be an individual and a team event.

Article 3133 Weight

No restriction (Art. 3112).

Article 3134 Dress

Jumping : Article 3119

Dressage : Article 3128

Cross-country : Article 522, jodhpurs are allowed, blunt metal spurs no longer than 1.5 cm. Back protectors must be worn.

Article 3135 Saddlery

Jumping : Article 3121

Dressage : Article 3129

Cross-country : Endurance Test

1. The type of saddlery is optional with the exception of any form of blinkers, which are forbidden. Only unrestricted running martingales or Irish martingales are allowed. Reins must be attached to the bit. Gag is allowed. Hackamore is not allowed.

In the interest of safety, the stirrup iron and stirrup leathers must hang free from the bar of the saddle and outside of the flap. There must be no other restrictions or attachments of any kind.

The same rules for saddlery apply for the practice arena, as apply for the competition arena.

2. Inspection of saddlery

A Steward can be appointed to check the saddlery of each pony before it enters the arena or starts a Test or starts phase D of the Endurance Test.

In the Dressage Test, the checking of the bit must be done with the greatest caution. If the competitor so requests, the bit may be checked immediately after the test has been completed. However, should the bit in such a case be found not to be permitted, the competitor shall be eliminated.

Article 3136 Competitions

1. Dressage Test - One and Two Star

The same rules apply for both one and two star events.

Pony Three Day Event Dressage Tests "Two Star" and "One Star" (see Appendix A, Annex V & VI).

2. Cross-Country Test - Two Star

Phase A (Roads and Tracks) : a total of 3000 to 4000 m to be carried out at a speed of 200 m per minute within a time of at least 15 minutes to a maximum of 20 minutes.

Phase D : 3000 to 4000 m Cross-country with a maximum of 25 jumping efforts.

Speed of 450 to 500 meters per minute to be decided by the Technical Delegate in agreement with the Ground Jury, on the day prior to the start of the Cross-country test. Time at least 6 minutes, maximum 8 minutes.

There will be a compulsory halt of 6 minutes following phase A during which the fitness of the horse and saddlery shall be checked, 2 obstacles will be made available just outside the hold area before the start of phase D for the use of the competitors to warm-up. The obstacles shall be flagged and the warm-up area shall be supervised by a steward (Art. 147).

Phase D Obstacles - General

In general, Article 535 of the Rules for Eventing applies, including the method of measurement of fences.

Phase D Obstacles - Dimensions

The solid part of any obstacle may not exceed 1 m in height. Obstacles with height and spread may not exceed 1.20 m wide at the maximum height, and 2 m at the base.

Exceptionally, and at the discretion of the Technical Delegate, the width of a Water Jump may extend up to 3 m on condition that the water is not more than 10 cm deep and that there is no sharp step at the landing side.

At obstacles involving water crossings (ford, lake or wide river), the depth of water, from the entrance to the exit must not exceed 35 cm. The length of any water crossing must be at least 6 m between entry and exit, except where an exit step(s) or fence is jumped directly out of the water, in which case the minimum length must be 9 meters.

The drop on the landing side of an obstacle, or of those obstacles that are jumped as a ski jump, may never exceed 1.45 m. The number of such obstacles is limited to two. The number of drop fences under 1.45 m is left to the discretion of the Technical Delegate.

Bull finches are not allowed. The maximum permitted height of a hedge is 1.30 m provided that the top can be brushed through easily.

Bounce fences (combination of upright obstacles with no stride) are not allowed at Pony level events.

Cross-Country Test - One Star

Phase A and Phase D : Speed, distances, fences :

The same rules and regulations apply for the Cross-country one and two star events. However, the course for one star events should be designed keeping the purpose of CCIPs (*) in mind, that it is to introduce ponies and riders to their first international competition.

In principle, obstacles must be more inviting than the obstacles for two star events, with an acceptable number of alternatives.

In addition to penalties as described in Article 536.2 of the Rules for Three Day Event, the following rule is added for one star events only :

Completing phase D in more than 10 seconds under the optimum time : 0.4 penalty points per second; the rider must canter from the penultimate fence to the Finish without circling or otherwise wasting time.

Article 536 of the Rules for Eventing will apply to Pony events with the following addition :

A pony rider will be eliminated after three refusals during the crosscountry, if the third refusal occurs in conjunction with a fall of rider.

3. Jumping Test - One and Two Star

The same rules apply for both one and two star events.

Table A. The course should be **400** to **500** m with 10 to 12 obstacles not exceeding 1.10 m in height and maximum 1.35 m in spread. No water jump permitted. There must be at least one double. Speed : 350 m per minute.

A pony rider will be eliminated after three refusals during the Jumping Test.

The penalty for the second refusal will be 8 penalty points.

Article 3137 Continental Pony Three Day Event Championships and CCIOPs

1. Entries

After the approval of the Secretary General of the FEI, the schedule, together with the invitation, are sent to the NFs of the appropriate Continent by the NF of the host country.

2. Teams

2.1 Each NF may enter one team of not more than six competitors and six ponies from which five competitors and five ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship and four to start in the Team Championship. Teams of three are allowed.

2.2 The Organising Committee must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe and a Veterinarian who will be given the same privileges as the competitors.

3. Individuals instead of Teams

An NF which cannot send a Team may enter one or two individual competitors with one pony each.

4. NFs are entitled to send one groom for each two ponies with a maximum of three grooms per team.

5. The entries shall be made in three phases in accordance with the General Regulations.

6. Declaration of Starters and Order of Starting

See Articles 511 and 514.

7. Competitions

Refer to Article 3136 above.

Championships will be run as ** competitions, with the tests in the order Dressage, Cross-country, Show Jumping. There will be a Pony Inspection before the Dressage Test and again before the Show Jumping Test. Ponies are required to be stabled on site. An Appeal Committee will be appointed. Conditions for a CICP** with Official Team competition must be approved by the Secretary General of the FEI, and announced in the Schedule.

8. Team Classification

The Winning Team is that with the lowest total of penalty points after adding together the final scores of the three best placed competitors in the Team. In the event of equality between any two or more Teams, the winning Team will be that whose third-placed competitor has the best score (see Art. 503 Rules for Eventing).



9. Individual Classification

The Winning Individual is the competitor with the lowest total of penalty points after adding together, for each competitor, the penalty points incurred (Art 503 Rules for Eventing).

In the event of equality between any two or more competitors, the classification is decided by the best Endurance score, including faults at obstacles and time penalties. If there is still equality, it will be decided by the best Cross-country score. If there is still equality the best will be the competitor whose Cross-country time was closest to the optimum time.

10. Jury and Technical Delegate

The President of the Ground Jury will be appointed by the FEI Pony Riders Committee. For Championships, the three Members of the Ground Jury must be selected from the list of International or Official International Judges. International Ground Juries are compulsory. The Technical Delegate will be appointed by the FEI Pony Riders Committee, and will be selected from the list of International Technical Delegates.

The Course Designer will be appointed by the OC/NF and will be selected from the list of International Course Designers.

The organisers must appoint a veterinarian from the FEI list of Veterinarians and a doctor to function as the official veterinarian and official doctor for the event.

11. Appeal Committee

The composition of the Appeal Committee and the appointment of the President and Members of this Committee must comply with the requirements laid down in the General Regulations.

12. Veterinary Commission

The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of its President and Members must comply with the requirements laid down in the Veterinary Regulations (Art. 1008).

13. Prizes and Souvenirs

The allocation of prizes and souvenirs must comply with the requirements laid down in Article 3107 of the present Regulations.

14. Miscellaneous

In all circumstances not covered by the present Regulations, the Ground Jury, being guided by the General Regulations of the FEI and the Rules for Eventing, will give such decisions as they consider will best produce a fair classification for the Championship.

Chapter VIII Rules for Pony Driving Events

Article 3138

The specifications for the driving discipline for Ponies are governed by the Rules for the Driving Events.

Part II Special Regulations for International Jumping, Dressage and Horse Trial Events for Children

Chapter I Introduction

Article 4100 General

The participation of Children is an important element in the development of equestrian sport throughout the world, especially in America. The object of the following set of Regulations is to standardise the various types of events and competitions for Children worldwide, taking into account specific problems applying exclusively to Children.

Article 4101 Priority of the Regulations

In all matters not covered by the present Regulations, the General Regulations, the Veterinary Regulations and the Rules of each Discipline shall apply.

Chapter II Eligibility

Article 4102 Definition of a Child

1. A child may compete as a child from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 12 until the end of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 14.

2. Competitors of the appropriate age may take part in competitions and Championships of more than one category, but in each discipline they may only participate in one Championship in any one calendar year (Art. 124.5).

Chapter III Events and Championships

Article 4103 Type of Events

1. National Events (CNch) (Art. 105)

In order to make participation in International Events as easy as possible, it is recommended that National Rules and Regulations should conform as closely as possible to these International Rules and Regulations.

2. Events and International Championships

The following types of Events are established:

- International Events (Clch)
- Official International Events (CIOch)
- Continental Championships (CHch)
- 3. International Events (Clch) (Art. 106)

3.1 A Clch is an International Event open to individual competitors from the host country and from an unrestricted number of foreign countries.

3.2 Strictly unofficial team competitions, which may not be described as a "Nations Cup", may be organised in these events and must be limited to 2-3 competitors in Dressage and 3-4 in Jumping.

3.3 International Events for Childrens are categorised as follows :

Jumping:

CSIch Category A	Events with own horses
CSIch Category B	Events with borrowed horses

4. Official International Events (CIOch) (Art. 107)

4.1 A CIOch is an Official International Event open to 3 or more countries represented by teams.



4.2 It must include the official competitions for teams and individuals as specified in the rules of the appropriate disciplines.

4.3 Outside Europe, not more than two ClOchs for any discipline may be run during the same year in the same country, one indoor and one outdoor.

In Europe only one CIOch per country may be organised per discipline in the same year.

4.4 A ClOch may, at the discretion of the Secretary General of the FEI, be allowed into the calendar during the year, provided it does not interfere with any International Event for Children already inserted in the calendar.

4.5 A ClOch may be organised with the competitors riding borrowed horses. Continental Championship cannot be organised with borrowed horses.

4.6 These Events are open to one team from the host nation and one from each of the foreign countries.

4.7 A team competition in any discipline consists of four competitors and four horses, of which the results of the best three count. A team of three is acceptable.

5. International Events with borrowed horses

5.1 By agreement of the Secretary General, Clchs and ClOchs may be organised in Jumping and Dressage, using borrowed horses provided by the Organising Committee.

5.2 With the approval of the Secretary General of the FEI, various formulas may be used by the OC at events where borrowed horses are provided, but the recommended formulas are as follows:

5.2.1 Each rider of the host country provides two horses. A draw is held to match foreign riders with host riders. Another draw takes place to allocate one of the horses of the host rider to the foreign rider. The rider of the host country rides the horse which has not been allocated to the foreign rider.

5.2.2 Each rider of the host country provides two horses. Each foreign rider draws a horse for each of the riders from the host country. The remaining horses are pooled together and are allocated to the foreign riders by means of a draw.

5.2.3 A draw takes place to allocate all horses provided by the OC to riders present.

5.2.4 Each rider of the host country provides one horse. A draw takes place to match foreign riders with host country riders. Each horse is ridden by a host country rider and by a foreign rider. In the first competition, the host country rider rides his horse first.

5.3 The following rules apply to all competitions with borrowed horses:

5.3.1 Sufficient reserve horses must only be provided for foreign riders. Horses that are obviously unsuitable for foreign riders must be replaced by reserve horses. Such a substitution may only be done with the approval of the Ground Jury.

5.3.2 Each competitor will be given the opportunity to school the horse obtained in the draw at least once, during a riding session lasting one hour.

5.3.3 Not more than a total of six obstacles may be jumped during any training session. Cross poles are not included in the above number.

5.3.4 The Organising Committee will establish the Rules governing schooling sessions.

 $5.3.5\ \text{Liverpools},\ \text{dry}\ \text{ditches}$ and natural obstacles such as banks, etc. may not be used.

5.3.6 Horses must be allocated at least two days before the first competition.

5.3.7 Horses may only be ridden once daily for a maximum of one hour.

5.3.8 The horse's trainer or any other person, providing he has received the owner's authorisation, may school the horse during the event.

5.3.9 The horse must be ridden using the bit which he usually works with and in which he is presented at the time of the draw. The bit may be changed only with the agreement of the owner.

5.3.10 Three attempts at jumping an obstacle count as one obstacle jumped. One double or one triple counts as one obstacle.

5.4 The following and above rules apply for competitions with borrowed horses which are run in accordance with paragraph 5.2.4 above, unless otherwise stated below.

5.4.1 During the competition days, the first and second riders may jump six obstacles each.

5.4.2 The number of obstacles in any course may not exceed eight in total, that is, a maximum of ten efforts. Two doubles or one triple may be used.

5.4.3 In the first competition, horses must be ridden first by the riders of the host country.

5.4.4 If there are not sufficient foreign riders to match the number of host country riders, there will be a draw among foreign riders to decide which foreign riders will ride the surplus horses, in order to ensure that all horses start twice per day.

Article 4104 Annual Continental Championships

1. Each year, a Continental Championship may be organised within each Continent in Jumping and Dressage.

2. Annual Continental Championships are open to all nations within the Continent. NFs outside the Continent may be invited to participate if authorised by the Secretary General of the FEI, but no rider may take part in two Championships in the same discipline within the same calendar year.

3. The FEI approves the organisation of CIOch and Championships. Their organisation should alternate among the nations of the Continent, giving the children competitors the possibility to visit as many foreign countries as possible.

4. Jumping and Dressage Championships should be, as far as possible, organised within the same Event to save on travel expenses.

5. The Championships must be organised in strict accordance with the General Regulations of the FEI, the Rules of the Discipline concerned and the present specific Rules and Regulations.

6. At least four nations, including the host nation, must be represented, except outside Europe where Continental Championships may be held with any number of regional teams from at least two countries including the host nation. The NFs of the nations concerned will determine the basis of the regional teams.

7. Teams and individuals invited under paragraph 2 above, (i.e. not from the same Continent) are eligible for prizes but not for medals or title classifications.

8. The Championships will, as far as possible, be organised during the long school holidays.

9. The Championships will be held outdoors.

10. Reasonable entry fees may be charged. Whenever possible no entry fee should be charged for the competitions constituting the Championships.

11. Only teams and/or individuals officially entered by their NF may participate.

Chapter IV Other Specifications

Article 4105 Expenses and Privileges

1. Events

Organising Committees of Events open to children, are free to offer and negotiate financial and accommodation assistance, either in hotels, or youth hostels or with private families. The General Regulations do not apply to these Events but may serve as a basis for negotiation by the Organising Committees.

2. CSIOchs and Championships

2.1 NFs are responsible for the travelling expenses of their Chefs d'Equipe, competitors, grooms and horses to and from the location of a CSIOch and Championship.

2.2 For the Organising Committee the same applies as under paragraph 1 but with the following minimum :

- stabling and fodder for the horses,

- possibility for the grooms to stay in the immediate vicinity of the stables,

- lunch and dinner provided free of charge for riders and Chefs d'Equipe (either on the showground or elsewhere),

- if accommodation is not offered free, then suitable accommodation should be arranged or recommended, the cost of which must be indicated in the schedule,

- agent and Veterinary fee of entering and leaving the frontier of the organising country and/or the showgrounds are to be arranged and paid for by the Organising Committee.

- Article 132.1 and 133.1 apply.

2.3 The General Regulations apply in the case of Officials.

3. All privileges are to be awarded from one day before the Event until one day after.

4. The Chefs d'Equipe are responsible for the behaviour of their teams and individuals throughout the Event. They and their NF are responsible for any damages that occur. If the competitors are not lodged in private homes, the Chefs d'Equipe must stay with their team and individuals.

The Appeal Committee has the authority to assess any costs for damages. A fine may be imposed according to FEI legal system, the Appeal Committee may impose a fine and has the right to disqualify teams and individuals for unacceptable behaviour at any stage during the Event.

Article 4106 Prizes

1. Prizes in kind are to be awarded for children competitors, prize money is not allowed.

2. At all events, one rosette and a prize in kind or souvenir must be awarded for each commenced four competitors with a minimum of five prizes. It is recommended that stable plaques should be awarded to the first four individuals.

3. In Championships, the following minimum number of awards must be presented :

3.1 In the preliminary and in the farewell competitions prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four competitors with a minimum of five prizes.

3.2 In the Team Championship, FEI medals (see General Regulations). FEI Cup will be distributed at the General Assembly to the winning NF. In addition, prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes for each of the competitors in the teams taking the first four places.

3.3 In the Individual Championship, FEI medals (see General Regulations). In addition prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four competitors with a minimum of five prizes.

4. At events, the prize giving ceremonies should be given importance and should be held preferably at a farewell social function, especially held for this purpose, if such a function cannot take place, the ceremony should be held at the show arena, in any case at least rosettes should be presented in the arena, with maximum ceremony.

5. All Chefs d'Equipe and competitors shall be presented with a souvenir or a plaque by the Organising Committee.

6. Organisers should award as many extra prizes as possible, for example:

6.1 Competitor with the best style.

6.2 Leading boy competitor.

6.3 Leading girl competitor.

6.4 Most popular.

6.5 Most sporting or most unfortunate competitor (such as one who has not been able to compete or whose horse has gone lame etc.).

Article 4107 Horses

1. Schooling

Under penalty of elimination, it is prohibited for a competitor's horse to be schooled by any body mounted in the saddle, other than the competitor himself or the trainer or a person delegated by the trainer, in or outside the town where the event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on

the day preceding the commencement of the first competition of an event or a Championship until the conclusion of the whole event or Championship. However, lunging, work in hand, etc., by someone other than the competitor, under the supervision of the FEI stewards, are permitted.

2. Control

At the discretion of the Ground Jury, a child unable to control his horse may be forced to retire before the competition begins or during his rounds and/or from the entire event with the horse in question.

3. Identification

Horses must be stabled in the designated stables throughout the entire event. Failure to do so will entail disqualification.

Each horses keeps the same identification number throughout the event as provided by the Organising Committee upon arrival. It is compulsory that this number be worn always by the horse whenever it leaves the stables, so that it may be identified by all officials including the stewards. Failure to display this identification number incurs first a warning and, in case of a repeated offence, a fine will be imposed on the competitor by the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee according to FEI legal procedure.

Article 4108 Officials

1. For a Clch and a ClOch, the appointment of judges must be in accordance with the Jumping and Dressage Rules.

2. At a CSIch and CSIOch, one Foreign Judge is required.

3. Dressage will require a minimum of three judges, of whom at least one at CDIchs must be from a country other than the host country, and at least two must be foreign at CDIOchs.

3.1 Moreover, Organising Committees are strongly advised to include in the Ground Jury and the Appeal Committee, officials who have experience with competitions for Children.

4. For Continental Championships in Jumping and Dressage, the President of the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate (in Dressage the President or one member of the Ground Jury shall act as Technical

Delegate) and Foreign Veterinary Delegate must be appointed by the relevant Technical Committee.

5. In Dressage Championships, it is compulsory to have three judges of whom two must be from a country other than the host country.

Article 4109 Technical Delegates and Course Designers

1. For the appointment of Course Designers and Technical Delegate refer to the respective Discipline Rules.

2. In addition to the responsibilities imposed by the General Regulations, a Technical Delegate at Championships for children and at International Events (if there is a Technical Delegate), will have the responsibility and the authority to check that all facilities are adequate, that the behaviour of participants is correct and that social and educational functions are conducted with the utmost care, always bearing in mind the welfare of the participants and the development of the best spirit of sportsmanship and fair play.

Article 4110 Passports

1. The General Regulations of the FEI apply.

2. The Veterinary Regulations of the FEI apply.

Article 4111 Schedule

1. The Organising Committee should prepare an information bulletin which should include the following information:

1.1 Type of Event.

1.2 Description of individual competitions.

1.3 Prizes, trophies to be awarded.

1.4 Veterinary Inspection.

1.5 Height and spread of jumps.

1.6 Types of jumps included.

1.7 List of Judges, Technical Delegate, Course Designer.

1.8 Logos permitted/not permitted (GR Art. 136).

1.9 Closing date of presentation of passport or I.D.

1.10 Schedule of competitions.

1.11 Schedule of social event.

1.12 Lodging of Chefs d'Equipe and competitors which may be in a hotel or with private families.

1.13 Arrangements for parents including a list of hotels where they can book directly and not through the Organising Committee.

- 1.14 Accommodation of grooms.
- 1.15 Stabling of horses.

1.16 Local transportation arrangements.

1.17 Arrival and departure dates, outside which no expenses will be paid.

1.18 Other useful information including passports and visa requirements, climate, type of clothes needed, etc.

2. Several copies of this information bulletin should be sent to all NFs at least 8 weeks before the start of the event and Championship.

Chapter V Rules for Children's Jumping Events

Article 4112 General

Children's Jumping Events and Championships must be conducted in accordance with the Rules for Jumping Events except where specifically modified below.

Article 4113 Obstacles

1. No obstacle must exceed 1.20 m in height and 1.40 m in spread, except in case of a jump-off, which must consist of a minimum of six obstacles and a maximum of eight obstacles of which a maximum of four may by raised to 1.30 m.

2. No banks, mounds, water jumps or ramps are allowed.

3. Liverpools are allowed.

Article 4114 Speed

The speed for competitions at a CSIOch and Championships must be 350 m per minute, the speed for other competitions may be 300-350 m per minute.

Article 4115 Table "C" Competitions are not allowed

Article 4116 Dress and Salute

1. Protective headgear secured by a three points retention harness is compulsory when mounted.

2. All competitors should acknowledge the Ground Jury by an inclination of the head without removing their hats.

3. Dark coat or club uniform coat, white or fawn breeches or jodhpurs with boots and white shirt and tie or hunting stock are allowed.

Article 4117 Saddlery

- 1. There are no restrictions on saddles.
- 2. Blinkers are forbidden.
- 3. Standing and running martingales are allowed.

4. Reins must be attached to the bit or directly to the bridle. Gags and hackamores are allowed.

5. In the interest of safety, the stirrup iron and the stirrup leather (this also applies to safety stirrups) must hang freely from the bar at the saddle and the outside of the flap. There must be no other restrictions or attachments of any kind. The rider must not directly or indirectly tie any part of his body to the saddlery.

6. Competitors are forbidden to carry or use a whip more than 75 cm in length or one which is weighed at the end, in the arena, the exercise and schooling areas or anywhere on or in the immediate vicinity of the showground. No substitute for a whip may be carried. Failure to comply with this paragraph will incur elimination.

7. Paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4, refer specifically to the competition arena.

Chapter VI Continental and Regional Jumping Championships and CSIOchs

Article 4118 Entries

1. After the approval of the FEI Secretary General, the schedule, together with the invitation, are sent to the appropriate NFs of the Continent or Region by the NF of the host country.

2. Teams - Championship

2.1 Each NF may enter one team of not more than five competitors and five horses. However, outside Europe, NFs concerned may determine the number of teams and the regional basis for team representation (Art. 4104.6). The Organising Committee must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the competitors. No reserve horse may be brought to this Championship.

2.2 All five competitors and five horses are allowed to take part in the team and individual competitions of the Championship in accordance with Article 4119.

2.3 For CSIOch events the Organising Committee has the choice of using one of the following formula:

- as per Articles 4118.2.1, 2.2
- as per Article 250.1
- 3. Individuals instead of Teams Championships

3.1 An NF which cannot send a team may enter one or two individual competitors with one horse each.



4. CSIOchs

4.1 For CSIOch events the Organising Committee has the choice of accepting entries in accordance with the following articles:

- as per Article 4118.3.1
- as per Article 250.2

5. Holder of the Individual Title - Championship

NFs are not automatically entitled to send the holder of the individual title of the Championship of the preceding year to defend his title.

6. NFs are entitled to send one groom for every two horses with a maximum of two grooms per team to CSIOchs and Championships.

7. Entries must be made in three phases in accordance with the General Regulations.

8. The Technical Committee decides whether or not the Championship is organised as an Open Championship or as a Non-Open Championship. If it is an Open Championship, teams and individuals from countries outside the Continent or Region in which it is held, compete for Championship medals and titles under the same conditions as teams and individuals from the host Continent or Region.

9. It is left to the organiser's discretion to accept, with the agreement of the Technical Committee, entries for Non-Open Championships of teams and/or individuals from countries outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held.

Article 4119 Declaration of Starters

1. The Chefs d'Equipe must declare the composition of his team (four competitors/horses) to the show secretary in writing before 18.00 hours, on the day preceding the team competition.

2. The fifth pair, competitor/horse, may only be eligible to start as a member of team in case of an accident or illness either to one of the four team competitors or to one of the four horses, provided the Chef d'Equipe obtains the approval of the Ground Jury.

3. The fifth pair, competitor/horse, may take part in the first and second qualifying competitions as an individual and in the Individual Final Competition if qualified.

Article 4120 Qualification

1. Horses

1.1 Horses must be six years old or over.

1.2 The Championship is open to horses which have not competed in a Nations Cup or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the preceding and/or current year.

1.3 Horses must not have competed in any competition for Seniors during the event at which the Championship is being held.

2. Competitors

2.1 A child, during the year he reaches the age of 14, may take part in the Continental Jumping Championship for Juniors, but he is not allowed to take part in Championships for Children and Juniors in the same year.

2.2 A child who, during the year he reaches the age of 14, has taken part in a Continental Jumping Championship for Juniors, will no longer be eligible to compete in a Children's Championship.

Article 4121 Competitions

1. First Day - Preliminary Competitions

The Organising Committee is required to arrange one or two preliminary competitions, which are optional for the competitors. These competitions are run under Table A.

It is recommended that one competition is open to riders who have completed a previous Championship and the other, to those who have never competed in a Championship.

Individual classification according to faults and time (Art. 238.2.1).

2. Second Day - Individual Championship - First Qualifying Competition for the Individual Championship

Open to all competitors.

Table A, against the clock with no jump-off (Art. 238.2.1).

2.1 Starting order in the first qualifying competition.

There will be a draw for the starting order in the first qualifying competition.

3. Third Day - Team Championship

(Also Second Qualifying Competition for the Individual Championship)

3.1 This competition is run in two rounds according to Table A, not against the clock, with a possible jump-off against the clock, in case of equality of first, second and/or third place.

This competition is open only to those competitors and horses which have taken part in the first competition (paragraph 2). The team classification only affects the members of the teams declared to start.

3.2 Starting order in the team competition

Starting order in the team competition will be according to a draw, in the first round. In the second round, the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of penalties incurred in the first round (individuals to start before teams in the second round). In case of individuals or teams with equal penalties, the same starting order as in the first round will be used.

The starting order in a possible jump-off will revert to the starting order of the second round.

4. Fourth Day

4.1 Farewell Competition

Open to competitors who are not qualified for the Individual Championship (under 4.2.1 hereunder). This competition is judged under Table A, not against the clock, with one jump-off against the clock. Speed of 350 m per minute (Art. 238.1.2).

Organising Committees must provide one individual Farewell competition for those who are not called upon to participate in the Individual Championship. The usual distribution of rosettes must be followed.

4.2 Third Competition (Individual Final)

4.2.1 Running

This competition consists of two rounds A and B judged under Table A, not against the clock, with a jump-off against the clock for first, second and/or third place with a speed of 350 m per minute (Art. 283.3.2).

This competition is compulsory for the 30 best placed competitors and horses (including those placed equal for the 30th place) according to the accumulative penalties over the first and second qualifying competitions.



Competitors must have taken part in the first competition (completed or not) and have completed the second competition (without having been eliminated or without retiring). If a competitor is eliminated or retires from the first competition he shall be penalised with 20 points more than the rider with the highest number of penalty points. If for any reason one or more of these 30 best placed competitors are unable to start, they will not be replaced by followers.

All competitors who complete round A go forward to round B, except those who are eliminated or who have retired after round A. The faults in both rounds are added.

Competitors will be invited to inspect the course of round B.

4.2.2 Starting order

The starting order for round A will follow the reverse order of penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying competitions of the Championship. In the event of equality of penalties for any placing, the time of the first qualifying competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order of the competitors. The 30th qualified will therefore start as number one.

The starting order for round B will follow the reverse order of the penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying competitions as well as round A. The competitor with the greatest number of penalties will start first, the competitor with the least penalties will start last. In the event of competitors with equal penalties, the time of the first qualifying competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order.

Article 4122 Obstacles and Courses

1. The course for the first qualifying competition consists of 10 to 16 obstacles. Height 1.20 m maximum, with a proportional spread between 1.00 and 1.30 m.

2. The course for the team final competition and for the second qualifying competition of the individual Championship consists of 10 to 17 obstacles, including 1 double and 1 triple or 3 doubles.

Height: 1.20 m maximum with a proportional spread between 1.00 m and 1.30 m.

Speed: 350 m per minute.

3. In round A of the Individual Championship, the course must consist of 10 to 12 obstacles, including 3 doubles or one double and one triple, of a maximum height for 1.20 m with a proportional spread between 1.00 and 1.35 m. Round B must be different from round A, consisting of 8 to 10 obstacles, including one triple or one double. The dimensions of obstacles in round B cannot be greater than the dimensions of obstacles in round A.

Speed: 350 m per minute.

4. In the case of a jump-off, either for team classification or for the individual classification, a reduced course over 6 obstacles, which may be raised to a maximum of 1.30 m and/or widened.

Speed: 350 m per minute.

5. The obstacles for the preliminary and farewell competitions must have a height of approximately 1.10 m and a spread of 1.25 m approximately.

Speed: 350 m per minute.

Article 4123 Team Classification

1. The team classification is established by adding the penalty points, incurred by the 3 best competitors of each team in each of the two rounds of the Team Championship.

Team competitors not completing the first or second round receive 20 points more than the worst-placed team competitor, who has finished that particular round (same principle as for the Nations Cup).

2. In the case of equality between the teams for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is necessary, in which all the team horses participate (Art. 4122.4).

3. In case of further equality (penalties and time), the teams will be placed equal.

4. The other teams will be placed according to their added penalties in the two rounds; those with equal faults are place equal.



5. In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for this competition.

6. Teams taking part in Non-Open Championships from countries outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, may participate in the team competition, but will not receive a team classification. They may receive prizes for the individual classification in the team competition (Art. 4123.5).

Article 4124 Individual Classification

1. The individual placing is determined for each competitor by adding the penalties incurred in the first qualifying competition, both rounds in the second qualifying competitions (disregarding the penalties incurred in the jump-off, if any) and rounds A and B of the third competition.

2. In case of equality of penalties for the first, second and/or third place a jump-off, against the clock is compulsory (Art. 4122.4).

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first place.

3. Riders taking part in Non-Open Championships from countries outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, may participate in the final Individual competition if qualified, but are not allowed to take part in the jump-off for individual medal placings. Their penalties from rounds A and B are added to give them their classification in the competition.

Two classifications for this competition must be provided; one for the individual medal winners; and another for all competitors taking part in the competition. For the latter classification, only the results from rounds A and B count. Competitors with equality of penalties are placed ex-aequo.

Article 4125 Saddlery and Dress

1. The rules regarding saddlery must be strictly applied in accordance with the Rules for Children's Events (Art. 4117).

2. The rules regarding dress must be strictly applied in accordance with the Rules for Children's Events (Art. 4116).

Article 4126 Ground Jury

The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Children's Committee, in accordance with the General Regulations. The Organising Committee appoints the members of the Ground Jury in accordance with the General Regulations and Jumping Rules.

At the discretion of the Ground Jury, a child unable to control his horse may be forced to retire from the competition or the event with the horse in question.

Article 4127 Technical Delegate

The Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Children's Committee in accordance with the General Regulations.

Article 4128 Veterinary Commission

The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of the President and members must comply with the requirements of the Veterinary Regulations.

Article 4129 Appeal Committee

The composition of the Appeal Committee and the appointment of the President and members must comply with the requirements of the General Regulations.

Article 4130 Prizes and Souvenirs

The allocation of prizes and souvenirs must comply with the requirements laid down in Article 4106 of the present Regulations.

Article 4131 Falls

The first fall of the rider or horse eliminates the rider from the competition. This includes Championship competitions, as well as Nations Cup competitions. Nevertheless, the rider may take part in the second round of the National Cup competition and in the second round of the team

Championship competition providing that the official doctor and the Ground Jury give their approval. The competitor eliminated is penalised with twenty penalty points more than the worst placed rider in the concerned round.

Article 4132 Miscellaneous

In all circumstances not covered by the present Regulations, the Ground Jury, being guided by the General Regulations and the Rules for Jumping Events of the FEI, will give such decisions as they consider will best produce a fair classification for the Championship.

Chapter VII Rules for Dressage Events

Article 4133

1. Articles 3124, 3125, 3127 to 3129 of the Pony Special Regulations shall apply.

2. Dressage tests for these competitions are available at the FEI Secretariat upon request.

Chapter VIII Rules for Horse Trial Events

Copies of the rules are available at the FEI Secretariat upon request.

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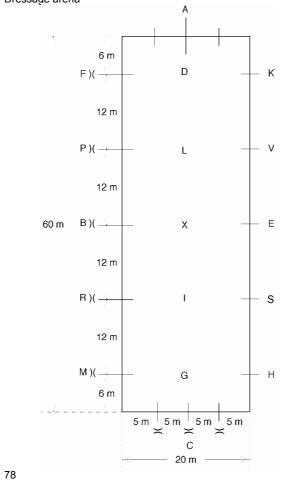
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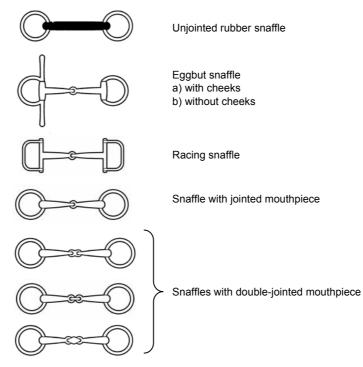
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Appendix B

Permitted bits for ponies in Dressage and Eventing Dressage

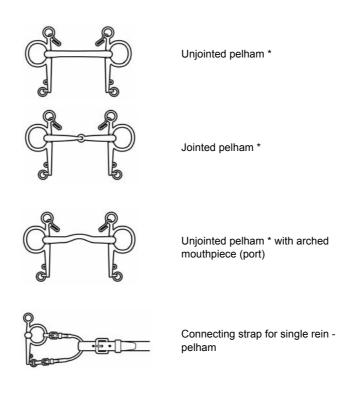


Any of the above-mentioned bits may be covered with rubber, leather or plastic.

Other snaffle bits approved for Senior Eventing Dressage may be used for Eventing Dressage.

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Additional permitted bits for ponies in Show-Jumping and Cross-Country (for Cross-Country see also Art. 3135)



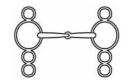
* Note : A pelham may **only** be used with **a single rein**. The rein must either be used with a connecting strap or be connected to the larger of the two rings of the bit.



Thiedeman snaffle jointed



Thiedeman snaffle unjointed with arched mouthpiece (port)



Pessoa bit. The reins may be attached to any of the three rings on either side. A connecting strap may also be used.

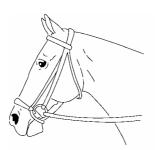
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Nosebands constructed from materials other than leather are not permitted. A small disc of sheepskin may be used in the intersection of the two leather straps of a crossed noseband.

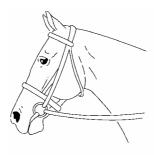


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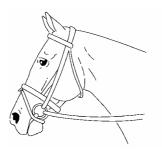
Dropped noseband



Cavesson noseband



Flash noseband



Crossed noseband



Appendix C

Annex I - Measurement Procedure

1. Measurement of ponies for FEI Events and Championships can only be conducted by a designated Measuring Veterinarian appointed by the NF and working under instruction of the NF. Each NF should have not more than four such Measuring Veterinarians appointed from the list of FEI Contact or Event Veterinarians who may also work as a panel if preferred. Their independence and freedom from conflict of interest must be assured in each case. Each NF must notify the FEI of the names of their Measuring Veterinarians, and keep the FEI informed of changes to the list.

2. The owner should ensure that a suitable smooth and level area at least 3 meters by 1 meter is available at the place of measurement.

3. It is the responsibility of the owner, and in his interest, to ensure that the pony is well handled, accustomed to the application of a measuring stick, and correctly prepared for measurement.

4. The pony may be measured either with or without shoes.

5. The pony must either have all four shoes removed and the feet correctly prepared and balanced as for shoeing, with the wall taken down level with the bearing edge of the sole, or be shod.

6. The owner should, as far as possible, ensure that the area where the measurement is to take place will be free from avoidable disturbances and distractions which may unsettle the pony.

7. The Measuring Veterinarian carrying out the measurement must identify the pony against its FEI passport (or its national passport which has been approved by the FEI).

8. The pony should be presented for measurement in a headcollar, without a bit.

9. The pony should be handled quietly and allowed to relax before measurement is attempted.

10. The pony must be positioned for measurement with the front legs parallel and perpendicular; the toes of the front feet should be in line. Both hind-feet must be taking weight and as near perpendicular as possible; the

toes of the hind feet should be not more than 15 cm out of line with each other.

11. The pony's head must be in its natural upright position.

12. The measurement must be taken at the highest point of the withers (i.e. immediately above the spinous process of the 5th thoracic vertebra) which should be identified by palpation if necessary and marked before any measurements are made.

13. The veterinarian carrying out the measurement has the responsibility that the stick he uses is an accurate one. The stick must be fitted with a spirit level and must be shod with metal. A laser device can also be used.

14. At the time of measurement, the physical condition of the pony must, in the opinion of the Measuring Veterinarian, be such that the pony is fit to compete. If the pony on presentation to the veterinarian shall in his/her opinion be unfit to be measured for any reason, or present evidence of improper preparation, or if the conditions for measurement are unacceptable, the owner shall be informed that the pony will be measured at a later date, when it is in a fit condition to be measured. The veterinarian's decision as to fitness and preparation for measurement shall be final.

15. The FEI Official Measurement Certificate (see below) must be completed by the veterinarian who carried out the measurement and forwarded without delay to the National Federation for authentication.

16. Following authentication by the National Federation the certificate must be returned to the owner and inserted in the passport where it remains until a further measurement is required (i.e. if the pony is under eight years of age, or the pony represents a new National Federation, or the pony is requested to be remeasured in terms of Article 3111.5) or for life if the pony is over the age of eight and no further measurements are required.

17. In the case of a pony referred by the FEI for remeasurement by its NF, a medication control test will be performed at the time of the remeasurement. The pony must be remeasured by at least two Measuring Veterinarians neither of whom may be the same Veterinarian who signed the Measurement Certificate in question.

Appendix C

Annex II	FEI Official Measurement Certificate - Pony (Art. 3111.2)		
I, the undersigned :			
and confirm :			
 That its identity conforms to FEI Passport N° : That its height at the withers, having been measured on a smooth, level surface, does not exceed : 148 cm (without shoes) or 149 cm (with shoes) 			
Signature and stamp of above-mentioned veterinarian :			
Date :			
Signature of Secretary General and stamp of NF :			
Date :			
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Appendix D

Veterinary Examinations, Pony Inspections, etc.

Regarding the three disciplines, reference is made to:

Jumping	- Annex XI	(Rules for Jumping Events)
Dressage	- Annex I	(Rules for Dressage Events)
Three Day Event	- Article 519	(Rules for Eventing) with the exception that the first horse reinspection will be on the day following the first inspection.

Appendix E

Rules for International Junior Mounted Games

N.B. These Rules are for reference only and come no longer under the authority of the FEI.

Article 1 Objects

1. The Objects of the Mounted Games are to provide young people with an opportunity to compete on good and well trained ponies that do not necessarily require to be of high quality or great value, to encourage the young riders to train their ponies to be obedient and themselves to become active and practical horsemen, and to compete with enthusiasm and determination.

2. Although these rules are intended for Juniors under 15 mounted on ponies, Organising Committees may arrange separate competitions under these rules for competitors in other age groups mounted on horses.

Article 2 Organisation

1. Teams

The full team consists of:

Five riders who must be under 15 years of age.

- Five ponies, at least 4 years old, and not exceeding 148 cm high without shoes or 149 cm height with shoes.

A rider over 55 kilogrammes in weight may not ride a pony 128 cm high and under.

- An adult as non-riding captain, whose duties are to take charge of the team outside the arena and to send them in immediately they are called. He may not enter the arena to help or coach his team.

Only four riders and ponies will take part in each event so the riders and/or ponies can be changed for the different events.

No rider can compete for more than one team in any one year and no pony can compete for more than one team in any one stage of competition.

2. Scoring

Teams will compete against each other in 6 events selected from those listed in these rules.

In each event, the winning team will score 4 points, the second team 3 points, the third team 2 points and the fourth 1 point. In case of equality of any placing in an event (including when two or more teams are eliminated) the points will be divided. If a team is disqualified in an event no points will be scored for that event (Art. 3.16).

3. Dress and Saddlery

Riders must wear jodhpurs or special riding trousers, leather shoes or boots, white shirts, tie and black velvet hunting caps. Boots or shoes must have heels.

Jackets or jerseys may be worn in wet weather at the discretion of the Organiser.

Coloured shirts will be provided by the organisers for the riders.

Whips and spurs are not allowed.

Ponies must be correctly trimmed and turned out with leather saddles, stirrups and snaffle or bitless. Girths must have two buckles. Martingales and dropped noseband may be worn.

The bit must be a plain snaffle with a straight bar or jointed in the centre. The mouthpiece must be smooth.

4. Objections

Objections must be made not later than half an hour after the incident that gave rise to them, half an hour after the results have been announced or, in the case of objections to the qualifications of competitors, not later than half an hour before the start of the competition.

The Organiser must appoint a Chief Steward who will be responsible for adjudicating on objections.

Article 3 General Rules

The following rules will apply in all events unless stated to the contrary in the rules for a particular event.

1. Ponies must be properly turned out with saddles, bridles and stirrups. In events where saddles are not used, neck straps and martingales must also be removed. The reins must be over, and not under, the pony's neck when ridden. If necessary long reins may be knotted.

2. Riders must be properly dressed and wearing caps. Should a cap or stirrup come off, it need not be replaced until the end of the event. Feet need not be in the stirrups all the time.

3. The signal to start will be the drop of a flag. The starter may order an unruly pony to stand, or be held, behind the line of the other ponies. The starter alone is responsible that the start is fair, so if, after dropping his flag, he considers the start was unfair, he must immediately raise the flag again and recall the riders. Otherwise, once the riders are away, the start must be accepted as fair and no objection can be considered.

4. Riders must remain mounted. Should one fall off, he must remount immediately and continue the race from the same point.



5. The result of a race will be decided by the order in which the ponies' heads cross the finishing line (when ridden) or the riders cross the line (when dismounted). When ponies finish in pairs, it is the head of the second pony which counts.

6. At a handover, only the rider next to start is allowed to take up position behind the line. The remainder of the team must be 6 meters back at least. He must go next and may not be replaced by one of the others for any reason.

7. Hand-overs from one rider to the next must take place behind the line (i.e. the whole of the next rider and his pony must be behind the line until the previous rider has crossed it, or until he has handed over the baton or other articles). Should the next rider cross the line too soon, his team will be eliminated unless he returns to correct the error.

8. No rider may help another unless they are both involved in the event at the time.

9. In all races where a rider is carrying an article such as baton, mug, potato, etc. if he drops the article, he must dismount and pick it up again. He must then remount before resuming the race from the same point. At a handover either rider may pick it up, and may hand it over dismounted. The penalty for infringement is elimination of the team from the event (see Special Notes for certain events).

10. No baton or other article may be used as a whip.

11. If a pony runs loose away from its rider, the team may be eliminated from the event at the discretion of the Chief Judge.

12. In all races in which the riders weave round bending posts the following will apply:

12.1 The riders may pass the first post on either the right or the left. Thereafter they weave alternately to the left and right of successive posts.

12.2 The following faults will incur elimination of the rider from an event:

12.2.1 Passing the wrong side of a post unless corrected.

12.2.2 Knocking down a post so that the post lies on the ground or is broken.

13. A rider who commits an error during an event may return to correct it, even after crossing the handover or finishing line, provided he has not left the arena or the Judges have not declared the race to be over. Should he go back, the rider may not "hand over" or "finish" until he again crosses the line after correcting the error.

14. Riders must leave the arena immediately they have finished their parts in an event, but must not ride down the course until all teams have completed the event.

15. If any rider or his pony interferes with another team in a race up and down the arena, the offending team may have its placing in the event altered by the Chief Judge.

16. Rough or dangerous riding or deliberate interference, or unseemly behaviour, may be penalised by disqualification of the rider or team from the event concerned, or from the whole competition, at the discretion of the Chief Judge.

17. If for any reason an event cannot be run, it may either be replaced by the Spare Event, or be declared void at the discretion of the Organiser.

18. If for any reason the judges cannot decide one or more of the placings in an event or heat, the teams concerned must run the event or heat again.

19. The penalty for infringement of Rules 1, 4, 6, 8 or 10 may be elimination of the team from the event at the discretion of the Chief Judge.

N.B. In the case of elimination for any of the various reasons set out above, the team will be placed last of those competing and, should this be the fourth place or better, they will score the appropriate points.

Disqualification of a team is only to be used when the Judge or Chief Steward considers that there has been dangerous riding or other reasons and, in the case of disqualification, no points will be scored.

Events

Event 1 Team Relay Bending Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams. Line of five or six bending posts will be erected from 24 feet to 30 feet apart.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena.

On the signal to start, Number One, carrying a baton, will pass down and back through the bending posts. On returning to the start he will hand the baton to Number Two.

Numbers Two, Three and Four will similarly ride down and back through the bending posts in succession.

The winning team will be the one whose Number Four is first past the finish, mounted, and carrying the baton.

Event 2 The Rope Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

Line of four bending posts will be placed 24 to 30 feet apart.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. There will be a change-over line at the other end.

Numbers One and Three will start at one end of the arena and Numbers Two and Four at the other end. Number One will carry a rope about 3 feet long.

On the signal to start, Number One will gallop through the bending posts to the other end of the arena, where Number Two grasps the other end of the rope. Both riders then gallop back through the bending posts, each holding one end of the rope. On arrival at the start, Number One will release his end of the rope and Number Three will grasp it. Numbers Two and Three, each holding one end of the rope, then gallop through the

bending posts to the other end of the arena, where Number Two will release its end of the rope and Number Four will grasp it.

Numbers Three and Four then gallop back through the bending posts to the finish, each holding one end of the rope.

Should a rider leave go of the rope while on the course, the riders must go back and resume the race from the point where the fault occurred.

Event 3 The Housewife's Scurry

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. At the far end will be a post about 4 feet high for each team with a container holding one apple, one orange, one carrot and one onion. Across the centre will be a row of buckets, one for each team.

On the signal to start, Number One, carrying a potato, gallops to his team's bucket and drops the potato in. He then continues on to the far end, seizes the apple from his team's container and returns to hand it to Number Two.

Numbers Two, Three and Four, in succession, complete the course in the same way - Number Two collecting the orange, Number Three the carrot, and Number Four the onion - except that Number Four, after collecting the onion from the far end, drops also this into the bucket on his way back to the finish.

The winning team will be the one whose Number Four is first across the finishing line.

Should a bucket be knocked over, the rider concerned must dismount, set it up again, and replace all the articles in the bucket, including his own, before remounting to continue the course.

Should a rider drop the wrong article into the bucket his team will be eliminated.

Event 4 The Potato Picking Scramble

A team competition, all teams taking part together (or may be run in 2 divisions).

A sack of potatoes will be emptied and spread out in small piles across the centre of the arena. A bucket for each team will be placed on the starting or change-over lines.

The first pairs from each team will start at their respective buckets, the second pairs remaining outside the arena.

On the signal to start, each rider in the arena will gallop to the Centre, dismount, pick up a potato, mount and return to his team's bucket, drop the potato into the bucket and return for another.

At the conclusion of a set time (1 to 11/2 minute) a whistle will be blown. On this signal the first pairs will immediately withdraw and the second pairs of teams will go to their buckets to get ready to start.

On the signal to start the second pairs of riders will collect potatoes and drop them into their buckets for 1 to 11/2 minute. The whistle will then be blown again, and the second pairs will withdraw.

At the conclusion of the second period, the potatoes in each bucket will be counted and the winning team will be the one that has collected the most potatoes.

The rider must be mounted when dropping the potato into the bucket, but should he miss the bucket or should the potato bounce out, the rider must immediately dismounts, pick up the potato, mount, and drop the potato into the bucket. No potato may be dropped into a bucket after the whistle has been blown.

Should the bucket be knocked over, a rider must immediately set it up again. He may dismounts to do this and may put the potatoes back into the bucket, continuing, if necessary, after the whistle has been blown, and all will be counted.

Event 5 Motor Tyre Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. There will be a change-over line at the other end. Halfway between these lines,

a motor-cycle tyre (international diameter of at least 16 inches) for each team will be placed on the ground.

Numbers One and Two will form up, side by side on the starting line, with Number Four behind them. Number Three will form up on the change-over line.

On the signal to start, Numbers One and Two will gallop forward to the tyre where Number Two will dismount, hand his pony to Number One, get through the tyre and remount. Both riders will then gallop on over the change-over line where Number One will wait. Number Two will turn round after crossing the line, then he and Number Three will gallop to the tyre, where Number Three will dismount, hand his pony to Number Two, crawl through the tyre and remount. Both riders will then gallop to the start line, where Number Two will drop out of the race.

Number Three will turn round after crossing the line, then he and Number Four will crawl through the tyre. Number Three will then drop out and Numbers Four and One will complete the course, with Number One crawling through the tyre.

The winning team will be the one whose final pair (Numbers One and Four) cross the finishing line first, mounted on their ponies.

At each change-over, the next pony to go must remain behind the line until both the previous ponies have crossed it.

The rider who is to hold the pony at the tyre may grasp its rein before or as they gallop down the arena. His partner must not touch the tyre until he has handed over his pony.

Event 6 The Flag Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. At the other end of the arena and also across the centre will be placed a row of flag holders (upturned drainpipes, oil drums, etc.), one for each team in each row.

Each team will have five flags on canes about 4 feet long. Four of these will be in the team's flag holder on the centre line and one will be carried by Number One at the start.

On the signal to start, Number One will gallop to the other end of the arena and place the flag he is carrying in his team's holder there. He will gallop back, picking a flag out of his teams holder on the centre line and hand this flag to Number Two behind the start line.

Numbers Two, Three and Four will complete the course in the same way up and down the arena in succession so that, at the end, the team will have placed four flags in the holder at the far end of the arena and Number Four finishes over the start line, mounted and carrying the fifth flag.

Should the flag holder be knocked over, the rider must put it up again, replacing any flags there may have been in it. Should a rider take more than one flag from a holder, he must replace the surplus. He may dismount to do these things.

Event 7 The Sack Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. There will be a change-over line at the other end. A centre line will also be marked halfway down the course.

Numbers One and Three will be mounted at one end of the arena, and Numbers Two and Four at the other end. Number One will carry a sack of about 140 lbs. capacity.

On the signal to start, Number One will gallop forward dismount and get into the sack before crossing the centre line, run or hop to the end of the arena in the sack, leading his pony, get out of the sack and hand it to Number Two.

Numbers Two, Three and Four will complete the course in the same way up or down the arena successively.

The winning team will be the one whose Number Four is first across the finishing line, on his feet in his sack and leading his pony. Getting out of the sack and handing it over must be done behind the finishing line.

Riders must not attempt to get into their sacks until they have dismounted.

N. B. - A rider must be on his feet crossing the finishing line. No competitor is allowed to get help from the pony either by holding on to the mane, the neck, the saddle or any part of the bridle held close to the bit.

Event 8 The Tunnel Crawl

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. There will be a change-over line at the other end. Halfway between these lines, a tunnel (child's play tunnel about 5 feet long of hooped fabric of about 2 feet 3 inches diameter) for each team will be placed on the ground, lengthways up and down the arena.

Numbers One and Two will form up side by side on the starting line, with Number Four behind them. Number Three will form up on the change-over line.

On the signal to start, Numbers One and Two will gallop forward past the tunnel where Number Two will dismount, hand his pony to Number One, crawl through the tunnel towards the start and run back to his pony and remount. Both riders will then gallop on over the change-over line, where Number One will wait.

Number Two will turn round after crossing the line, then he and Number Three will gallop past the tunnel, where Number Three will dismount, hand his pony to Number Two, crawl through the tunnel towards the far end, run



back to his pony and remount. Both riders will then gallop to the start line, where Number Two will drop out of the race.

Number Three will turn round after crossing the line, then he and Number Four will similarly complete the course, with Number Four crawling through the tunnel. Number Three will then drop out and Numbers Four and One will complete the course, with Number One crawling through the tunnel.

The winning team will be the one whose final pair (Numbers One and Four) cross the finishing line first, mounted on their ponies.

At each change-over, the next pony to go must remain behind the line until both the previous ponies have crossed it.

The rider who is to hold the pony at the tunnel may grasp its rein before or as they gallop down the arena. His partner must not touch the tunnel until he has handed over his pony.

Event 9 Sword Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. There will be a change-over line at the other end.

There will be a line of 4 posts about 4 feet in height 24 to 30 feet apart for each team. Each post will have a wire ring about 4 inches in diameter ending in a straight piece which will be fixed to the drop of the post by a rubber band.

Numbers Two and Four will be at the far end the arena. Number One will carry a wooden sword 2 feet in length.

On the signal to start, Number One gallops to one of the posts, picks up the ring on his sword, gallops on and passes the sword to Number Two.

Numbers Two, Three and Four complete the course in the same way, up and down the arena successively.

When Number Four crosses the finishing line, he must have all four rings on his sword.

Should a ring be dropped the rider may dismount and pick it up by hand. Otherwise the rings may not be touched by hand, and must be carried against the cross-piece of the sword.

Event 10 Balloon Bursting

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. There will be a change-over line at the other end. Halfway between these lines six balloons for each team will be pegged to the ground about 3 feet apart in a straight line up and down the arena.

Numbers One and Three will be mounted at one end of the arena and Numbers Two and Four at the other. Number One will carry a lance (e.g.a cane 4 feet long with a drawing pin fixed at one end with insulating tape).

On the signal to start, Number One will gallop to the end of the arena, bursting a balloon on the way, and hand the lance to Number Two.

Numbers Two, Three and Four will similarly each complete the course, up or down the arena, bursting a balloon, on succession.

The winning team will be the one whose Number Four is first over the finishing line, mounted and carrying the lance.

Riders may make more than one attempt to burst a balloon, which may be done with either the point or flat of the lance.

If a rider fails to burst a balloon his team will be eliminated from the event. There will be no penalty if a rider bursts more than one balloon.

Event 11 Newspaper Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena.

On the centre line there will be a letterbox about 4 feet high for each team and at the far end a newspaper stand with a paper boy (the fifth member of each team, dismounted) behind it.

On the signal to start, Number One will gallop forward carrying a folded newspaper and a large token coin. On reaching the letterbox he will push

his paper through it (not pulling it from the other side), before galloping on to purchase another newspaper from the paper boy, who must remain behind the stand. He will then return to the start line and hand this paper to Number Two.

Numbers Two, Three and Four (who each have a token coin) will repeat the procedure. Number Four finishing over the line holding a newspaper, while the paper boy holds up the four coins.

Should a rider knock over the letterbox, he must replace it, dismounting if necessary, before continuing. At the newspaper stand either the rider or the paper boy may pick up any fallen article, but the rider may not start back until this has been done.

Event 12 Litter Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. At the far end, four identical pieces of litter (hollow cartons or plastic ware) will be placed on the ground in separate piles for each team. A litter bin for each team will be placed on a row at the centre of the arena. Number One will carry a cane about 4 feet long.

On the signal to start, Number One will gallop to the far end, pick up a piece of litter on his cane and return to dump it into the bin. He will then continue back to the start and hand the cane to Number Two.

Numbers Two, Three and Four will similarly each pick up a piece of litter and put it into the bin in succession, and the winning team will be the one whose Number Four first passed the finish, mounted and carrying his cane.

The riders must remain mounted and must not hold the litter by hand when picking it up, carrying it on the cane or dumping it, but if the litter is hollow and slides down the cane, it may be allowed to rest against the hand. Should a piece of litter be dropped, the rider must remain mounted while picking it up again on his cane.

Should a bin be knocked over the rider must immediately set it up again. He may dismount to do this and may replace the litter that was in it by hand, including his piece, even if his had not yet been dumped in the bin.

Event 13 Stepping Stone Dash

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. There will be a change-over line at the other end. Halfway between these lines

5 or 6 stepping stones (inverted 7 to 9 inch flower post, or tins of similar size) for each team, will be set about 2 feet apart in a straight line up and down the arena.

Numbers One and Three will be mounted at the start end of the arena, and Numbers Two and Four at the other end.

On the signal to start, Number One will gallop to the stepping stones, dismount and dash across, leading his pony, treading on each stepping stone and on the ground after the last. He will then remount before riding across the change-over line.

Numbers Two, Three and Four will similarly complete the course up, or down, the arena in succession.

The winning team will be the one whose Number Four is first over the finishing line, mounted.

Should a rider, or pony, knock over or break a stepping stone or should a rider touch the ground while dashing across, he must set up the fallen stone, or replace a broken one, and return to cross again (even if it is the last stone which fails or breaks).

Spare stones must be readily available on the ground between the rows, or held by a steward.

Event 14 The Sharpshooters' Race

A team race which may be run in heats if there are more than five teams.

The start and finish will be the same line at one end of the arena. At the other end will be a row of Aunt Sallys -two for each team. A centre line will also be marked halfway down the course.

Numbers One and Three will be mounted bareback on their ponies behind the start. Numbers Two and Four will stand to attention, facing down the arena, at the heads of the ponies of Numbers One and Three.

On the signal to start Numbers Two and Four will mount on to the ponies of Numbers One and Three and the two pairs will then gallop to the centre line. Numbers Two and Four will dismount before crossing the centre line and run to a line of buckets containing balls 10 feet in front of the line of Aunt Sallys. Numbers Two and Four, keeping behind the line of buckets, will shy the ball at the Aunt Sallys until they are knocked down, or broken. They will then run back to the ponies, remount before crossing the centre line and gallop to the finish.

Winning team will be the one which has both pairs of riders first over the finishing line mounted.

Numbers One and Three must remain mounted throughout.

Either rider may shy at any or all of the heads.

Should a pair be delayed at the start through difficulty in mounting, they must get at least as far as crossing the centre line correctly before returning to the finish, otherwise their team will be eliminated.

The Organisers of the International Juniors Mounted Games reserve the right to include in the Championship not more than three other Events.